TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION January 25, 2018, 9:00 a.m. 1701 N. Congress Ave., William B. Travis Building, Room 1-104, Austin, Texas

- 1. Call to order with Invocation, presentation of colors, and Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Roll call 9:00 a.m. (including consideration of whether to excuse absences).
- 3. Discussion and possible action regarding the election of the positions of Secretary and Vice-Chairman of the commission.
- 4. Adoption of the commission meeting minutes of October 26, 2017.
- 5. The Budget and Strategic Plan subcommittees may meet separately or together on January 25, 2018 during the commission meeting and provide reports for discussion and possible action relating to any recommendations developed by the subcommittees, including but not limited to, modifications to the agency operating budget and strategic plan.
- 6. Discussion and possible action regarding the appointment of new commission members to the Budget and Strategic Plan subcommittees.
- 7. 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 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.
- 8. 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).
- 9. Discussion and possible action regarding report from commission representative to the Homeland Security Council.
- 10. New matters from the commission, staff, or public which may be discussed in future commission meetings.
- 11. Discussion and possible action on future meeting dates.
- 12. Discussion and possible action on the appointment of an ad-hoc committee to review applications for filling the vacancy on the fire fighter advisory committee.

- 13. Matters referred from the Fire Fighter Advisory Committee (FFAC), including, but not limited to:
 - A. Discussion and possible final adoption of proposed amendments, new sections, and repeals as follows:
 - 1. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to title 37 TAC, Chapter 451, Fire Officer.
 - 2. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to new 37 TAC, Chapter 459, Minimum Standards for Fire and Life Safety Educator Certification.
 - 3. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 429, Minimum Standards for Fire Inspector Certification.
 - B. Report from the Curriculum and Testing Committee with discussion and possible action on recommendations regarding possible changes to the Certification Curriculum Manual as follows:
 - a. Revised Fire Investigator Curriculum, reference list, outline and phase outline
 - b. Revised reference lists for Fire Officer III and Fire Officer IV
 - c. New certification: Fire and Life Safety Educator I, overview, course instructor information, reference list and outline
 - d. Revised reference lists for Hazardous Materials Awareness, Hazardous Materials Operations, Hazardous Materials Operations – Mission-Specific Competencies, Hazardous Materials Incident Commander, and Basic Fire Inspector
- 14. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 427, Training Facility Certification.
- 15. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 433, Driver Operator.
- 16. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 453, Hazardous Materials.
- 17. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 457, Minimum Standards for Incident Safety Officer Certification.
- 18. Discussion and possible action regarding 37 TAC, Chapter 437, Fees including but not limited to testing, certification and renewal fees charged by the commission.
- 19. Discussion and possible action on the petition for rulemaking filed by the Texas State Association of Fire Fighters requesting changes to Rule 435.1 (37 Tex. Admin. Code §435.1). Possible actions the Commission may take include but are not limited to denying the petition for rulemaking or initiating a rulemaking proceeding concerning Rule 435.1.

- 20. Discussion and possible action on matters from the Executive Director.
 - A. Decisions of the Executive Director in contested cases and consent orders.
 - B. Status of division functions.
- 21. Executive session pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.074(1), for the discussion of personnel matters regarding 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.
- 22. Open session for further discussion and possible action regarding preceding agenda item.
- 23. 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.

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.