

Texas Commission on Jail Standards

Agenda

Date Thursday, February 5, 2026

Time 9:00 AM

Location Stephen F Austin Building, Room 170

 1700 Congress Ave, Austin

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

I. Meeting called to order

II. Roll Call of Commission Members

Sheriff Kelly Rowe, Dr. Esmaeil Porsa, Vice Chair
Chairman

Sheriff Richard C. Kirkpatrick Commissioner Ben Perry

Mr. Duane Lock Mr. Ross Reyes

Judge Joseph Fauth, III

III. Appointment of Interim Executive Director

IV. Reading and approval of minutes for meeting conducted on November 6, 2025

V. Public Comment

VI. Old Business

- A. Bexar County – Notice of Noncompliance and Remedial Order
- B. Cherokee County Jail – Notice of Non-compliance and Remedial Order
- C. Falls County Jail – Non-compliance and Remedial Order
- D. Fisher County – Notice of Noncompliance
- E. Harris County Jail – Non-compliance and Remedial Order
- F. Leon County Jail – Notice of Non-Compliance and Remedial Order
- G. Liberty County Jail – Non-compliance and Remedial Order
- H. Rains County Jail – Notice of Non-Compliance and Remedial Order
- I. Robertson County – Notice of Noncompliance and Remedial Order
- J. Runnels County – Notice of Noncompliance and Remedial Order
- K. Tarrant County District Attorney Request for Attorney General Opinion (RQ-0590-KP) regarding § 511.021(a)

VII. New Business

None

VIII. Variances

- A. Bastrop County
 - §259.143(b)(c)(d) Furnishings for Inmate Housing
 - §259.134 Multiple Occupancy Cells
 - §259.135 Dormitories
 - §259.136 Dayrooms
- B. Chambers County
 - §259.135 Dormitories
 - §259.143(b)(d) Furnishings for Inmate Housing Areas
 - §259.144(b,2)(d) Segregation
- C. Montgomery County
 - §259.135 Dormitories
 - §259.136 Dayrooms
 - §259.143(b)(c) Furnishings for Inmate Housing Areas
- D. Parker County
 - §259.134 Multiple Occupancy Cells
- E. Tarrant County
 - §259.143(b)(c)(d) Furnishings for Inmate Housing

IX. Administrative Rules Advisory Committee

- A. Rules for Adoption
- None
- B. Rules for Public Comment
 - §259.168 Television Monitoring
 - §259.264 Television Monitoring
 - §259.358 Television Monitoring
 - §259.454 Television Monitoring

- §259.770 Television Monitoring
- §275.1 Regular Observation by Corrections Officers
- §275.7 Supervision Outside the Security Perimeter – Court Holding Cells
- §259.117 Inmate Entrance
- §259.123 Kitchen
- §259.141 Dormitories
- §259.151 Detention Doors
- §259.153 Door Closers
- §259.737 Dormitories
- §269.3 Weapon/Ammunition Procedures
- §263.40 Plans

C. Public Petition for Change to Minimum Jail Standards

- Audrey Nath - Seizure Plan
- Marc Robinson – Family Notifications
- Kenneth Williams - Contracted Medical Care

D. Four-year Rule Review

- Chapters 251 through 281 rule review Readoption
- §289.1 Assignment and Supervision
- §289.2 Voluntary Work
- §289.3 Maximum Hours
- §289.4 Outside the Security Perimeter
- §289.5 Exclusivity
- §291.1 Inmate Telephone Plan
- §291.2 Inmate Correspondence Plan
- §291.3 Inmate Commissary Plan
- §291.4 Visitation Plan
- §291.5 Inmate Religious Practices Plan

E. Commission Representative

X. IDD Advisory Committee

- A. Update
- B. County Judge or Commissioner Appointment
- C. Commission Representative

XI. 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. Staff Training/Activities
- g. Financial Report/Budget
- h. Inmate Complaint Report

XII. Other Business

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

XIII. Executive Session

XIV. Next Commission meeting is tentatively scheduled for:

- Thursday, May 7th, 2026, Stephen F Austin Building
- Thursday, August 6th, 2026, Stephen F Austin Building

XV. 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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