### City of

# **HURST TEXAS**



#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

## PUBLIC INFORMATION RELEASE

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#### **Accreditation Assessment Team Invites Public Comment**

**HURST, TX** - On February 28, 2022, a team of assessors from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, INC. (CALEA®) will begin to examine all aspects of the Hurst Police Department's policy and procedures, management, operations, and support services.

Verification by the team that the Hurst Police Department meets the Commission's state-of-the-art standards is part of a voluntary process to gain accreditation - a highly prized recognition of public safety professional excellence. As part of the assessment, agency personnel and members of the community are invited to offer comments at a public information session on March 1, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. The session will be conducted at the Hurst City Hall Council Chambers located at 1505 Precinct Line Road, Hurst, Texas, 76054.

If for some reason an individual cannot speak at the public information session but would still like to provide comments to the assessment team, he/she may do so by telephone. The public may call (817) 788-7127 on March 1, 2022 between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Telephone comments as well as appearances at the public information session are limited to 10 minutes and must address the agency's ability to comply with CALEA Standards. The standards are available at the Hurst Police Department. The local contact is the Accreditation Manager Kenya Meza, at (817)788-7131.

Persons wishing to offer written comments about the Hurst Police Department's ability to meet the standards for accreditation are requested to write: Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement, Inc. (CALEA®), 13575 Heathcote Boulevard, Suite 320, Gainesville, Virginia, 20155.

The assessment team comprises law enforcement practitioners from out-of-state police agencies that are characteristically similar to the Hurst Police Department and includes; Team Leader Chief Rob Geis from City of Dublin, Ohio, Division of Police and Chief Shanon Gillette from Village of Downers Grove Police Department in Illinois.

Accreditation is for four years, during which the agency must submit annual reports, and participate in annual remote web-based assessments attesting continued compliance with those standards under which it was initially accredited.

For more information regarding the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement, Inc., please write the Commission at 13575 Heathcote Boulevard, Suite 320, Gainesville, Virginia, 20155; or call (703) 352-4225 or email calea@calea.org.