

TO: All Texas Elks RE: 2025 Grand Lodge Convention – Kansas City, Missouri The 160th Grand Lodge Session will be held in Kansas City, Missouri, from June 29th – July 2rd, 2025.

The Texas delegation has been assigned to the Hilton Kansas City Country Club Plaza Hotel.

The room rate is \$159.00 plus \$3.00 city fee plus 17.475% tax for a per night total of \$190.31 for single, double, triple, or quad occupancy.

RESESRVATIONS ARE CLOSED

- Self-parking is available. Elks are receiving a 20% discount on parking. The cost should be approximately \$21 a day for self-parking.
- The hotel is approximately 4.5 miles from the Convention Center. The hotel is non-smoking.
- The hotel does allow pets up to 60 pounds with a \$75 deposit. Service animals do not require a deposit.
- All rooms have refrigerators and microwaves. The Hilton has both handicap and hearing-impaired rooms available. If needed, such requirements need to be requested at the time the reservations are made. Ensure a note is made on the reservation form under Special Needs.

Check-in time is 3:00 PM; an earlier check-in time may be requested at the time reservations are made but is subject to room availability upon check-in. Check-out time is 11 AM. A later check-out time may be requested when the reservation is made but is subject to room availability.

The Hilton Kansas City Country Club Plaza does not have shuttle service to and from the Kansas City airport. Lyft or Uber are available for approximately \$45 one-way cost. A Taxi will cost approximately \$60.

Listed below is general information regarding the Kansas City convention:

- The Co-Headquarter hotels are the Westin Kansas City and the Sheraton Kansas City at the Crown Center Hotels. Sunday Afternoon Opening Ceremony, Daily Business Sessions, and Closing Session will take place at the Kansas City Convention Center, 301 West 13th Street, Kansas City, MO 64105.
- Sunday afternoon opening ceremony will be 4:00 6:00 PM, June 29th, 2025, at the Kansas City Convention Center.
- The Daily Business and the Closing sessions will start at 8:00 AM.
- Registration and Exhibits will be set up in the Kansas City Convention Center. Ritual Competition will be at the Kansas City Convention Center.
- The Texas Elks Caucus will be held at 2 PM on Monday, June 30thst at the Hilton Kansas City Country Club Plaza Hotel in the Plaza Ballroom.
- DDGER-Designates Seminar will be at the Kansas City Convention Center, on Monday, June 30th and Tuesday, July 1st, at 12:45 PM. Location to be determined.
- The varying Committee Seminars will be scheduled on Sunday as early as 9:00 AM and following the General Sessions on Monday and Tuesday. These will be listed on the Elks website at some point during May 2025.
- Convention Pre-Registration will open early April, 2025.