

## TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION

Presiding Officer, Robert Moore, at 9:00 a.m. called the January 22, 2021 meeting of the Texas Commission on Fire Protection to order at 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Room 1-104, Austin, Texas.

Attending	Tommy Anderson*	Carlos Cortez	Sue De Villez	Kelly Doster	Paul Hamilton
	Mike Jones	Robert Moore	Bob Morgan	Mala Sharma	J. P. Steelman
	Steve Tull	Kelly Vandygriff	Rusty Wilson		

\*absent entire meeting

\*\*absent part of meeting

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Staff	Mike Wisko	Deborah Cowan	Grace Wilson
	Tara Youngblood	Paul Maldonado	Rosalind Hunt, Assistant Attorney General

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Guests	Jason Collier	Wesley Caskey	Tim Rutland	Norman Williamson
	John Paul Erskins	Leonard Chan	Elaine Maddox	Reggie Alexander
	George Malone	Daniel DeYear	Brandon Seery	Gene Senter
	Victor Conley	Kevin Waines	Kyle Mills	Kenny Wilson
	Keith J. Ebel	Tim Dedear	Gabriel Vargas	Bryan Parker
	Mick Moffitt	Eric Maloney	Dominique Artis	

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1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance  
The invocation was given by Chaplain Evelyn Maddox and the Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Assistant Presiding Officer, J. P. Steelman.
  2. Roll call  
Secretary, Steve Tull called the roll, and a quorum was present.
  3. Adoption of Minutes  
A motion to approve the minutes of the October 29, 2020 commission meeting was made by Kelly Doster and seconded by J. P. Steelman. The motion carried.
  4. Report from the Budget and Strategic Plan Subcommittee  
No action necessary.
  5. Reports from Interest Groups  
A brief report was given by the Center for Public Safety Excellence and the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Office
  6. Report from Homeland Security Council Representative  
Agency representative Kelly Vandygriff stated no meetings have been conducted due to COVID-19 pandemic.
  7. Report from Health and Wellness Ad Hoc Committee  
Commissioner Sharma, committee Chair gave a brief update on the committee meetings to date.
  8. Subjects for meeting agendas  
Chapter 437, Fees, continue work on Sunset Report recommendations
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9. Future meeting Dates The commission previously set all meetings in 2021 with the next scheduled for April 29<sup>th</sup>.
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10. Appointment of Texas Fire School Advisory Board Representative A motion was made by Steve Tull and seconded by Bob Morgan to appoint David Brannon as the new Texas Commission on Fire Protection's representative to the Texas Firemen's Training School Advisory Board. The motion carried.
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11. Appointment of Member to the Fire Fighter Advisory Committee A motion was made by J. P. Steelman and seconded by Mike Jones to appoint Antonio Ramos as the recommended candidate to fill the vacancy on the Fire Fighter Advisory Committee; and to include other candidates interviewed to remain on a list for one year from this date. The motion carried.
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12. Appointment of Ad-Hoc Committee to review 37 TAC, Chapter 435, Fire Fighter Safety A motion was made by Steve Tull and seconded by Russell Sanders to allow for Commissioner Mike Jones, Chair of the ad-hoc committee to contact stakeholder representatives and appoint 10 people off the list of candidates in accordance with the information posted on agency website. The motion carried.
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13. Appointment of Ad-Hoc Committee to review 37 TAC, Chapter 427, Training Facility Certification A motion was made by Steve Tull and seconded by Paul Hamilton, to allow Commissioner, Paul Hamilton, Chairman of the ad-hoc committee to choose the appropriate number of candidates from the list provided and also to place Pat McAuliff, Chairman of the Curriculum and Testing Committee to serve as liaison to this committee. The motion carried.
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14. Matters from Fire Fighter Advisory Committee
- A.
1. A motion was made by Steve Tull and seconded by Mike Jones to approve for final adoption amendments to 37, TAC, Chapter 421, §421.17 as discussed. The motion carried.
  2. A motion was made by Mike Jones and seconded by J.P. Steelman to approve for final adoption 37, TAC, Chapter 429, §429.201 as discussed. The motion carried.
  3. A motion was made by Kelly Doster and seconded by Paul Hamilton to approve for final adoption amendments to 37, TAC, Chapter 435, §435.1 as discussed. The motion carried.
  4. A motion was made by Steve Tull and seconded by J.P. Steelman to approve for final adoption amendments to 37, TAC, Chapter 445, §§445.7 445.9, 445.11, 445.13 and 445.15 as discussed. The motion carried.
- B. A motion was made by Mike Jones and seconded by Kelly Vandygriff to approve the recommended changes to the Fire Investigator Curriculum Manual, Reference List and Outline as discussed. The motion carried.
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15. Matters from Executive Director
- a. Mike Wisko, Executive Director informed the commissioners the agency had no contested cases or consent orders to report.

b. Mr. Wisko provided commissioners information regarding agency division functions.

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16. Executive Session                      Presiding Officer, Robert Moore did not call for an Executive Session.
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17. Public Comment                      Various commissioners thanked Commissioners Kelly Doster, Carlos Cortez, Steve Tull, Tommy Anderson and Robert Moore whose terms expire on February 1, 2021 for their service on the commission and to the State of Texas. Others in attendance also thanked each of the Commissioners who have served.
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18. Adjournment                      A motion to adjourn was made by Kelly Doster and seconded by Kelly Vandygriff . The motion carried.

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Robert Moore, Presiding Officer