

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

All Counties

MINUTE ORDER

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All Districts

Transportation Code §21.0045(b) provides that the Texas Transportation Commission (commission) shall appoint an advisory committee (committee) to assess current state law and any potential changes to state law that are needed to facilitate the implementation of advanced air mobility technology in this state.

Transportation Code §21.0045(c) provides that the commission shall appoint to the committee members to represent diverse geographic regions of the state, state and local law enforcement, the advanced air mobility industry, transportation experts, commercial airport representatives, vertical takeoff and landing operators, local governments, and the general public.

Transportation Code §21.0045(d) provides that the committee shall hold public hearings in locations across the state or via electronic means, and receive comments through an Internet website, by mail, and by other methods, if appropriate.

Transportation Code §21.0045(e) provides that not later than November 1, 2024, the advisory committee shall report to the commission and to the members of the legislature the committee’s findings and recommendations on any changes to state law that are needed to facilitate the development of advanced air mobility technology in this state.

Transportation Code §21.0045(f) provides that the advisory committee is abolished, and this section of the Transportation Code expires on January 1, 2025.

The commission has determined that the individuals listed below fulfill the statutory requirements to serve as members of the committee and shall serve on the committee until the committee’s abolishment, subject to regular meeting attendance, active participation, and ongoing contributions to the committee’s efforts. In the event a committee member does not comply with these requirements, the commission may remove and replace the member at any time during the term of service.

New Appointments with Terms Expiring on January 1, 2025:


Dan Dalton, Wisk

Ben Ivers. Boeing

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the commission that the individuals identified above are appointed to serve as members of the Advanced Air Mobility Advisory Committee for the term specified.

Submitted and reviewed by:

Recommended by:

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Director, Planning and Modal Programs

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Executive Director

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Background

During the 88th Regular Legislative Session, the Texas Legislature enacted legislation (S.B. 2144) directing the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to create an Advanced Air Mobility (AAM) Advisory Committee.

Objectives/Purpose of the Committee

The purpose of the committee is to assess current state law and any potential changes that are needed to facilitate the implementation of AAM technology in the state. The legislation also calls for the committee to hold hearings throughout the state to take input on the matter. Not later than November 1, 2024, the committee is to report to the commission and legislature its findings and recommendations.

Advisory Committee's Membership, Structure, and Establishment

Established in Statute: Tex. Trans. Code §21.0045

Rule: 43 TAC 1.84(f)

Year Established: 2023

Total # of Members: 27

Special Provisions: Membership shall include: 1) state and local law enforcement; 2) urban air mobility industry; 3) transportation expert; 4) commercial airport representative; 5) vertical takeoff and landing operators; 6) local government and general public. Members shall also represent diverse geographic areas of the state.

Term: January 1, 2025

Members Appointed By: Commission

Chair Appointed By: Selected by Committee

Advanced Air Mobility Advisory Committee - Membership

Aviation Division

October 2023

| Member | Organization | Geographic Region | Statutory Requirement |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Grant Guillot | Drone Up | Virginia Beach, VA | Advanced air mobility industry |
| George Kivork | Joby Aviation | Los Angeles, CA | Advanced air mobility industry |
| Brent Klavon | ANRA Technologies | Washington, DC | Advanced air mobility industry |
| Angel Newhart | TSTC | Waco, TX | Advanced air mobility industry |
| Jim Perschbach | Port San Antonio | San Antonio, TX | Advanced air mobility industry |
| Kendal Prosack | Wing | Austin, TX | Advanced air mobility industry |
| Michael Sanders | Lone Star UAS Center of Excellence & Innovation | Corpus Christi, TX | Advanced air mobility industry |
| Thomas Swoyer | Thales | New Braunfels, TX | Advanced air mobility industry |
| Nathan Trail | Hyundai Motor Group, UAM Division | Washington, DC | Advanced air mobility industry |
| John Ackerman | Texas Commercial Airport Association | Dallas, TX | Commercial airport representative |
| Sergio Saenz | New Mexico Salt | Mission, TX | General public |
| Jeff Bilyeu, AAE | Texas Gulf Coast Regional Airport (Brazoria County) | Brazoria, TX | Local government |
| David Fields, AICP | City of Houston | Houston, TX | Local government |
| Ernest Huffman | NCTCOG | Dallas, TX | Local government |
| Gus Khankarli, PE, PMP, CLTD | City of Dallas | Dallas, TX | Local government |
| Cameron Walker | Permian Basin MPO | Midland, TX | Local government |
| Kimberly Williams | Houston METRO | Houston, TX | Local government |
| Jason L. Day | Texas Department of Public Safety | Austin, TX | State & local law enforcement |
| Member | Organization | Geographic Region | Statutory Requirement |
| Maruthi R. Akella | University of Texas at Austin | Austin, TX | Transportation expert |

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| Ahsan Choudhuri | University of Texas at El Paso | El Paso, TX | Transportation expert |
| Brent Skorup | Mercatus Center at George Mason University | Arlington, VA | Transportation expert |
| Andrew Chang | United Airlines | Houston, TX | Vertical takeoff & landing operators |
| Cade Clark | Helicopter Assoc. International | Alexandria, VA | Vertical takeoff & landing operators |
| Amanda Nelson | Bristow Group Inc. | Houston, TX | Vertical takeoff & landing operators |
| Mark Ozenik | Whirl Aviation | Arlington, TX | Vertical takeoff & landing operators |
| Dan Dalton | Wisk Aviation | Washington, DC | Advanced air mobility industry |
| Ben Ivers | Boeing | Seattle, Washington | Advanced air mobility industry |