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DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

FOR

CITY POINT NRH RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY

CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS

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(City of North Richland Hills, Tarrant County, Texas)

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

\$ KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS:

COUNTY OF TARRANT §

This Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for City Point NRH Residential Community (this "<u>Declaration</u>") is made by MM City Point 53, LLC, a Texas limited liability company ("<u>Declarant</u>"), on the date signed below. Declarant owns the real property described in <u>Appendix A</u> of this Declaration, together with the improvements thereon (the "<u>Property</u>").

Declarant desires to establish a general plan of development for the planned community developed within the Property to be known as "City Point NRH Residential Community" (the "Subdivision") to be governed by the Association (as hereinafter defined). Declarant also desires to provide a reasonable and flexible procedure by which Declarant may expand the Property to include additional real property, and to maintain certain development rights that are essential for the successful completion and marketing of the Property.

Declarant further desires to provide for the preservation, administration, and maintenance of portions of Subdivision, and to protect the value, desirability, and attractiveness of the Property therein. As an integral part of the development plan, Declarant deems it advisable to create the Association to perform these functions and activities more fully described in this Declaration and the other Documents described below.

Declarant DECLARES that the Property, and any additional property made subject to this Declaration by recording one or more amendments of or supplements to this Declaration, will be owned, held, transferred, sold, conveyed, leased, occupied, used, insured, and encumbered subject to the terms, covenants, conditions, restrictions, and easements of this Declaration, including Declarant representations and reservations in the attached <u>Appendix B</u>, which run with the real property and bind all parties having or acquiring any right, title, or interest in any part of the property, their heirs, successors, and assigns, and inure to the benefit of each Owner of any part of the Property.

ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS

The following words and phrases, whether or not capitalized, have specified meanings when used in the Documents, unless a different meaning is apparent from the context in which the word or phrase is used.

1.1. "Applicable Law" means the statutes and public laws and ordinances in effect at the time a provision of the Documents is applied, and pertaining to the subject matter of the Document provision. Statutes and ordinances specifically referenced in the Documents are "Applicable Law" on the date of the Document, and are not intended to apply to the Project if they cease to be

applicable by operation of law, or if they are replaced or superseded by one or more other statutes or ordinances.

- 1.2. "Applicable Zoning" means the City of North Richland Hills, Texas, Ordinance No. 3595, passed and approved on August 12, 2019, as modified and/or amended from time to time.
- 1.3. "Architectural Reviewer" means the entity having jurisdiction over a particular application for architectural approval. During the Development Period, the Architectural Reviewer is Declarant, Declarant's designee, or Declarant's delegate. Thereafter, the Board-appointed ACC or the Board (if no ACC is appointed by the Board), is the Architectural Reviewer.
- 1.4. "Area of Common Responsibility" means that portion of the Property and those components of the Lots and Townhomes for which the Association has maintenance responsibilities, as described with more particularity in Article 5 of this Declaration.
- 1.5. "Assessment" means any charge levied against a Lot or Owner by the Association, pursuant to the Documents or State law, including but not limited to Regular Assessments, Special Assessments, Insurance Assessments, Individual Assessments, and Deficiency Assessments, as defined in Article 9 of this Declaration.
- 1.6. "Association" means the association of Owners of all Lots and Residences in the Property, initially organized as City Point NRH Residential Homeowners Association, Inc., a Texas nonprofit corporation, and serving as the "homeowners' association". The failure of the Association to maintain its corporate charter from time to time does not affect the existence or legitimacy of the Association, which derives its authority from this Declaration and the Bylaws.
- 1.7. "Board" means the board of directors of the Association. During the Declarant Control Period, the Declarant shall maintain the sole right to appoint and remove directors of the Board.
- 1.8. "Bylaws" means the Bylaws of City Point NRH Residential Homeowners Association, Inc., which have been adopted by the Declarant and/or Board and is or shall be recorded in Tarrant County, Texas.
- 1.9. "City" means the City of North Richland Hills, Texas, in which the Property is located.
- 1.10. "City Development Agreement" means that certain City Point Development agreement by and between Declarant and the City dated October 21, 2019, and recorded on November 15, 2019 as Instrument No. D219263750 in the Official Public Records of Tarrant county, Texas, as modified and amended from time to time.
- 1.11. "Claims" means collectively, all claims, demands, suits, proceedings, actions, causes of action (whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative and including, without limitation, causes of action in tort), losses, penalties, fines, damages, liabilities, obligations, costs, and expenses (including attorneys' fees and court costs) of any and every kind or character, known or unknown, including but not limited to, cost recovery, contribution and other claims.
- 1.12. "Common Area" means portions of real property and improvements thereon that are owned and/or maintained by the Association, as described in Article 4 below and which may be referenced

in Appendixes attached hereto, and shall include, without limitation, any and all entryway features, masonry walls, mews fence with brick columns, retaining walls and ornamental metal handrails, perimeter decorative metal fencing, common areas described on any Plat of the Property, club house or community center, pool, monument signage, community art installations, non-drainage related greenways and decorative water fountains, shade pavilions, park benches, private alleys, and private water wells. The Common Area improvements shall specifically include, without limitation, a swimming pool, clubhouse, and restroom facilities as required under the terms of the City development Agreement. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, in no event shall the Common Area include any portion of the Property to be maintained by the City, if applicable.

- 1.13. "Declarant" means MM City Point 53, LLC, a Texas limited liability company, which is developing the Property, or any party which acquires any portion of the Property for the purpose of development and which is designated a Successor Declarant in accordance with Appendix B, Section B.6 hereof, or by any such successor and assign, in a recorded document.
- 1.14. "<u>Declarant Control Period</u>" means that period of time during which Declarant controls the operation and management of the Association, pursuant to <u>Appendix B</u> of this Declaration.
- 1.15. "Declaration" means this document, as it may be amended, modified and/or supplemented from time to time. In the event this Declaration contains a provision which is contrary to an applicable mandatory provision of the Texas Property Code, the Texas Property Code provision controls.
- 1.16. "Design Guidelines" means those certain initial design guidelines established for the Property by the Applicable Zoning, and any other design guidelines that may be established, modified and/or amended by majority written consent of the ACC from time to time, together with the architectural requirements and design guidelines as adopted by the City under the Applicable Zoning, as modified, amended and/or supplemented from time to time (the "City Design Guidelines") to the extent applicable to the Property. The initial design Guidelines for the Subdivision are attached hereto as Appendix D.
- 1.17. "Detached Residence" means a single-family detached patio home Residence located on an individually owned Lot, and may include "Bungalows" or "Urban Homes," as described in the Applicable Zoning and/or the City Design Guidelines.
- 1.18. "<u>Detached Residence Lots</u>" means the Lots on which a Detached Residence is or is to be constructed. Detached Residence Lots shall include "<u>Bungalows</u>" (herein so called) and "<u>Urban Homes</u>" (herein so called), and shall be designated as such in the Applicable Zoning.
- 1.19. "Development Period" means that certain fifty (50) year period beginning the date this Declaration is recorded, during which Declarant has certain rights pursuant to Appendix B hereto. The Development Period is for a term of years and does not require that Declarant own land described in Appendix A. Declarant may terminate the Development Period at any time by recording a notice of termination.
- 1.20. "<u>Documents</u>" means, singly or collectively as the case may be, this Declaration, the Plat, the Bylaws of the Association, the Association's Certificate of Formation and the Rules of the

Association, as any of these may be amended from time to time. An appendix, exhibit, schedule, or certification accompanying a Document is a part of that Document. All Documents are to be recorded in every county in which all or a portion of the Property is located. The Documents are Dedicatory Instruments as defined in Texas Property Code Section 202. Resolutions, which may be established by the Board, shall be binding documents upon the Association so long as they are duly recorded in the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors and shall not be required to be recorded. The Board shall cause all Resolutions to be recorded in the minutes of the meeting and/or they shall be posted to the Association's website, if applicable, for review and access by all Owners' of record. The Certificate of Formation, Organizational Consent and Bylaws of the Association, which are or shall be part of the Documents may be recorded as a separate dedicatory instrument.

