



**MINUTES for
Firefighters', Police Officers' and Emergency Medical Personnel's Civil Service Commission
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
Monday, May 17, 2021**

The Firefighters', Police Officers', and Emergency Medical Services Personnel's Civil Service Commission convened in a Regular Meeting on Monday, May 17, 2021 via teleconference from 5202 East Ben White Boulevard, Building 500, Room 249, Austin TX 78741.

Board Members in Attendance:

Commission Chair Jolsna Thomas
Commission Member Farah Ahmed
Commission Vice Chair Eyna Canales-Zarate

Staff in Attendance:

Matthew Chustz, Acting Civil Service
Administrator
Michael Sullivan, Civil Service Coordinator

Mecia Griffin, Civil Service Coordinator
Ann Skowronski, Assistant City Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Civil Service Commission Chair Thomas called the Commission Meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. via video teleconference.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

No members of the public signed up to speak on this item.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approve the minutes from the Firefighters', Police Officers', and Emergency Medical Services Personnel's Civil Service Commission Regular Meeting of February 10, 2021.

The minutes from the Special Called Meeting of February 10, 2021, were approved on Commission Member Ahmed's motion, Vice Chair Canales-Zarates' second, on a 3-0 vote.

2. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Hear and rule on appeal(s) from the 2021 Fire Lieutenant written promotional examination administered on April 30, 2021, pursuant to the Texas Local Government Code Chapter 143.034, Article 16 of the Agreement between the City of Austin and the Austin Firefighters Association Local 975, and Rule 7 of the City of Austin Fire Fighters', Police Officers' and Emergency Medical Services Personnel's Civil Service Commission Rules and Regulations.

Commission Chair Thomas moved to grant the appeal on exam question 80, and let all candidates receive credit for the question. Commission Member Ahmed seconded the motion. The motion to grant the appeal of question 80 was approved 3-0.

- b. Discussion and possible action on EMS Chief Ernesto Rodriguez's request to have Medic Ismael Estrada's name stricken from the 2020 Promotional Eligibility List for the rank of Clinical Specialist-Field, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 143.036 (g).
- c. Discussion and possible action on EMS Chief Ernesto Rodriguez's request to have Medic Allen Clark's name stricken from the 2020 Promotional Eligibility List for the rank of Clinical Specialist-Field, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 143.036 (g).
- d. Discussion and possible action on EMS Chief Ernesto Rodriguez's request to have Medic Marcos Lara's name stricken from the 2020 Promotional Eligibility List for the rank of Clinical Specialist-Field, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 143.036 (g).

Items 2b, 2c, and 2d. were taken up together. The motion to approve Chief Rodriguez' request to strike Medics Ismael Estrada, Allan Clark, and Marco Lara's names from the 2020 Promotional Eligibility List for the rank of Clinical Specialist-Field, per Chapter 143.036(g) LGC, was approved on Commissioner Ahmed's motion, Chair Thomas' second, on a 2-0 vote.

3. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. Report from the Civil Service Office regarding exam processes, disciplinary hearings and fit for duty actions.

Matthew Chustz, Acting Civil Service Administrator, delivered the briefing to the Commission.

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Future Meetings Schedule.

ADJOURNMENT

Commission Member Ahmed made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commission Chair Thomas seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:18 am.