TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION

Presiding Officer, Robert Moore, at 9:00 a.m. called the January 5, 2017 meeting of the Texas Commission on Fire Protection to order at 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Room 1-104, Austin, Texas.

Att	ending	John Gil	Anderson lette do Perez	Elroy Carson Joseph Gonzalez Steve Tull	Carlos Cortez Mike Jones Tivy Whitlock	Kelly Doster John McMakin	Pat Ekiss Robert Moore *absent entire meeting **absent part of meeting	
Staff		Tim Rutland Sylvia Miller		Deborah Cowan Lisa Gonzalez	Paul Maldonado Andrew Lutostansk		Mark Roughton ney General	
Gu	ests		d Chan Safer	Christopher Bassham Jose Reyes, Jr. Genaro "Albert" Perez Laurie Christensen Gregg Lloyd	Jerry Lee Rust Brian R. Brank Betty Wilkes Rebecca Mier Jason Collier	Randal Rhodes Tommy Ureste Jim Linardos Michael Oder Paul Sims	Roberto Rojas, Jr. Brent Parker Chris Connealy Glenn DeShields Mike Montgomery	
1.	Roll call	Roll call Commission Secretary, John Gillette called roll and a quorum was present.						
2.	Adoption of Minutes							
3.	3. Budget and Strategic Plan Subcommittee Meeting/Reports		No action necessary.					
4.	 Reports from Interest Groups 		A brief report was given by the Texas Fire Chief's Association, Texas State Association of Fire Fighters, Texas Fire Marshals Association, Texas A&M Forest Service, National Fire Protection Association and The State Fire Marshal's Office.					
5.	5. Report from Fire School Advisory Board & TEEX		Commission Representative Juan Gloria was unable to attend the meeting and will give a brief report on activities of the committee at the April commission meeting.					
6.	. Report from Homeland Security		Commission Representative, Joseph Gonzalez informed the commission that no meeting had taken place since the October commission meeting. The next scheduled meeting is January 17, 2017 and he would have a report at that time.					
7.	7. New Fire Inspector Certification		Commissioner Pat Ekiss the adhoc committee Chair, gave a report on findings of the committee. After discussion, a motion was made by Kelly Doster and seconded by Elroy Carson to accept the adhoc committee recommendation to have staff develop an Inspector I Certification. The motion carried (8 for, 5 against)					

8.	New matters	Nothing noted for next commission meeting.		
9.	Future meeting dates	The commission set the following commission meeting dates for 2017: April 27th, July 12th (workshop), July 13th and October 26th		
10.	Matters from Fire Fighter Advisory Committee	 A. 1. A motion to approve for final adoption the proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 403, §403.5 as discussed was made by John Gillette and seconded by Tommy Anderson. The motion carried. 2. A motion to approve for final adoption the proposed new section to 37 TAC, Chapter 437 §437.19 as discussed was made by Leonardo Perez and seconded by Tommy Anderson. The motion carried. 		
		 A motion to approve for final adoption the proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 457, §457.3 and §457.5 as discussed was made by Joseph Gonzalez and seconded by Pat Ekiss. The motion carried. 		
11.	Matters from Executive Director	 a. Tim Rutland, Executive Director reported no informal conferences had occurred since the last commission meeting. b. Mr. Rutland provided commissioners information on agency functions since last commission meeting. 		
12.	Executive Session	Presiding Officer, Robert Moore did not call for the Executive Session.		
13.	Open Session	No action necessary.		
14.	Adjournment	A motion to adjourn was made by Elroy Carson and seconded by Kelly Doster. The motion carried.		

Robert Moore, Presiding Officer