

**To the Mayor and Members of the City Council****September 1, 2015**

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**SUBJECT: POLICE CHIEF SEARCH UPDATE**

The purpose of this report is to provide an update in the recruitment of a City of Fort Worth Police Chief.

Earlier this month I informed the Mayor and Council that the finalist process will take place on September 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. It is expected that the finalists will be announced on Wednesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>.

A very important part of this process is transparency and inclusiveness. To that end, one of the components of the process is the Community Forum that will be held the evening of the 10<sup>th</sup> where members of the public can meet and listen to the candidates answer questions. This event will be held at the Bob Bolen Public Safety Complex from 7 – 9 p.m.

Beginning September 2<sup>nd</sup>, City staff will begin soliciting questions from the public that will be used at the Community Forum. Residents are encouraged to go to the [www.yourfortworth.org](http://www.yourfortworth.org) to submit questions for the candidates. In addition, questions may be emailed to [catherine.huckaby@fortworthtexas.gov](mailto:catherine.huckaby@fortworthtexas.gov) or by calling Catherine Huckaby at 817-392- 8085. We will compile all of these questions and select as many as possible to use during our town hall meeting with the candidates. Residents can also attend the Community Forum to hear the responses.

A story about the input process and the Community Forum is included in the August 31 issue of City News. The information will also go out to neighborhood leaders, NextDoor and on social media. The information will also appear in Roundup to encourage staff to participate in the process.

As a reminder, the Mayor and City Council Members will be hosting a reception to meet the candidates from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. prior to the Community Forum at the Bob Bolen Public Safety Complex.

The Mayor and Council may continue to expect regular updates on the status of the recruitment process for the Police Chief.

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