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SECTION I: ASSISTING COUNCIL WITH ITS POLICY-MAKING ROLE

		Needs Improvement	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations
A. Providing Information				
The City Manager provides information which is:				
	Detailed and reliable		X	
	Explained in a thorough manner and includes alternatives or recommendations		X	
	Timely		X	
	Helpful in preventing trivial administrative matters from being reviewed by the Council		X	
	Helpful and adequate to assist City Council in making sound decisions		X	
The City Manager:				
	Provides members of City Council with the opportunity to set long-term organizational goals and to establish the future direction of City policy			X
	Keeps City Council informed, in a timely manner, of the things Council wants to know			X
	Keeps City Council well informed with concise written and oral communications			X
	Provides City Council members with information on an equal basis			X
	Informs the City Council of administrative developments			X
	Follows up in a timely manner on City Council requests for information or action			X
B. Providing Advice				
The City Manager:				
	Has adequate knowledge of municipal affairs, including the City's laws and ordinances		X	
	Considers alternatives before making recommendations		X	
	Plans ahead, anticipates needs and recognizes potential problems		X	
	Has a good sense of timing in bringing issues to the Council for action	X		
Comments:				
Mr. Cabrales's communication is on point anytime I have had a question or an issue Mr. Cabrales has been available to speak to me and come to a solution/resolution.				



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SECTION II: INTERNAL ADMINISTRATION

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A. Implementation of Council Policies				
The City Manager is effective in the following areas:				
	Carrying out Council directives		X	
	Assigning work so that it is performed efficiently and effectively		X	
	Paying sufficient attention to detail to avoid error or things “slipping through the cracks”		X	
	Analyzing problems or issues and identify causes, reasons, and implications		X	
	Accurately interpreting the direction given by Council		X	
	Carrying out the directives of Council as a whole rather than those of any one Council member, but recognizes the concerns of the minority		X	
	Supporting the actions of the City Council after a decision is made		X	
	Assuming responsibility for staff performance		X	
	Providing members of City Council with periodic status reports on projects or tasks which may overlap months or years in implementation			X
	Insuring that the management staff maintains normal service delivery operations as well as the flexibility to manage emergency situations		X	

B. Financial Management				
Are you satisfied with the City Manager’s:				
	Approach to budget preparation and review		X	
	Use of standard financial management procedures to meet Council’s policy guidelines		X	
	Implementation of Council’s policy regarding the expenditure of budgeted funds		X	
	Cost control through economical use of labor, materials and equipment		X	
	Information on the financial status of City government		X	
	Use of available funds and his ability to operate the City efficiently and effectively		X	
	Knowledge of financial matters		X	
	Information pertaining to long or short-term financing for capital projects or equipment purchases		X	
	Information on opportunities for federal and state grant funding		X	



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C. Personnel Management				
The City Manager is:				
	Successful in guiding people as a team toward common objectives		X	
	Effective in selecting qualified and highly competent staff members		X	
	Effective in maintaining professional relationships with Department Directors	X		
	Effective in assuring that staff members make a positive impression on citizens		X	
The City Manager:				
	Insures that the City's personnel policies and practices are administered by City Department Directors and management staff in an equitable manner		X	
	Develops and motivates employees so that they are increasingly effective	X		
	Addresses disciplinary problems and takes action when warranted		X	
	Monitors performance of employees and initiates corrective action as needed		X	
Comments:				
<p>Some of the things that have occurred between Mr. Cabrales and some of the city staff are inappropriate for effective leadership. While being financially prudent is important it is important to support staff decisions as well as support staff desire to cut items from the budget in order to afford other items that are more important. While I understand the desire to save money on the bottom line I also understand cutting budgetary items that are no longer important and shifting that money in the same department to things that are important. Our staff works very hard in order to maintain the level of excellence that we expect as council. They need to be consistently treated as such.</p>				

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SECTION III: EXTERNAL RELATIONS

