

TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION
July 18, 2019, 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, 2019.**
- 4. The Budget and Strategic Plan subcommittee may meet on July 18, 2019 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. Discussion and possible action regarding report from the Health and Wellness Ad Hoc committee.**
- 9. New matters from the commission, staff, or public which may be discussed in future commission meetings.**
- 10. Discussion and possible action on future meeting dates.**
- 11. 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 429, Fire Inspector and Plan Examiner, Subchapter B, Minimum Standards For Plan Examiner.**
 - 2. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 439, Examinations for Certification.**
 - 3. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 459, Fire and Life Safety Educator.**

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. Updated Reference List for the Hazardous Materials Awareness Curriculum.
- b. Updated Reference List for the Hazardous Materials Incident Commander Curriculum.
- c. Updated Reference List for the Hazardous Materials Operations – Mission Specific Competencies Curriculum.

12. Report from Curriculum and Testing Committee regarding the review and evaluation of the International Code Council Inspector Certification Program.
13. Discussion and possible action on request from Dan Bodin, P, M, & R Specialists of Texas, LLC regarding NFPA 1582 Medical Exams.
14. Discussion and possible action on request from Chief Danny Kistner, McKinney Fire Department regarding Life Safety Initiative Number Nine.
15. Discussion and possible action on report from Chief Roy Rubio, Harlingen Fire Department regarding protective clothing issues experienced by the fire department.
16. Discussion and possible action on acceptance of gifts to the commission from the family of former State Fire Marshal, Ernest A. Emerson.
17. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 403, Criminal Convictions and Eligibility For Certification.
18. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 421, Standards For Certification.
19. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 427, Training Facility Certification.
20. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 433, Driver Operator.
21. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 437, Fees.
22. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 445, Administrative Inspections and Penalties.
23. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 453, Hazardous Materials.
24. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 457, Minimum Standards for Incident Safety Officer Certification.
25. Discussion and possible action regarding the addition of classes or courses to the A List and B List for higher levels of certification.
26. Discussion of the 2018 data collected on fire fighter injuries, and possible action on developing recommendations to be submitted to the commission for approval and submission to the State Fire Marshal's Office.

- 27. Discussion and possible action on matters from the Executive Director.**
- A. Decisions of the 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**
- 28. 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.**
- 29. Open session for further discussion and possible action regarding preceding agenda item.**
- 30. 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.