

TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION
January 22, 2021, 9:00 a.m.
1701 N. Congress Ave., William B. Travis Building, Room 1-104, Austin, Texas

The meeting of the Texas Commission on Fire Protection will be held in-person at the physical location above. For all individuals entering the William B. Travis Building, masks are required in the facility, social distancing must be observed, and if you are not feeling well or were possibly exposed to COVID-19, please stay at home. Members of the public who are unable to attend in person may also participate in this meeting by two-way audio, by calling one of these toll-free numbers, 833-548-0276, 833-548-0282, 877-853-5247 or 888-788-0099 and using ID # 835 4564 5604 with Passcode 151078.

The Texas Commission on Fire Protection may discuss and/or take action on any of the following agenda items. The Commission may go into executive session on any agenda item listed below as authorized by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

- 1. Call to order with invocation and pledge of allegiance.**
- 2. Roll call and excuse of Commission member absences.**
- 3. Commission meeting minutes of October 29, 2020.**
- 4. The Budget and Strategic Plan Subcommittee may meet on January 22, 2021, during the commission meeting and provide a report relating to any recommendations developed by the subcommittee relating to modifications to the agency operating budget and strategic plan.**
- 5. Reports from fire service interest groups and agencies on matters relating to their specific organizational purposes, functions, activities, and objectives, including reports from the Texas Fire Chiefs Association, the Texas State Association of Fire Fighters, the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association of Texas, the Texas Fire Marshal's Association, the Texas Association of Fire Educators, the Texas A&M Forest Service, the National Fire Protection Association, Texas State Association of Fire and Emergency Districts, the Center for Public Safety Excellence, and the State Fire Marshal's Office.**
- 6. Report from commission representative to the Homeland Security Council.**
- 7. Report from the Health and Wellness Ad Hoc committee.**
- 8. Subjects for future commission meeting agendas.**
- 9. Future meeting dates.**
- 10. Appointment of a new commission representative to serve on the Texas A & M Firemen's Training School Advisory Board.**
- 11. Appointment of a new member to serve on the fire fighter advisory committee.**
- 12. Appointment of ad-hoc committee for the review of 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 435, Fire Fighter Safety.**
- 13. Appointment of ad-hoc committee for the review of 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 427, Training Facility Certification.**

14. Matters referred from the Fire Fighter Advisory Committee (FFAC), including, but not limited to:

A. Possible final adoption of the proposed amendments as follows:

- 1. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 421, Standards For Certification, §421.17, Requirement To Maintain Certification.**
- 2. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 429, Fire Inspector and Plan Examiner, Subchapter B, Minimum Standards For Plan Examiner, §429.201, Minimum Standards For Plan Examiner Personnel.**
- 3. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 435, Fire Fighter Safety, §435.1, Protective Clothing.**
- 4. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 445, Administrative Inspections and Penalties §445.7, Procedures, §445.9, Procedure for Violation, §445.11 Minor Violations, §445.13, Disciplinary Hearings, and §445.15, Judicial Enforcement.**

B. Report from the Curriculum and Testing Committee regarding recommended changes to the Fire Investigator Curriculum Manual, Reference List, and Outline.

15. Matters from the Executive Director.

A. Decisions of Executive Director in contested cases and consent orders.

B. Status regarding division functions:

- a. Training Approval & Testing – test administered, training approvals, record reviews and online training audits**
- b. Certification & Professional Development – training applications, IFSAC seals issued, certifications issued, training facilities, curriculum development, library resource requests**
- c. Compliance – biennial inspections, compliance officers training, issues involving regulated entities**
- d. Information Technology – public website design, FARM and FIDO improvements, CAPPS (Central Accounting Payroll/Personnel System), IT security policy, service requests**

16. Personnel matters regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, evaluation, reassignment, and duties of the Executive Director.

17. Public comment.

18. Adjourn meeting.

Any invocation that may be offered before the official start of the commission meeting shall be voluntary offering of a chaplain, to and for the benefit of the commission. The views or beliefs expressed by the invocation speaker have not been previously reviewed or approved by the commission and do not necessarily represent the religious beliefs or views of the Council in part or as a whole. No member of the community is required to attend or participate in the invocation and such decision will have no impact on their right to participate actively in the business of the commission. Copies of the policy governing invocations and setting forth the procedure to have a volunteer deliver an invocation are available upon written request submitted to the commission Clerk.