CONSTITUTION

OF THE

SPACE CITY FUTBOL CLUB

(SCFC)

A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

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ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of the organization shall be Space City Futbol Club and hereinafter referred to as SCFC, the Club or the Corporation. SCFC shall be a non-profit organization, incorporated in the State of Texas.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSES AND OBJECTIVES

SCFC shall govern, promote and develop the game of soccer among youth under 19 years of age within the area of jurisdiction of SCFC. It shall work to provide an environment where its members can learn, develop, and compete in the sport of soccer. The primary objective of SCFC shall be to develop and promote a love of the game of soccer within its membership. It shall teach good sportsmanship and promote physical health; permit all players who attend and adhere to team rules to participate in team competition, and; encourage good conduct, courtesy, and respect for constituted authority by officials, coaches, players, and spectators. In fulfilling these objectives, SCFC will recruit players, collect fees, seek community sponsorship, provide soccer skill training and conduct any legitimate activity associated with a soccer program that is approved by the SCFC Board of Directors.

ARTICLE III: AFFILIATIONS

SCFC shall be affiliated with Bay Area Youth Soccer Association (BAYSA), South Texas Youth Soccer Association (STYSA) and United States Youth Soccer Association (USYSA). SCFC may also be affiliated with other National Soccer Organizations such as United States Club Soccer (USCS). Any change or additional affiliation would require a vote of the affected committee. It shall also support players and teams who compete in the Division One level of play who may be associated with the Eastern District Division One Association (EDDOA). In the event of a conflict between this constitution and bylaws and the constitution and bylaws of any higher affiliate association, the higher association's document shall take precedence.

ARTICLE IV: TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION

The territorial jurisdiction of SCFC shall be the geographic area defined by: the Friendswood Independent School District, the Clear Creek Independent School District, and the south Pearland Independent School District. This geographical area is not intended to limit program participation or membership. Players from other area's will be encouraged to play in their respective clubs but these individuals will be eligible for membership in SCFC if that is where they intend to play.

ARTICLE V: MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

- 1. The affairs of the Club shall be handled at Board of Directors meetings, the November annual membership meeting, and any called special membership meetings.
- 2. Meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President or by 25% of the Board of Directors. Meetings will be held monthly, or as necessary, at a time and place designated by the President to carry out the functions and duties of the Board of Directors. Duly elected officers will attend board meetings. A minimum of 40% of the current voting Board of Directors shall constitute a Quorum for a Board of Directors meeting. No motion shall be carried without a simple majority vote of the Quorum. Notice of Board of Directors meetings shall be provided to officers not less than 48 hours prior to the meeting. Board meetings are open to Club members.
- 3. The annual membership meeting shall be held each November at a time and place to be designated by the President. The purpose of the annual membership meeting is to report the state of the Club, to conduct elections for officers of the Board of Directors and to conduct other Club business as required. Notice of the annual meeting shall be provided to members of the Club not less than fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting. A Quorum at the annual membership meeting shall be the voting members present. No motion shall be carried without a simple majority vote of the Quorum, with the exception that changes to the SCFC Constitution or Team Formation Guidelines require two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of a Quorum. The annual membership meeting is open to Club members.
- 4. Special membership meetings may be called by the President or by 50% of the Board of Directors. Notice of the special membership meeting shall be provided to members of the Club not less than fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting. A Quorum at the annual membership meeting shall be the voting members present. No motion shall be carried without a simple majority vote of the Quorum, with the exception that changes to the SCFC Constitution or Team Formation Guidelines require two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of a Quorum. Special membership meetings are open to Club members.

ARTICLE VI: MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING RIGHTS

- 1. Membership is open to all youth players in good standing with SCFC and its affiliated associations who register pursuant to the rules and regulations of this Corporation.
- 2. Parents and guardians of youth who become a registered player pursuant to the rules and regulations of this Corporation are non-voting members of the Club.
- 3. Volunteer coaches, volunteer assistant coaches, and volunteer team managers of all SCFC sponsored/registered teams are members of the Club.

- 4. The elected officers of the Board of Directors are members of the Club and shall have one vote each on all matters regarding the conduct and operation of the corporation.
- 5. Each team shall have one vote at the annual membership meeting or in any special membership meeting where such voting is required by this Constitution or By-Laws of the Club. Votes must be cast in person by the team representative, who shall be the volunteer coach, volunteer team manager, or by his/her designee. The coach may delegate voting rights to another team representative in the event he/she cannot attend the annual membership meeting or special membership meeting where such voting may be required by notifying the Secretary of the Board of Directors prior to the vote. The designee must be either a volunteer assistant coach or a parent/guardian of a currently registered player on that team. One person may represent more than one team.
- 6. Players shall be non-voting members.
- 7. Board members, appointed officers, team coaches, and all assistants must register with the appropriate background check program as prescribed by the governing association. Any person who fails the background check associated with filing that form shall not be allowed to participate in any Club or team activities.

