

These are the minutes of the special meeting of the Texas Transportation Commission held on April 4, 2014, in Austin, Texas. The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m. by Chairman Houghton with the following commissioners present:

Texas Transportation Commission:

Ted Houghton	Chairman
Fred Underwood	Commissioner
Jeff Austin, III	Commissioner
Jeff Moseley	Commissioner

Commissioner Victor Vandergriff was not in attendance.

Administrative Staff:

James Bass, Interim Executive Director
 Jeff Graham, General Counsel
 Rose Guajardo Walker, Chief Clerk
 Robin Carter, Assistant Chief Clerk

Registration sheets listing others in attendance are on file with the Texas Department of Transportation, Assistant Chief Clerk.

A public notice of this meeting containing all items on the proposed agenda was filed in the Office of the Secretary of State at 3:33 p.m. on March 27, 2014, as required by Government Code, Chapter 551, referred to as "The Open Meetings Act."

ITEM 1. Safety Briefing

This item was presented by Deputy Executive Director John Barton.

ITEM 2. Executive Session Pursuant to Government Code, Chapter 551

a. Section 551.074 - Deliberate on the search for a new executive director of the Texas Department of Transportation

b. Section 551.074 - Deliberate on the election and compensation of an executive director

The commission did not recess to executive session.

ITEM 3. Election of Executive Director

Elect the executive director of the Texas Department of Transportation and approve Compensation (MO)

Commissioner Austin made a motion, which was seconded, and the commission approved the election of the executive director by a vote of 4 - 0.

Transportation (department), who must be experienced and skilled in transportation planning and development and in organizational management.

Due to the resignation of Executive Director Phil Wilson, it is necessary to elect a successor to assure the orderly transition of duties, thereby protecting the safety and welfare of the traveling public. The department's posted job vacancy notice for the executive director position opened on January 9, 2014, attracting a number of candidates for the position.

The commission reviewed and evaluated the qualifications, background, and experience of the many well-qualified candidates. A thorough review of all of the applications submitted for the position and the results of interviews of top candidates indicates that Joseph F. Weber is best qualified for the position, and possesses the qualities necessary to ensure an orderly transition and assumption of duties as executive director of the department.

Recognizing the proven abilities, professional expertise and qualifications, administrative talents, and leadership qualities, the commission determines that Mr. Weber possesses skills and experience that fully satisfy the requisites of law and policy applicable to the position of executive director of the department.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Joseph F. Weber is elected as executive director of the department, to assume the full range of duties and responsibilities of that position beginning on or about April 23, 2014, conditioned on Mr. Weber's satisfying the conditions of employment as stated in the job requisition for the position.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the executive director of the Texas Department of Transportation be compensated at an annual salary of \$273,000.

OPEN COMMENT PERIOD - At the conclusion of all other agenda items, the commission will allow an open comment period, not to exceed one hour, to receive public comment on any other matter that is under the jurisdiction of the department. No action will be taken. Each speaker will be allowed a maximum of three minutes. Speakers must be signed up prior to the beginning of the open comment period.

The commission received comments from Alliance for I-69 attorney Gary Bushell concerning the Texas Freight Leadership Summit.

The special meeting of the Texas Transportation Commission was adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

APPROVED:



Ted Houghton, Chairman
Texas Transportation Commission

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing pages constitute the full, true, and correct record of all proceedings and official records of the Texas Transportation Commission at its special meeting on April 4, 2014, in Austin, Texas.



Robin Carter, Assistant Chief Clerk
Texas Department of Transportation