

**VENTANA LAKES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.
CONSENT OF DIRECTORS IN LIEU OF
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

The undersigned, being all of the members of the Board of Directors of the Ventana Lakes Community Association, Inc., a Texas non-profit corporation (hereinafter referred to as the "**Association**"), do hereby consent, pursuant to Section 22.220(a) of the Texas Business Organizations Code, to the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. DIRECTORS

RESOLVED, that each of the undersigned, being all of the directors of the Association, as named in its Certificate of Formation filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Texas on January 21, 2014, does hereby accept appointment to such office and does hereby agree to serve as a director of the Association until the first annual meeting of the members and until said director's successor or successors have been duly elected and qualified or until his or her earlier death, resignation, retirement, disqualification or removal from office.

2. COMMUNITY MANUAL

RESOLVED, that the form of community manual attached hereto as Exhibit "A", which includes the Bylaws of the Association, is approved and adopted as the Community Manual of the Association, and the Secretary of the Association is instructed to insert the original thereof in the corporate records of the Association.

3. OFFICERS

RESOLVED, that each of the following-named persons be and they hereby are elected as officers of the Association for the office or offices set forth below opposite his or her name, and to hold any such office to which elected until the first annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Association and until his or her successor should be chosen and qualified in his or her stead, or until his or her earlier death, resignation, retirement, disqualification or removal from office:

Leslie Carpenter	-	President
Mark Hardy	-	Vice President
Tu-Anh Cloteaux	-	Secretary/Treasurer

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4. REGISTERED OFFICE; REGISTERED AGENT

RESOLVED, that the registered office of the Association be established and maintained at 350 N. St. Paul Street, Suite 2900, Dallas, Texas and that CT Corporation System is hereby appointed as registered agent of the corporation in said office.

5. BOOKS AND RECORDS

RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Association be and hereby is authorized and directed to procure all necessary books and records of the Association.

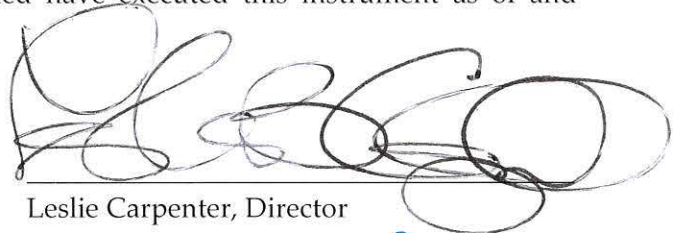
6. ORGANIZATIONAL EXPENSES

RESOLVED, that the President of the Association or other officer be and hereby is authorized and directed to pay all fees, expenses and costs incident to or necessary for the incorporation and organization of the Association and to reimburse any person who may have paid any of such fees, expenses and costs.

7. CORPORATE SEAL

RESOLVED, that a corporate seal is not adopted at this time and that no impression of a corporate seal is required on any Association document.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this instrument as of and effective the 21st day of January, 2014.



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Leslie Carpenter, Director



Handwritten signature of Mark Hardy in blue ink, written in a cursive style.

Mark Hardy, Director



Handwritten signature of Tu-Anh Cloteaux in blue ink, written in a cursive style.

Tu-Anh Cloteaux, Director

EXHIBIT "A"



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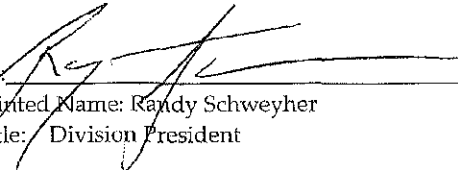
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D. R. HORTON – TEXAS, LTD., a Texas limited partnership, as the Declarant under the Ventana Lakes Master Covenant recorded under Document No. 20140112506, Official Public Records of Harris County, Texas, and the initial and sole member of Ventana Lakes Community Association, Inc, a Texas non-profit corporation (the "Association"), certifies that the foregoing Community Manual was adopted as part of the initial project documentation for Ventana Lakes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Community Manual on the 21 day of March, 2014.

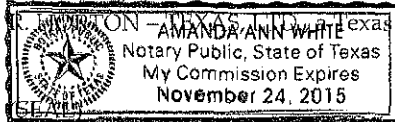
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By: D. R. HORTON, INC., a Delaware corporation, its
authorized agent

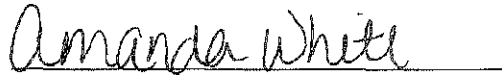
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By: 
Printed Name: Randy Schweyher
Title: Division President

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF Montgomery

This instrument was acknowledged before me this 21 day of March, 2014 by Randy Schweyher, Division President of D. R. HORTON, INC., a Delaware corporation, authorized agent of D. R. HORTON – TEXAS, LTD., a Texas limited partnership, on behalf of said corporation and partnership.




Notary Public Signature

Cross-reference to Ventana Lakes Master Covenant recorded under Document No. 20140112506, Official Public Records of Harris County, Texas, as the same may be amended from time to time.

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COMMUNITY MANUAL

for

VENTANA LAKES

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A Master Planned Community in Harris County

I. INTRODUCTION

More than a spot on the map or your destination at the end of the day, a community is a sense of place and belonging – it is your home. A community consists of people who share the same goals and interests as you and your family to make your home an extra-ordinary place to live, recreate and thrive. Ventana Lakes is your Community.

D. R. Horton - Texas is the developer of Ventana Lakes. The guiding principles for the Community have been set forth in the governing documents for Ventana Lakes, which include the Development Documents and the Association Documents (both defined below) and collectively referred to herein as the "Documents." (the "**Documents**"). The Documents include such instruments as the Master Covenant (the "**Covenant**"), any applicable Notices of Applicability, the Development Area Declaration (the "**DAD**"), the Design Guidelines, if any, and this Community Manual (collectively referred to as the "**Development Documents**"), all of which are recorded in the property records by the developer generally prior to the time that you purchased your property. The Development Documents contain covenants, conditions and restrictions which not only encumber your property, but also have a legal and binding effect on all Owners and Occupants in the Community, now or in the future.

Under the Development Documents, the developer is the "**Declarant**" who has reserved certain rights to facilitate the development, construction, and marketing of the Community, including its size, shape and composition, while the Community is being built-out (the "**Development Period**"). Furthermore, the Development Documents identify and set forth the obligations of Ventana Lakes Community Association, Inc., the non-profit corporation created by the Declarant to exercise the authority and assume the powers described in the Covenant (the "**Association**"). Integral to the functioning of the Community, the Association's roles include owning, operating and maintaining various Common Areas and Community amenities, as well as administering and enforcing all of the Documents.

Other specific Documents include such instruments as the Certificate of Formation and Bylaws which set forth the corporate governance structure of the Association as well as the various Rules, which include rules, regulations, policies and procedures outlining the operation of the Association and required standards for use of property, activities and conduct (the "**Association Documents**"). It is the Association Documents which are included within this Community Manual, as further set forth herein.

II. PURPOSE

A successful community evolves when all community stakeholders work together to uphold the vision for the Community through the application and enforcement of the guiding principles and the standards

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set forth in all of the Documents. Declarant and the Association, as well as builders, owners, residents and visitors all have a role in ensuring the application and enforcement of the guiding principles and the standards of the Community. A reasonable balance must be achieved to uphold not only individual preferences in the Community, but also lend credence to those issues and concerns which have been determined to be in the best interests of the Community as a whole.

With these issues in mind and in furtherance of its obligation under Texas law to record all defined dedicatory instruments, the Declarant has developed this Community Manual as a compilation of all of the Association Documents currently in effect for the Community. The Community Manual does not include the Development Documents, which nonetheless bind you and all other Owners and Occupants of the Community. Rather, since all of the Association Documents must now be recorded in the property records as dedicatory instruments, this Community Manual allows you to access all of such documents in one place rather than as separately recorded instruments.

III. CONTENTS AND PROCESS

The initially recorded Community Manual contains the following Association Documents, the terms and provisions of each of which are applicable to or may be enforced against the Owners and Occupants within the Community as set forth therein: 1) the Certificate of Formation; 2) the Bylaws; 3) the Fine and Enforcement Policy; 4) the Assessment Collection Policy; 5) the Records Inspection, Copying and Retention Policy; 6) the Statutory Notice of Posting and Recordation of Association Governance Documents; and 7) the Email Registration Policy.

As the Association Documents are changed from time to time as determined by the Board or new Rules or other dedicatory instruments are adopted which require recordation in the property records, a Majority of the Board upon approval by the Declarant will adopt a Supplement to the Community Manual to include the documents which are being changed or added to the Community Manual and cause such Supplement to be recorded in the property records. If for any reason, a document is added to the Community Manual pursuant to a Supplement which has previously been recorded in the property records, the effective date of such document shall be the original date of recordation in the Official Public Records of Harris County, unless provided in the Supplement.

Capitalized terms used but not defined in this Community Manual shall have the meaning subscribed to such terms in the Covenant.

This Community Manual becomes effective when recorded.

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ATTACHMENT 1

CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION

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Corporations Section
P.O.Box 13697
Austin, Texas 78711-3697



Nandita Berry
Secretary of State

Office of the Secretary of State

CERTIFICATE OF FILING OF

Ventana Lakes Community Association, Inc.
File Number: 801919160

The undersigned, as Secretary of State of Texas, hereby certifies that a Certificate of Formation for the above named Domestic Nonprofit Corporation has been received in this office and has been found to conform to the applicable provisions of law.

ACCORDINGLY, the undersigned, as Secretary of State, and by virtue of the authority vested in the secretary by law, hereby issues this certificate evidencing filing effective on the date shown below.

The issuance of this certificate does not authorize the use of a name in this state in violation of the rights of another under the federal Trademark Act of 1946, the Texas trademark law, the Assumed Business or Professional Name Act, or the common law.

Dated: 01/21/2014

Effective: 01/21/2014



NANDITA BERRY

Nandita Berry
Secretary of State

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CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION

FILED
In the Office of the
Secretary of State of Texas

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OF

VENTANA LAKES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, Inc. ~~Corporations Section~~

The undersigned natural person, being of the age of eighteen (18) years or more, a citizen of the State of Texas, acting as incorporator of a nonprofit corporation under the Texas Business Organizations Code, does hereby adopt the following Certificate of Formation for such corporation:

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of the corporation is: Ventana Lakes Community Association, Inc. (hereinafter called the "Association").

ARTICLE II

NONPROFIT CORPORATION

The Association is a nonprofit corporation.

ARTICLE III

DURATION

The Association shall exist perpetually.

