



Houston Forensic Science Center, Inc.

Board of Directors Public Meeting

Friday, March 08, 2024

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that beginning at 9:00 a.m. on the date set out above, a quorum of the board of directors (the "board") of the Houston Forensic Science Center, Inc. ("HFSC" and / or the "corporation") will meet in the City Hall Council Annex Chamber, 900 Bagby Street (public level), Houston, Texas 77002.

In accordance with Chapter 552 of the Texas Government Code (Texas Open Meetings Act) the agenda is posted for public information, at all times, for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of the meeting on the bulletin board located on the exterior wall of the City Hall building at 901 Bagby Street. The notice of this meeting, the agenda and the meeting packet are also posted [online](http://www.hfsctx.gov/meeting-archives) at www.hfsctx.gov/meeting-archives.

The items listed below may be taken out of order at the discretion of the chair. After the meeting concludes, a recording of the meeting will be posted to HFSC [website](http://www.hfsctx.gov) at www.hfsctx.gov.

PARTICIPATING IN THE PUBLIC MEETING:

Members of the public may attend the meeting in person or view the meeting through a live stream broadcast on the internet. To view the live stream meeting online please visit www.houstontx.gov/htv.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT:

The public is permitted to speak in-person during the public comment agenda item and as permitted by the chair. A speaker may address any subject relevant to the purpose of the corporation. Each speaker should limit his or her comments to three minutes. The chair may limit both the number of speakers and the time allotted for each speaker. A speaker who plans to submit a document for the board's consideration should provide at least ten copies of the document, each marked with the speaker's name. If you have questions regarding attending this meeting, please contact Board Secretary Natalee Veazey at (713) 929-6760.

AGENDA

1. Call to order.
2. Roll call; confirmation of presence of quorum.
3. Public Comment.
4. Reading of draft minutes from January 12, 2024, regular board meeting. Consideration of proposed corrections, if any. Approval of minutes.
5. Report from Dr. Stacey Mitchell, board chair, including a monthly update of activities and other announcements.
6. Report from Dr. Peter Stout, president and CEO, including an overview of operations and technical updates, and other corporate business items.

7. Consider approval of an interlocal agreement between the corporation and Tarrant County, Texas, Medical Examiner's Office for firearms evidence comparison outsourcing services.
8. Consider approval of the purchase of DNA processing equipment from Qiagen, LLC to be funded by the FY2023 Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Competitive DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction (CEBR) federal grant, total budget not to exceed \$527,090.00.
9. Presentation from Mr. David Leach, treasurer and CFO, regarding the proposed fiscal year 2025 budget.
 - a. Consider approval of HFSC's budget proposal for fiscal year 2025 and related action.
10. Report from Mrs. Jackeline Moral, quality director, including an overview of the blind quality control program, quality updates, and disclosures.

CLOSED MEETING

11. Executive session in accordance with Sections 551.071, et seq. of the Texas Government Code, consultation with attorney, and 551.074(a)(1)-(2), deliberate or hear personnel matters related to Dr. Peter Stout, president and CEO.

OPEN MEETING RECONVENES

12. Reconvene into open meeting and consider any action deemed necessary as a result of the closed meeting, relating to consultation with attorney and personnel matters, and possible related action.
13. Adjournment.

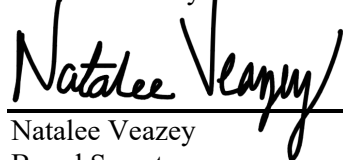
NOTICE REGARDING SPECIAL NEEDS:

Persons requiring accommodations for special needs may contact HFSC at 713-929-6760.

Certification of Posting of Notice of the Board of Directors, Houston Forensic Science Center, Inc.

I, Natalee Veazey, do hereby certify that a notice of this meeting was posted on Tuesday, the 5th day of March 2024, in a place convenient to the public on the bulletin board located on the exterior wall of the City Hall building at 901 Bagby Street, Houston, Texas 77002, and on the HFSC [website](#) as required by Section 551.002 et seq., Texas Government Code.

Given under my hand this the 5th day of March 2024.



Natalee Veazey
Board Secretary