BYLAWS OF THE

EL PASO COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY

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Article I: Name

1.01) The name of this organization shall be the El Paso County Republican Party, hereinafter referred to as El Paso County Republican Party, or EPGOP. The County Executive Committee (CEC) shall be the governing body of the El Paso County Republican Party.

Article II: Mission Statement

2.01) The mission of the El Paso Grand Old Party (EPGOP) CEC is to develop a countywide network of individuals who will help work to identify, recruit, support, and elect Republican Candidates throughout the county and to sustain this countywide organization.

2.02) GOALS:

a) To function as the governing body of the EPGOP and to exercise those powers and fulfill those duties and responsibilities conferred upon it by county, state, and federal statutes, as well as Republican Party of Texas rules;

b) To establish general political and operational policies for the EPGOP;

c) Organize coordinated efforts to assist Local, County, State-wide, and National Republican Candidates to win their election. These efforts should include but not be limited to Get-Out-The-Vote efforts, publicizing the Party's candidates, and conducting outreach events;

d) Conducting Republican elections to choose our Party's candidates for elected office;

e) To foster and encourage growth in the EPGOP by promoting the principles articulated in platforms, planks, and legislative priorities and by electing Republican officeholders;

f) To recruit and develop volunteers to work in functions, tasks, goals, committees, and other areas necessary to meet the mission, vision, and goals of the EPGOP.

Article III: County Executive Committee

3.01) The County Executive Committee (CEC) shall be comprised of the County Chairman, who is the Presiding officer, and the Republican Party Precinct Chairs. In the event of vacancy of a Precinct Chair, the CEC will vote to fill that vacancy with a resident who has been nominated from that Precinct to fill the empty position. The County Chair and each Precinct Chair shall be elected biennially as provided by the Texas Election Code.

3.02) The County Chairman and Precinct Chairs shall be the only voting members of the CEC in accordance with Texas Election Code Title 10, all sections. Officers, Committee Chairs, and State Republican Executive Committee (SREC) members who are not Precinct Chairs may serve as ex-officio (non-voting) members of the CEC.

3.03) To be qualified to hold the office of County Chair or Precinct Chair, a candidate must be a citizen of the United States and the State of Texas, a qualified voter residing within the bounds of the entity/district to be represented and, during the voting year in which primary elections are held, must have voted in the Republican Primary. {TEXAS ELECTION CODE 171. 023} If a qualified individual did not vote in the Primary Election for any Party or during a non-Primary year the individual may fill out an Oath of Affiliation, or if a Republican Party registration is in effect the person must follow and complete that process.

3.04) The term of office shall be for two (2) years commencing on the twentieth (20th) day after the Primary Runoff Election Day as provided for in the appropriate section(s) of the Texas Election Code. {TEXAS ELECTION CODE 171.022}

3.05) If any member of the CEC misses three (3) consecutive meetings that member may be informed of the possibility of removal for abandonment of office if another regular meeting is missed. If a CEC member misses four (4) consecutive meetings, then a resolution shall be prepared and if passed by the CEC instructing the Secretary or Chairman to notify the Precinct Chair, via certified mail, that a motion of removal has been made. The Precinct Chair has seven (7) days to respond in writing by certified mail. {TEXAS ELECTION CODE 171.029}

3.06) When applicable TEXAS ELECTION CODE 171.0251 'Temporary Replacement of Committee Member in Military Service' will apply. This rule may be extended to Precinct Chairs who have long-term illness or request a temporary leave of absence.

Article IV: Purpose of the County Executive Committee

4.01) The CEC is charged with the responsibility of observing all laws of the state of Texas and the United States and in fulfilling the purposes stated in these bylaws.

4.02) The CEC is charged with establishing the general policy of the Republican Party in the County, subject to the direction of the biennial County Convention.

4.03) The CEC is charged with representing the Republican Party at city, county, state, and national levels, articulating the Party's positions, and publicizing the Party's candidates.

