



**CITY OF AUSTIN FIRE FIGHTERS' AND POLICE OFFICERS CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
(MONDAY, January 3, 2011)**

The City of Austin Firefighters' & Police Officers Civil Service Commission convened in a regular meeting on Monday, January 3, 2011 at 301 West 2nd Street Boards and Commissions Room 1101 in Austin, Texas.

Commission Member Stephen Edmonds called the Board Meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Dr. Janis Guerrero -Thompson
Stephen Edmonds

Staff in Attendance:

Karen Sharp, Assistant Director, Human Resource Department
Lee Crawford, City of Austin, Law Department Division Chief – Employment
Michael Cronig, City of Austin, Attorney for the Austin Fire and Police Departments
Terri Kerr, Civil Service Administrator
Barry Cook, Civil Service Coordinator
Rhoda Mae Kerr, Fire Chief
Harry Evans, Assistant Fire Chief - Chief of Staff
Brian Tanzola, Fire Division Chief - Office of Professional Standards

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. The minutes from the meeting of December 6, 2010 were approved on Commission Member Stephen Edmonds' motion and Commission Member Dr. Janis Guerrero – Thompson's second. The vote passed 2-0-0.

1. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Consider a waiver of the requirements of Austin City Council Resolution 20070621-099 and Civil Service Commission Rule 10.10 providing for television broadcast of the disciplinary appeal hearing of Austin Fire Fighter Alejandro Garza.

The Commission waived Rule 10.10 on Commission Member Stephen Edmonds' motion and Commission Member Dr. Janis Guerrero –Thompson's second. The vote passed 2-0-0. A Commission Order was signed by members present.

- b. Elect Commission Chair and Vice-chair.**
 - i. Commission Chair – Stephen Edmonds motion to nominate Dr. Janis Guerrero –Thompson Civil Service Commission Chairman; Dr. Thompson seconded the motion. The vote passed 2-0-0.
 - ii. Commission Vice-chair - Dr. Janis Guerrero –Thompson motion to nominate Stephen Edmond Vice-chair Civil Service. A substitute motion was presented by Commission member Edmonds to nominate Gary Cobb Vice-chair. The motion was seconded by Dr. Thompson. The vote passed 2-0-0.

3. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None

4. STAFF BRIEFINGS

Barry Cook, City of Austin Civil Service Coordinator provided an update of pending disciplinary hearings along with promotional and entrance exam status.

Karen Sharp added a special announcement of the scheduled retirement of Civil Service Administrator. Ms. Sharp has posted the position. She believes that she will have the posting filled or nearly filled by the time Terri leaves. All thanked Terri for her contributions and dedicated service.

5. ADJOURN

Commission Member Dr. Janis Guerrero –Thompson adjourned the meeting at 9:22 am without objection.