ARTICLE IV

PURPOSE AND POWERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

The Association is organized in accordance with, and shall operate for nonprofit purposes pursuant to, the Texas Business Organizations Code, and does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to its members. The Association is formed for the purpose of exercising all of the powers and privileges, and performing all of the duties and obligations, of the Association as set forth in that certain Ventana Lakes Master Covenant recorded in the Official Public Records of Harris County, Texas, as the same may be amended from time to time (the "Covenant"). Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Association is organized for the following general purposes:

- (a) to fix, levy, collect, and enforce payment by any lawful means all charges or assessments arising pursuant to the terms of the Covenant;
- (b) to pay all expenses incident to the conduct of the business of the Association, including all licenses, taxes, or governmental charges levied or imposed against the Association's property; and
- (c) to have and to exercise any and all powers, rights, and privileges which a corporation organized under the Texas Business Organizations Code may now, or later, have or exercise.

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The above statement of purposes shall be construed as a statement of both purposes and powers. The purposes and powers stated in each of the clauses above shall not be limited or restricted by reference to, or inference from, the terms and provisions of any other such clause, but shall be broadly construed as independent purposes and powers.

ARTICLE V

REGISTERED OFFICE; REGISTERED AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of the Association is 350 N. St. Paul Street, Suite 2900, Dallas, Texas 75201-4234. The name of its initial registered agent at such address is CT Corporation Systems.

ARTICLE VI

MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the Association shall be dependent upon ownership of a qualifying property interest as defined and set forth in the Covenant. Any person or entity acquiring such a qualifying property interest shall automatically become a member of the Association, and such membership shall be appurtenant to, and shall run with, the property interest. The foregoing shall not be deemed or construed to include persons or entities holding an interest merely as security for performance of an obligation. Membership may not be severed from or in any way transferred, pledged, mortgaged, or alienated except together with the title to the qualifying property interest, and then only to the transferee of title to said property interest. Any attempt to make a prohibited severance, transfer, pledge, mortgage, or alienation shall be void.

ARTICLE VII

VOTING RIGHTS

Voting rights of the members of the Association shall be determined as set forth in the Covenant.

ARTICLE VIII

INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of the incorporator is:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Robert D. Burton	401 Congress Avenue, Suite 2100 Austin, Texas 78701

ARTICLE IX

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The affairs of the Association shall be managed by an initial Board of Directors consisting of three (3) individuals, who need not be members of the Association. The Board shall fulfill all of the functions of, and possess all powers granted to, Boards of Directors of nonprofit corporations pursuant to the Texas Business Organizations Code. The number of Directors of the Association may be changed by

amendment of the Bylaws of the Association. The names and addresses of the persons who are to act in the capacity of initial Directors until the selection of their successors are:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Leslie Carpenter	400 Carriage Hills Blvd. Conroe, Texas 77384
Tu-Anh Cloteaux	400 Carriage Hills Blvd. Conroe, Texas 77384
Mark Hardy	400 Carriage Hills Blvd. Conroe, Texas 77384

All of the powers and prerogatives of the Association shall be exercised by the initial Board of Directors named above until the first annual meeting of the Association.

ARTICLE X

LIMITATION OF DIRECTOR LIABILITY

A director of the Association shall not be personally liable to the Association for monetary damages for any act or omission in his capacity as a director, except to the extent otherwise expressly provided by a statute of the State of Texas. Any repeal or modification of this Article shall be prospective only, and shall not adversely affect any limitation of the personal liability of a director of the Association existing at the time of the repeal or modification.

ARTICLE XI

INDEMNIFICATION

Each person who acts as a director, officer or committee member of the Association shall be indemnified by the Association against any costs, expenses and liabilities which may be imposed upon or reasonably incurred by him in connection with any civil or criminal action, suit or proceeding in which he may be named as a party defendant or in which he may be a witness by reason of his being or having been such director or officer or by reason of any action alleged to have been taken or omitted by him in either such capacity. Such indemnification shall be provided in the manner and under the terms, conditions and limitations set forth in the Bylaws of the Association.

ARTICLE XII

DISSOLUTION

The Association may be dissolved with the written and signed assent of not less than ninety percent (90%) of the total number of votes of the Association, as determined under Covenant. The foregoing sentence shall in no way be interpreted to mean ninety percent (90%) of a quorum as established pursuant to the Bylaws. The Neighborhood Delegate system of voting (as set forth in the Covenant) is not applicable to a dissolution as contemplated by this Article XII, it being understood and agreed that any such dissolution must be approved by a vote of the members, with each member casting their vote individually. Upon dissolution of the Association, other than incident to a merger or consolidation, the

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assets of the Association shall be dedicated to an appropriate public agency to be used for purposes similar to those for which this Association was created. In the event that such dedication is refused acceptance, such assets shall be granted, conveyed, and assigned to any nonprofit corporation, association, trust, or other organization to be devoted to such similar purposes.

ARTICLE XIII

ACTION WITHOUT MEETING

Any action required or permitted by law to be taken at a meeting of the members of the Association or Neighborhood Delegates may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice, and without a vote if written consent specifically authorizing the proposed action is signed by the members of the Association or Neighborhood Delegates holding at least the minimum number of votes necessary to authorize such action at a meeting if all the members of the Association or Neighborhood Delegates entitled to vote thereon were present. If the action is proposed by the Association, the Board shall provide each member of the Association or Neighborhood Delegate, as applicable, written notice at least ten (10) days in advance of the date the Board proposes to initiate securing consent as contemplated by this Article XIII. Consents obtained pursuant to this Article XIII shall be dated and signed within sixty (60) days after receipt of the earliest dated consent and delivered to the Association at its principal place of business in Texas. Such consents shall be filed with the minutes of the Association and shall have the same force and effect as a vote of the members of the Association or Neighborhood Delegates, as applicable, at a meeting. Within ten (10) days after receiving authorization for any action by written consent, the Secretary shall give written notice to all members of the Association or Neighborhood Delegates entitled to vote who did not give their written consent, fairly summarizing the material features of the authorized action.

ARTICLE XIV

AMENDMENT

Amendment of this Certificate of Formation shall be by proposal submitted to the membership of the Association. Any such proposed amendment shall be adopted only upon an affirmative vote by the holders of a minimum of two-thirds (2/3) of the total number of votes of the Association, as determined under the Covenant. The foregoing sentence shall in no way be interpreted to mean two thirds (2/3) of a quorum as established pursuant to the Bylaws. The Neighborhood Delegate system of voting is not applicable to an amendment as contemplated by this Article XIV, it being understood and agreed that any amendment must be approved by a vote of the members, with each member casting their vote individually. In the case of any conflict between the Covenant and this Certificate of Formation, the Covenant shall control; and in the case of any conflict between this Certificate of Formation and the Bylaws of the Association, this Certificate of Formation shall control.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his hand, this 21 day of January 2014.



Robert D. Burton, Incorporator

ATTACHMENT 2

BYLAWS
OF
VENTANA LAKES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

ARTICLE I

INTRODUCTION

The name of the corporation is Ventana Lakes Community Association, Inc., hereinafter referred to as the "Association". The principal office of the Association shall be located in Harris County, Texas, but meetings of Members and Directors may be held at such places within the State of Texas, County of Harris, as may be designated by the Board of Directors as provided in these Bylaws.

The Association is organized to be a nonprofit corporation.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these Bylaws, a number of provisions are modified by the Declarant's reservations in that certain Ventana Lakes Master Covenant, recorded in the Official Public Records of Harris County, Texas (the "Covenant"), including the number, qualification, appointment, removal, and replacement of Directors.

ARTICLE II

DEFINITIONS

Capitalized terms used but not defined in these Bylaws shall have the meaning subscribed to such terms in the Covenant.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP, MEETINGS, QUORUM, VOTING, PROXIES

Section 3.1. Membership. Each Owner of a Lot or Condominium Unit is a mandatory Member of the Association, as more fully set forth in the Covenant.

Section 3.2. Place of Meetings. Meetings of the Association shall be held where designated by the Board, either within the Development or as convenient as possible and practical.

Section 3.3. Annual Meetings. There shall be an annual meeting of the Members of the Association for the purposes of Association-wide elections or votes and for such other Association business at such reasonable place, date and time as set by the Board.

Section 3.4. Special Meetings. Special meetings of Members or Neighborhood Delegates may be called in accordance with Section 22.155 of the Texas Business Organizations Code or any successor statute.

Section 3.5. Notice of Meetings. Written or printed notice stating the place, day, and hour of any meeting of the Members or Neighborhood Delegates shall be delivered, either personally or by mail,

to each Member or Neighborhood Delegate entitled to vote at such meeting or by publication in a newspaper of general circulation, not less than ten (10) nor more than sixty (60) days before the date of such meeting, by or at the direction of the President, the Secretary, or the officers or persons calling the meeting. In the case of a special meeting or when otherwise required by statute or these Bylaws, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called shall be stated in the notice. No business shall be transacted at a special meeting except as stated in the notice. If mailed, the notice of a meeting shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail addressed to the Member or Neighborhood Delegate at his address as it appears on the records of the Association, with postage prepaid.

Section 3.6. Waiver of Notice. Waiver of notice of a meeting of the Members or Neighborhood Delegates shall be deemed the equivalent of proper notice. Any Member or Neighborhood Delegates may, in writing, waive notice of any meeting of the Members or Neighborhood Delegates, either before or after such meeting. Attendance at a meeting by a Member or Neighborhood Delegates shall be deemed waiver by such Member or Neighborhood Delegate of notice of the time, date, and place thereof, unless such Member or Neighborhood Delegate specifically objects to lack of proper notice at the time the meeting is called to order. Attendance at a special meeting by a Member or Neighborhood Delegate shall be deemed a waiver of notice of all business transacted at such meeting unless an objection by a Member or Neighborhood Delegate on the basis of lack of proper notice is raised before the business is put to a vote.

Section 3.7. Quorum. Except as provided in these Bylaws or in the Covenant, the presence of the Members or Neighborhood Delegates, as applicable, representing ten percent (10%) of the total votes in the Association shall constitute a quorum at all Association meetings.

Section 3.8. Conduct of Meetings. The President or any other person appointed by the Board shall preside over all Association meetings, and the Secretary, or the Secretary's designee, shall keep the minutes of the meeting and record in a minute book all resolutions adopted at the meeting, as well as a record of all transactions occurring at the meeting.

