



## News Release

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### City of McKinney News Release FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Fire Sprinkler system prevents major damage to a McKinney apartment complex, days after another structure fire.

McKINNEY, Texas (Feb. 7, 2017) – McKinney Fire Department (MFD) responded to a multi-family structure fire Feb. 7, just days after another apartment complex fire. Tenants reported heavy smoke throughout Orion McKinney Apartments, 2508 Collin McKinney Pkwy., just after midnight. Responding units discovered the fire sprinkler system had activated and controlled and extinguished the fire in one of the apartments outside patios. A sprinkler head is credited for the minimal damage, and once again reinforced the value of fire sprinkler systems. No injuries reported from the fire.

“This successful save by the sprinkler system shows the probability that the fire will be contained within an area, making it easier for occupants to leave and making the structure safer for our firefighters to work in,” said Fire Marshal Mike Smith. “Plus saving numerous dollars in construction costs.”

Approximately 30 MFD personnel and investigators from the Fire Marshal’s Office responded to the fire.

For additional information on fire protection systems, code requirements or other fire prevention topics, visit [www.mckinneyfire.org](http://www.mckinneyfire.org) or call 972-547-2879.



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### About McKinney

McKinney, Texas, is unique by nature. As one of the fastest growing cities in America, McKinney has a current population of more than 168,000. The city was #1 on the list of Best Places to Live in America in 2014, published by *Money Magazine*. Established in 1848, the city is located 30 miles north of Dallas and is the county seat of Collin County. McKinney offers award-winning schools, a vibrant historic.

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