- 1.21. "Lot" means a portion of the Property intended for independent ownership, on which there is or will be constructed a Townhome or Detached Residence, as shown on the Plat. As a defined term, "Lot" does not refer to Common Areas, or areas owned by the City and to be maintained by the City even if platted and numbered as a lot. Where the context indicates or requires, "Lot" includes all improvements thereon and any portion of a right-of-way that customarily is used exclusively by and in connection with the Lot.
- 1.22. "Majority" means more than half. A reference to "a Majority of Owners" in any Document or applicable law means "Owners holding a majority of voting rights of all Lot Owners," unless a different meaning is specified.
- 1.23. "Member" means a member of the Association, each Member being an Owner of a Lot, unless the context indicates that member means a member of the Board or a member of a committee of the Association. In the context of votes and decision-making, each Lot has only one membership, although it may be shared by co-owners of a Lot.
- 1.24. "Owner" means a holder of recorded fee simple title to a Lot. Declarant is the initial Owner of all Lots. Contract sellers and mortgagees who acquire title to a Lot through a deed in lieu of foreclosure or through judicial or non-judicial foreclosure are "Owners." Persons or entities having ownership interests merely as security for the performance of an obligation are not "Owners." Every Owner is a Member of the Association and membership is mandatory. A reference in any Document or applicable law to a percentage or share of Owners or Members means Owners of at least that percentage or share of vote of the Owners of Lots, unless a different meaning is specified. For example, "a Majority of Owners" means Owners of at least a majority of the votes of Owners of Lots.
- 1.25. "Public Improvement District" or "PID" shall mean and refer to the City Point Public Improvement District created or to be created by the City of North Richland Hills, Texas pursuant to Chapter 372 of the Texas Local Government Code, as amended.
- 1.26. "Plat" means all plats, singly and collectively, recorded in the Real Property Records of Tarrant County, Texas, and pertaining to the real property described in Appendix A of this Declaration or any real property subsequently annexed into the Property in accordance with the terms of this Declaration (including, by Declarant pursuant to its rights under Appendix B hereof), including all dedications, limitations, restrictions, easements, notes, and reservations shown on the

plat(s), as may be amended from time to time. The plat of the Subdivision was or shall be recorded in the Plat Records, Tarrant County, Texas.

- 1.27. "Property" means all the land subject to this Declaration and all improvements, easements, rights, and appurtenances to the land. The Property is a Subdivision known as the "City Point NRH Residential Community". The Property is located on land described in Appendix A to this Declaration, and includes every Lot and any Common Area thereon, and may include Annexed Land (as defined in Appendix B) annexed into the Property subject to this Declaration by supplemental declaration filed by Declarant in accordance with Appendix B.
- 1.28. "Residence" means the improvement located on each Lot that is designed to be or appropriate for use as a single-family residence, together with any garage incorporated therein, whether or not such residence is actually occupied. Residence shall generally refer to any Townhome or Detached Residence.
- 1.29. "Resident" means an occupant of a Townhome or Detached Residence, regardless of whether the person owns the Lot.
- 1.30. "Rules" means rules and regulations of the Association adopted in accordance with the Documents or applicable law. The initial Rules may be adopted by Declarant for the benefit of the Association and Declarant may, from time to time, amend rules and regulations as it is deemed necessary.
- 1.31. "<u>TIF</u>" shall mean that certain Tax Increment Reinvestment zone encompassing the Property and created by the City pursuant to Chapter 311 of the Texas Tax Code, as modified and/or amended from time to time.
- 1.32. "Townhome" means the attached single-family townhome Residence located on an individually owned Lot. The Subdivision may include up to two hundred fifty (250) Townhomes.
- 1.33. "Townhome Building" means the structure containing multiple Townhomes.
- 1.34. "Townhome Lot" shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 5.1 hereof. The Subdivision may include up to two hundred fifty (250) Townhome Lots.

ARTICLE 2 PROPERTY SUBJECT TO DOCUMENTS

- 2.1. <u>PROPERTY</u>. The real property described in <u>Appendix A</u> is held, transferred, sold, conveyed, leased, occupied, used, insured, and encumbered subject to the terms, covenants, conditions, restrictions, liens, and easements of this Declaration, including Declarant's representations and reservations in the attached <u>Appendix B</u>, which run with the Property and bind all parties having or acquiring any right, title, or interest in the Property, their heirs, successors, and assigns, and inure to the benefit of each Owner of the Property.
- 2.2. <u>CITY ORDINANCE</u>. The City may have ordinances or requirements pertaining to planned developments, which include, without limitation, the Applicable Zoning, the City Development Agreement, and/or any requirements of the PID or TIF (herein referred to as the "City

- Ordinance(s)"). No amendment of the Documents or any act or decision of the Association may violate the requirements of any City Ordinance(s), which include, without limitation, the Applicable Zoning, the City Development Agreement, and/or any requirements of the PID or TIF. Should this Declaration differ with a City Ordinance, the City Ordinance shall prevail notwithstanding, if the restriction in this Declaration is stricter that that of the City Ordinance, then this Declaration shall prevail.
- 2.3. <u>ADJACENT LAND USE</u>. Declarant makes no representations of any kind as to current or future uses actual or permitted of any land that is adjacent to or near the Property, regardless of what the Plat shows as potential uses of adjoining land.
- 2.4. <u>SUBJECT TO ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS</u>. Each Owner, by accepting an interest in or title to a Lot, whether or not it is so expressed in the instrument of conveyance, covenants and agrees to be bound by all the Documents which are publicly recorded or which are made available to Owners by the Association, expressly including this publicly recorded Declaration.
- 2.5. <u>PLAT DEDICATIONS</u>, <u>EASEMENTS & RESTRICTIONS</u>. In addition to the easements and restrictions contained in this Declaration, the Property is subject to the dedications, limitations, notes, easements, restrictions, and reservations shown or cited on the Plat, which are incorporated herein by reference. Each Owner, by accepting an interest in or title to a Lot, whether or not it is so expressed in the instrument of conveyance, covenants and agrees to be bound by the Plat, and further agrees to maintain any easement that crosses his Lot and for which the Association does not have express responsibility.
- 2.6. STREETS WITHIN PROPERTY. Because streets, alleys, and cul-de-sacs within the Property (hereafter "Streets") are capable of being converted from publicly dedicated to privately owned, and vice versa, this Section addresses both conditions. If the Property has privately owned Streets, the Streets are part of the Common Area which is governed by the Association. Streets dedicated for public use are part of the Common Area only to the extent they are not maintained or regulated by the City or Tarrant County, Texas. Streets dedicated for public use may be exempt from certain enforcement rights of the Association. The Board reserves the right, in their sole discretion, to report all vehicle and parking violations to the city for city code enforcement and shall not be required to enforce certain parking and vehicle rules if said vehicle is located on streets dedicated for public use. In no event shall streets that are maintained by the City be included in the Common Areas or Area of Common Responsibility. To the extent not prohibited by public law, the Association, acting through the Board, is specifically authorized to adopt, amend, repeal, and enforce Rules for use of the Streets whether public or private including but not limited to:
- a. Identification of vehicles used by Owners and Residents and their guests.
- b. Designation of speed limits and parking or no-parking areas.
- c. Limitations or prohibitions on curbside parking.
- d. Removal or prohibition of vehicles that violate applicable Rules.
- e. Fines for violations of applicable Rules.

