

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Transportation Code, Section 201.301, provides that the Texas Transportation Commission (commission) shall elect an executive director for the Texas Department of Transportation (department), who shall be a licensed professional engineer in the State of Texas experienced and skilled in transportation planning, development, construction, and maintenance.

Due to the retirement of Executive Director Michael W. Behrens, it is necessary to elect and appoint a successor to assure the orderly transition of duties, thereby protecting the safety and welfare of the traveling public.

The department's posted job vacancy notice for the executive director position opened on July 18, 2007 and closed on July 31, 2007 attracting a number of applicants for the position.

The commission reviewed and evaluated the qualifications, background, and experience of the many well-qualified applicants.

A thorough review of all of the applications submitted for the position and the results of interviews of top candidates indicates that Amadeo Saenz Jr., P.E., is best qualified for the position, and possesses the qualities necessary to ensure an orderly transition and assumption of duties as executive director of the department.

Recognizing the proven abilities, professional expertise and qualifications, administrative talents, and leadership qualities, the commission determines that Amadeo Saenz Jr., P.E., possesses skills and experience that fully satisfy the requisites of law and policy applicable to the position of chief administrative officer of the department.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Amadeo Saenz Jr., P.E., is appointed as executive director of the department, to assume the full range of duties and responsibilities of that position effective October 1, 2007.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the executive director of the Texas Department of Transportation be compensated at an annual salary of \$192,500.

Ric Williamson
Chair, Texas Transportation Commission

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