COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

Meeting Date:		Legal Review:	Work Plan #	Agenda Location:	Agenda Item:
August 17, 2010	1st Reading ___ 2nd Reading ___	N/A		Staff Reports	6C-2

Subject: PRESENTATION OF THE 2009 ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE THORNTON FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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Reviewed by: John Staley	**Presented by:** John Staley Executive Director–Fire Chief	**by:**_____

KEY CONSIDERATIONS:

- The mission of the Fire Department is to deliver a high quality product of life safety with customer service being the focus, for the citizens of Thornton and our community partners. Provide professional education and addressing life safety, emergency medical delivery, fire prevention, and fire protection for the citizens of Thornton.
- In 2009 Thornton Fire responded to 7,689 calls for service, of those calls 74% were rescue calls and 30% came from Station 1's district.
- The Communications Center switched over from Adcom 911 (Adams County Communication Center) on March 3, 2010. The new facility has 24 Communications Center Specialists, 4 Supervisors and 1 Manager.
- A regional rescue team was formed with neighboring public safety agencies. This team will assist in combined spaces, collapse, and swift water or deep water rescue emergencies when services are needed.
- The Fire Department was awarded a grant from the Department of Homeland Security. This grant will allow for various members of staff to be trained in new methods of education for elementary age children. These newly acquired skills will be implemented in 2010 to educate our children in English and Spanish about fire and life safety concerns.
- The annual report is for the 12-month period ending December 31, 2009.

BUDGET/STAFF IMPLICATIONS:

- None

RECOMMENDATION:

- For information only.

HISTORY: (includes previous City Council action)

- None