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A. Citizen Relations				
The City Manager:				
	Makes a positive impression on citizens and is he respected in the City of Lake Dallas		X	
	Has appropriate visibility or identity in the community		X	
	Assists the Council in resolving problems at the administrative level to avoid unnecessary Council action		X	
	Is willing to meet with members of the community and discuss issues of concern		X	
	Is skillful with the news media, avoiding political positions and partisanship		X	
	Provides information to the public in a timely fashion on matters which will cause public reaction		X	
	Represents Council positions and policies accurately and effectively		X	
	Thinks and acts in a manner reflecting an attitude that client (Council, staff or citizens) perceptions and satisfactions are important		X	
	Responds completely and in a timely manner to citizen complaints		X	

B. Intergovernmental Relations				
The City Manager is:				
	Effective representing the City's interests in dealing with other agencies		X	
	Participative in enough intergovernmental activity to have an impact on behalf of the City		X	
	Cooperative with the county, state and federal governments		X	
Comments:				
<p>John is well known throughout the state and has worked to promote the city of lake dallas in order to improve our standing.</p>				

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SECTION IV: PERSONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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A. Communications				
With regard to communications, the City Manager is:				
	Easy to talk to and a good listener		X	
	Thoughtful, clear and to the point		X	
	Sensitive to the concerns of others		X	
	Candid and forthright in discussing City business matters with members of City Council		X	

B. Management Style				
The City Manager				
	Demonstrates interest and enthusiasm in performing his duties		X	
	Commands respect and good performance from staff	X		
	Shows initiative and creativity in dealing with issues, problems and unusual situations		X	
	Is open to new ideas and suggestions for change		X	
	Works well under pressure		X	
	Consistently puts aside personal views and implements Council policy and direction		X	
	Displays the ability to resolve the numerous conflicts inherent in municipal government		X	
	Responds well to a changing world and local conditions; is adaptive		X	
	Is accessible to City Council members		X	
	Conforms to the high standards of the profession; follows the "ICMA Code of Ethics		X	
	Exhibits a commitment to continuing education in order to encourage his professional development		X	
	Is receptive to constructive criticism and advice		X	



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C. Job Effectiveness				
The City Manager:				
	Demonstrates interest and enthusiasm about the Council's Vision for the City		X	
	Gives his staff the tools necessary to provide efficient, responsive City services		X	
	Coordinates the implementation of City goals and objectives		X	
	Supports policies that will promote annexation and growth in the City of Lake Dallas		X	
	Creates a positive atmosphere for successful economic development in the City		X	
	Supports responsible infrastructure expansion and maintenance		X	
	Emphasizes the need for employee training and technological improvements		X	
Comments:				
<p>Mr. Cabrales ensures that staff has the proper tools to do their job and for the most part in an effective leader. I can see where Mr. Cabrales needs to be more inclusive with all departments and I can also see where the city's efficiency and standing have improved.</p>				



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SECTION V: NARRATIVE RESPONSES

ACHIEVEMENTS FROM THIS PAST YEAR:

• What were the Manager’s most notable accomplishments during the past year?
Mr. Cabrales has had a varied list of accomplishments this year. Most notable for me would be the fiscal responsibility that he has shown along with the completion of the strategic plan.

• Which of the Manager’s qualities were most instrumental in fulfilling the role of City Manager this past year? His positive attitude. I would like to see us become more proactive instead of reactive.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES FOR COMING YEAR:

• What does the Manager do that you would like him to continue?
Communication and strategic ways to accomplish goals while saving the city money.

• Is there anything that the Manager does that you would like him to do differently?
Treat all staff members with respect and dignity. Work with developers in a productive manner.

• In what areas should the Manager focus his attention in this coming year?
In this year we have outlined many projects and areas of concern, However I would like his to work towards cleaning up the city’s zoning so that we can create better business opportunities.

• Do you have any other general comments to share with the City Manager?
Keep up the stellar work and continue to strive to make the city a better place.

____Megan_ray_____11/19/2018_____

Rater’s Signature

Date