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ARTICLE 3 PROPERTY EASEMENTS AND RIGHTS

- GENERAL. In addition to other easements and rights established by the Documents, the Property is subject to the easements and rights contained in this Article. No use shall be permitted on the Property which is not allowed under applicable public codes, ordinances and other laws either already adopted or as may be adopted by the City or other controlling public authorities. Each Owner, occupant or other user of any portion of the Property, shall at all times comply with this Declaration and all laws, ordinances, policies, rules, regulations and orders of all federal, state, county and municipal governments, and other agencies having jurisdictional control over the Property, specifically including, but not limited to, Applicable Zoning placed upon the Property, as they exist from time to time (collectively "Governmental Requirements"). IN SOME INSTANCES, REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE GOVERNMENTAL REQUIREMENTS MAY BE MORE OR LESS RESTRICTIVE THAN THE PROVISIONS OF THIS DECLARATION. IN THE EVENT A CONFLICT EXISTS BETWEEN ANY SUCH REQUIREMENTS UNDER ANY GOVERNMENTAL REQUIREMENT AND ANY REQUIREMENT OF THIS DECLARATION, THE MOST RESTRICTIVE REQUIREMENT SHALL PREVAIL, EXCEPT IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE COMPLIANCE WITH A MORE RESTRICTIVE PROVISION WOULD RESULT IN A VIOLATION OF MANDATORY APPLICABLE GOVERNMENTAL REQUIREMENTS, IN WHICH EVENT THOSE GOVERNMENTAL REQUIREMENTS SHALL APPLY. **COMPLIANCE** WITH MANDATORY GOVERNMENTAL REQUIREMENTS WILL NOT RESULT IN THE BREACH OF THIS DECLARATION EVEN THOUGH SUCH COMPLIANCE MAY RESULT IN NONCOMPLIANCE WITH PROVISIONS OF THIS DECLARATION. WHERE A GOVERNMENTAL REQUIREMENT DOES NOT CLEARLY CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS DECLARATION BUT PERMITS ACTION THAT IS DIFFERENT FROM THAT REQUIRED BY THIS DECLARATION, THE PROVISIONS THIS DECLARATION (IN ORDER OF PRIORITY) SHALL PREVAIL AND CONTROL. The Property and all Lots therein shall be developed in accordance with this Declaration, as this Declaration may be amended or modified from time to time as herein provided.
- 3.2. OWNER'S EASEMENT OF ENJOYMENT. Every Owner is granted a right and easement of enjoyment over the Common Areas and to use of improvements therein, subject to other rights and easements contained in the Documents. An Owner who does not occupy a Lot delegates this right of enjoyment to the Residents of his Lot. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a portion of the Common Area, such as a recreational area, is designed for private use, the Association may temporarily reserve the use of such area for certain persons and purposes.
- 3.3. OWNER'S MAINTENANCE EASEMENT. Every Owner of a Townhome is granted an access easement over adjoining Lots, Common Areas, and Areas of Common Responsibility for the maintenance or reconstruction of his Townhome and other improvements on his Lot, provided exercise of the easement does not damage or materially interfere with the use of the adjoining Townhome, Common Area or Areas of Common Responsibility. Requests for entry to an adjoining Townhome or Common Area must be made to the Owner of the adjoining Townhome, or the Association in the case of Common Areas, in advance for a time reasonably convenient for the adjoining Owner, who may not unreasonably withhold consent. If an Owner damages an adjoining Townhome, Area of Common Responsibility, or Common Area in exercising this

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easement, the Owner is obligated to restore the damaged property to its original condition as existed prior to the Owner performing such maintenance or reconstruction work, at his expense, within a reasonable period of time.

- 3.4. TOWNHOME EASEMENT. Every Owner of a Townhome is granted a perpetual easement over, under, and through every other Lot that is part of the same Townhome Building in which his Townhome is located for the limited purpose of installing, maintaining, and replacing wires, cables, conduit, and pipes, that serve his Townhome, but only to the extent that use of this easement is reasonable and necessary. In the event of dispute, the Board is the arbiter of whether the anticipated use of this easement is reasonable and necessary. Reciprocally, the Owner of a Townhome that contains wire, cables, conduit, or pipes that serve one or more other Townhomes has a duty to refrain from interfering with or damaging those items. This easement and reciprocal responsibility anticipates that the electrical meters for all the Townhomes in one Townhome Building may be grouped at one end of the Townhome Building. It also anticipates that attic or roofline installations of wiring may be the most cost effective and least unsightly way of accommodating future needs for cable services.
- 3.5. <u>OWNER'S INGRESS/EGRESS EASEMENT</u>. Every Owner is granted a perpetual easement over the Streets within the Property, as may be reasonably required, for vehicular ingress to and egress from his Lot or Residence.
- 3.6. OWNER'S ENCROACHMENT EASEMENT. Every Owner is granted an easement for the existence and continuance of any encroachment by his Townhome on any adjoining Lot or Common Area now existing or which may come into existence hereafter, as a result of construction, repair, shifting, settlement, or movement of any portion of a Townhome Building, or as a result of condemnation or eminent domain proceedings, so that the encroachment may remain undisturbed so long as the improvement stands.
- 3.7. <u>RIGHTS OF CITY</u>. The City, including its agents and employees, has the right of immediate access to the Common Areas at all times if necessary for the welfare or protection of the public, to enforce City Ordinances, or for the preservation of public property. If the Association fails to maintain the Common Areas to a standard acceptable to the City, the City may give the Association a written demand for maintenance. If the Association fails or refuses to perform the maintenance within a reasonable period of time after receiving the City's written demand (at least ninety (90) days), the City may maintain the Common Areas at the expense of the Association after giving written notice of its intent to do so to the Association. To fund or reimburse the City's cost of maintaining the Common Areas, the City may levy an Assessment against every Lot in the same manner as if the Association levied a Special Assessment against the Lots. The City may give its notices and demands to any officer, director, or agent of the Association, or alternatively, to each Owner of a Lot as shown on the City's tax rolls. The rights of the City under this Section are in addition to other rights and remedies provided by law.
- 3.8. <u>ASSOCIATION'S ACCESS EASEMENT</u>. Each Owner, by accepting an interest in or title to a Lot, whether or not it is so expressed in the instrument of conveyance, grants to the Association an easement of access and entry over, across, under, and through the Property, including without limitation all Common Areas and the Owner's Lot and all improvements thereon including the Townhome and yards for the below-described purposes.

