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TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION

NOTICE OF FOURTH QUARTERLY MEETING (FISCAL YEAR 2026) TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION

Texas Veterans Commission's Fourth Quarterly Meeting will be held at 8:30 a.m. on August 18, 2026, at the George H.W. Bush Bldg. 1801 Congress Ave., Board Room 4.300 Austin, TX 78701, under Texas Government Code §551, the Open Meetings Act.

This meeting will be webcast live and can be accessed on the day of the meeting via this link: https://admin1.adminmonitor.com/tx/tvc/commissioner_meeting/20260818/.

Public comments may be made in-person at the designated meeting location or virtually via this link: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_D4-F6L5xTlaACMb9Rcms8A.

Before speaking, members of the public must submit a public comment form to TVC staff identifying the agenda item they wish to address: https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/EEgSvf3uvd. Speakers will be given 3 minutes to speak and must be visible on-camera.

A full recording of the meeting will be posted on the TVC Website after the conclusion of the meeting via this link: https://tvc.texas.gov/about/commission-meetings/.

AGENDA

1. Opening.
   - A. Call Meeting to Order.
   - B. Roll Call.
   - C. Pledge of Allegiance.
   - D. Invocation.

2. Public Comment.

3. Consent.
   - A. Approve the minutes of the FY 2026 3rd Quarter Commission Meeting held May 21, 2026.
   - B. Acceptance of Gifts.

4. Reports.
   - A. FY 2026 Annual Internal Audit Report.
   - B. Report on Agency Departments and Programs.

(1) Veteran Benefits Division.
(2) Veteran Services Division.
(A) Veteran Business Outreach Center update.
(B) Texas Veterans and Family Alliance (TV+FA) overview.

C. Deputy Executive Director Report.
(1) FY 2026, 3rd Quarter Operating Budget.
(2) Employee Engagement Report.

D. Executive Director Report.

5. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action.
A. FY 2027 Operating Budget.
B. FY 2028-2029 Legislative Appropriations Request.
C. 2026 Veteran Education Excellence Recognition Awards (VEERA).
D. Fund for Veterans' Assistance FY 2028 Request for Application (RFA).

6. Executive Session.
THE FOLLOWING MAY BE DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND HAVE ACTION TAKEN IN AN OPEN MEETING:

A. Government Code §551.074(a)(1): Personnel Matters. The Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of Personnel identified in this agenda.

B. Government Code §551.071(1): Pending or Contemplated Litigation.

C. Government Code §551.071(2): All Matters Identified in This Agenda Where the Commission Seeks the Advice of Their Attorney as Privileged Communications under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas and involving the Open Meetings Act and the Administrative Procedures Act.

7. Discussion and possible action on the items in Executive Session.

8. Discussion to set the date, time, and location of the next Commission meeting.

9. Adjournment.

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services such as interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, readers, large print or Braille should notify the Commission as far in advance as possible so that appropriate arrangements can be made. You are requested to contact Cheryl Aldridge, Executive Assistant, at 512.463.0504 or cheryl.aldridge@tvc.texas.gov.

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