4.04) The CEC is charged with providing opportunities for participation in the Party to all Texans who subscribe to the beliefs and principles advocated by the Party.

4.05) The CEC is to be responsible for the policy of the El Paso County Republican Party, determining the support of local Republican Candidates.

Article V: Responsibilities of the County Executive Committee

5.01) To observe all laws of the State of Texas and these United States in fulfilling these Bylaws. It is also agreed that all decisions will be bound by the Texas Election Code, and the Rules of the Republican Party of Texas (hereinafter referred to as RPT) when applicable.

5.02) Establish the platform and general policy of the EPGOP, subject to the direction of the biennial County and State Conventions.

5.03) Represent the Republican Party at city, county, state, and national levels by:

a. The use of all communications media to articulate the Party's platform.

b. Supporting and promoting the Party's candidates.

c. Working together with conservative clubs and associations, to present a unified voice of conservative values throughout El Paso County.

5.04) The CEC shall adopt an annual budget for the party at least 60 days prior to the new calendar year.

Article VI: Term of Office

6.01) The term of the office shall be for two (2) years, commencing on the twentieth (20th) day after the Run-Off Primary Election Day, as provided for in Section 171.022(c) of the Texas Election Code.

Article VII: Vacancy in the office of County Chairman

7.01) A vacancy in the office of County Chairman shall be filled by the CEC in accordance with Texas Election Code 171.025.

[If a vacancy occurs in the office of county chair, the secretary of the county executive committee shall call a meeting for the purpose of filling the vacancy. If a committee member files with the secretary a written request for a meeting to fill a vacancy, the secretary shall call the meeting to convene not later than the 20th day after the date the secretary receives the request.]

7.02) The Secretary of the El Paso County Republican Party is charged with announcing the vacancy and informing the CEC and public that a meeting will be held to fill that vacancy. This information must be sent out within five (5) business days of the vacated office.

7.03) The Secretary with call and organize the meeting to fill the vacancy of the County Chairman. The Party Secretary may appoint a member of the CEC to fulfill this duty or may appoint a temporary committee to assist in this task. The voting shall be by a majority of the total membership of the County Executive Committee (CEC) to fill a vacancy of the Chairmanship, and the person elected must have received a majority of the votes cast of those members participating in the election, as provided by Section 171.024(a) of the Texas Election Code see Section 171.024(c) for exception. The purpose of the meeting must be given in the call of the meeting, as prescribed by the Texas Election Code, Section 171.024. A meeting to fill the vacant position of Chairman should not be more than 20 days from the notice of vacancy.

7.04) Votes by mail, email or fax are not allowed to fill a vacancy in the office of County Chairman. A proxy vote by a member not in attendance is not allowed.

Article VIII: Vacancies in the Precinct Chairs Positions

8.01) The CEC shall fill by vote any vacancy on the committee. The state executive committee may by rule adopt procedures for filling vacancies. Section 171.025 of the Texas Election Code.

8.02) A majority of the committee's membership, excluding Precinct vacancies, must participate in filling a vacancy in the office of Precinct Chair. The CEC will follow the process stated in TEC 171.024. To be elected, a person must receive a favorable vote from a majority of the CEC members voting at a Special meeting called for that purpose. The meeting in which a vacant Precinct seat is being filled must meet the normal quorum rules referenced in Article XII: Meetings, 12.03 and by the SREC.

Article IX: Executive Board

Designation of Officers

9.01) The officers of the CEC shall be referred to as the Chairman's Executive Board, or Executive Board, and will consist of at least the County Chairman, County Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, and Parliamentarian. The County Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Parliamentarian shall be appointed by the County Chairman at the Organizational Meeting. Additional officers may be appointed by the Chairman as needed, such as the

following: Sargent-At-Arms, and Legal Counsel. These offices may or may not be members of the Executive Board, this will be the County Chairman's choice.

9.02) No position on the Executive Board should be vacant for more than sixty (60) days.