3.8.1. <u>Purposes</u>. Subject to the limitations stated below, the Association may exercise this easement of access and entry for the following express purposes:

- a. To inspect the Property for compliance with maintenance and architectural standards.
- b. To perform maintenance that is permitted or required of the Association by the Documents or by applicable law.
- c. To perform maintenance that is permitted or required of the Owner by the Documents or by applicable law, if the Owner fails or refuses to perform such maintenance.
- d. To enforce architectural standards.
- e. To enforce use restrictions.
- f. The exercise of self-help remedies permitted by the Documents or by applicable law.
- g. To enforce any other provision of the Documents.
- h. To respond to emergencies.
- i. To grant easements to utility providers as may be necessary to install, maintain, and inspect utilities serving any portion of the Property.
- j. To perform any and all functions or duties of the Association as permitted or required by the Documents or by applicable law.
- 3.8.2. <u>No Trespass</u>. In exercising this easement on an Owner's Lot, the Association is not liable to the Owner for trespass.
- 3.8.3. <u>Limitations</u>. If the exercise of this easement requires entry onto an Owner's Lot, including into an Owner's fenced yard, the entry will be during reasonable hours and after written notice to the Owner. This Subsection does not apply to situations that at time of entry are deemed to be emergencies that may result in imminent damage to or loss of life or property, which entry for such emergencies may be made without notice to an Owner.
- 3.9. <u>UTILITY EASEMENT</u>. The Association may grant permits, licenses, and easements over Common Areas for utilities, roads, and other purposes necessary for the proper operation of the Property. A company or entity, public or private, furnishing utility service to the Property, is granted an easement over the Property for ingress, egress, meter reading, installation, maintenance, repair, or replacement of utility lines and equipment, and to do anything else necessary to properly maintain and furnish utility service to the Property; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, this easement may not be exercised without prior notice to the Board. Utilities may include, but are not limited to, water, sewer, trash removal, electricity, gas, telephone, master or cable television, and security.
- 3.10. <u>SECURITY</u>. The Association may, but is not obligated to, maintain or support certain activities within the Property designed, either directly or indirectly, to improve safety in or on the Property. Each Owner and Resident acknowledges and agrees, for himself and his guests, that

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Declarant, the Association, and their respective directors, officers, committees, agents, and employees are not providers, insurers, or guarantors of security within the Property. Each Owner and Resident acknowledges and accepts his sole responsibility to provide security for his own person and property, and assumes all risks for loss or damage to same. Each Owner and Resident further acknowledges that Declarant, the Association, and their respective directors, officers, committees, agents, and employees have made no representations or warranties, nor has the Owner or Resident relied on any representation or warranty, express or implied, including any warranty of merchantability or fitness for any particular purpose, relative to any fire, burglar, and/or intrusion systems recommended or installed, or any security measures undertaken within the Property. Each Owner and Resident acknowledges and agrees that Declarant, the Association, and their respective directors, officers, committees, agents, and employees may not be held liable for any loss or damage by reason of failure to provide adequate security or ineffectiveness of security measures undertaken.

3.11. RISK. Each Owner, Owners' immediate family, guests, agents, permittees, licensees and Residents shall use all Common Areas at his/her own risk. All Common Areas are unattended and unsupervised. Each Owner, Owners' immediate family, guests, agents, permittees, licensees and Residents is solely responsible for his/her own safety. The Association disclaims any and all liability or responsibility for injury or death occurring from use of the Common Areas. Each Owner shall be individually responsible and assume all risk of loss associated with its use of the Common Areas, and use by its family members and guests. Neither the Association nor the Declarant, nor any managing agent engaged by the Association or Declarant, shall have any liability to any Owner or their family members or guests, or to any other Person, arising out of or in connection with the use, in any manner whatsoever, of the Common Area, or any improvements comprising a part thereof from time to time.

ARTICLE 4 COMMON AREA; AREAS OF COMMON RESPONSIBILITY (ALL LOTS)

- 4.1. <u>OWNERSHIP</u>. The designation of any portion of the Property as a Common Area is determined by the Plat and this Declaration, and not by the ownership of such portion of the Property. This Declaration contemplates that the Association will eventually hold title to every Common Area, facility, structure, improvement, system, or other property that are capable of independent ownership by the Association described in this Article 4. The Declarant may install, construct, or authorize certain improvements on Common Areas in connection with the initial development of the Property, and the cost thereof is not a Common Expense of the Association. The Common Area shall be maintained by the Association following completion of initial improvements thereon by Declarant, whether or not title to such Common Area is conveyed to the Association. All costs attributable to Common Areas, including maintenance, property taxes, Insurance, and enhancements, are automatically and perpetually the responsibility of the Association, regardless of the nature of title to the Common Areas, unless this Declaration elsewhere provides for a different allocation for a specific Common Area.
- 4.2. <u>AS IS CONDITION; RELEASE</u>. EACH OWNER, RESIDENT, AND THEIR GUESTS ACCEPT THE CURRENT AND FUTURE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND ALL

IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON AS IS AND WITH ALL FAULTS. NO REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, IS MADE BY DECLARANT, THE ASSOCIATION OR ANY OF THEIR OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES OR AGENTS AS TO THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY OR ANY IMPROVEMENTS THEREON. EACH OWNER AND RESIDENT HEREBY RELEASE AND AGREES TO HOLD HARMLESS THE DECLARANT, THE ASSOCIATION, AND THEIR RESPECTIVE DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, COMMITTEES, AGENTS, AND EMPLOYEES (COLLECTIVELY, THE "RELEASED PARTIES"), FROM ANY CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPERTY OR ANY IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY OF THE MATTERS DISCLOSED IN THIS ARTICLE 4, WHETHER BY AN OWNER, RESIDENT OR A THIRD PARTY, EVEN IF DUE TO THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASED PARTIES OR ANY ONE OF THEM. EACH OWNER AND RESIDENT FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE RELEASED PARTIES HAVE MADE NO REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES, NOR HAS THE OWNER OR RESIDENT RELIED ON ANY REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY, SUITABILITY OR FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE, RELATIVE TO THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY OR ANY IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, AND ALL SUCH WARRANTIES ARE HEREBY WAIVED AND RELEASED BY EACH OWNER AND RESIDENT.

