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TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION October 27, 2022, 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. Approval of Commission meeting minutes of July 14, 2022.
- 4. The Budget and Strategic Plan Subcommittee may meet on October 27, 2022, 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.
- 5. 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, the State Fire Marshal's Office, and the National Fallen Fire Fighters Foundation.
- 6. Report from commission representative to the Texas Fire School Advisory Board or by representatives of the Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) regarding fire protection training provided by TEEX through its Emergency Services Training Institute (ESTI).
- 7. Report from commission representative to the Homeland Security Council.
- 8. Report from the Health and Wellness ad-hoc Committee.
- 9. Subjects for future commission meeting agendas.
- 10. Future meeting dates.
- 11. Matters referred from the Fire Fighter Advisory Committee (FFAC), including, but not limited to:
 - A. Possible final adoption of the proposed amendments as follows:

- 1. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 401, Administrative Practice and Procedure.
- 2. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 403, Criminal Convictions and Eligibility for Certification.
- 3. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 421, Standard for Certifications.
- 4. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 423, Fire Suppression.
- 5. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 425, Fire Service Instructors.
- 6. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 427, Training Facility Certification.
- 7. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 431, Fire Investigation.
- 8. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 433, Driver/Operator.
- 9. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 435, Fire Fighter Safety.
- 10. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 437, Fees.
- 11. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 439, Examination for Certification.
- 12. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 463, Advisory Committees.
- B. Proposed amendments regarding rule review of the following:
 - 1. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 441, Continuing Education.
 - 2. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 443, Certification Curriculum Manual.
 - 3. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 447, Part-Time Fire Protection.
 - 4. 37 Tex. Administrative Code, Part 13, Chapter 455, Minimum Standards for Wildland Fire Protection Certification.
- 12. Proposed rule review for the following:
 - A. 37 TAC, Chapter 449, Head of Fire Department.
 - B. 37 TAC, Chapter 451, Fire Officer.
 - C. 37 TAC, Chapter 453, Hazardous Materials.
 - D. 37 TAC, Chapter 457, Minimum Standards for Incident Safety Officer Certification.
- 13. Matters from the Agency Chief.

- A. Update regarding agency duties and responsibilities.
- B. Decisions of Agency Chief in contested cases and consent orders.
- C. Status regarding division functions:
 - 1. Training Approval & Testing test administered, training approvals, record reviews and online training audits
 - 2. Certification & Professional Development training applications, IFSAC seals issued, certifications issued, training facilities, curriculum development, library resource requests
 - 3. Compliance biennial inspections, compliance officers training, issues involving regulated entities
 - 4. Information Technology public website design, FARM and FIDO improvements, CAPPS (Central Accounting Payroll/Personnel System), IT security policy, service requests
- 14. Personnel matters regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, evaluation, reassignment, and duties of the Agency Chief.

15. 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.