9.03) The County Chairman may appoint other officers as needed for operational purposes to include but are not limited to an Elections Administrator, Campaign Coordinator and a Precinct Chair Coordinator. Any appointment(s) after the Organizational Meeting of an officer(s) made by the County Chairman must be ratified by the CEC at the next CEC meeting after the appointment has been made. Should any of these officers not be ratified by the CEC, the chairman may appoint someone to fill this position for sixty (60) days to help give the chairman time to select another person or to give the CEC the time to evaluate the selected person's performance.

Following the above process, the newly selected person will then be submitted to the CEC for ratification no later than the next scheduled CEC meeting.

9.04) Term of Office

The term of office for the officers shall be concurrent with that of the CEC, except in the event of a vacancy in the office of County Chairman (see Article VII), at which time the appointed officers shall serve only until election of a new County Chairman.

9.05) Duties of Officers

Duties of officers shall be those prescribed by the parliamentary authority adopted by the CEC and by these bylaws, as listed below:

A) County Chairman. The County Chairman shall be the CEC's presiding officer and official spokesman. He or She shall perform those duties required by State statutes, by these bylaws, and by the Rules of the Republican Party of Texas. He or She shall be an ex-officio member of all County Standing, Special Committees and ad hoc committees. The County Chairman may be a member of any of the Texas Republican County Chairmans Associations, and any assessments or dues are to be paid by the CEC. The County Chairman is authorized to conduct the following activities:

A9.01) To employ, after CEC approval, staff personnel pursuant to workload requirements and budgetary allowances.

A9.02) To authorize expenditures for normal operating expenses that were omitted from the Party's budget and any unexpected expenditure or commitment of the Party to a financial obligation not to exceed $500 (five hundred dollars) above the normal operating expenses authorized in the budget for any given month. Between $501 and $1000 must be submitted by the County Chairman to the Finance Committee for their approval. Any expenditure above $1000 must be submitted by the County Chairman to the CEC for their approval.

A9.03) To be responsible for the safekeeping of all records and/or assets of the El Paso County Republican Party, and to turn them over to his/her successor when he/she vacates the office, in accordance with Texas Election Code.

A9.04) To be one of the three signatories authorized for signing checks on the Party's treasury.

A9.05) Will order an examination of the Party's books following the election of a new County Chairman by a CPA or other individual acceptable to himself/herself along with the outgoing County Chairman or the Executive Committee. Once completed the examination is to be presented at the next CEC meeting to the members of the CEC.

A9.06) Will have the powers of supervision and management necessary to maintain a well-ordered County Headquarters.

B) County Vice Chairman. The County Vice Chairman shall assist the Chairman as requested in the performance of any non-statutory duties of the office. The Vice Chairman may not perform any statutory duties as outlined by state law but may assist in any other functions of the County Chairman, including appointments to committees. The Vice Chairman is charged with the following duties:

B9.01) To preside over CEC meetings that are called by the County Chairman or Party Secretary but for which the County Chairman does not attend.

B9.02) To act in the place of the County Chairman in the event the office of County Chairman becomes vacant until a duly elected County Chairman takes office.

B9.03) To be one of the three (3) signatories authorized for signing checks on the Party's treasury.

B9.04) May represent the County Chairman and the Party at any function where the County Chairman is not present.

B9.05) Fulfill any other duty assigned by the County Chairman on behalf of the Party.

C) Secretary

C9.01) The Secretary shall perform the usual duties of that office, keep an up-to-date roll of the CEC's members and ensure that each member receives timely notices of meetings. A permanent file containing minutes of the CEC meetings shall be maintained. In the event of a vacancy in the office of County Chairman, the Secretary shall call a meeting of the CEC for the purpose of electing a new County Chairman, as provided for in Section 171.025 of the Texas Election Code. The Secretary is authorized to receive applications for a place on the Primary Ballot as provided for in Section 172.022(a)(2) of the Texas Election Code.

