

**TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS  
AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**AGENDA  
08:30 AM  
March 11, 2021**

**Meeting Location:** In light of the March 13, 2020, disaster declaration by the Office of the Governor, and the subsequent waivers of portions of Tex. Gov't Code, Ch. 551\*, this meeting of the TDHAS Audit and Finance Committee will be accessible to the public via the telephone and web link information, below. In order to engage in two-way communication during the meeting, persons must first register (at no cost) to attend the webinar via the link provided. Anyone who calls into the meeting without registering online will not be able to ask questions or provide comments, but the meeting will still be audible. A recording of the meeting will be made available to the public as soon as possible following the meeting<sup>1</sup>.

**Committee Webinar registration:**

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/6928266171630811404>

**Dial-in number:** +1 (631) 992-3221, access code 362-515-779 (persons who use the dial-in number and access code without registering online will only be able to hear the Board meeting and will not be able to ask questions or provide comments). Note, this meeting will be proceeding as a videoconference under Tex. Gov't Code §551.127, as modified by waiver.

If the GoToWebinar terminates prior to adjournment of the meeting (i.e. if the webinar session “crashes”) the meeting will be recessed. A new link to the meeting will be posted immediately on the TDHCA Board meetings web page (<https://www.tdhca.state.tx.us/board/meetings.htm>) along with the time the meeting will resume. The time indicated to resume the meeting will be within six hours of the interruption of the webinar. Please note that in this contingency, the original meeting link will no longer function, and only the new link (posted on the TDHCA Board meetings web page) will work to return to the meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

**Sharon Thomason, Chair**

**CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM**

The Audit and Finance Committee of the Governing Board of the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) will meet to consider and may act on any of the following:

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**ITEM 1:** Presentation, discussion, and possible action to approve the Audit and Finance Committee Minutes Summary for December 10, 2020

**Mark Scott**  
Director of  
Internal Audit

**ITEM 2:** Presentation, discussion, and possible recommendation of approval of the State Auditor's Office audit of the TDHCA Financial Statements

**State Auditor's  
Office**

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<sup>1</sup> The list of Open Meeting laws subject to temporary suspension effective March 16, 2020, is available at: <https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/sites/default/files/images/admin/2020/Press/Open%20Meeting%20Laws%20Subject%20to%20Temporary%20Suspension.pdf>

**REPORT ITEMS:**

**ITEM 1:** Presentation and discussion of Internal Audit of the Continuity of Operations (COOP) at TDHCA

**Mark Scott**  
Director of Internal  
Audit

**ITEM 2:** Report on the status of the Internal and External Audit activities

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS OTHER THAN ITEMS FOR WHICH THERE WERE POSTED  
AGENDA ITEMS****EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Committee may go into Executive Session (close its meeting to the public) on any agenda item if appropriate and authorized by the Open Meetings Act, Tex. Gov't Code, Chapter 551 and under Tex. Gov't Code, §2306.039.

Pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code, §551.074 the Audit Committee may go into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing personnel matters including to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.

Pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code, §551.071(1) the Committee may go into executive session to seek the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation or a settlement offer.

Pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code, §551.071(2) the Committee may go into executive session for the purpose of seeking the advice of its attorney about a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Tex. Gov't Code, Chapter 551.

Pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code, §2306.039(c) the Committee may go into executive session to receive reports from the Department's internal auditor, fraud prevention coordinator, or ethics advisor regarding issues related to fraud, waste, or abuse.

**OPEN SESSION**

If there is an Executive Session, the Committee will reconvene in Open Session and may take action on any items taken up in Executive Session. Except as specifically authorized by applicable law, the Audit Committee may not take any actions in Executive Session.

**ADJOURN**

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Individuals who require auxiliary aids, services or sign language interpreters for this meeting should contact Nancy Dennis, at 512-475-3959 or Relay Texas at 1-800-735-2989, at least five days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Non-English speaking individuals who require interpreters for this meeting should contact Elena Peinado, 512-475-3814, at least five days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Personas que hablan español y requieren un intérprete, favor de llamar a Elena Peinado, al siguiente número 512-475-3814 por lo menos cinco días antes de la junta para hacer los preparativos apropiados.