

Closed Session Guidelines

Section 551.101 of the Texas Government Code states the requirements for holding a closed session. It provides:

If a closed meeting is allowed under this chapter, a governmental body may not conduct the closed meeting unless a quorum of the governmental body first convenes in an open meeting for which notice has been given as provided by this chapter and during which the presiding officer publicly:

- 1. announces that a closed meeting will be held; and*
- 2. identifies the section or sections of this chapter under which the closed meeting is held.*

Sections Authorizing Deliberations in Closed Session

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| §551.071 | Private consultation with the Board's attorney. |
| §551.072 | Discussing the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property. |
| §551.073 | Discussing the negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation. |
| §551.074 | Discussing the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee. |
| §551.076 | Considering the deployment or implementation of security personnel or devices or a security audit. |
| §551.082 | Considering discipline of a public school child, or complaint or charge against an employee of the school district. |
| §551.083 | Considering the standards, guidelines, terms, or conditions the board will follow, or instruct its representatives to follow, in a consultation with a representative of an employee group. |