C9.02) The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of the minutes of all meetings of the CEC. A permanent copy, bearing the secretary's signature and that of the presiding officer, shall be kept in a binder at County Headquarters. An electronic copy of any or all said minutes shall be available to any Executive Committee member upon request. This binder shall remain at El Paso County Republican Party Headquarters, except when taken to Executive Committee meetings that occur outside the HQ Offices.

C9.03) The Secretary shall keep a permanent, dated record of the Bylaws and Standing Rules of the Executive Committee, and any amendments thereto, an electronic copy of which shall be furnished to any Executive Committee member upon request. A copy of these bylaws shall be brought to each meeting of the Executive Committee.

C9.04) In the event an Executive Committee meeting is called, and the County Chairman and the Vice Chairman fail to attend, the Secretary shall preside and conduct the meeting.

C9.05) The Secretary shall keep an up-to-date list of the Executive Committee Members as well as all committee chairmen and members of said committees.

C9.06) The Secretary shall advise the County Chairman monthly if any vacancies have occurred in the CEC.

C9.07) The Secretary shall be an advisory member to all committees. The Secretary may appoint a Committee Secretary if a particular Committee fails to make such an appointment.

C9.08) The Secretary shall maintain copies of the submitted minutes from each committee. Committees shall create and submit an electronic draft of their meeting minutes to the party Secretary within 10 days of the completion of the meeting. The final version of those meeting minutes must be submitted within five (5) business days of final approval by that committee of those committee's minutes.

D. Treasurer

D9.01) The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds deposited with the El Paso County Republican Party, as well as the following specific duties:

D9.02) The Treasurer shall be one of the three (3) signatories authorized for signing checks on the Party's treasury, and he/she shall pay all the bills of the Party. Any check on the Party's treasury that exceeds five hundred dollars ($500.00) over the budgetary amount allowed for such expenditure, cannot be signed solely by the Treasure, but must also be signed by another authorized signatory.

D9.03) The Treasurer shall deposit all funds received by the Party in a timely manner.

D9.04) The Treasurer shall keep or supervise a system of bookkeeping in which the accounts correspond to identical categories in the budget.

D9.05) The Treasurer shall prepare an annual report within sixty (60) days after the closure of the fiscal year, to be presented at the first CEC meeting following the sixty (60) day limitation period.

D9.07) The Treasurer shall prepare and file the finance reports required by Federal and State statutes, Texas Ethics Commission, and Texas Secretary of State. The Treasurer shall notify CEC of these filings at the next regular CEC meeting as part of the Treasurer's report.

E. Legal Counsel

E9.01) The Legal Counsel acts as the chief legal advisor of the County Chairman, the County Executive Committee, the El Paso County Republican Party, all officers, and all committee members on legal matters pertaining to their responsibilities and obligations to the Party.

E9.02) Legal Counsel shall advise the County Chairman of the Party's public responsibilities and statutory obligations.

F. Parliamentarian

F9.01) The Parliamentarian shall advise the County chairman on matters of rules and procedures, and questions that may arise during Executive Committee meetings, Conventions, and other meetings as deemed necessary by the County Chairman.

G. Precinct Chair Coordinator. (Optional)

G9.01) The Precinct Chair Coordinator shall work with the County Chairman to help recruit and train Precinct Chairs concerning their duties towards building and strengthening the Party.

H. Nominations Committee Chair (Optional)

H9.01) The Nominations Committee Chair shall work with the County Chairman to help recruit Republican candidates for office and find qualified candidates for open Precinct Chair positions. These people should be willing to be active in the Party.

a) During the Primary Election process the Nominations Committee Chair will provide equally to all Party candidates a common set of informational documents and sources to help run a successful campaign. After the primaries, the Candidate Coordinator acts as a liaison with the local party to engage all available resources to achieve Republican victories in El Paso County.

H9.02) The Nominations Committee Chair shall work with the Precinct Chair Coordinator to find and recruit qualified Republicans to become Precinct Chairs.

