

TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION

April 28, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.

William B. Travis Bldg., 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Room 1-104, Austin, Texas

1. Roll call---10:00 a.m.
2. Adoption of the January 26, 2011 and March 14, 2011 Commission meeting minutes.
3. The Budget and Strategic Plan subcommittees will meet on April 28, 2011, during the commission meeting and may develop recommendations to be presented to the full commission including but not limited to, modifications to the agency operating budget and strategic plan. The subcommittees may meet separately or together.
4. Report from the Budget and Strategic Plan subcommittees with discussion and possible action relating to any recommendations developed by these subcommittees.
5. Reports from fire service interest groups and agencies on matters relating to organizational purposes, functions, and objectives, including, but not limited to, the Texas Fire Chiefs Association, the Texas State Association of Fire Fighters, the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association of Texas, the Texas Association of Fire Educators, the Texas Forest Service, the National Fire Protection Association, and the State Fire Marshal's Office.
6. Discussion and possible action concerning reports by the Commission representative to the Texas Fire School Advisory Board and by representatives of the Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) regarding fire protection training provided by TEEX through its Emergency Services Training Institute (ESTI).
7. New matters from the commission, staff, or public regarding rulemaking which may be discussed in future Commission meetings.
8. Discussion and possible action on future meeting dates.
9. Matters referred from the Fire Fighter Advisory Committee (FFAC), including, but not limited to:
 - A. Discussion and possible final adoption on proposed amendments, new sections, repeals, and rule reviews as follows:
 1. Proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 401, Practice and Procedure, including, but not limited to §401.1(b) (3), Purpose and Scope.
 2. Proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 423, Fire Suppression, including, but not limited to §423.3(a) (2) (B) Minimum Standards for Basic Structure Fire Protection Personnel Certification; §423.201(b) Minimum Standards for Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting Personnel.
 3. Proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 437, Fees, including but not limited to §437.3 (a) Certification Fees, §437.5 (a) (f) (j) (k) (n) Renewal Fees, and §437.13 (a) Processing Fees for Test Application.
 - B. Discussion and possible action on proposed amendments, new sections, repeals, and rule reviews as follows:
 1. Proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 427, Training Facility Certification, including, but not limited to §427.1(h) Minimum Standards for Certification Training Facilities for Fire Protection Personnel; and §427.201 (e), Minimum Standard for Distance Training Provider.

2. Proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 429, Minimum Standards for Fire Inspectors, including, but not limited to expiration and repeal of Subchapter A, §429.1, §429.3, §429.5, §429.7, §429.9, and §429.11, Subchapter B, Minimum Standards for Intermediate Fire Inspector Certification, §429.201 Minimum Standards for Fire Inspection Personnel, §429.203 Minimum Standards for Basic Fire Inspector Certification, §429.205 Minimum Standard for Intermediate Fire Inspector Certification, §429.207 (3) Minimum Standards for Advanced Fire Inspector Certification, §429.209 Minimum Standard for Master Fire Inspector Certification, and §429.211 (c) (d) International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) Seal.
 3. Proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 435, Fire Fighter Safety, including, but not limited to §435.1(d) (e) Protective Clothing; and §435.27, Live Fire Training Evolutions.
 4. Proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 437, Fees, including, but not limited to §437.7 (a) (b) Standards Manual and Certification Curriculum Manual Fees.
- C. Discussion and possible action on recommendations from the Curriculum and Testing Committee with regard to the Fire Investigator Curriculum, HazMat Awareness and HazMat Operations reference lists.
10. Discussion and possible action on acceptance of gifts to the commission with a value in excess of \$500.00
 11. Discussion and possible action on fire fighter injury data collected for 2010 for inclusion in the annual report to be sent to the State Fire Marshal's Office.
 12. Update from standards division director on matters relating to the activities of the following committees: International Fire Service Accreditation Congress, Respiratory Protection and Personal Alarm Equipment Committee, Fire Service Occupational Safety Committee, NFPA 1971 Technical Committee, and NFPA Technical Correlating Committee on Fire and Emergency Services Protective Clothing and Equipment.
 13. Discussion and possible action on matters from the Executive Director.
 - A. Report on decisions of the Executive Director in contested cases and consent orders.
 - B. Status of division functions.
 14. Executive session pursuant to Government Code, Section 551.074, for the discussion of personnel matters: the appointment, employment, compensation, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the Executive Director, and the appointment, employment, reassignment, or duties of personnel acting on an interim basis in this position.
 15. Open session for further discussion and possible action regarding preceding agenda item.
 16. Adjourn meeting.

The Texas Commission on Fire Protection may go into executive session on any agenda item if authorized by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.