

MINUTES for

Firefighters', Police Officers' and Emergency Medical Personnel's Civil Service Commission REGULAR MEETING Monday, August 6, 2018

The Firefighters', Police Officers', and Emergency Medical Services Personnel's Civil Service Commission convened in a Regular Meeting on Monday, August 6, 2018 at City Hall Boards and Commissions Room 1101, W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas 78701.

Board Members in Attendance:

Commission Vice Chair Jolsna Thomas Commission Member Eyna Canales-Zarate

Staff in Attendance:

Barry Cook, Civil Service Administrator Mecia Griffin, Civil Service Coordinator Michael Sullivan, Civil Service Coordinator Ann Skowronski, Assistant City Attorney Mark Spangler, APD Commander Brian Miller, APD Lieutenant Jeff Olson, APD Sergeant Eric Fitzgerald, APD Sergeant Wade Lyons, APD Sergeant Jeremy Benoit, APD Sergeant

CALL TO ORDER

Civil Service Commission Vice Chair Thomas called the Board Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

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 July 2, 2018.

The minutes from the meeting of July 2, 2018, were approved on Commission Member Canales-Zarate's motion and Commission Vice Chair Thomas' second, on a 2-0 vote.

2. NEW BUSINESS

a. Hear and rule on appeal(s) from the 2018 Police Lieutenant written promotional examination administered on July 26, 2018 in accordance with Civil Service Commission rules 7.17 and 7.18.

APD Sergeant Wade Lyons spoke on item 2a. APD Sergeant Jeff Olson spoke on item 2a.

Commission Member Canales-Zarate moved to deny the appeal on exam question 18. Commission Vice Chair Thomas seconded the motion. The motion to deny the appeal of question 18 was approved 2-0.

Commission Member Canales-Zarate moved to deny the appeal on exam question 24. Commission Vice Chair Thomas seconded the motion. The motion to deny the appeal of question 24 was approved 2-0.

Commission Member Canales-Zarate moved to deny the appeal on exam question 35. Commission Vice Chair Thomas seconded the motion. The motion to deny the appeal of question 35 was approved 2-0.

Commission Vice Chair Thomas moved to approve the appeal on exam question 52. The motion failed for lack of a second. Commission Member Canales-Zarate made a motion to deny the appeal of question 52. The motion failed for lack of a second. By default question 35 remained as keyed without changes.

Commission Vice Chair Thomas moved to approve the appeal on exam question 68 to permit both answer C and answer D as correct answers. Commission Member Canales-Zarate seconded the motion. The motion to approve the appeal of question 65 was approved on a 2-2 vote.

b. Hear and rule on appeal(s) from the 2018 Medic II- Field written promotional examination administered on July 18, 2018 in accordance with Civil Service Commission rules 7.17 and 7.18.

Commission Vice Chair Thomas moved to deny the appeal on exam question 10. Commission Member Canales-Zarate seconded the motion. The motion to deny the appeal of question 10 was approved 2-0.

Commission Member Canales-Zarate moved to deny the appeal on exam question 12. Commission Vice Chair Thomas seconded the motion. The motion to deny the appeal of question 10 was approved 2-0.

Commission Member Canales-Zarate moved to approve the appeal on exam question 29 to permit both answer B and answer C as correct answers. Commission Vice Chair Thomas seconded the motion. The motion to approve the appeal of question 29 was approved on a 2-0 vote.

Commission Member Canales-Zarate moved to approve the appeal on exam question 99 to permit both answer B and answer D as correct answers. Commission Vice Chair Thomas seconded the motion. The motion to approve the appeal of question 99 was approved on a 2-0 vote.

c. Discussion and possible action to have Firefighter Justin Lynch's name stricken from the 2017 Fire Specialist Promotional Eligibility List pursuant to Civil Service Commission Rule 7.21.

Commission Member Canales-Zarate moved to have Firefighter Justin Lynch's name stricken from the 2017 Fire Specialist Promotional Eligibility List pursuant to Civil Service Commission Rule 7.21. Commission Vice Chair Thomas seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a 2-0 vote.

d. Discussion and possible action regarding the request of an Austin Police Department candidate to the Commission to appoint three-member board per Chapter 143.022(c) LGC for another mental or physical examination. (Nicolas Mendoza)

Commission Member Canales-Zarate moved to approve the request of an Austin Police Department candidate to appoint a three-member board per Chapter 143.022(c) LGC for another mental or physical examination. Commission Vice Chair Thomas seconded the motion. The motion was approved 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.

The report was given by Barry Cook, Civil Service Administrator.

b. Future Meeting Schedule

Vice Chair Thomas noted she would be absent from the October 1st and November 5th commission meetings.

4. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

No members of the public signed up as speakers.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Commission Member Canales-Zarate made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Vice Chair Thomas seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:19 am to no objection.