

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 50**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

Notice is hereby given to all interested parties that the Board of Directors of the captioned District will hold a public meeting by telephone conference call. Members of the public may access the meeting by following the instructions listed at the bottom of this notice.

The meeting will be held at **6:00 p.m.** on **Monday, August 3, 2020.**

The subject of the meeting is to consider and act on the following:

1. Public comments
2. Election of Officers
3. Approve minutes of meetings held on July 6 and July 20, 2020
4. Bookkeeper's report; pay bills; investment of District funds; draft 2021 budget
5. Truth in Taxation Calculations; approve proposed 2020 tax rate; authorize publication and posting of notices
6. Administrator's report; financial report, personnel, and operations of district
7. Open sealed bids and award sale of 2006 fire truck
8. Construction of training facility; design and construction; award contracts, approve change orders and change directives; approve pay estimates
9. Dispatch center report; status of dispatch center operations and personnel
10. Fire Chief Report including run statistics, training, coordination with other entities and public relations activities



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wm. Scott Smith", written over a horizontal line.

Wm. Scott Smith  
Attorney for the District

Instructions for accessing telephone conference call:

On March 16, 2020, in accordance with section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, Governor Abbott has suspended various provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act that require government officials and members of the public to be physically present at a specified meeting location (the “Proclamation”). In accordance with the Proclamation, the District has implemented procedures to allow members of the public to participate and address the Board of Commissioners during the telephone conference meeting. To participate in the telephone conference meeting:

1. Please call **1-866-773-8424** and use access Code **633101#** to access the meeting and announce your name to the meeting host.

2. The agenda packet will be available at the following web site:

<https://www.channelviewfire.com/agendas/>

3. The audio of the meeting will be recorded.

## **PROCEDURES FOR PROVIDING PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Board of Commissioners of Harris County ESD No. 50 has adopted the following procedures for providing public comment to the Board during Board of Commissioners meetings. Members of the public are encouraged to participate in the Public Comments portion of the meeting. However, in order that District business may be conducted efficiently, the following rules are in effect:

1. All members of the public wishing to address the Board must register with the District Secretary on a sign-in sheet prior to the posted starting time of the meeting.
2. Individuals shall identify themselves by name, organization represented, residency in the District, etc., and the topic they wish to discuss. Presentations and comments shall remain pertinent to the issues denoted on the registration sheet.
3. Each speaker is limited to no more than five minutes. A speaker may not assign a portion of his or her allotted presentation time to another speaker.
4. The Board will recognize only one speaker per topic. Groups of individuals with the same or similar concerns are encouraged to designate a spokesperson to address the Board. If several persons have registered to address the Board on the same topic, it shall be within the discretion of the Board President to request that those persons select a representative amongst themselves to express such comments, or limit their comments to an expression of support for views previously articulated.
5. A speaker who is determined by the Board President to be disrupting a meeting shall immediately cease the disruptive activity or leave the meeting room if ordered to do so by the Board President.

A member of the Board of Commissioners may comment publicly on matters brought to their attention during the Public Comment portion of the agenda. Such public comments shall be confined to stating a factual matter, reciting existing policy or a request that a matter be placed on a future meeting agenda. Such public comment shall not include any “deliberation” as defined by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.