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Seven employees were honored for 20 or more years of service to the City of Burleson and five were honored as Employee of the Year for their departments at the City's annual awards luncheon Dec. 10.

The Public Works Employee of the Year award went to Brandi Rendon, utility customer service field supervisor in the City's utility customer service division. The Parks and Recreation Employee of the Year is Guadalupe Fajardo, athletic field maintenance with the parks maintenance division. Mary Longbotham was named the Hidden Creek Golf Course Employee of the Year. And two were honored for the Administration Employee of the Year. For internal services, the honoree is Kristina Johnson, senior accountant in the finance department. For external services, the honoree is Kim Peckler, animal control supervisor at the Burleson Animal Shelter. The Administration award includes employees from finance, informational technology, communications/public information, community development, municipal court, human resources, the city manager's office, city secretary, neighborhood services, economic development, engineering and the library.

Those earning 30-year service awards include Steve Bell in the street department and Carol Ward in utility customer service. Employees with 25 years of service include Carolyn Pennington with the library and Ike Vera with park maintenance. Honored for 20 years of service were Randy Crum and Bob Sherman with the police department and Tom Foster with the fire department.

Fifteen year service award honorees are Brent Batla/fire, David Butler/fire marshal, Terre Diduch/building inspections, William Hallack/water, RaShaunda Johnson/building inspections, Jody Trumble/police, Ginger Weeks/utility customer service, Pat Williams/senior activity center and Gary Wisdom/fire.

Ten year service award honorees include Steve Burchette/fire, Lisa Cauthern/police, Dennis Chittum/recreation, Justin Crites/fire, Mark Ellis/water, Rey Gonzales/public works, James Hartis/park maintenance, Carrie Jensen/informational technology, Scott Johns/fire, Frank Long/equipment services, Kristie Menchaca/fire, Michael Owen/police, Rodolfo Perez/parks, James Pribble/fire, Humberto Ramirez/streets, Robert Schoonover/fire, Jeff Scott/athletic fields, Billy Scott/park maintenance, and Don Wooten/fire.

Those who have served five years with the City include Mandi Allen/utility customer service, William Arthur/athletic fields, James Bartlett/police, Teri Bridwell/animal services, Travis Brown/police, Brandon Bruce/water, Kim Bunch/golf, Henry Eder/recreation, Michele Eder/finance, Bradley Ford/development services, Michael Golden/wastewater, Brian Hendricks/golf, Currie Kapp/public works, Austin Koppenhaver/water, Darren McClain/streets, Laura Moncrief/library, Matthew Morrison/library, Alex Philips/engineering, James Reed/informational technology, Aaron Russell/public works, Joni Van Noy/community development, Dalan Walker/parks and recreation, Lee Westcott/municipal court, and Constance White/municipal court.