

Rules of the Salt Lake County Republican Party

October 14, 2021

Special Election to fill House District 33

Section 1 Purpose

Section 1.1 To select an individual whose name will be sent to the Governor for appointment to fill the vacated House District 33 Seat. This shall be an interim appointment until the 2022 election cycle.

Section 2 Delegate Qualifications and Credentials

Section 2.1 Only credentialed Salt Lake County Republican Party County Delegates may be seated and vote at the Special Election.

Section 2.2 Non-members may sit in the guest areas defined by and provided at the discretion of the Chair. The aisles must remain clear.

Section 3 Rules of Order

Section 3.1 These Special Election rules shall govern if any of these rules conflict with Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (RONR). RONR shall govern the Special Election in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the County Party Bylaws.

Section 3.2 Disputes regarding the interpretation of Special Election rules will be decided by the Party Chair, subject to appeal by a majority of those voting.

Section 3.3 A quorum shall be of the credentialed members of the Salt Lake County Republican Party county delegates.

Section 3.4 Only credentialed county delegates from House District 33 may speak to the business of the Special Election. The Chair has discretion to recognize anyone to address the Special Election.

Section 3.5 Any member of the House District 33 wishing to speak upon the Special Election floor shall rise, address the chair, and if recognized, state his name and voting precinct.

Section 3.6 No member of House District 33 shall speak for more than two (2) minutes at a time, unless given additional time by the body. The maker of a motion shall be allowed one (1) minute to summarize and close the debate before the vote on the motion is taken.

Section 3.7 The Party shall not give any candidate, organization, or issue exclusive information, rights or privileges to promote their campaign, organization, or issue to the exclusion of any other competing candidate, organization, or issue prior to or during the Special Election.

Section 3.8 No Campaigning, distribution or other interference within ten (10) feet of the Registration Tables or on the floor of the Special Election.

Section 3.9 The Chair is responsible to maintain the course and objectives of the Special Election.

Section 3.10 Changing any wording in the rules does not affect the remaining sections or subsections.

Section 4 Order of Business

Section 4.1 The Special Election shall consider as the first order of business the Credentials report and then the proposed rules.

Section 5 Special Election Voting

Section 5.1 All voting shall be conducted by secret ballot. There shall be no voice voting.

Section 6 Elections & Balloting

General

Section 6.1 Candidates' Ballot and Speaking Order shall be determined by random drawing. The drawing for this special election was held at a Salt Lake County GOP Executive Committee Meeting on March 13, 2021.

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Section 6.2 Candidates may be nominated or endorsed by individuals other than members of House District 33. Nominating speeches are not required.

Section 6.3 Candidates may have their campaign literature distributed to members of House District 33 within their respective venues prior and up to the time that the first Candidate in their race begins their presentation.

Section 6.4 Candidate presentations shall not exceed five minutes in length prior to the first round. Nominating speeches count against a candidate's allotted time.

Section 6.5 In subsequent rounds of balloting, candidates not eliminated in a prior round of balloting shall not exceed one minute in length for presentation.

Section 6.6 The Elections Committee Chair shall be responsible for the security relating to the ballots, the accuracy of the count, and directing the access and conduct of all persons within the election room.

Section 6.7 Each Candidate shall be allowed one (1) poll watcher in the election room.

Section 6.8 Candidates shall identify their designated poll watchers to the Elections Committee Chair, who shall in turn issue official Poll Watcher credentials allowing them access to observe the proceedings of the ballot counting area.

Balloting

Section 6.9 This Special Election shall be conducted by Paper Ballot.

Section 6.10 Polls will open and close as officially announced by the Party Chair.

Section 6.11 Absentee ballots from credentialed county delegates from House District 33 will be accepted.

Section 6.12 Credentialed delegates from House District 33 may only vote for one candidate.

Section 6.13 Ballot counting shall not commence until after polls have been closed for at least one minute (1).

Section 6.14 Challenges to balloting must be made to the Party Chair or Designee before the time expires.

Counting

Section 6.15 Official tally sheets shall be used to record each counted vote, and will be kept with the supporting ballots. These materials shall be preserved by the Party Officers in a secure location for at least five (5) business days following the Special Election (Thursday, October 21 at 7:00 pm).

Section 6.16 Any challenges to the counting process must be made to the Party Chair or Designee before the election results of that race are announced.

Results

Section 6.17 Candidates must receive a majority of the vote to be the Party's Nominee. Otherwise, if more than two (2) candidates, each round of balloting shall be used to reduce the number of candidates to no less than two (2) from those receiving the highest percentage of votes that, when combined, represent a majority of votes. Ties shall be determined by a toss of the coin. This process continues until a runoff round between two (2) Candidates.

Section 6.18 Any candidate requesting a recount or challenging an election must file a request in writing to the Elections Committee Chair by 5:00 pm two (2) business days following the Special Election. (Monday, October 22, 2021).

Section 6.19 Recounts and challenges may only be brought if they might legitimately affect the outcome of the election.

Section 7 Physical Arrangements

Section 7.1 The Special Election shall follow the Hosting Facility Policies and Procedures and Arrangement Committee's requirements.

Section 7.2 Candidates, organizations and individuals using the Special Election for distribution, campaigning or any other promotional or reporting use shall be responsible to research and comply with the Hosting Facility's Policies and Procedures and the Arrangements Committee's requirements.

Section 7.3 All campaign literature to be distributed shall contain the name(s) and/or contact information of those financially responsible for said literature. All candidates & campaigns are responsible for clean-up and removal from the facility of all campaign materials and any items brought by the candidate or campaign.

Section 7.4 A representative from the Salt Lake County Republican Party will be present to assist with questions about adherence to the Arrangement Committee and Facility's rules.