- 4.3. <u>COMPONENTS OF COMMON AREA</u>. The Common Area of the Property consists of the following components on or adjacent to the Property, even if located on a Lot or a public right-of-way:
- a. The swimming pool, clubhouse and restroom facilities and related improvements within the Common Area.
- b. All of the Property save and except the Lots or portions of the Property owned and maintained by the City.
- c. Any area shown on the Plat as Common Area or an area to be maintained by the Association, including, without limitation, the visitor's parking lot to serve the Common Area within the Subdivision.
- d. The formal entrances to the Property, including (if any) the signage, landscaping, electrical and water installations, planter boxes and fencing related to the entrance.
- e. Any screening walls, fences, or berms along the side of the Property, including, without limitation within any "Wall & Wall Maintenance Easement" shown on the Plat. Any masonry walls or decorative metal fencing must be located within the two and one-half foot (2.5') wall maintenance easement described on the Plat of the Subdivision.
- f. Any landscape buffers, within the approximately ten foot (10') wide landscaping buffer or other similar areas shown on the Plat.
- g. Landscaping on any Street within or adjacent to the Property, to the extent it is not maintained by the City, including, without limitation right-of-way irrigation systems, raised medians and other right-of-way landscaping and streetscaping that is part of the "HOA Maintained"

Improvements" (as such term is defined in the City Development Agreement), which HOA Maintained Improvements shall be maintained in compliance with City Ordinances.

- h. Any property adjacent to the Subdivision, if the maintenance of same is deemed to be in the best interests of the Association and if not prohibited by the Owner or operator of said property.
- i. Any modification, replacement, or addition to any of the above-described areas and improvements.
- j. Personal property owned by the Association, such as books and records, office equipment, and supplies.
- k. The drainage, detention, pond and retention improvements located within the Property.
- I. The open spaces, common areas, detention areas, drainage areas, screening walls, Oncor lighting (pursuant to a maintenance agreement between the Association and Oncor), parks, trails, lawns, way-finding signage, and other common improvements or appurtenances within the PID that are not maintained and operated by the City, and included in the "HOA Maintained Improvements" (as such term is defined in the City Development Agreement).
- m. The irrigation systems, raised medians, and other right-of-way landscaping, detention areas, drainage areas, screening walls, parks, trails, lawns, dog park, and other common improvements or appurtenances required by the City to be maintained by the Association pursuant to the terms of that certain Declaration of Common Area Easement and Maintenance Agreement and Architectural Restrictions recorded or to be recorded in the Official Public Records of Tarrant County, Texas (the "CAM Agreement").

The Common Area of the Property as described in this Section 4.3 may not be modified or amended without the prior written consent of the City.

- 4.4. <u>COMPONENTS OF AREAS OF COMMON RESPONSIBILITY- ALL LOTS</u>. The Areas of Common Responsibility within the Property and applicable to all Lots consists of the following components on or adjacent to the Property, even if located on a Lot or a public right-of-way:
- 4.4.1. <u>Surface Water Drainage Systems</u>. All aspects of surface water drainage on a Lot are maintained by the Association, including collection drains and drain systems notwithstanding, any surface water drainage, collection drains and drain systems that are privately owned or operated shall be excluded and shall be the sole responsibility of the Owner to maintain; and
- 4.4.2. Front Lawns (if any). All trees, shrubs and lawns on a Lot outside of fenced areas are maintained by the Association, including irrigation system on Townhome Lots only, and including replacement of dead plants and vegetation. The foregoing applies only to the area outside of fenced in areas between the Residence within such Lot and the adjacent public Street. The Association shall only be obligated hereunder to maintain the sod, grass and ornamental bushes and landscape beds with mulch within the Front Lawn Area meeting the minimum landscaping requirements for the applicable Lot, and any additional landscape improvements shall be subject to the terms of Section 7.12 hereof. No synthetic turf of any kind is allowed in the front,

back or side portions of any lawn without the express written approval and consent of the Planning Director of the City in accordance with Applicable Zoning and the Architectural Control Committee, which may be withheld in its sole and absolute discretion.

- INSURANCE FOR COMMON AREAS. The Association shall insure the Common Areas, and property owned by the Association, including, if any, records, furniture, fixtures, equipment, and supplies, in an amount sufficient to cover one hundred percent (100%) of the replacement cost of any repair or reconstruction in the event of damage or destruction from any insurable hazard. The Association is not required to insure any of Lot, Townhome, Detached Residence, automobiles, watercraft, furniture or other personal property located within a Residence or on any Common Area unless specifically set forth in this Agreement. Association shall maintain a commercial general liability insurance policy on an occurrence-based form covering the Common Area for bodily injury and property damage. All insurance maintained by the Association shall be written by an insurer with an A.M. Best rating of A-VII or higher. The insurance policies required under this Section 4.4 or otherwise will provide for blanket waivers of subrogation for the benefit of Declarant, shall provide primary coverage, not secondary, and provide first dollar coverage. Additionally, the insurance policies under this paragraph shall provide that Declarant shall receive thirty-days written notice prior to cancellation of the policy and that Declarant shall permitted to pay any premiums to keep the Association's insurance policies in full force and effect. The Association shall cause Declarant to be named as an additional insured on all insurance required under this Section 4.5 or as otherwise set forth herein. In addition to the other indemnities herein and without limitation, if the Association fails to name Declarant as an additional insured as set forth herein, the Association shall hold harmless, defend and indemnify Declarant for any loss, claim, damage and/or lawsuit suffered by Declarant for the Association's failure described herein. To the extent of any conflict between this Section 4.4 and a provision in Article 14 as it relates to insurance for Common Areas, this Section 4.4 shall control.
- 4.5 MAINTENANCE STANDARD. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Association shall maintain the Common Areas and Areas of Common Responsibility in accordance with the standards and requirements established by the City under the Applicable Zoning, the CAM Agreement, the City Design Guidelines, the Design Guidelines, the City Development Agreement, any requirements of the PID or TIF, or otherwise. This Section 4.6 may not be modified or amendment without the express written consent of the City.

ARTICLE 5 TOWNHOME LOTS, TOWNHOMES & AREA OF COMMON RESPONSIBILITY

5.1. TOWNHOME LOTS. The Property is platted into Lots, the boundaries of which are shown on the Plat, and which may not be obvious on visual inspection of the Property. Portions of the Lots on which Townhomes are located (the "Townhome Lot(s)") are designated by this Declaration to be Areas of Common Responsibility, and are burdened with easements for the use and benefit of the Association, Owners, and Residents. Although the Property is platted into individually owned Townhome Lots, portions of the Townhome Lots are maintained by the Association.

NOTE TOWNHOME OWNERS: WHILE YOU OWN YOUR LOT AND TOWNHOME, PORTIONS ARE CONTROLLED AND MAINTAINED BY THE ASSOCIATION.

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5.2. <u>TOWNHOMES</u>. Certain Lots, as shown on the Plat, are to be improved with a Townhome and Townhome Buildings. The Owner of a Townhome Lot on which a Townhome is constructed owns every component of the Townhome Lot and Townhome, including all the structural components and exterior features of the Townhome and is responsible for the maintenance of the Townhome and Townhome Lot, except for the Areas of Common Responsibility set forth in this Declaration.

