# BYLAWS OF THE <br> REGION FOURTEEN DISTRICT <br> TEXAS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE 

## ARTICLE 1.

## NAME AND OBJECTIVE

Section 1.1 - This organization shall be known as the Region Fourteen District of the Texas Municipal League.

Section 1.2 - The purpose of this organization is to operate under the Constitution of the Texas Municipal League and subscribe to the objectives and purposes thereof. It shall further be the objective of this organization to perpetuate and develop the Texas Municipal League as an agency for the cooperation of the Cities in this District in the practical study of municipal affairs.

## ARTICLE 2.

## MEMBERSHIP

Section 2.1 - Any City or Town in the Region 14 District may, by becoming a member in good standing of the Texas Municipal League, become a member of this organization.

Section 2.2 - Any Commercial or Civic Club, Library, individual or organization interested in municipal betterment may, by becoming a member in good standing of the Texas Municipal League, become a member of this organization.

Section 2.3 - There will be no annual dues fixed upon the members of this organization other than those dues required for membership in the Texas Municipal League.

Section 2.4 - Only member Cities and Towns shall be entitled to vote in all meetings of this organization. Each municipality shall be entitled to one collective vote on all matters.

Section 2.5 - The Region 14 District shall consist of the counties of Austin, Brazoria, Chambers, Colorado, Fort Bend, Galveston, Grimes, Harris, Houston, Madison, Matagorda, Montgomery, San Jacinto, Trinity, Walker, Waller, and Wharton.

## ARTICLE 3. <br> OFFICERS, ELECTIONS, AND VACANCIES

Section 3.1 - The officers of this organization shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary-Treasurer, and a Regional Director.

Section 3.2 - The said officers shall be elected at the last regular meeting held prior to the TML Annual Meeting and shall serve for a term of two years. The Director shall be elected at the last regular meeting prior to the Annual Meeting of even-numbered years and shall serve a term of two years. Only City officials of member cities shall serve as officers.

Section 3.3 - Prior to the annual meeting of every even-numbered year, the President shall appoint a nominating committee. The nominating committee shall present the names of the prospective officers at the annual meeting. Each existing officer will automatically be considered as a nominee for the succeeding office for the next term. The President will become the nominee for Director; the Vice President becomes the nominee for President, and the office of Vice President will be open for election. Any officer serving in the capacity of the $2^{\text {nd }}$ Vice President prior to the adoption of these revised bylaws may be nominated for the Vice President position. Other nominations may be made from the floor for each office. The function of Secretary-Treasurer shall be discharged by the Houston-Galveston Area Council, or the designee of the newly-elected President.

Section 3.4 - A vacancy in the office of the President shall be filled for the unexpired term by the succession of the Vice President to that office. A vacancy in the office of the Vice President shall be filled for the unexpired term by election of a member to that office. In the event of a vacancy in the office of the Director, the President shall become a member of the TML Board of Directors and shall hold such office until the adjournment of the next Annual Conference. In the event of a vacancy in any other office, such vacancy shall be filled by election at the next regular meeting. The fact that such a vacancy will be filled shall be included in the notice of such meeting.

Section 3.5 - The term of office of all newly elected officers shall commence immediately upon election.

## ARTICLE 4.

## DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 4.1 - It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings. The President shall see that a time and place are arranged for all meetings, a program prepared, and shall appoint all standing and special committees.

Section 4.2 - It shall be the duty of the Vice President to act in place of the President when the President is unable to act and to assist in the prosecution of the duties of that office.

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Section 4.4 - It shall be the duty of the Secretary-Treasurer to keep a written record of the minutes of each meeting, to look after the printing and sending of announcements concerning any regular or special meeting, and to carry on any required correspondence. Further, should any money be collected and disbursed by the organization, it shall be the duty of the SecretaryTreasurer to account for all such money in behalf of the organization.

## ARTICLE 5. TIME AND PLACE OF MEETINGS

Section 5.1 - Regular meetings of this organization shall be held twice each year in the period between the Annual Conferences of the League.

Section 5.2 - Each meeting shall be held at a place selected by the officers of this organization, and an appropriate and timely meeting notice shall be sent to each member city or town.

## ARTICLE 6.

QUORUM \& DECORUM

Section 6.1 - Representation of seven cities shall constitute a quorum to do business.

Section 6.2 - The latest edition of Robert Rules of Order shall govern the Parliamentary Procedure of all meetings.

## ARTICLE 7. <br> AMENDMENTS

Section 7.1 - These Bylaws may be amended by a simple majority vote of the cities present at any regular meeting.
*Original Bylaws Adopted, 4/12/80
**Revised Bylaws Adopted, 9/19/85
**Revised Bylaws Adopted, 4/17/15