ARTICLE VII: OFFICERS

- 1. The management of the property and affairs of the Club shall be under the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall consist of elected officers with the exception of the Executive Director, who is a non-voting member. The Board shall enforce all Club rules, By-Laws and operating policies.
- 2. The officers of the Board, consisting at minimum of the following, shall serve twoyear terms and be elected on a staggered basis to assure continuity in the operations of the Club. They shall be elected on an odd/even year system. All officers are eligible for re-election to the same office, unless removed under Article VI, Section 8 of this Constitution. Noted by each position is whether the election is in an odd or even year.

1. President	Even
2. Past President	N/A
3. First Vice President (Competitive)	Odd
4. Second Vice President (U11 and Up Division III)	Odd
5. Third Vice-President (U7-U10)	Even
6. Fourth Vice President (U4-U6)	Even
7. Treasurer	Even
8. Secretary	Odd
9. Operations Director	Odd
10. Executive Director (non-voting)	Appointed

- 3. The Board may establish additional positions as is deemed necessary for the conduction of business and these positions will be appointed and non-voting.
- 4. Officers of the Board of Directors shall be elected at the November annual membership meeting, shall assume the office at the Board of Directors meeting in January, and shall remain in office until resignation, removal or until a successor has been elected. Voting for any contested positions shall be by secret ballot and a simple majority is required for election of an officer. Nominations may be submitted to the Secretary of the Board of Directors up to fourteen (14) days prior to the annual membership meeting. Nominations received after that date will require approval of 40% or more of the current Board of Directors. It is the responsibility of the President to assure that those nominated are willing and able to serve.
- 5. The term of office for all elected positions is for a two year period and shall be from January 1st to December 31st.
- 6. Any officer may be removed by a majority vote of the voting members of the Club at special membership meetings called under the provision of By-Law III, Section Five or by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors for failure to perform the duties specified for the position so elected. Failure to perform duties includes, but is not limited to, failure to attend three (3) consecutive meetings of the regularly scheduled monthly meetings of the Board.
- 7. The President shall fill any Board vacancies by appointment subject to the approval of the Board of Directors. In the event that the President's position becomes vacant, the Board will call for a special membership meeting for the election of a new President if there are more than six (6) months remaining in that term of office. If there are less than six (6) months remaining in that term of office, then the Board shall appoint a new President who will serve in the position until the new President, elected at the next annual membership meeting, assumes the office.
- 8. SCFC Board members shall not hold Board positions in any other youth soccer club.
- 9. SCFC Board members shall not have children in other recreational or competitive soccer programs unless approved by the SCFC Executive Director.

ARTICLE VIII: CONDUCT OF CLUB MEMBERS

The Board of Directors may convene as a Board of Conduct to rule on matters of, or pertaining to, the conduct of any officer, coach, player or other Club member. The ruling of the Board of Conduct on such matters is final. The Board of Conduct meetings shall be closed to the public Membership and shall be subject to the conditions in By-Law II.

ARTICLE IX: FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the corporation shall begin January 1st and end December 31st.

ARTICLE X: FINANCIAL POLICY

The Treasurer shall prepare a proposed budget for each fiscal year. The budget shall be voted and adopted by the Board in time to allow the Club to set registration fees for the coming season.

ARTICLE XI: RULES OF PROCEDURE

SCFC shall have power to establish the By-Laws, Team Formation Guidelines, and Operating Practices. Unless specifically stated in State or National Association Rules, Robert's Rules of Order (current edition) shall apply to the conduct of SCFC business at all regular or special meetings.

ARTICLE XII: AMENDMENTS

- 1. The Constitution and Team Formation Guidelines may be amended, altered, or repealed by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of a Quorum of the current voting members at the November annual membership meeting or in a special membership meeting of the Club if at least fourteen (14) days prior notice has been given to club members.
- 2. The By-Laws may be amended, altered, or repealed by a majority vote of the Board if at least fourteen (14) days prior notice has been given to Board members.

ARTICLE XIII: ITEMS NOT COVERED

- 1. Operating Practices may be adopted by a majority vote of the SCFC Board of Directors. Operating Practices cannot be adopted which conflict with the SCFC Constitution and By-Laws.
- 2. The Club shall obtain and maintain a non-profit status with the Internal Revenue Service and shall be in accordance with Affiliate organizations.