Section 3.9. Voting. The voting rights of the Members and Neighborhood Delegates shall be as set forth in the Covenant, and such voting rights provisions are specifically incorporated by reference. Except as otherwise provided in the Covenant, action may be taken at any legally convened meeting of the Members or Neighborhood Delegates upon the affirmative vote of the Members or Neighborhood Delegates having a Majority of the total votes present at such meeting in person or proxy or by absentee ballot or electronic ballot, if such votes are considered present at the meeting as further set forth herein. Cumulative voting shall not be allowed. The person holding legal title to a Lot or Condominium Unit shall be entitled to cast the vote allocated to such Lot or Condominium Unit and not the person merely holding beneficial title to the same unless such right is expressly delegated to the beneficial Owner thereof in writing. **Other than representative voting by Neighborhood Delegates, any provision in the Association's governing documents that would disqualify an Owner from voting in an Association election of Board Members or on any matter concerning the rights or responsibilities of the Owner is void.**

Section 3.10. Methods of Voting: In Person; Proxies; Absentee Ballots; Electronically. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Documents, Neighborhood Delegates may not vote by

proxy but only in person or through their designated alternates; provided, any Neighborhood Delegate who is only entitled to cast the vote(s) for his own Lot(s) or Condominium Unit(s) pursuant to *Section 3.05* of the Covenant may cast such vote as provided herein until such time as the Board first calls for election of a Neighborhood Delegate to represent the Neighborhood where the Lot or Condominium Unit is located. On any matter as to which a Member is entitled individually to cast the vote for his Lot or Condominium Unit such vote may be cast or given: (a) in person or by proxy at a meeting of the Association or Neighborhood; (b) by absentee ballot; or (c) by electronic ballot. Any vote cast in an election or vote by a Member of the Association must be in writing and signed by the member. Electronic votes constitute written and signed ballots. In an Association-wide election, written and signed ballots are not required for uncontested races. Votes shall be cast as provided in this section:

(a) Proxies. Any Member may give a revocable written proxy in the form as prescribed by the Board from time to time to any person authorizing such person to cast the Member's vote on any matter. A Member's vote by proxy is subject to any limitations of Texas law relating to the use of general proxies and subject to any specific provision to the contrary in the Covenant or these Bylaws. No proxy shall be valid unless signed by the Member for which it is given or his duly authorized attorney-in-fact, dated, and filed with the Secretary of the Association prior to the meeting for which it is to be effective. Proxies shall be valid only for the specific meeting for which given and for lawful adjournments of such meeting. In no event shall a proxy be valid more than eleven (11) months after the effective date of the proxy. Every proxy shall be revocable and shall automatically cease upon conveyance of the Lot or Condominium Unit for which it was given.

(b) Absentee and Electronic Ballots. An absentee or electronic ballot: (i) may be counted as a Member or Neighborhood Delegate, as applicable, present and voting for the purpose of establishing a quorum only for items appearing on the ballot; (ii) may not be counted, even if properly delivered, if the Member or Neighborhood Delegate, as applicable, attends any meeting to vote in person, so that any vote cast at a meeting by a Member or Neighborhood Delegate supersedes any vote submitted by absentee or electronic ballot previously submitted for that proposal; and (iii) may not be counted on the final vote of a proposal if the proposal was amended at the meeting to be different from the exact language on the absentee or electronic ballot.

(i) Absentee Ballots. No absentee ballot shall be valid unless it is in writing, signed by the Neighborhood Delegate or Member for which it is given or his duly authorized attorney-in-fact, dated, and filed with the Secretary of the Association prior to the meeting for which it is to be effective. Absentee ballots shall be valid only for the specific meeting for which given and for lawful adjournments of such meeting. In no event shall an absentee ballot be valid after the specific meeting or lawful adjournment of such meeting at which such ballot is counted or upon conveyance of the Lot or Condominium Unit for which it was given. Any solicitation for votes by absentee ballot must include:

- a. an absentee ballot that contains each proposed action and provides an opportunity to vote for or against each proposed action;
- b. instructions for delivery of the completed absentee ballot, including the delivery location; and

- c. the following language: *"By casting your vote via absentee ballot you will forgo the opportunity to consider and vote on any action from the floor on these proposals, if a meeting is held. This means that if there are amendments to these proposals your votes will not be counted on the final vote on these measures. If you desire to retain this ability, please attend any meeting in person. You may submit an absentee ballot and later choose to attend any meeting in person, in which case any in-person vote will prevail."*

(ii) **Electronic Ballots.** "Electronic ballot" means a ballot: (a) given by email, facsimile or posting on a website; (b) for which the identity of the Neighborhood Delegate or Member submitting the ballot can be confirmed; and (c) for which the Neighborhood Delegate or Member may receive a receipt of the electronic transmission and receipt of the Neighborhood Delegate or Member's ballot. If an electronic ballot is posted on a website, a notice of the posting shall be sent to each Neighborhood Delegate or Member that contains instructions on obtaining access to the posting on the website.

Section 3.11. Tabulation of and Access to Ballots. A person who is a candidate in an Association election or who is otherwise the subject of an Association vote, or a person related to that person within the third degree by consanguinity or affinity may not tabulate or otherwise be given access to the ballots cast in that election or vote except such person may be given access to the ballots cast in the election or vote as part of a recount process. A person tabulating votes in an Association election or vote may not disclose to any other person how an individual voted.

Section 3.12. Recount of Votes. Any Member may, not later than the fifteenth (15th) day after the date of the meeting at which the election was held, require a recount of the votes. A demand for a recount must be submitted in writing either: (a) by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by delivery by the U.S. Postal Service with signature confirmation service to the Association's mailing address as reflected on the latest management certificate; or (b) in person to the Association's managing agent as reflected on the latest management certificate or to the address to which absentee and proxy ballots are mailed. The Member requesting the recount will be required to pay, in advance, expenses associated with the recount as estimated by the Association. Any recount must be performed on or before the thirtieth (30th) day after the date of receipt of a request and payment for a recount is submitted to the Association for a vote tabulator as set forth below.

(a) **Vote Tabulator.** At the expense of the Member requesting the recount, the Association shall retain for the purpose of performing the recount, the services of a person qualified to tabulate votes. The Association shall enter into a contract for the services of a person who: (i) is not a Member of the Association or related to a Member of the Association Board within the third degree by consanguinity or affinity; and (ii) is either a person agreed on by the Association and any person requesting a recount or is a current or former county judge, county elections administrator, justice of the peace or county voter registrar.

(b) Reimbursement for Recount Expenses. If the recount changes the results of the election, the Association shall reimburse the requesting Member for the cost of the recount to the extent such costs were previously paid by the Member to the Association. The Association shall provide the results of the recount to each Member who requested the recount.

(c) Board Action. Any action taken by the Board in the period between the initial election vote tally and the completion of the recount is not affected by any recount.

Section 3.13. Action Without a Meeting. Any action required or permitted by law to be taken at a meeting of the Members or Neighborhood Delegates may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice, and without a vote if written consent specifically authorizing the proposed action is signed by Members or Neighborhood Delegates, as applicable, holding at least the minimum number of votes necessary to authorize such action at a meeting if all Members or Neighborhood Delegates entitled to vote thereon were present. Such consents shall be signed within sixty (60) days after receipt of the earliest dated consent, dated, and delivered to the Association at its principal place of business in Texas. Such consents shall be filed with the minutes of the Association and shall have the same force and effect as a vote of the Members or Neighborhood Delegates at a meeting. Within ten (10) days after receiving authorization for any action by written consent, the Secretary shall give written notice to all Members or Neighborhood Delegates entitled to vote who did not give their written consent, fairly summarizing the material features of the authorized action.

ARTICLE IV BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 4.1. Authority; Number of Directors.

(a) The affairs of the Association shall be governed by a Board of Directors. The number of Directors shall be fixed by the Board of Directors from time to time. The initial Directors shall be three (3) in number and shall be those Directors named in the Certificate. The initial Directors shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified.

(b) In accordance with *Section 3.04* of the Covenant, i.e., no later than the 10th anniversary of the date the Covenant is recorded in the Official Public Records of Harris County, Texas or sooner as determined by Declarant, the Board must have held a meeting of Members of the Association (the "Initial Member Election Meeting") where the Members will elect one (1) Director, for a one (1) year term ("Initial Member Elected Director"). Declarant will continue to appoint and remove two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of the Board after the Initial Member Election Meeting until expiration or termination of the Development Period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Initial Member Elected Director's term will expire as of the date of the Member Election Meeting (defined below).

(c) At the expiration or termination of the Development Period, the Declarant will thereupon call a meeting of the Members of the Association where the Declarant appointed Directors will resign and the Members or Neighborhood Delegates, as applicable, will elect three (3) new directors (to replace all Declarant appointed Directors and the Initial Member Elected Director) (the "Member Election Meeting"), one (1) Director for a three (3) year term, one (1) Director for a two (2) year term, and one (1) Director for a one (1) year term (with the individual receiving the highest number of votes to serve the

three (3) year term, the individual receiving the next highest number of votes to serve the two (2) year term, and the individual receiving the third highest number of votes to serve a one (1) year term). Notwithstanding the foregoing provision, if a Voting Group Designation is filed in accordance with the Covenant, such designation may establish a different number of Board members to be elected at the Member Election Meeting provided that in any event the number of Board members shall be no less than three (3) in number. The Voting Group designation may also assign an initial term to each Board member position. A Voting Group Designation which establishes a different number of Board members and the initial terms of such Board members shall be deemed an amendment to the Bylaws. Upon expiration of the term of a Director elected by the Members or Neighborhood Delegates pursuant to this Section 4.1(c), his or her successor will be elected for a term of two (2) years.

(d) A Director takes office upon the adjournment of the meeting or balloting at which he is elected or appointed and, absent death, ineligibility, resignation, or removal, will hold office until his successor is elected or appointed.

(e) Each Director, other than Directors appointed by Declarant, shall be a Member and resident, or in the case of corporate partnership or other entity ownership of a Lot or Condominium Unit, a duly authorized agent or representative of the corporate partnership or other entity Owner. The corporate partnership or other entity Owner shall be designated as the Director in all correspondence or other documentation setting forth the names of the Directors.

Section 4.2. Compensation. The Directors shall serve without compensation for such service.

Section 4.3. Designation of Voting Groups by Declarant. Declarant may (but is not obligated to) designate Voting Groups consisting of one or more Neighborhoods for the purpose of electing directors to the Board. If Neighborhood Delegates are elected, such Neighborhood Delegates within each Voting Group shall vote on a separate slate of candidates for election to the Board. The Declarant shall establish Voting Groups, if at all, not later than the date of expiration or termination of the Development Period by Recording a written instrument identifying each Voting Group by legal description or other means such that the Lots and Condominium Units within each Voting Group can easily be determined. Such designation may be amended from time to time by Declarant, acting alone, at any time prior to the expiration or termination of the Development Period. Upon expiration or termination of the Development Period, the Board will have the right by Recording an appropriate written instrument to amend any existing designation of Voting Groups, or to designate new Voting Groups, upon the vote of a Majority of the Board and approval of Neighborhood Delegates representing a Majority of the Neighborhoods. Until such time as Voting Groups are established, all of the Development shall constitute a single Voting Group. After a written instrument establishing Voting Groups has been Recorded, any and all portions of the Development which are not assigned to a specific Voting Group shall constitute a single Voting Group.