H9.03) Any new Precinct Chair candidates will file an application with the Party Secretary for review of qualifications as stated in 3.03, vetting of their voting record, and past

activities with the Republican Party. After this review process is complete the individual will be nominated to the CEC by report of the nominations committee. The CEC will then have an up or down vote of acceptance into the CEC.

Article X: Meetings

10.01) The County Executive Committee (CEC) shall meet at least once a quarter, and at such times as required by the Texas Election Code. It shall meet at the call of the County Chairman, or Secretary. Special meetings may also be called by written petition signed by twenty-five percent (25%) of the members of the Executive Committee and delivered to the Chairman or to the Secretary. Any special meeting called by written petition shall be held no earlier than five days after presentation of the petition to the County Chairman and/or Secretary.

10.02) Notice of any Regular meeting of the CEC shall be sent to all members no less than seven (7) calendar days prior to the meeting. The following meeting types are exceptions to this time of notice for a meeting:

a) Special meeting, these are meetings that are called for a particular purpose which will be stated in the call of that meeting. These are not regular meetings, and they cannot have more than two (2) related matters to deal with. These meetings may be called less than 5 calendar days' notice but not less than 3 calendar days' notice.
b) Emergency meetings, these will be single issue meetings called because the CEC must be given the opportunity to vote on the subject in which the meeting was called. These meetings may be called with less than 3 days' notice.

All designation of time will be based on the timestamp date and time of the meeting notice. Written notices may be given by mail, email, or by fax and must include the date, time, and location of the meeting. Meeting time should also be posted on the Party's website.

10.03) At CEC meetings, one-fourth (1/4, 25%) of the membership, excluding vacancies, shall constitute a quorum for conduct of non-statutory business. Any section of these bylaws that do not have a specific quorum requirement will be governed by this section.

10.04) For CEC meetings, a quorum for conduct of statutory business (called for by the Texas Ethics Commission) shall consist of those members present. [Required by the Republican Party of Texas Rule 9 – "a quorum of 1"]

10.05) No CEC meeting shall be held during the week of the biennial State Convention or the quadrennial National Convention, or any National Convention called for by the Republican National Committee (RNC).

Article XI. Committees

11.01) The County Chairman shall appoint the chairmen of any Standing Committees deemed necessary to conduct policies of the local Party.

11.02) Each committee is authorized to develop procedures for conducting the business within that committee's authority, which may be subject to review and amendment by the County Chairman or his designee or the CEC.

11.03) Committee members should be Precinct Chairs and Republican minded members of the public.

11.04) A committee member(s) may be removed from a committee by the County Chairman or upon request of the committee chairman to the County Chairman.

11.05) Committee Chairs should be a Precinct Chair (PC) but a willing member of the public may be a Committee Chair if there is no willing PC.

Article XII: Parliamentary Authority

12.01) The rules contained in the most current edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the meetings of this CEC in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are consistent with these bylaws and any supplemental rules promulgated by the Republican Party of Texas, or any state or federal statutes.

Article XIII: Amendment of Bylaws

13.01) These bylaws may be amended upon recommendation of the Rules Committee to the CEC and then receiving a favorable vote by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members of the CEC present at a properly called meeting, the amendments will be adopted. See Article X. MEETINGS for the manner in which a meeting may be called for this purpose. An electronic copy of all proposed bylaw amendments should be provided to the CEC members with the notice of meeting. Supplemental rules may also be adopted in accordance with RPT Rule 8.

Article XIV: Severability Clause

14.01) If any provision or provisions of these bylaws are determined to be invalid, illegal, unenforceable or in conflict with the law of any Texas legal jurisdiction, or of the RPT Rules, the validity, legality, the enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

July 16, 2026

DATE

County Chair's Signature

Reference Material:

Texas Secretary of State Election Code
https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/?tab=1&code=EL&chapter=EL.171&artSec=

Republican Party of Texas (RPT) Rules
https://texasgop.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/RPT-General-Rules-As-Changed-2025-06-14-3.pdf