



**MINUTES FOR THE
CITY OF AUSTIN FIREFIGHTERS', POLICE OFFICERS' AND
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL'S
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 20, 2023**

The Firefighters', Police Officers', and Emergency Medical Services Personnel's Civil Service Commission convened in a Special Called Meeting on Monday, March 20, 2023, at 5202 East Ben White Boulevard, Building 500, Austin TX 78741.

Commissioners in Attendance:

Commission Chair Jolsna Thomas
Commission Vice Chair Farah Ahmed

Staff in Attendance:

Matthew Chustz, Civil Service Manager
Cyndi Gordon, Civil Service Coordinator
Mecia Griffin, Civil Service Coordinator
Sarah Williams, Civil Service Coordinator

Monika Arvelo, Assistant City Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Thomas called the Civil Service Commission Meeting to order at 11:04 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes from the Firefighters', Police Officers', and Emergency Medical Services Personnel's Civil Service Commission Special Called Meeting of February 6, 2023.

The minutes from the Regular Meeting of February 6, 2023, were approved on Vice Chair Ahmeds' motion, Chair Thomas' second on a 2-0 vote.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

2. Hear and rule on appeal(s) from the Austin-Travis County Emergency Medical Services (ATCEMS) Captain Field written promotional examination administered on March 2, 2023, pursuant to the Texas Local Government Code Chapter 143.034, Article 12 of the Agreement between the City of Austin and the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Employees Association, 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 deny the appeal of exam question 8, and let the question remain as keyed. Vice Chair Ahmed seconded the motion. The motion to deny the appeal of question 8 was approved on a 2-0 vote.

Commission Vice Chair Ahmed moved to deny the appeal of exam question 50, and let the question remain as keyed. Commission Chair Thomas seconded the motion. The motion to deny the appeal of question 50 was approved on a 2-0 vote.

Commission Vice Chair Ahmed moved to deny the appeal of exam question 82, and let the question remain as keyed. Commission Chair Thomas seconded the motion. The motion to deny the appeal of question 19 was approved on a 2-0 vote.

3. Discussion and possible action to have Medic Allen Clark's name stricken from the Emergency Medical Services 2022 Promotional Eligibility List for the rank of Clinical Specialist – Field, Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 143.036

The motion to have Medic Allen Clark's name stricken from the 2022 Promotional Eligibility List for the rank of Clinical Specialist-Field was approved on Commission Chair Thomas' motion, Commission Vice Chair Ahmeds' second on a vote of 2-0. Effective March 21, 2023, pending no appeal is filed by end of day March 20, 2023. With the name stricken from the promotional eligibility list, this list will be exhausted.

4. Discussion and possible action to have Police Officer Gregory Cortez' name stricken from the 2022 Promotional Eligibility List for the rank of Corporal Detective, Pursuant to Civil Service Commission Rule 7.21.

The motion to have Officer Gregory Cortez's name stricken from the 2022 Promotional Eligibility List for the rank of Corporal/Detective was approved on Commission Chair Thomas' motion, and Commission Vice Chair Ahmeds' second on a vote of 2-0.

5. Discussion and possible action regarding future meeting dates and times.

Discussion was held, no action was taken.

STAFF BRIEFINGS

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

Mecia Griffin, Civil Service Coordinator, and Cyndi Gordon, Civil Service Coordinator delivered the briefing to the Commission.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Thomas made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Vice Chair Ahmed seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a 2-0 vote, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:47 AM.

The minutes were approved at the 05/01/2023 meeting on Vice Chair Ahmed's motion, Chair Thomas second on a 2-0 vote.