

TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION
October 28, 2021, 10:00 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. If you are not feeling well or were possibly exposed to COVID-19, please stay at home.

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 Commissioner absences.
3. Recognition of retiring agency employee Paul Maldonado.
4. Commission meeting minutes of July 14, 2021, and July 15, 2021.
5. The Budget and Strategic Plan Subcommittee may meet on October 28, 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.
6. 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 Firefighters 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.
7. Subjects for future commission meeting agendas.
8. Future meeting dates.
9. Report from commission representative to the Homeland Security Council.
10. Report from the Health and Wellness ad-hoc committee.
11. Report from the Curriculum and Testing Committee.
12. Update from the Chapter 435 and Chapter 427 ad-hoc committees.
13. Possible final adoption of proposed amendments as follows:
 1. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 421, Standards For Certification.
 2. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 441, Continuing Education.
14. Request from Chief Brandon Seery, Heath Department of Public Safety regarding possible implementation of a field training firefighter certification.
15. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 437, Fees regarding IFSAC seals.

16. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 455, Minimum Standards for Wildland Fire Protection Certification.

17. Proposed rule review for the following:

1. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 403, Criminal Convictions and Eligibility For Certification
2. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 423, Fire Suppression
3. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 425, Fire Service Instructors
4. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 439, Examinations For Certification

18. Report from ad-hoc committee regarding advisory committees including but not limited to committee make up, term limits, and meeting requirements.

19. Fee amount for Certificates.

20. Matters from the Agency Chief.

- A. Decisions of Agency Chief in contested cases and consent orders.
- B. Report on Form J5-Separation of License
- C. Status regarding division functions:
 - a. Update on agency organizational changes
 - b. Training Approval & Testing – test administered, training approvals, record reviews and online training audits
 - c. Certification & Professional Development – training applications, IFSAC seals issued, certifications issued, training facilities, curriculum development, library resource requests
 - d. Compliance – biennial inspections, compliance officers training, issues involving regulated entities
 - e. Information Technology – public website design, FARM and FIDO improvements, CAPPS (Central Accounting Payroll/Personnel System), IT security policy, service requests

21. Personnel matters regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, evaluation, reassignment, and duties of the Agency Chief.

22. 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.