- 5.3. <u>AREA OF COMMON RESPONSIBILITY</u>. Areas of Common Responsibility within a Townhome Lot (which are in addition to the Areas of Responsibility described in Section 4.4 hereof) to be maintained by the Association include the following:
- 5.3.1. <u>Areas Relating to Townhomes</u>. All portions of the Townhomes marked as an Area of Common Responsibility on <u>Appendix C</u> are to be maintained by the Association.
- 5.4. <u>ALLOCATION OF INTERESTS</u>. The interests allocated to each Townhome Lot are calculated by the following formulas.
- 5.4.1. <u>Common Expense Liabilities</u>. The percentage or share of liability for Common Expenses allocated to each Townhome Lot is uniform for all Townhome Lots, regardless of the value, size, or location of the Townhome Lot or Townhome.
- 5.4.2. <u>Votes</u>. The one vote appurtenant to each Townhome Lot is uniform and weighted equally with the vote for every other Townhome Lot, regardless of any other allocation appurtenant to the Townhome Lot.

ARTICLE 6 ARCHITECTURAL COVENANTS AND CONTROL

- 6.1. <u>PURPOSE</u>. Because all Lots are part of a single, unified community, this Declaration creates rights to regulate the design, use, and appearance of the Lots and Common Areas in order to preserve and enhance the Property's value and architectural harmony. One purpose of this Article is to promote and ensure the level of taste, design, quality, and harmony by which the Property is developed and maintained. Another purpose is to prevent improvements and modifications that may be widely considered to be radical, curious, odd, bizarre, or peculiar in comparison to the existing improvements. A third purpose is to regulate the appearance of every aspect of proposed or existing improvements on a Lot, including but not limited to Townhomes, Detached Residences, fences, landscaping, retaining walls, yard art, sidewalks and driveways, and further including replacements or modifications of original construction or installation. During the Development Period, a primary purpose of this Article is to reserve and preserve Declarant's right of architectural control. No exterior modification is allowed without the prior written consent of the Architectural Reviewer. Due to the intent that Townhomes within a Townhome Building maintain uniformity of appearance, and for other reasons, the Owner of a Detached Residence may be eligible for certain changes or enhancements not available to an Owner of Townhome.
- 6.2. <u>ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL DURING THE DEVELOPMENT PERIOD</u>. During the Development Period, neither the Association, the Board of directors, nor a committee appointed by the Association or Board (no matter how the committee is named) may involve itself with the

approval of plans and specifications for new Townhomes or Detached Residences to be constructed on vacant Lots. <u>During the Development Period, the Architectural Reviewer for plans and specifications for all Lots to be constructed on vacant Lots is the Declarant or its delegates.</u>

- 6.2.1. Declarant's Rights Reserved. Each Owner, by accepting an interest in or title to a Lot, whether or not it is so expressed in the instrument of conveyance, covenants and agrees that Declarant has a substantial interest in ensuring that the improvements within the Property enhance Declarant's reputation as a community developer and do not impair Declarant's ability to market its property or the ability of Builders (as defined in Appendix B) to sell Townhomes or Detached Residences in the Property. Accordingly, each Owner agrees that during the Development Period no improvements will be started or progressed on any Owner's Lot without the prior written approval of Declarant, which approval may be granted or withheld at Declarant's sole discretion. In reviewing and acting on an application for approval, Declarant may act solely in its self-interest and owes no duty to any other person or any organization. Declarant may designate one or more persons from time to time to act on its behalf in reviewing and responding to applications.
- 6.2.2. <u>Delegation by Declarant</u>. During the Development Period, Declarant may from time to time, but is not obligated to, delegate all or a portion of its reserved rights under this Article as the Architectural Reviewer to (1) an ACC (as defined in Section 6.3 hereof) appointed by the Board, or (2) a committee comprised or architects, engineers, or other persons who may or may not be Members of the Association. Any such delegation must be in writing and must specify the scope of delegated responsibilities. Any such delegation is at all times subject to the unilateral rights of Declarant (1) to revoke such delegation at any time and reassume jurisdiction over the matters previously delegated, and (2) to veto any decision which Declarant in its sole discretion determines to be inappropriate or inadvisable for any reason.
- 6.2.3. <u>Limits on Declarant's Liability</u>. The Declarant has sole discretion with respect to taste, design, and all standards specified by this Article during the Development Period. The Declarant, and any delegate, officer, member, director, employee or other person or entity exercising Declarant's rights under this Article shall have no liability for its decisions made and in no event shall be responsible for: (1) errors in or omissions from the plans and specifications submitted, (2) supervising construction for the Owner's compliance with approved plans and specifications, or (3) the compliance of the Owner's plans and specifications with governmental codes and ordinances, state and federal laws. By submitting any plan for approval, the submitting party expressly acknowledges that Declarant and/or the Architectural Reviewer are not engineers, architects, or builders for purposes of plan review, and that any approval or disapproval of any plans expressly excludes any opinion on the suitability of the plans on an engineering, architectural, or construction basis

NOTE TO TOWNHOME OWNERS: YOU CANNOT INDIVIDUALIZE THE OUTSIDE OF YOUR TOWNHOME. PLAN APPROVAL IS REQUIRED. No Plat or plans for Townhomes, Detached Residences or other improvements shall be submitted to the City or other applicable governmental authority for approval until such Plat and/or related construction plans have been approved in writing. Furthermore, no Townhome, Detached Residence, or other improvements shall be constructed on any Lot within the Property until plans therefore have been approved in writing by the Architectural Reviewer as provided in this Declaration; provided that

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the Townhome, Detached Residence, or other improvements in any event must comply with the requirements and restrictions set forth in this Declaration and the Design Guidelines established thereby.

- 6.3. ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL BY ASSOCIATION. Unless and until such time as Declarant delegates all or a portion of its reserved rights to the architectural control committee (the "ACC"), or the Development Period is terminated or expires, the Association has no jurisdiction over architectural matters. On termination or expiration of the Development Period, or earlier if delegated in writing by Declarant, the Association, acting through the ACC or its Board (if not ACC has been established by the Board) will assume jurisdiction over architectural control and shall be the Architectural Reviewer for purposes hereunder.
- 6.3.1. ACC. After the period of Declarant control, the ACC will consist of at least 3 but not more than 5 persons appointed by the Board, pursuant to the Bylaws. At the Board's option, the Board may act as the ACC, in which case all references in the Documents to the ACC are construed to mean the Board. Members of the ACC need not be Owners or Residents, and may but need not include architects, engineers, and design professionals whose compensation, if any, may be established from time to time by the Board. After the period of Declarant control, a person may not be appointed or elected to serve on the ACC if the person is (a) a current Board member, (b) a current Board member's spouse; or (3) a person residing in a current Board member's household.
- 6.3.2. Limits on Liability. The ACC has sole discretion with respect to taste, design, and all standards specified by this Article. The members of the ACC have no liability for the ACC's decisions made in good faith, and which are not arbitrary or capricious. The ACC is not responsible for: (1) errors in or omissions from the plans and specifications submitted to the ACC, (2) supervising construction for the Owner's compliance with approved plans and specifications, or (3) the compliance of the Owner's plans and specifications with governmental codes and ordinances, state and federal laws. By submitting any plan for approval, the submitting party expressly acknowledges that the ACC and/or the Architectural Reviewer are not engineers, architects, or builders for purposes of plan review, and that any approval or disapproval of any plans expressly excludes any opinion on the suitability of the plans on an engineering, architectural, or construction basis.
- 6.4. PROHIBITION OF CONSTRUCTION, ALTERATION & IMPROVEMENT. Without the Architectural Reviewer's prior written approval, a person may not construct a Townhome or Detached Residence or make an addition, alteration, improvement, installation, modification, redecoration, or reconstruction of or to a Townhome or Detached Residence or any other part of the Property, if it will be visible from a Street, another Townhome or Detached Residence, or the Common Area. The Architectural Reviewer has the right but not the duty to evaluate every aspect of construction, landscaping, and property use that may adversely affect the general value or appearance of the Property. The review of plans pursuant to this Declaration may be subject to all review and approval procedures set forth in guidelines, restrictions and/or requirements of Applicable Zoning, the City Development Agreement, and/or any requirements of the PID or TIF, or otherwise established by the by the Architectural Reviewer in its review of plans pursuant hereto.

