

# THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF EAST ST. PAUL

## BY-LAW NO. 2026-12

*BEING A BY-LAW OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF EAST ST. PAUL TO ESTABLISH CAMPAIGN EXPENSE LIMITS AND THE PORTIONING OF INCOME FROM FUNDRAISING EVENTS AND TO REPEAL BY-LAW 2022-12.*

**WHEREAS** under section 93.2 of The Municipal Act, a municipality must pass a by-law prescribing certain matters concerning campaign expenses and contributions in connection with municipal elections.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Rural Municipality of East St. Paul enacts as a bylaw the following:

### **1. INTERPRETATION**

- 1.0 Terms in this by-law have the meaning ascribed to them in The Municipal Act.
- 1.1 References to sections in this by-law are to provisions in The Municipal Act.

### **2. REGISTRATION OF PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATES**

- 2.1 An individual applying to be a registered candidate under section 93.3 must complete the registration form provided by the Senior Election Official.

### **3. CAMPAIGN EXPENSE LIMIT**

- 3.1 The Limit to campaign expenses that may be incurred by registered candidates shall be:
  - (a) for Mayor, \$10,000; and
  - (b) for Councillor, \$5,000.00

### **4. PORTIONING OF INCOME FROM FUNDRAISING EVENT**

- 4.1 In this section, “fundraising event” means events or activities held for the purpose of raising funds for the registered candidate by whom or on whose behalf the event is held.

- 4.2 A fundraising event held by or on behalf of a registered candidate shall be held only during the campaign period.
- 4.3 The total revenue received and the total cost incurred for a fundraising event shall be recorded and included in the registered candidate's Election Finance Statement.
- 4.4 The net income made at a fundraising event shall be considered a contribution, and expenses incurred in holding a fundraising event shall be excluded from the campaign expense limitation. Net income is calculated by deducting fundraising costs from fundraising revenue.
- 4.5 Notwithstanding 4.4, a monetary contribution that is more than \$10.00 from an individual into a general collection at a fundraising event must be considered a contribution as per section 93.2(1)(b) of The Municipal Act, be recorded and reported in accordance with 93.12(1), and be excluded from the fundraising event revenue.

## **5. ELECTION FINANCE STATEMENTS**

- 5.1 The election finance statement shall be in the form set out in Schedule A to this bylaw. Registered candidates must keep records of contributions received, campaign expenses incurred, and loans obtained in a manner that facilitates the filing and reconciliation of the Election Finance Statement.
- 5.2 Registered candidates must retain for not less than two years after the election, as per section 93.11(e), copies of receipts, bank statements, cheques, and any other documents on which the Election Finance Statement is based.
- 5.3 The date by which the Election Finance Statement under section 93.12(1) must be filed is 210 days after Election Day.
- 5.4 A request by the Chief Administrative Officer to file a further Election Finance Statement under section 93.12(2) must be made within 30 days of the filing of the Election Finance Statement.
- 5.5 The date by which a further Election Finance Statement requested by the Chief Administrative Officer under section 93.12(2) must be filed is 30 days after the request is received.
- 5.6 After a registered candidate files their Election Finance Statement with the Chief Administrative Officer, the statement shall be open to inspection by any person during regular office hours, and a copy shall be provided on payment of the municipality's current photocopy fee.

**6. REPEAL BY-LAW**

6.1 THAT By-Law 2022-12 of the Rural Municipality of East St. Paul is hereby repealed.

DONE AND PASSED by the Council of The Rural Municipality of East St. Paul in regular session assembled this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 2026.

**RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF EAST ST. PAUL**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy-Mayor

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Administrative Officer

Read a first time this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 2026.

Read a second time this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 2026.

Read a third time this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 2026.

**SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NO. 2026-12**

**RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF EAST ST. PAUL**

**CANDIDATE ELECTION FINANCE STATEMENT**

To be filed with the Chief Administrative Officer by \_\_\_\_\_

Name of office (Head of council or councillor, and Ward if applicable)		
Name of candidate		
Permanent mailing address		
		Postal Code
Phone	Phone (alternate)	Fax Number
E-mail address		

**CONTRIBUTIONS IN CAMPAIGN PERIOD**

Contributions \$250.00 or less \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Add: Contributions more than \$250 from a single Contributor \$ \_\_\_\_\_

From Part A

Add: Contributions from fund-raising events \$ \_\_\_\_\_

From Part B

Add: Other (Please specify) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Anonymous Contributions turned over to SEO \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Do not include in Total Contributions)

**EXPENSES IN CAMPAIGN PERIOD**

Advertising – media, posters, pamphlets, signs \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Office–furniture, equipment, insurance, rent, telephone \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Office supplies – stationary, postage \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate’s personal expenses \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Meetings, social functions, rallies \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Travel \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL EXPENSES** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)**  
**(TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS LESS TOTAL EXPENSES)** \$ \_\_\_\_\_



**PART B**

**FUNDRAISING EVENT STATEMENT**  
*(Attach a separate statement for each event held)*

Event #: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Held at:

\_\_\_\_\_

Type of Function:

\_\_\_\_\_

**Revenue**

(Please specify, e.g., ticket sales, merchandise, etc.):

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

(Exclude individual monetary contributions into a general collection of more than \$10.00.  
These contributions are to be reported as individual contributions.)

**TOTAL REVENUE**      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Costs**

(Please specify, e.g., hall rental, advertising, supplies, etc.):

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL COSTS**      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

<p><b>PART B – TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS (TOTAL REVENUE LESS TOTAL COSTS)</b></p>	<p><b>\$</b></p>
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## LOAN DETAILS

<p>Name of financial institution:</p> <p>_____</p>
<p>Address:</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p>Amount borrowed: \$ _____</p>
<p>Interest rate: _____ % Terms for repayment</p> <p>_____</p>

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a candidate for election as a member of council at the 2026 general election, declare:

- (a) This campaign finance completely and accurately discloses the information required by the Municipal Act; and
- (b) The requirements of The Municipal Act and the Rural Municipality of East St. Paul By-law No. 2026-12 have been met, in relation to my election campaign in the 2026 General Election.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF CANDIDATE)

Declared before me at the \_\_\_\_\_ in the  
Province of Manitoba, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF WITNESS)