TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION January 26, 2023, 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 Commissioner absences.
- 3. Commission meeting minutes of October 27, 2022.
- 4. The Budget and Strategic Plan Subcommittee may meet on January 26, 2023, 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 Curriculum and Testing Committee, including, but not limited to:
 - A. 37 Texas Administrative Code (TAC), Chapter 461, Incident Commander.

- B. Proposed new 37 TAC, Chapter 467, Fire Marshal.
- 12. Matters referred from the Fire Fighter Advisory Committee, including, but not limited to:
 - A. Proposed amendment to 37 TAC, Chapter 427, Training Facility Certification.
 - **B. Rule review of the following:**
 - 1.37 TAC, Chapter 449, Head of Department.
 - 2.37 TAC, Chapter 451, Fire Officer.
 - 3. 37 TAC, Chapter 453, Hazardous Materials.

4. 37 TAC, Chapter 457, Minimum Standards for Incident Safety Officer Certification.

- 13. Proposed new 37 TAC, Chapter 463, Advisory Committees.
- 14. Update from 37 TAC, Chapter 403, Criminal Convictions and Eligibility for Certification ad hoc committee.
- **15.** Proposed rule review of the following:
 - A. 37 TAC, Chapter 459, Fire and Life Safety Educator.
 - B. 37 TAC, Chapter 461, Incident Commander.
 - C. 37 TAC, Chapter 491, Voluntary Regulation of State Agencies and State Agency Employees.
 - D. 37 TAC, Chapter 493, Voluntary Regulation of Federal Agencies and Federal Fire Fighters.
 - E. 37 TAC, Chapter 495, Regulation of Nongovernmental Departments.
- 16. 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
- 17. Personnel matters regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the Agency Chief.
- **18.** 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.