Section 4.4. Nominations to Board of Directors. Members may be nominated for election to the Board of Directors in either of the following ways:

(a) A Member who is not a Director and who desires to run for election to that position shall be deemed to have been nominated for election upon his filing with the Board of Directors a written petition of nomination; or

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(b) A Director who is eligible to be re-elected shall be deemed to have been nominated for re-election to the position he holds by signifying his intention to seek reelection in a writing addressed to the Board of Directors.

Section 4.4. Removal of Directors for Cause. An elected Director may be removed, with or without cause, by the vote of Members holding a majority of the votes entitled to be cast in the Association. If a Director breaches such Director's duties hereunder or violates the terms of the Documents, such Director may be removed by a Majority vote of the remaining Directors.

Section 4.5. Vacancies on Board of Directors. At such time as Declarant's right to appoint and remove Directors has expired or been terminated, if the office of any elected Director shall become vacant by reason of death, resignation, or disability, the remaining Directors, at a special meeting duly called for this purpose, shall choose a successor who shall fill the unexpired term of the directorship being vacated. If there is a deadlock in the voting for a successor by the remaining Directors, the one Director with the longest continuous term on the Board shall select the successor. At the expiration of the term of his position on the Board of Directors, the successor Director shall be re-elected or his successor shall be elected in accordance with these Bylaws. Except with respect to Directors appointed by the Declarant, any Board Member whose term has expired or who has been removed from the Board must be elected by the Members or the Neighborhood Delegates, as applicable.

Section 4.6. Removal of Directors by Members. Subject to the right of Declarant to nominate and appoint Directors as set forth in Section 4.1 of these Bylaws, an elected Director may be removed, with or without cause, by the Members or Neighborhood Delegates, as applicable, which elected such Director. In the event Voting Groups are established pursuant to the Covenant, only the Neighborhood Delegates within the Voting Group may vote to remove the Director elected from such Voting Group.

Section 4.7. Eligibility for Board Membership. With the exception of Board member positions appointed by the Declarant as permitted by the Covenant, the Association may not restrict an Owner's right to run for a position on the Board.

**ARTICLE V
MEETINGS OF DIRECTORS**

Section 5.1. Definition of Board Meetings. A meeting of the Board means a deliberation between a quorum of the Board, or between a quorum of the Board and another person, during which Association business is considered and the Board takes formal action.

Section 5.2. Regular Meetings. Regular meetings of the Board shall be held annually or such other frequency as determined by the Board, at such place and hour as may be fixed from time to time by resolution of the Board.

Section 5.3. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board shall be held when called by the President of the Association, or by any two Directors, after not less than three (3) days' notice to each Director.

Section 5.4. Quorum. A Majority of the number of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Every act or decision done or made by a Majority of the Directors present at a duly held meeting at which a quorum is present shall be regarded as the act of the Board of Directors.

Section 5.5. Open Board Meetings. All regular and special Board meetings must be open to Owners. However, the Board has the right to adjourn a meeting and reconvene in closed executive session to consider actions involving: (a) personnel; (b) pending or threatened litigation; (c) contract negotiations; (d) enforcement actions; (e) confidential communications with the Association's attorney; (f) matters involving the invasion of privacy of individual Owners, or matters that are to remain confidential by request of the affected parties and agreement of the Board. Following an executive session, any decision made by the Board in executive session must be summarized orally in general terms and placed in the minutes. The oral summary must include a general explanation of expenditures approved in executive session.

Section 5.6. Location. Except if otherwise held by electronic or telephonic means, a Board meeting must be held in the county in which the Development is located or in a county adjacent to that county, as determined in the discretion of the Board.

Section 5.7. Record; Minutes. The Board shall keep a record of each regular or special Board meeting in the form of written minutes of the meeting. The Board shall make meeting records, including approved minutes, available to a Member for inspection and copying on the Member's written request to the Association's managing agent at the address appearing on the most recently filed management certificate or, if there is not a managing agent, to the Board.

Section 5.8. Notices. Members shall be given notice of the date, hour, place, and general subject of a regular or special board meeting, including a general description of any matter to be brought up for deliberation in executive session. The notice shall be: (a) mailed to each Member not later than the tenth (10th) day or earlier than the sixtieth (60th) day before the date of the meeting; or (b) provided at least seventy-two (72) hours before the start of the meeting by: (i) posting the notice in a conspicuous manner reasonably designed to provide notice to Members in a place located on the Association's common area or on any website maintained by the Association; and (ii) sending the notice by e-mail to each Member who has registered an e-mail address with the Association. It is the Member's duty to keep an updated e-mail address registered with the Association. The Board may establish a procedure for registration of email addresses, which procedure may be required for the purpose of receiving notice of Board meetings. If the Board recesses a regular or special Board meeting to continue the following regular business day, the Board is not required to post notice of the continued meeting if the recess is taken in good faith and not to circumvent this section. If a regular or special Board meeting is continued to the following regular business day, and on that following day the Board continues the meeting to another day, the Board shall give notice of the continuation in at least one manner as set forth above within two (2) hours after adjourning the meeting being continued.

Section 5.9. Meeting without Prior Notice. The Board may meet by any method of communication, including electronic and telephonic, without prior notice to the Members if each Board member may hear and be heard, and may take action by unanimous written consent to consider routine and administrative matters or a reasonably unforeseen emergency or urgent necessity that requires immediate Board action. Any action taken without notice to Members must be summarized orally,

including an explanation of any known actual or estimated expenditures approved at the meeting, and documented in the minutes of the next regular or special Board meeting. The Board may not, without prior notice to the Members pursuant to Section 5.8 above consider or vote on: (a) fines; (b) damage assessments; (c) initiation of foreclosure actions; (d) initiation of enforcement actions, excluding temporary restraining orders or violations involving a threat to health or safety; (e) increases in assessments; (f) levying of special assessments; (g) appeals from a denial of architectural control approval; or (h) a suspension of a right of a particular Owner before the Member has an opportunity to attend a Board meeting to present the Member's position, including any defense, on the issue.

Section 5.10. Telephone and Electronic Meetings. Any action permitted to be taken by the Board without prior notice to Owners may be taken by telephone or electronic methods by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other. Participation in such a meeting constitutes presence in person at the meeting, except where a person participates in the meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business on the ground that the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

Section 5.11. Consent in Writing. Any action permitted to be taken by the Board by unanimous written consent occurs if all Directors individually or collectively consent in writing to such action. The written consent must be filed with the minutes of Board meetings. Action by written consent has the same force and effect as a unanimous vote of the Directors.

Section 5.12. Development Period. The provisions of this Article V do not apply to Board meetings during the Development Period (as defined in the Covenant) during which period the Board may take action by unanimous written consent in lieu of a meeting, except with respect to: (a) adopting or amending the Documents; (b) increasing the amount of regular assessments of the Association or adopting or increasing a special assessment; (c) electing non-developer Board members or establishing a process by which those members are elected; or (d) changing the voting rights of Members.

**ARTICLE VI
POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD**

Section 6.1. Powers. The Board shall have power and duty to undertake any of the following actions, in addition to those actions to which the Association is authorized to take in accordance with the Covenant:

- (a) adopt and publish the Rules;
- (b) suspend the right of a Member to use of the Common Area during any period in which such Member shall be in default in the payment of any Assessment levied by the Association, or after notice and hearing, for any period during which an infraction of the Rules by such Member exists;
- (c) exercise for the Association all powers, duties and authority vested in or related to the Association and not reserved to the membership by other provisions of the Documents;
- (d) to enter into any contract or agreement with a municipal agency or utility company to provide electric utility service to all or any portion of the Development;

(e) declare the office of a member of the Board to be vacant in the event such member shall be absent from three (3) consecutive regular meetings of the Board;

(f) employ such employees as they deem necessary, and to prescribe their duties;

(g) as more fully provided in the Covenant, to:

(1) fix the amount of the Assessments against each Lot and/or Condominium Unit in advance of each annual assessment period and any other assessments provided by the Covenant; and

(2) foreclose the lien against any property for which Assessments are not paid within thirty (30) days after due date or to bring an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same;

(h) issue, or to cause an appropriate officer to issue, upon demand by any person, a certificate setting forth whether or not any Assessment has been paid and to levy a reasonable charge for the issuance of these certificates (it being understood that if a certificate states that an Assessment has been paid, such certificate shall be conclusive evidence of such payment);

(i) procure and maintain adequate liability and hazard insurance on property owned by the Association;

(j) cause all officers or employees having fiscal responsibilities to be bonded, as it may deem appropriate; and

(k) exercise such other and further powers or duties as provided in the Covenant or by law.

ARTICLE VII
OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 7.1. Enumeration of Offices. The officers of the Association shall be a President and a Vice-President, who shall at all times be members of the Board, a Secretary and a Treasurer, and such other officers as the Board may from time to time create by resolution.

Section 7.2. Election of Officers. The election of officers shall take place at the first meeting of the Board following each annual meeting of the Members.

Section 7.3. Term. The officers of the Association shall be elected annually by the Board and each shall hold office for one (1) year unless he resigns sooner, or shall be removed or otherwise disqualified to serve.

Section 7.4. Special Appointments. The Board may elect such other officers as the affairs of the Association may require, each of whom shall hold office for such period, have such authority, and perform such duties as the Board may, from time to time, determine.

Section 7.5. Resignation and Removal. Any officer may be removed from office with or without cause by the Board. Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board, the President, or the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect on the date of receipt of such notice or at

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any later time specified therein, and unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

Section 7.6. Vacancies. A vacancy in any office may be filled through appointment by the Board. The officer appointed to such vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term of the officer he replaces.

Section 7.7. Multiple Offices. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person. No person shall simultaneously hold more than one of any of the other offices except in the case of special offices created pursuant to Section 7.4.

Section 7.8. Duties. The duties of the officers are as follows:

(a) **President.** The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board; shall see that orders and resolutions of the Board are carried out; shall sign all leases, mortgages, deeds and other written instruments and shall co-sign all checks and promissory notes.

(b) **Vice President.** The Vice President, if any, shall generally assist the President and shall have such powers and perform such duties and services as shall from time to time be prescribed or delegated to him by the President or the Board.

