TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION

July 12, 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. Adoption of the commission meeting minutes of April 25, 2018 and April 26, 2018.
- 4. The Budget and Strategic Plan subcommittee may meet on July 12, 2018 during the commission meeting and provide a report for discussion and possible action relating to any recommendations developed by the subcommittee, including but not limited to, modifications to the agency operating budget and strategic plan.
- 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 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. 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. Discussion and possible action regarding report from commission representative to the Homeland Security Council.
- 8. New matters from the commission, staff, or public which may be discussed in future commission meetings.
- 9. Discussion and possible action on future meeting dates.
- 10. 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 37 TAC, Chapter 433, Driver/Operator.
 - 2. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 435, Fire Fighter Safety.
 - 3. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 439, Examinations for Certifications.
 - 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. Overview, course instructor information sheet, curriculum outline and reference list for new Fire and Life Safety Educator II.

- b. Updates to overview, course instructor information sheet, curriculum outline and reference list for Fire and Life Safety Educator I.
- 11. Discussion and possible action on the 2017 data collected regarding fire fighter injuries, and the development of recommendations to be submitted to the State Fire Marshal's Office for inclusion in its annual report.
- 12. Discussion and possible action on request from Chief Danny Kistner regarding the appointment of an ad hoc committee on Health and Wellness.
- 13. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 421, Standards for Certification.
- 14. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 429, Minimum Standards for Fire Inspector Certification.
- 15. Discussion and possible action on the petition for rulemaking filed by the International Code Council requesting changes to 37 TAC, Chapter 429, Minimum Standards for Fire Inspector Certification. Possible actions the Commission may take include but are not limited to denying the petition for rulemaking or initiating a rulemaking proceeding concerning 37 TAC, Chapter 429.
- 16. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 449, Head of a Fire Department.
- 17. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 455, Minimum Standards for Wildland Fire Protection Certification.
- 18. 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.
- 19. 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.
- 20. Open session for further discussion and possible action regarding preceding agenda item.

21. 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.