



NOTICE

Civil Service Commission Meeting

Agenda

Wednesday, May 22, 2024
2:00 pm
DeSoto Civic Center/Bluebonnet Room #1
211 E. Pleasant Run Rd
DeSoto, Texas 75115

On Wednesday, May 22, 2024, at 2:00 pm, the Civil Service Commission will meet at 211 E. Pleasant Run Road, DeSoto, Texas 75115. This meeting will be held at the DeSoto Civic Center/Bluebonnet Room #1.

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1. Call to Order
2. Consider minutes from the Civil Service Commission dated Tuesday, May 14, 2024
3. Director Update
4. Police Chief Update
5. Consider the appeal filed by Matthew Sneed regarding test questions on the Fire Engineer/Driver promotion exam.
6. Fire Chief Update
 - o Approve the results of the May 6, 2024 Promotion Exam – Engineer Driver, according to §143.034 of the Texas Local Government Code and City of DeSoto Civil Service Local Rules.
7. Schedule next meeting and discuss topics for consideration
8. Adjourn

The building in which the above meeting will be conducted is wheelchair accessible. Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and may require auxiliary aid or services such as readers or large print, interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, are requested to contact the Office of the City Secretary at 972.230.9646 or by email at athomas@desototexas.gov or by calling through a TDD to Relay Texas 800.732.2989.

*I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that this Notice was posted online and on the bulletin boards located at City Hall. This said Notice was posted no later than the following date and time: **Sunday, May 19, 2024 by 02:00pm**, and remained so posted at least two hours after said meeting was convened.*

Danielle Mannina, Civil Service Director

Manning, Danielle

From: Sneed, Matthew
Sent: Saturday, May 11, 2024 11:39 PM
To: Manning, Danielle
Subject: Civil Service Exam Question Appeal

Ms. Manning,

In accordance with Chapter 143.034, please consider this my written request to appeal the below questions for the City of Desoto Firefighter Driver - promotion exam held on May 6, 2024.

Test Question #23

As stated on page 55 in the Building Construction textbook, the NFPA is an organization that performs fire-resistance testing. There are several other references of significant evidence throughout the text, as well.

Test Question #46

The definition given was not adequately conveyed from book to test. No where in the question did it reference Tandem Pumping and short relay operations being a form of relay operations. The question merely asked - I paraphrase - a pumper directly connected to a water supply source pumping water to the second engine.

In Dual pumping the second pumper receives water from the first, as well. The question was not specific nor clear enough, on what was being asked.

Test Question #56

As I selected, a Voltmeter is used to check the battery's condition, unlike an Ammeter that checks the condition of the alternator.

Test Question #62

In this question, unlike so many others, there was no page number of reference to where it was pulled in the cited material. The answer being on page 19 of the Desire to serve book specifically lays out the pragmatic questions of Robert Greenleaf.

Test Question #94

As stated in SOP's 211 - Intermediate Firefighter - \$50.00, Advanced Firefighter - \$50.00, Master Firefighter - \$50.00. Each step is \$50 increments added. Therefore if you were an Advanced Firefighter, you would be receiving a total of \$100. \$50 for Intermediate and \$50 for Advanced. The question did not ask how much the step up was from the Intermediate or what the increments were. Rather, it asked how much pay an Advanced Firefighter would receive, which is \$100.

Please let me know if I need to further clarify anything above.

Respectfully,

Matthew Sneed