(c) **Secretary.** The Secretary shall record the votes and keep the minutes of all meetings and proceedings of the Board and of the Members; serve notice of meetings of the Board and of the Members; keep appropriate current records showing the Members of the Association together with their addresses; and shall perform such other duties as required by the Board.

(d) **Assistant Secretaries.** Each Assistant Secretary shall generally assist the Secretary and shall have such powers and perform such duties and services as shall from time to time be prescribed or delegated to him or her by the Secretary, the President, the Board or any committee established by the Board.

(e) **Treasurer.** The Treasurer shall receive and deposit in appropriate bank accounts all monies of the Association and shall disburse such funds as directed by resolution of the Board; shall sign all checks and promissory notes of the Association; keep proper books of account in appropriate form such that they could be audited by a public accountant whenever ordered by the Board or the membership; and shall prepare an annual budget and a statement of income and expenditures to be presented to the membership at its regular meeting, and deliver a copy of each to the Members.

Section 7.9. Execution of Instruments. Except when the Documents require execution of certain instruments by certain individuals, the Board may authorize any person to execute instruments on behalf of the Association, including without limitation checks from the Association's bank account. In the absence of Board designation, and unless otherwise provided herein, the President and the Secretary are the only persons authorized to execute instruments on behalf of the Association.

ARTICLE VIII

OTHER COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board may, by resolution adopted by affirmative vote of a Majority of the number of Directors fixed by these Bylaws, designate two or more Directors (with such alternates, if any, as may be

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deemed desirable) to constitute another committee or committees for any purpose; provided, that any such other committee or committees shall have and may exercise only the power of recommending action to the Board of Directors and of carrying out and implementing any instructions or any policies, plans, programs and rules theretofore approved, authorized and adopted by the Board.

**ARTICLE IX
BOOKS AND RECORDS**

The books, records and papers of the Association shall at all times, during reasonable business hours, be subject to inspection by any Member. The Documents shall be available for inspection by any Member at the principal office of the Association, where copies may be purchased at reasonable cost.

**ARTICLE X
ASSESSMENTS**

As more fully provided in the Covenant, each Member is obligated to pay to the Association Assessments which are secured by a continuing lien upon the property against which the Assessments are made. Assessments shall be due and payable in accordance with the Covenant.

**ARTICLE XI
CORPORATE SEAL**

The Association may, but shall have no obligation to, have a seal in a form adopted by the Board.

**ARTICLE XII
AMENDMENTS**

Section 12.1. These Bylaws may be amended by: (i) the Declarant until expiration or termination of the Development Period; or (ii) a Majority vote of the Board of Directors with the advance written consent of the Declarant until expiration or termination of the Development Period.

**ARTICLE XIII
INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS**

The Association shall indemnify every Director and Officer and committee member of the Association against, and reimburse and advance to every Director and Officer for, all liabilities, costs and expenses incurred in connection with such directorship or office and any actions taken or omitted in such capacity to the greatest extent permitted under the Texas Business Organizations Code and all other applicable laws at the time of such indemnification, reimbursement or advance payment; provided, however, no Director or Officer shall be indemnified for: (a) a breach of duty of loyalty to the Association or its Members; (b) an act or omission not in good faith or that involves intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of the law; (c) a transaction from which such Director or Officer received an improper benefit, whether or not the benefit resulted from an action taken within the scope of directorship or office; or (d) an act or omission for which the liability of such Director or Officer is expressly provided for by statute.

ARTICLE XIV

MISCELLANEOUS

Section 14.1. The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on the first day of January and end on the 31st day of December of every year, except that the first fiscal year shall begin on the date of incorporation.

Section 14.2. Users of these Bylaws should also review statutes and court rulings that may modify or nullify provisions of this document or its enforcement, or may create rights or duties not anticipated by these Bylaws.

Section 14.3. In the case of any conflict between the Certificate and these Bylaws, the Certificate shall control; and in the case of any conflict between the Declaration and these Bylaws, the Declaration shall control. In the case of any conflict between these Bylaws and any provision of the applicable laws of the State of Texas, the conflicting aspect of the Bylaws provision is null and void, but all other provisions of these Bylaws remain in full force and effect.

Section 14.4. The effect of a general statement is not limited by the enumerations of specific matters similar to the general. The captions or articles and sections are inserted only for convenience and are in no way to be construed as defining or modifying the text to which they refer. The singular is construed to mean the plural, when applicable, and the use of masculine or neuter pronouns includes the feminine.

Section 14.5. No restriction, condition, obligation, or covenant contained in these Bylaws may be deemed to have been abrogated or waived by reason of failure to enforce the same, irrespective of the number of violations or breaches thereof which may occur.

ATTACHMENT 3

VENTANA LAKES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

FINE AND ENFORCEMENT POLICY

1. Background. Ventana Lakes is subject to that certain Ventana Lakes Master Covenant recorded in the Official Public Records of Harris County, Texas, as amended ("**Master Covenant**"). In accordance with the Covenant, Ventana Lakes Community Association, Inc., a Texas non-profit corporation (the "**Association**") was created to administer the terms and provisions of the Covenant. Unless the Covenant or applicable law expressly provides otherwise, the Association acts through a majority of its board of directors (the "**Board**"). The Association is empowered to enforce the covenants, conditions and restrictions of the Covenant, Certificate, Bylaws, Community Manual, the Design Guidelines (if adopted), any applicable Development Area Declaration, any applicable Notice of Applicability as each may be amended from time to time, and any rules and regulations promulgated by the Association pursuant to the Covenant or any Development Area Declaration, as adopted and amended from time to time (collectively, the "**Documents**"), including the obligation of Owners to pay assessments pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Covenant and the obligations of the Owners to compensate the Association for costs incurred by the Association for enforcing violations of the Documents.

The Board hereby adopts this Fine and Enforcement Policy to establish equitable policies and procedures for the levy of fines within the Association in compliance with the Chapter 209 of the Texas Property Code, titled the "Texas Residential Property Owners Protection Act," as it may be amended (the "**Act**"). To the extent any provision within this policy is in conflict the Act or any other applicable law, such provision shall be modified to comply with the applicable law.

Terms used in this policy, but not defined, shall have the meaning subscribed to such term in the Documents.

2. Policy. The Association uses fines to discourage violations of the Documents, and to encourage compliance when a violation occurs – not to punish violators or generate revenue for the Association. Although a fine may be an effective and efficient remedy for certain types of violations or violators, it is only one of several methods available to the Association for enforcing the Documents. The Association's use of fines does not interfere with its exercise of other rights and remedies for the same violation.
3. Owner's Liability. An Owner is liable for fines levied by the Association for violations of the Documents by the Owner and the relatives, guests, employees, and agents of the Owner and residents. Regardless of who commits the violation, the Association may direct all communications regarding the violation to the Owner.
4. Amount. The Association may set fine amounts on a case by case basis, provided the fine is reasonable in light of the nature, frequency, and effects of the violation. The Association may

establish a schedule of fines for certain types of violations. The amount and cumulative total of a fine must be reasonable in comparison to the violation, and should be uniform for similar violations of the same provision of the Documents. If the Association allows fines to accumulate, the Association may establish a maximum amount for a particular fine, at which point the total fine will be capped.

5. Violation Notice. Before levying a fine, the Association will give the Owner a written violation notice via certified mail, return receipt requested, and an opportunity to be heard, if requested by the Owner. This requirement may not be waived. The Association's written violation notice will contain the following items: (1) the date the violation notice is prepared or mailed; (2) a description of the violation or property damage that is the basis for the suspension action, charge, or fine and state any amount due to the Association from the Owner; (3) a reference to the rule or provision that is being violated; (4) a description of the action required to cure the violation; (5) the timeframe in which the violation is required to be cured to avoid the fine or suspension; (6) the amount of the fine; (7) a statement that no later than the thirtieth (30th) day after receiving the notice, the Owner may request a hearing pursuant to Section 209.007 of the Texas Property Code, and further, if the hearing held pursuant to Section 209.007 of the Texas Property Code is to be held by a committee appointed by the Board, a statement notifying the Owner that he or she has the right to appeal the committee's decision to the Board by written notice to the Board; and (8) a statement informing the Owner that they may have special rights or relief related to the enforcement action under federal law, including the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (50 U.S.C. app. section *et seq*), if the Owner is serving on active military duty. The notice sent out pursuant to this paragraph is further subject to the following:
- a. First Violation. If the Owner has not been given notice and a reasonable opportunity to cure the same or similar violation within the preceding six (6) months, the notice will state those items set out in (1) – (8) above, along with a specific timeframe by which the violation must be cured to avoid the fine. The notice must state that any future violation of the same rule may result in the levy of a fine.
 - b. Repeat Violation – No Cure within 6 Months. If the Owner has been given notice and a reasonable opportunity to cure the same or similar violation within the preceding six (6) months but commits the violation again, the notice will state those items set out in (1) - (3), (6) and (8) above, but will also state that because the Owner has been given notice and a reasonable opportunity to cure the same or similar violation within the preceding six (6) months but has not cured the violation, then the Owner will be fined pursuant to the *Schedule of Fines* described below.
 - c. Continuous Violation. After an Owner has been notified of a violation as set forth herein and assessed fines in the amounts set forth in the *Schedule of Fines* described below, if the Owner has never cured the violation in response to either the notices or the fines, in its sole discretion, the Board may determine that such a circumstance is a continuous violation which warrants a levy of a fine based upon a daily, monthly, or quarterly amount as determined by the Board.