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6.5. ARCHITECTURAL APPROVAL. To request architectural approval, an Owner must make written application and submit to the Architectural Reviewer two (2) identical sets of plans and specifications showing the nature, kind, shape, color, size, materials, and locations of the work to be performed. In support of the application, the Owner may but is not required to submit letters of support or non-opposition from Owners of Lots that may be affected by the proposed change. The application must clearly identify any requirement of this Declaration for which a variance is sought. The Architectural Reviewer will have thirty (30) days to make a determination and shall return one set of plans and specifications to the applicant marked with the Architectural Reviewer's response, such as "Approved," "Denied," or "More Information Required." Written notice of the determination of the Architectural Reviewer shall be provided to an applying Owner via certified mail, hand delivery or electronic delivery to the contact address of such Owner registered with the Association. Denials of the Architectural Reviewer must described the basis for denial in reasonable detail and changes, if any, in the application or improvements required as a condition to approval, and inform the Owner that the Owner may request a hearing under Section 209.00505(e) of the Texas Property Code on or before the 30th day after the date the notice was delivered by the Architectural Review to the Owner. A determination of the Architectural Reviewer may be appealed to the Board of the Association in accordance with Section 209.00505 of the Texas Property Code, and the Board shall hold a hearing within 30 days after an Owner's request for a hearing. The Architectural Reviewer will retain the other set of plans and specifications, together with the application, for the Association's files. If the application is returned to the Owner marked "More Information Required" the application review process is placed on hold and the burden to provide the information needed shall be solely upon the Owner. If within fifteen (15) days the Owner does not provide the information requested the Architectural Reviewer shall deny the application and return a letter of denial to the Owner. Owner will, at that time, be required to submit a new application for review and approval. Builders are excluded from the thirty (30) day waiting period. All applications for new construction or builder plans shall be reviewed within seven (7) days of receipt (excluding weekends and holidays).

- 6.5.1. <u>No Verbal Approval</u>. Verbal approval by an Architectural Reviewer, the Declarant, an Association director or officer, a member of the ACC, or the Association's manager does not constitute architectural approval by the appropriate Architectural Reviewer, which must be in writing.
- 6.5.2. No Deemed Approval. The failure of the Architectural Reviewer to respond to an application submitted by an Owner may NOT be construed as approval of the application. Under no circumstance may approval of the Architectural Reviewer be deemed, implied, or presumed. Builders who do not receive a response within seven (7) days may proceed with the building plan notwithstanding, the burden of responsibility to ensure the plans meet all applicable City requirements and the requirements as set forth in this Declaration and the Design Guidelines are the sole responsibility of the Builder.
- 6.5.3. <u>No Approval Required</u>. Approval is not required for an Owner to remodel or repaint the interior of their Residence, provided the work does not impair the structural soundness of the Residence or Townhome Building.
- 6.5.4. <u>Building Permit</u>. If the application is for work that requires a building permit from a governmental body, the Architectural Reviewer's approval is conditioned on the issuance of the

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appropriate permit. The Architectural Reviewer's approval of plans and specifications does not mean that they comply with the requirements of the governmental body. Alternatively, governmental approval does not ensure Architectural Reviewer approval.

- 6.5.5. Neighbor Input. The Architectural Reviewer may solicit comments on the application, including from Owners or Residents of Townhomes and Detached Residences that may be affected by the proposed change, or from which the proposed change may be visible. Whether to solicit comments, from whom to solicit comments, and whether to make the comments available to the applicant is solely at the discretion of the Architectural Reviewer. The Architectural Reviewer is not required to respond to the commenter in ruling on the application.
- 6.5.6. <u>Declarant Approved</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Declaration, any improvement to the Property made or approved in writing by Declarant during the Development Period is deemed to have been approved by the Architectural Reviewer.

ARTICLE 7 CONSTRUCTION AND USE RESTRICTIONS

- 7.1. <u>VARIANCE</u>. The use of the Property is subject to the restrictions contained in this Declaration, and subject to Rules adopted pursuant to this Article. The Board or the Architectural Reviewer, as the case may be, may grant a variance or waiver of a restriction or Rule on a case-by-case basis when unique circumstances dictate, and may limit or condition its grant. To be effective, a variance must be in writing. The grant of a variance does not affect a waiver or estoppel of the Association's right to deny a variance in other circumstances. Approval of a variance or waiver may not be deemed, implied, or presumed under any circumstance.
- 7.2. PROHIBITION OF CONSTRUCTION, ALTERATION & IMPROVEMENT. Without the Architectural Reviewer's prior written approval, a person may not commence or continue any construction, alteration, addition, improvement, installation, modification, redecoration, or reconstruction of or to the Property, or do anything that affects the appearance, use, or structural integrity of the Property. The Architectural Reviewer has the right but not the duty to evaluate every aspect of construction and property use that may adversely affect the general value or appearance of the Property.
- 7.3. <u>LIMITS TO RIGHTS</u>. No right granted to an Owner by this Article or by any provision of the Documents is absolute. The Documents grant rights with the expectation that the rights will be exercised in ways, places, and times that are customary for the Subdivision. This Article and the Documents as a whole do not try to anticipate and address every creative interpretation of the restrictions. The rights granted by this Article and the Documents are at all times subject to the Board's determination that a particular interpretation and exercise of a right is significantly inappropriate, unattractive, or otherwise unsuitable for the Subdivision, and thus constitutes a violation of the Documents. In other words, the exercise of a right or restriction must comply with the spirit of the restriction as well as with the letter of the restriction.
- 7.4. ASSOCIATION'S RIGHT TO PROMULGATE RULES. The Association, acting through its Board, is granted the right to adopt, amend, repeal, and enforce reasonable Rules, and penalties for infractions thereof, regarding the occupancy, use, disposition, maintenance, appearance, and

enjoyment of the Property. In addition to the restrictions contained in this Article, each Lot is owned and occupied subject to the right of the Board to establish Rules, and penalties for infractions thereof, governing:

