

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS

## AGENDA

**Date:** May 19, 2022

**Time:** 9:00 a.m.

**Place:** John H. Reagan Building  
1400 Congress Ave  
1st Floor, Room 140  
Austin, TX

For the live internet broadcast: <https://house.texas.gov/video-audio/>

The Texas Commission on Jail Standards will deliberate and possibly take formal action on items below.

I. Meeting called to order

II. Roll Call of Commission Members

Judge Bill Stoudt, Chairman  
Dr. Esmaeil Porsa, Vice Chair  
Mr. Duane Lock  
Ms. Patricia Anthony  
Mr. Ross Reyes

Sheriff Kelly Rowe  
Commissioner Ben Perry  
Ms. Monica McBride  
Sheriff Raul Gonzales

III. Reading and approval of minutes for meeting conducted on February 24, 2022.

IV. Public Comment

V. Old Business

- A. Coryell County – Notice of non-compliance
- B. Hidalgo County – Notice of Non-Compliance
- C. Red River County – Notice of Non-Compliance
- D. Smith County – Notice of Non-compliance
- E. Terrell County – Notice of Non-Compliance

- F. Inmate Population and Capacity
- G. Proposed Changes to Standards for Adoption – § 263.42 to clarify and to reference Gov't. Code § 419.909, relating to the certification of individuals who conduct fire safety inspections in county jails.
- H. Proposed Changes to Standards – Update
  - a. § 273.7 – Use of Restraints, petitioned by Derek Norris. Proposed change relates to restraints of pregnant inmates.
  - b. § 273.2(5) – Duties following miscarriage or physical or sexual assault of pregnant prisoner.
  - c. § 297.2 – 297.8 Commission Inspections, Comprehensive Inspections, Reinspections.
  - d. § 261.336 (b) to require the provision of purified drinking water to Dallas County Jail inmates and staff.

VI. New Business

- A. Cameron – Notice of Non-compliance
- B. Fannin (P) – Notice of Non-Compliance
- C. Kleberg – Notice of Non-Compliance
- D. Marion – Notice of Non-Compliance
- E. Yoakum – Notice of Non-Compliance
- F. Proposed Changes to Minimum Jail Standards
  - a. § 291.1 Inmate Telephone Plan, petitioned by Cassandra Lopez.
  - b. §§ 259.138, 259.235, 259.740, 260.134, 261.138, 261.234, 261.332. Holding Cells – Petition to change rules to modify holding cell doors and jail policies to allow for electronic signature devices in lieu of paper hard copy signatures that are currently passed through door slots. Petitioned by Ruby Romero.
- G. Variance Sub-committee

VII. Variances

- A. Brooks (P) County Jail – Installation of variance beds
- B. Starr County Jail – Installation of variance beds

VIII. IDD Advisory Committee

IX. Staff Report

- A. Completed Jail Projects
- B. Jail Planning and Construction List
- C. Jails in Compliance/Noncompliance
- D. Status of Remedial Orders
- E. Status and Composition of Jail Population
- F. Executive Director's Activities
- G. Staff Training/Activities
- H. Financial Report/Budget
- I. Inmate Complaint Report

X. Other Business

- Commission-sponsored Events and Workshops
- Commission Staffing
- Off Duty Employment
- Miscellaneous Letters of Comment

X. Next Commission meeting is tentatively scheduled for:

- August 4, 2022, at the same location as this meeting

XI. Adjourn

The Board may meet in Closed Session on any item listed above if authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Ann. Ch. 551.

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