6. Violation Hearing. If the Owner is entitled to an opportunity to cure the violation, then the Owner has the right to submit a written request to the Association for a hearing before the Board or a committee appointed by the Board to discuss and verify the facts and resolve the matter. To request a hearing, the Owner must submit a written request (the "Request") to the Association's manager (or the Board if there is no manager) within thirty (30) days after receiving the violation notice. The Association must then hold the hearing requested no later than thirty (30) days after the Board receives the Request. The Board must notify the Owner of the date, time, and place of the hearing at least (10) days before the date of the hearing. The hearing will be scheduled to provide a reasonable opportunity for both the Board and the Owner to attend. The Board or the Owner may request a postponement, and if requested, a postponement shall be granted for a period of not more than ten (10) days. Additional postponements may be granted by agreement of the parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Association may exercise its other rights and remedies as set forth in Section 209.007(d) and (e) of the Texas Property Code. Any hearing before the Board will be held in a closed or executive session of the Board. At the hearing, the Board will consider the facts and circumstances surrounding the violation. The Owner shall attend the hearing in person, but may be represented by another person (i.e., attorney) during the hearing, upon advance written notice to the Board. If an Owner intends to make an audio recording of the hearing, such Owner's request for hearing shall include a statement noticing the Owner's intent to make an audio recording of the hearing, otherwise, no audio or video recording of the hearing may be made, unless otherwise approved by the Board. The minutes of the hearing must contain a statement of the results of the hearing and the fine, if any, imposed. A copy of the violation notice and request for hearing should be placed in the minutes of the hearing. If the Owner appears at the meeting, the notice requirements will be deemed satisfied. Unless otherwise agreed by the Board, each hearing shall be conducted in accordance with the agenda attached hereto as Exhibit A.
7. Levy of Fine. Any fine levied shall be reflected on the Owner's periodic statements of account or delinquency notices.
8. Collection of Fines. The Association is not entitled to collect a fine from an Owner to whom it has not given notice and an opportunity to be heard, pursuant to Section 209.006 and Section 209.007 of the Texas Property Code. The Association may not foreclose its assessment lien on a debt consisting solely of fines.
9. Amendment of Policy. This policy may be revoked or amended from time to time by the Board. This policy will remain effective until the Association records an amendment to this policy in the county's official public records.

Schedule of Fines

The Board has adopted the following general schedule of fines. The number of notices set forth below does not mean that the Board is required to provide each notice prior to exercising additional remedies as set forth in the Restrictions. The Board may elect to pursue such additional remedies at any time in accordance with applicable law. The Board also reserves the right to set fine amounts on a case by case basis, provided the fine is reasonable in light of the nature, frequency, and effect of the violation:

FINES:

New Violation:

Fine Amount:

Notice of violation and Right to Cure

\$25.00 (may be avoided if Owner cures the violation by the time specified in the notice)

Repeat Violation:

1st Notice (No Right to Cure)

\$50.00

2nd Notice (No Right to Cure)

\$75.00

3rd Notice (No Right to Cure)

\$100.00

4th Notice (No Right to Cure)

\$125.00

Continuous Violation:

Continuous Violation Notice

Amount TBD

EXHIBIT A

HEARING BEFORE THE BOARD

Note: An individual will act as the presiding hearing officer. The hearing officer will provide introductory remarks and administer the hearing agenda.

I. Introduction:

Hearing Officer. The Board has convened for the purpose of providing [Owner] an opportunity to be heard regarding a notice of violation of the Documents sent by the Association.

The hearing is being conducted as required by Section 209.007(a) of the Texas Property Code, and is an opportunity for [Owner] to discuss, verify facts, and attempt to resolve the matter at issue. The Board may be able to resolve the dispute at the hearing or the Board may elect to take the matter under advisement and conclude the hearing. If the matter is taken under advisement, a final decision will be communicated in writing within fifteen (15) days.

II. Presentation of Facts:

Hearing Officer. This portion of the hearing is to permit a representative of the Association the opportunity to describe the violation and to present photographs or other material relevant to the violation, fines or penalties. After the Association's representative has finished his presentation, the Owner or its representative will be given the opportunity to present photographs or other material relevant to the violation, fines or penalties. The Board may ask questions during either party's presentation. It is requested that questions by [Owner] be held until completion of the presentation by the Association's representative.

[Presentations]

III. Discussion:

Hearing Officer. This portion of the hearing is to permit the Board and [Owner] to discuss factual disputes relevant to the violation. Discussion regarding any fine or penalty is also appropriate. Discussion should be productive and designed to seek, if possible, a mutually agreed upon resolution of the dispute. The Hearing Officer retains the right to conclude this portion of the hearing at any time.

IV. Resolution:

Hearing Officer. This portion of the hearing is to permit discussion between the Board and [Owner] regarding the final terms of a mutually agreed upon resolution, if such resolution was agreed upon during the discussion phase of the hearing. If no mutually agreed upon resolution was reached, the Hearing Officer may: (i) request that the Board enter into executive session to discuss the matter; (ii) request that the Board take the matter under advisement and adjourn the hearing; or (iii) adjourn the hearing.

ATTACHMENT 4

VENTANA LAKES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.
ASSESSMENT COLLECTION POLICY

Ventana Lakes is a community (the "Community") created by and subject to the Ventana Lakes Master Covenant, recorded in the Official Public Records of Harris County, Texas, and any amendments or supplements thereto ("Covenant"). The operation of the Community is vested in Ventana Lakes Community Association, Inc. (the "Association"), acting through its board of directors (the "Board"). The Association is empowered to enforce the covenants, conditions and restrictions of the Covenant, Certificate, Bylaws, Community Manual, the Design Guidelines (if adopted), any applicable Development Area Declaration, any applicable Notice of Applicability, and any rules and regulations promulgated by the Association pursuant to the Covenant or any Development Area Declaration, as adopted and amended from time to time (collectively, the "Documents"), including the obligation of Owners to pay Assessments pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Covenant.

The Board hereby adopts this Assessment Collection Policy to establish equitable policies and procedures for the collection of Assessments levied pursuant to the Documents. Terms used in this policy, but not defined, shall have the meaning subscribed to such term in the Covenant.

Section 1. DELINQUENCIES, LATE CHARGES & INTEREST

- 1-A. Due Date. An Owner will timely and fully pay Assessments. Regular Assessments are assessed annually and are due and payable on the first calendar day of the month at the beginning of the fiscal year, or in such other manner as the Board may designate in its sole and absolute discretion.
- 1-B. Delinquent. Any Assessment that is not fully paid when due is delinquent. When the account of an Owner becomes delinquent, it remains delinquent until paid in full — including collection costs, interest and late fees.
- 1-C. Late Fees & Interest. If the Association does not receive full payment of an Assessment by 5:00 p.m. on the due date established by the Board, the Association may levy a late fee of \$25 per month and/or interest at the highest rate allowed by applicable usury laws then in effect on the amount of the Assessment from the due date thereof (or if there is no such highest rate, then at the rate of 1 and 1/2% per month) until paid in full.
- 1-D. Liability for Collection Costs. The defaulting Owner is liable to the Association for the cost of title reports, credit reports, certified mail, long distance calls, court costs, filing fees, and other reasonable costs and attorney's fees incurred by the Association in collecting the delinquency.
- 1-E. Insufficient Funds. The Association may levy a charge of \$25 for any check returned to the Association marked "not sufficient funds" or the equivalent.
- 1-F. Waiver. Properly levied collection costs, late fees, and interest may only be waived by a Majority of the Board.

Section 2. INSTALLMENTS & ACCELERATION

If an Assessment, other than a Regular Assessment, is payable in installments, and if an Owner defaults in the payment of any installment, the Association may declare the entire Assessment in default and accelerate the due date on all remaining installments of the Assessment. An Assessment, other than a Regular Assessment, payable in installments may be accelerated only after the Association gives the Owner at least fifteen (15) days prior notice of the default and the Association's intent to accelerate the unpaid balance if the default is not timely cured. Following acceleration of the indebtedness, the Association has no duty to reinstate the installment program upon partial payment by the Owner.

Section 3. PAYMENTS

3-A. Application of Payments. After the Association notifies the Owner of a delinquency and the Owner's liability for late fees or interest, and collection costs, any payment received by the Association shall be applied in the following order, starting with the oldest charge in each category, until that category is fully paid, regardless of the amount of payment, notations on checks, and the date the obligations arose:

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| (1) Delinquent assessments | (4) Other attorney's fees |
| (2) Current assessments | (5) Fines |
| (3) Attorney fees and costs associated with delinquent assessments | (6) Any other amount |

3-B. Payment Plans. The Association shall offer a payment plan to a delinquent Owner with a minimum term of at least three (3) months and a maximum term of eighteen (18) months from the date the payment plan is requested for which the Owner may be charged reasonable administrative costs and interest. The Association will determine the actual term of each payment plan offered to an Owner. An Owner is not entitled to a payment plan if the Owner has defaulted on a previous payment plan in the last two (2) years. If an Owner is in default at the time the Owner submits a payment, the Association is not required to follow the application of payments schedule set forth in Paragraph 3-A.

3-C. Form of Payment. The Association may require that payment of delinquent Assessments be made only in the form of cash, cashier's check, or certified funds.

3-D. Partial and Conditioned Payment. The Association may refuse to accept partial payment (i.e., less than the full amount due and payable) and payments to which the payer attaches conditions or directions contrary to the Board's policy for applying payments. The Association's endorsement and deposit of a payment does not constitute acceptance. Instead, acceptance by the Association occurs when the Association posts the payment to the Owner's account. If the Association does not accept the payment at that time, it will promptly refund the payment to the payer. A payment that is not refunded to the payer within thirty (30) days after being deposited by the Association may be deemed accepted as to payment, but not as to words of limitation or instruction accompanying the payment. The acceptance by the Association of partial payment of

delinquent Assessments does not waive the Association's right to pursue or to continue pursuing its remedies for payment in full of all outstanding obligations.

3-E. Notice of Payment. If the Association receives full payment of the delinquency after Recording a notice of lien, the Association will cause a release of notice of lien to be publicly Recorded, a copy of which will be sent to the Owner. The Association may require the Owner to prepay the cost of preparing and Recording the release.

3-F. Correction of Credit Report. If the Association receives full payment of the delinquency after reporting the defaulting Owner to a credit reporting service, the Association will report receipt of payment to the credit reporting service.

Section 4. LIABILITY FOR COLLECTION COSTS

4-A. Collection Costs. The defaulting Owner may be liable to the Association for the cost of title reports, credit reports, certified mail, long distance calls, filing fees, and other reasonable costs and attorney's fees incurred in the collection of the delinquency.

Section 5. COLLECTION PROCEDURES

5-A. Delegation of Collection Procedures. From time to time, the Association may delegate some or all of the collection procedures, as the Board in its sole discretion deems appropriate, to the Association's Manager, an attorney, or a debt collector.

5-B. Delinquency Notices. If the Association has not received full payment of an Assessment by the due date, the Association may send written notice of nonpayment to the defaulting Owner, by certified mail, stating: a) the amount delinquent and the total amount of the payment required to make the account current, (b) the options the Owner has to avoid having the account turned over to a collection agent, as such term is defined in Texas Property Code Section 209.0064, including information regarding availability of a payment plan through the Association, and (c) that the Owner has thirty (30) for the Owner to cure the delinquency before further collection action is taken. The Association's delinquency-related correspondence may state that if full payment is not timely received, the Association may pursue any or all of the Association's remedies, at the sole cost and expense of the defaulting Owner.

5-C. Verification of Owner Information. The Association may obtain a title report to determine the names of the Owners and the identity of other lien-holders, including the mortgage company.

