



**MINUTES FOR THE  
CITY OF AUSTIN FIREFIGHTERS', POLICE OFFICERS' AND  
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL'S  
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2023**

The Firefighters', Police Officers', and Emergency Medical Services Personnel's Civil Service Commission convened in a Special Called Meeting on Tuesday, May 16, 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:**

Nathan Brown, Assistant Director  
Cyndi Gordon, Civil Service Coordinator  
Sarah Williams, Civil Service Coordinator  
Jennifer Stanko, Municipal Civil Service Coordinator  
Monika Arvelo, Assistant City Attorney

**CALL TO ORDER**

**Chair Thomas called the Civil Service Commission Meeting to order at 10:03 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 Regular Meeting of May 1, 2023.  
**The minutes from the Regular Meeting of May 1, 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 from the Austin Police Department Commander written promotional examination administered on April 26, 2023, pursuant to the Texas Local Government Code Chapter 143.034 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 Vice Chair Ahmed moved to deny the appeal of exam question 79, and let the question remain as keyed. Vice Chair Thomas seconded the motion. The motion to deny the appeal of question 79 was approved on a 2-0 vote.**
3. Consider and act upon request to certify the 149th Cadet Class Eligibility List for the Austin Police Department.  
**The motion to approve the request to certify the 149th Class Cadet Eligibility List for the Austin Police Department was approved on Vice Chair Ahmed's motion, Chair Thomas' second, on a 2-0 vote.**
4. Discussion and possible action regarding the request of an Austin Police Department candidate to the Commission to appoint three-member boards per Chapter 143.022(c) TLGC for another mental or physical examination. (Dylan Martin).  
**The motion to approve the appointment of a three-member board per Chapter 143.022(c) LGC for another mental or physical examination was approved on Vice Chair Ahmed's motion, Chair Thomas' second, on a 2-0 vote.**
5. Discussion and possible action regarding future meeting dates and times.  
**Chair Thomas and Vice Chair Ahmed agreed to schedule two Special Called meetings on June 16, 2023 and August 14, 2023.**

**STAFF BRIEFINGS**

6. Report from the Civil Service Office regarding exam processes, disciplinary hearings, and fitness-for-duty actions.  
**Cyndi Gordon, Civil Service Coordinator, and Sarah Williams, Civil Service Coordinator, delivered the briefing to the Commission.**

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**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 10:25 AM.**

The minutes were approved at the July 31, 2023 meeting on Vice Chair Ahmed's motion, Chair Thomas' second on a 2-0 vote.