5-D. Collection Agency. The Board may employ or assign the debt to one or more collection agencies.

5-E. Notification of Mortgage Lender. The Association may notify the Mortgage lender of the default obligations.

5-F. Notification of Credit Bureau. The Association may report the defaulting Owner to one or more credit reporting services.

5-G. Collection by Attorney. If the Owner's account remains delinquent for a period of ninety (90) days, the Manager of the Association or the Board of the Association shall refer the delinquent account to the Association's attorney for collection. In the event an account is referred to the Association's attorney, the Owner will be liable to the Association for its legal fees and expenses. Upon referral of a delinquent account to the Association's attorney, the Association's attorney will provide the following notices and take the following actions unless otherwise directed by the Board:

- (1) Initial Notice: Preparation of the Initial Notice of Demand for Payment Letter. If the account is not paid in full within 30 days (unless such notice has previously been provided by the Association, then
- (2) Lien Notice: Preparation of the Lien Notice and Demand for Payment Letter and record a Notice of Unpaid Assessment Lien. If the account is not paid in full within 30 days, then
- (3) Final Notice: Preparation of the Final Notice of Demand for Payment Letter and Intent to Foreclose and Notice of Intent to Foreclose to Lender. If the account is not paid in full within 30 days, then
- (4) Foreclosure of Lien: Only upon specific approval by a majority of the Board.

5-H. Notice of Lien. The Association's attorney may cause a notice of the Association's Assessment lien against the Owner's home to be publicly Recorded. In that event, a copy of the notice will be sent to the defaulting Owner, and may also be sent to the Owner's Mortgagee.

5-I. Cancellation of Debt. If the Board deems the debt to be uncollectible, the Board may elect to cancel the debt on the books of the Association, in which case the Association may report the full amount of the forgiven indebtedness to the Internal Revenue Service as income to the defaulting Owner.

5-J. Suspension of Use of Certain Facilities or Services. The Board may suspend the use of the Common Area amenities by an Owner, or his Occupant, whose account with the Association is delinquent for at least thirty (30) days.

Section 6. GENERAL PROVISIONS

6-A. Independent Judgment. Notwithstanding the contents of this detailed policy, the officers, directors, Manager, and attorney of the Association may exercise their independent, collective, and respective judgment in applying this policy.

6-B. Other Rights. This policy is in addition to and does not detract from the rights of the Association to collect Assessments under the Documents and the laws of the State of Texas.

6-C. Limitations of Interest. The Association, and its officers, directors, Managers, and attorneys, intend to conform strictly to the applicable usury laws of the State of Texas. Notwithstanding

anything to the contrary in the Documents or any other document or agreement executed or made in connection with this policy, the Association will not in any event be entitled to receive or collect, as interest, a sum greater than the maximum amount permitted by applicable law. If from any circumstances whatsoever, the Association ever receives, collects, or applies as interest a sum in excess of the maximum rate permitted by law, the excess amount will be applied to the reduction of unpaid Assessments, or reimbursed to the Owner if those Assessments are paid in full.

- 6-D. Notices. Unless the Documents, applicable law, or this policy provide otherwise, any notice or other written communication given to an Owner pursuant to this policy will be deemed delivered to the Owner upon depositing same with the U.S. Postal Service, addressed to the Owner at the most recent address shown on the Association's records, or on personal delivery to the Owner. If the Association's records show that an Owner's property is owned by two (2) or more persons, notice to one co-Owner is deemed notice to all co-Owners. Similarly, notice to one Occupant is deemed notice to all Occupants. Written communications to the Association, pursuant to this policy, will be deemed given on actual receipt by the Association's president, secretary, managing agent, or attorney.
- 6-E. Amendment of Policy. This policy may be amended from time to time by the Board.

ATTACHMENT 5

VENTANA LAKES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.
RECORDS INSPECTION, COPYING AND RETENTION POLICY

Terms used but not defined in this policy will have the meaning subscribed to such terms in that certain Ventana Lakes Master Covenant recorded in the Official Public Records of Harris County, Texas, as amended.

Note: Texas statutes presently render null and void any restriction in the Covenant which restricts or prohibits the inspection, copying and/or retention of association records and files in violation of the controlling provisions of the Texas Property Code or any other applicable state law. The Board has adopted this policy in lieu of any express prohibition or any provision regulating such matters which conflict with Texas law, as set forth in the Covenant.

1. Written Form. The Association shall maintain its records in written form or in another form capable of conversion into written form within a reasonable time.

2. Request in Writing; Pay Estimated Costs In Advance. An Owner (or an individual identified as an Owner's agent, attorney or certified public accountant, provided the designation is in writing and delivered to the Association) may submit a written request via certified mail to the Association's mailing address or authorized representative listed in the management certificate to access the Association's records. The written request must include sufficient detail describing the books and records requested and whether the Owner desires to inspect or copy the records. Upon receipt of a written request, the Association may estimate the costs associated with responding to each request, which costs may not exceed the costs allowed pursuant to Texas Administrative Code Section 70.3, as may be amended from time to time (a current copy of which is attached hereto). Before providing the requested records, the Association will require that the Owner remit such estimated amount to the Association. The Association will provide a final invoice to the Owner on or before the 30th business day after the records are provided by the Association. If the final invoice includes additional amounts due from the requesting party, the additional amounts, if not reimbursed to the Association before the 30th business day after the date the invoice is sent to the Owner, may be added to the Owner's account as an assessment. If the estimated costs exceeded the final invoice amount, the Owner is entitled to a refund, and the refund shall be issued to the Owner not later than the 30th business day after the date the final invoice is sent to the Owner.

3. Period of Inspection. Within ten (10) business days from receipt of the written request, the Association must either: (1) provide the copies to the Owner; (2) provide available inspection dates; or (3) provide written notice that the Association cannot produce the documents within the ten (10) business days along with either: (i) another date within an additional fifteen (15) business days on which the records may either be inspected or by which the copies will be sent to the Owner; or (ii) a notice that after a diligent search, the requested records are missing and cannot be located.

4. Records Retention. The Association shall keep the following records for at least the time periods stated below:

- a. **PERMANENT:** The Articles of Incorporation or the Certificate of Formation, the Bylaws and the Covenant, any and all other governing documents, guidelines, rules, regulations and policies and all amendments thereto recorded in the property records to be effective against any Owner and/or Member of the Association.
- b. **FOUR (4) YEARS:** Contracts with a term of more than one (1) year between the Association and a third party. The four (4) year retention term begins upon expiration of the contract term.
- c. **FIVE (5) YEARS:** Account records of each Owner. Account records include debit and credit entries associated with amounts due and payable by the Owner to the Association, and written or electronic records related to the Owner and produced by the Association in the ordinary course of business.
- d. **SEVEN (7) YEARS:** Minutes of all meetings of the Board and the Owners.
- e. **SEVEN (7) YEARS:** Financial books and records produced in the ordinary course of business, tax returns and audits of the Association.
- f. **GENERAL RETENTION INSTRUCTIONS:** "Permanent" means records which are not to be destroyed. Except for contracts with a term of one (1) year or more (See item 4.b. above), a retention period starts on the last day of the year in which the record is created and ends on the last day of the year of the retention period. For example, if a record is created on June 14, 2013, and the retention period is five (5) years, the retention period begins on December 31, 2013 and ends on December 31, 2018. If the retention period for a record has elapsed and the record will be destroyed, the record should be shredded or otherwise safely and completely destroyed. Electronic files should be destroyed to ensure that data cannot be reconstructed from the storage mechanism on which the record resides.

5. Confidential Records. As determined in the discretion of the Board, certain Association records may be kept confidential such as personnel files, Owner account or other personal information (except addresses) unless the Owner requesting the records provides a court order or written authorization from the person whose records are sought.

6. Attorney Files. Attorney's files and records relating to the Association (excluding invoices requested by an Owner pursuant to Texas Property Code Section 209.008(d)), are not records of the Association and are not: (a) subject to inspection by the Owner; or (b) subject to production in a legal proceeding. If a document in an attorney's files and records relating to the Association would be responsive to a legally authorized request to inspect or copy Association documents, the document shall be produced by using the copy from the attorney's files and records if the Association has not maintained

a separate copy of the document. The Association is not required under any circumstance to produce a document for inspection or copying that constitutes attorney work product or that is privileged as an attorney-client communication.

7. Presence of Board Member or Manager; No Removal. At the discretion of the Board or the Association's Manager, certain records may only be inspected in the presence of a Board member or employee of the Association's Manager. No original records may be removed from the office without the express written consent of the Board.

TEXAS ADMINISTRATIVE CODE
TITLE 1, PART 3, CHAPTER 70
RULE §70.3 - CHARGES FOR PROVIDING COPIES OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

(a) The charges in this section to recover costs associated with providing copies of public information are based on estimated average costs to governmental bodies across the state. When actual costs are 25% higher than those used in these rules, governmental bodies other than agencies of the state, may request an exemption in accordance with §70.4 of this title (relating to Requesting an Exemption).

(b) Copy charge.

(1) Standard paper copy. The charge for standard paper copies reproduced by means of an office machine copier or a computer printer is \$.10 per page or part of a page. Each side that has recorded information is considered a page.

(2) Nonstandard copy. The charges in this subsection are to cover the materials onto which information is copied and do not reflect any additional charges, including labor, that may be associated with a particular request. The charges for nonstandard copies are:

- (A) Diskette--\$1.00;
- (B) Magnetic tape--actual cost;
- (C) Data cartridge--actual cost;
- (D) Tape cartridge--actual cost;
- (E) Rewritable CD (CD-RW)--\$1.00;
- (F) Non-rewritable CD (CD-R)--\$1.00;
- (G) Digital video disc (DVD)--\$3.00;
- (H) JAZ drive--actual cost;
- (I) Other electronic media--actual cost;
- (J) VHS video cassette--\$2.50;
- (K) Audio cassette--\$1.00;
- (L) Oversize paper copy (e.g.: 11 inches by 17 inches, greenbar, bluebar, not including maps and photographs using specialty paper--See also §70.9 of this title)--\$.50;
- (M) Specialty paper (e.g.: Mylar, blueprint, blueline, map, photographic--actual cost.

(c) Labor charge for programming. If a particular request requires the services of a programmer in order to execute an existing program or to create a new program so that requested information may be accessed and copied, the governmental body may charge for the programmer's time.

(1) The hourly charge for a programmer is \$28.50 an hour. Only programming services shall be charged at this hourly rate.

(2) Governmental bodies that do not have in-house programming capabilities shall comply with requests in accordance with §552.231 of the Texas Government Code.

(3) If the charge for providing a copy of public information includes costs of labor, a governmental body shall comply with the requirements of §552.261(b) of the Texas Government Code.

(d) Labor charge for locating, compiling, manipulating data, and reproducing public information.

(1) The charge for labor costs incurred in processing a request for public information is \$15 an hour. The labor charge includes the actual time to locate, compile, manipulate data, and reproduce the requested information.

(2) A labor charge shall not be billed in connection with complying with requests that are for 50 or fewer pages of paper records, unless the documents to be copied are located in:

(A) Two or more separate buildings that are not physically connected with each other; or

(B) A remote storage facility.

(3) A labor charge shall not be recovered for any time spent by an attorney, legal assistant, or any other person who reviews the requested information:

(A) To determine whether the governmental body will raise any exceptions to disclosure of the requested information under the Texas Government Code, Subchapter C, Chapter 552; or

(B) To research or prepare a request for a ruling by the attorney general's office pursuant to §552.301 of the Texas Government Code.

(4) When confidential information pursuant to a mandatory exception of the Act is mixed with public information in the same page, a labor charge may be recovered for time spent to redact, blackout, or otherwise obscure confidential information in order to release the public information. A labor charge shall not be made for redacting confidential information for requests of 50 or fewer pages, unless the request also qualifies for a labor charge pursuant to Texas Government Code, §552.261(a)(1) or (2).

(5) If the charge for providing a copy of public information includes costs of labor, a governmental body shall comply with the requirements of Texas Government Code, Chapter 552, §552.261(b).

(6) For purposes of paragraph (2)(A) of this subsection, two buildings connected by a covered or open sidewalk, an elevated or underground passageway, or a similar facility, are not considered to be separate buildings.

(e) Overhead charge.

(1) Whenever any labor charge is applicable to a request, a governmental body may include in the charges direct and indirect costs, in addition to the specific labor charge. This overhead charge would cover such costs as depreciation of capital assets, rent, maintenance and repair, utilities, and administrative overhead. If a governmental body chooses to recover such costs, a charge shall be made in accordance with the methodology described in paragraph (3) of this subsection. Although an exact calculation of costs will vary, the use of a standard charge will avoid complication in calculating such costs and will provide uniformity for charges made statewide.

(2) An overhead charge shall not be made for requests for copies of 50 or fewer pages of standard paper records unless the request also qualifies for a labor charge pursuant to Texas Government Code, §552.261(a)(1) or (2).

(3) The overhead charge shall be computed at 20% of the charge made to cover any labor costs associated with a particular request. Example: if one hour of labor is used for a particular request, the

formula would be as follows: Labor charge for locating, compiling, and reproducing, $\$15.00 \times .20 = \3.00 ; or Programming labor charge, $\$28.50 \times .20 = \5.70 . If a request requires one hour of labor charge for locating, compiling, and reproducing information ($\$15.00$ per hour); and one hour of programming labor charge ($\$28.50$ per hour), the combined overhead would be: $\$15.00 + \$28.50 = \$43.50 \times .20 = \8.70 .

(f) Microfiche and microfilm charge.

(1) If a governmental body already has information that exists on microfiche or microfilm and has copies available for sale or distribution, the charge for a copy must not exceed the cost of its reproduction. If no copies of the requested microfiche or microfilm are available and the information on the microfiche or microfilm can be released in its entirety, the governmental body should make a copy of the microfiche or microfilm. The charge for a copy shall not exceed the cost of its reproduction. The Texas State Library and Archives Commission has the capacity to reproduce microfiche and microfilm for governmental bodies. Governmental bodies that do not have in-house capability to reproduce microfiche or microfilm are encouraged to contact the Texas State Library before having the reproduction made commercially.

(2) If only a master copy of information in microfilm is maintained, the charge is \$.10 per page for standard size paper copies, plus any applicable labor and overhead charge for more than 50 copies.

(g) Remote document retrieval charge.

(1) Due to limited on-site capacity of storage documents, it is frequently necessary to store information that is not in current use in remote storage locations. Every effort should be made by governmental bodies to store current records on-site. State agencies are encouraged to store inactive or non-current records with the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. To the extent that the retrieval of documents results in a charge to comply with a request, it is permissible to recover costs of such services for requests that qualify for labor charges under current law.

(2) If a governmental body has a contract with a commercial records storage company, whereby the private company charges a fee to locate, retrieve, deliver, and return to storage the needed record(s), no additional labor charge shall be factored in for time spent locating documents at the storage location by the private company's personnel. If after delivery to the governmental body, the boxes must still be searched for records that are responsive to the request, a labor charge is allowed according to subsection (d)(1) of this section.

(h) Computer resource charge.

(1) The computer resource charge is a utilization charge for computers based on the amortized cost of acquisition, lease, operation, and maintenance of computer resources, which might include, but is not limited to, some or all of the following: central processing units (CPUs), servers, disk drives, local area networks (LANs), printers, tape drives, other peripheral devices, communications devices, software, and system utilities.

(2) These computer resource charges are not intended to substitute for cost recovery methodologies or charges made for purposes other than responding to public information requests.

(3) The charges in this subsection are averages based on a survey of governmental bodies with a broad range of computer capabilities. Each governmental body using this cost recovery charge shall determine which category(ies) of computer system(s) used to fulfill the public information request most closely fits its existing system(s), and set its charge accordingly. Type of System--Rate: mainframe--\$10

per CPU minute; Midsize--\$1.50 per CPU minute; Client/Server--\$2.20 per clock hour; PC or LAN--\$1.00 per clock hour.

(4) The charge made to recover the computer utilization cost is the actual time the computer takes to execute a particular program times the applicable rate. The CPU charge is not meant to apply to programming or printing time; rather it is solely to recover costs associated with the actual time required by the computer to execute a program. This time, called CPU time, can be read directly from the CPU clock, and most frequently will be a matter of seconds. If programming is required to comply with a particular request, the appropriate charge that may be recovered for programming time is set forth in subsection (d) of this section. No charge should be made for computer print-out time. Example: If a mainframe computer is used, and the processing time is 20 seconds, the charges would be as follows: $\$10 / 3 = \3.33 ; or $\$10 / 60 \times 20 = \3.33 .

(5) A governmental body that does not have in-house computer capabilities shall comply with requests in accordance with the §552.231 of the Texas Government Code.

(i) Miscellaneous supplies. The actual cost of miscellaneous supplies, such as labels, boxes, and other supplies used to produce the requested information, may be added to the total charge for public information.

(j) Postal and shipping charges. Governmental bodies may add any related postal or shipping expenses which are necessary to transmit the reproduced information to the requesting party.

(k) Sales tax. Pursuant to Office of the Comptroller of Public Accounts' rules sales tax shall not be added on charges for public information (34 TAC, Part 1, Chapter 3, Subchapter O, §3.341 and §3.342).

(l) Miscellaneous charges: A governmental body that accepts payment by credit card for copies of public information and that is charged a "transaction fee" by the credit card company may recover that fee.

(m) These charges are subject to periodic reevaluation and update.

Source Note: The provisions of this §70.3 adopted to be effective September 18, 1996, 21 TexReg 8587; amended to be effective February 20, 1997, 22 TexReg 1625; amended to be effective December 3, 1997, 22 TexReg 11651; amended to be effective December 21, 1999, 24 TexReg 11255; amended to be effective January 16, 2003, 28 TexReg 439; amended to be effective February 11, 2004, 29 TexReg 1189; transferred effective September 1, 2005, as published in the Texas Register September 29, 2006, 31 TexReg 8251; amended to be effective February 22, 2007, 32 TexReg 614

ATTACHMENT 6

VENTANA LAKES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.
STATUTORY NOTICE OF POSTING AND RECORDATION OF
ASSOCIATION GOVERNING DOCUMENTS

Terms used but not defined in this policy will have the meaning subscribed to such terms in that certain Ventana Lakes Master Covenant recorded in the Official Public Records of Harris County, Texas, as amended (the "Covenant").

1. Dedictory Instruments. As set forth in Texas Property Code Section 202.001, "dedictory instrument" means each document governing the establishment, maintenance or operation of a residential subdivision, planned unit development, condominium or townhouse regime, or any similar planned development. The term includes the covenant or similar instrument subjecting real property to: (a) restrictive covenants, bylaws, or similar instruments governing the administration or operation of a property owners' association; (b) properly adopted rules and regulations of the property owners' association; or (c) all lawful amendments to the covenants, bylaws, instruments, rules, or regulations. The term "dedictory instrument" is referred to in this notice and the Covenant as the "Documents."

2. Recordation of All Documents. The Association shall file all of the Documents in the real property records of each county in which the property to which the Documents relate is located. Any dedictory instrument comprising one of the Documents of the Association has no effect until the instrument is filed in accordance with this provision, as set forth in Texas Property Code Section 202.006.

3. Online Posting of Documents. The Association shall make all of the Recorded Documents relating to the Association or Development available on a website if the Association, or a management company on behalf of the Association, maintains a publicly accessible website.

ATTACHMENT 7

VENTANA LAKES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.
EMAIL REGISTRATION POLICY

Terms used but not defined in this policy will have the meaning subscribed to such terms in that certain Ventana Lakes Master Covenant recorded in the Official Public Records of Harris County, Texas, as amended and as the same may be amended and supplemented from time to time.

1. **Purpose.** The purpose of this Email Registration Policy is to facilitate proper notice of annual and special meetings of members of the Association pursuant to Section 209.0051(e) of the Texas Property Code.
2. **Email Registration.** Should the owner wish to receive any and all email notifications of annual and special meetings of members of the Association, it is the owner's sole responsibility to register his/her email address with the Association and to continue to keep the registered email address updated and current with the Association. In order to register an email address, the owner must provide their name, address, phone number and email address through the method provided on the Association's website, if any, and/or to the official contact information provided by the Association for the community manager.
3. **Failure to Register.** An owner may not receive email notification or communication of annual or special meetings of members of the Association should the owner fail to register his/her email address with the Association and/or properly and timely maintain an accurate email address with the Association. Correspondence to the Association and/or Association manager from an email address or by any method other than the method described in No. 2 above will not be considered sufficient to register such email address with the Association.
4. **Amendment.** The Association may, from time to time, modify, amend, or supplement this Policy or any other rules regarding email registration.

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This instrument was received and recorded electronically
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Any provision herein which restricts the sale, rental, or
use of the described real property because of color or
race is invalid and unenforceable under federal law.
THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS

I hereby certify that this instrument was FILED in
File Number Sequence on the date and at the time stamped
hereon by me; and was duly RECORDED in the Official
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