- a. Use of Common Areas and Areas of Common Responsibility.
- b. Hazardous, illegal, or annoying materials or activities on the Property.
- c. The use of Property-wide services provided through the Association.
- d. The consumption of utilities billed to the Association.
- e. The use, maintenance, and appearance of exteriors of Townhomes, Detached Residences, and Lots.
- f. Landscaping and maintenance of yards for Detached Residences, an Owner of a Townhome shall have no right to perform such activities in an Area of Common Responsibility.
- g. The occupancy and leasing of Townhomes or Detached Residences.
- h. Animals. Restrictions as to the type and number of household pets shall be strictly enforced.
- i. Vehicles. Vehicle regulations shall be strictly enforced. Towing of any unauthorized vehicle will be enforced. The Association shall have the right to contact a towing company for any vehicle that blocks driveways, fire hydrants, is inoperable, or presents a safety hazard at any time.
- j. Disposition of trash and control of vermin, termites, and pests.
- k. Anything that interferes with maintenance of the Property, safety of the Owners, tenants, or guests, operation of the Association, administration of the Documents, or the quality of life for Residents.
- 7.5. <u>SINGLE-FAMILY USE</u>. Each Lot (including land and improvements) shall be used and occupied for single-family residential purposes only, as such use is defined in accordance with the ordinances of the City from time to time in effect.
- 7.6. ANIMALS. DOMESTIC ANIMALS ONLY. No wild animal, animal, bird, fish, reptile, or insect of any kind may be kept, maintained, raised, or bred anywhere on the Property for a pet, commercial purpose or for food. Customary domesticated household pets may be kept subject to the Rules. The Board may adopt, amend, and repeal Rules regulating the types, sizes, numbers, locations, and behavior of animals at the Property. The Board may require or effect the removal of any animal determined to be in violation of this Section or the Rules. Unless the Rules provide otherwise:
- 7.6.1. <u>Number</u>. <u>No more than two (2) pets</u> (total weight of both pets no greater than one hundred (100) pounds) may be maintained in each Townhome and without the express written consent of

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the Board, shall be cats or dogs. Permission to maintain other types or additional numbers of household pets must be obtained in writing from the Board. Owners of Detached Residences may keep up to four (4) household pets.

- 7.6.2. <u>Disturbance</u>. Pets must be kept in a manner that does not disturb the peaceful enjoyment of Residents of other Lots. No pet may be permitted to bark, howl, whine, screech, or make other loud noises for extended or repeated periods of time. Owner shall ensure that their pet(s) comply with these rules at all times. Pets must be kept on a leash when outside the Residence. The Board is the sole arbiter of what constitutes a threat or danger, disturbance or annoyance and may upon written notice require the immediate removal of the animal(s) should the Owner fail to be able to bring the animal into compliance with this Declaration or any rules and regulations promulgated hereunder. Any animal that is being abused or neglected will be turned into the local authorities for immediate action.
- 7.6.3. <u>Indoors/Outdoors</u>. For Townhome Owners, a permitted pet must be maintained inside the Residence, and may not be kept on a patio or in a yard area. <u>No pet</u> is allowed on the Common Area unless carried or leashed.
- 7.6.4. <u>Pooper Scooper</u>. All Owners and Residents are responsible for the removal of his pet's wastes from the Property. Unless the Rules provide otherwise, a Resident must prevent his pet from relieving itself on the Common Area, the Area of Common Responsibility, or the Lot of another Owner. The Association may levy fines up to \$300.00 per occurrence for any Owner who violates this section and does not comply with the rules as set forth herein.
- 7.6.5. <u>Liability</u>. An Owner is responsible for any property damage, injury, or disturbance caused or inflicted by an animal kept on the Lot. The Owner of a Lot on which an animal is kept is deemed to indemnify and to hold harmless the Board, the Association, and other Owners and Residents, from any loss, claim, or liability resulting from any action of the animal or arising by reason of keeping the animal on the Property.
- 7.7. ANNOYANCE. No Lot or Common Area may be used in any way that: (1) may reasonably be considered annoying to neighbors; (2) may be calculated to reduce the desirability of the Property as a residential neighborhood; (3) may endanger the health or safety of Residents of other Lots; (4) may result in the cancellation of insurance on the Property; or (5) violates any law or Governmental Requirement. The Board has the sole authority to determine what constitutes an annoyance.
- 7.8. <u>APPEARANCE</u>. Both the Lot and the Residence must be maintained in a manner so as not to be unsightly when viewed from the Street or neighboring Lots or Common Areas. The Architectural Reviewer is the arbitrator of acceptable appearance standards.
- 7.9. ACCESSORY STRUCTURES AND SHEDS. Accessory structures and sheds such as dog houses, gazebos, metal storage sheds, playhouses, play sets and greenhouses are <u>not</u> allowed on any Townhome Lot. Owners of Detached Residences may have such structures notwithstanding, <u>prior written approval is required for all structures regardless of the kind or type. The Architectural Reviewer shall have the sole authority with regard to size, height, <u>and placement</u>.</u>

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7.10. <u>BARBECUE</u>. Exterior fires are prohibited on the Property unless contained in commercial standard grilling device approved by the Board.

- 7.11. COLOR CHANGES. For Townhomes, the colors of Townhome Buildings, fences, exterior decorative items, and all other improvements on a Townhome Lot are subject to regulation and approval by the Architectural Reviewer. Because the relative merits of any color are subjective matters of taste and preference, the Architectural Reviewer determines the colors that are acceptable to the Association. A Resident may not change or add colors that are visible from the Street, a Common Area, or another Lot without the prior written approval of the Architectural Reviewer.
- YARDS. This Section applies to both Townhome and Detached Residence yards. Each section that is specific to only one Lot type will be clearly identified for clarification purposes. All yards of any Lot visible from the Common Areas, adjacent Lots or any Street, and not part of the Areas of Common Responsibility shall be maintained by the Owner of such Lot in a neat and attractive manner that is consistent with the Subdivision and such Owner shall water his yard with the appropriate amounts of water needed to keep the yard healthy and alive. The Association shall consider water restrictions should any such restriction apply. The Association shall be responsible for the routine maintenance of the front yards, flower beds, trees and shrubs as part of the Areas of Common Responsibility in accordance with Section 4.4 hereof, which shall include periodic trimming of trees and shrubs. Any neglect by an Owner which prohibits or complicates the Association's ability to perform routine maintenance shall be the sole responsibility of the Owner with regard to any cost or expense incurred by the **Association**. An Owner shall not remove any landscape items or interfere with the maintenance and upkeep of their front yard by the Association. If an Owner desires to not have certain periodic color changes done to their front yard a written request must be submitted to the Board of Directors and Owner must provide specific details to the Board outlining the reasons why no such color changes are desired. The Board has the sole right to determine if no such color change shall take place. If the Board of Directors or Architectural Reviewer perceives that the appearance of yards detracts from the overall appearance of the Property, the Board may limit the colors, numbers, sizes, or types of furnishings, plantings, and other items kept in the yard. A yard may never be used for storage. All sports or play items as well as barbeque grills or other items or structures must be stored out of view at all times when not in use. No synthetic turf of any kind is allowed in any portion of the front, rear or sides of any yard without the express written approval of by the Planning Director of the City in accordance with Applicable Zoning and the Architectural Control Committee, which may be withheld in its sole and absolute discretion. Owners of Detached Residences shall be required to obtain prior written approval from the Architectural Reviewer prior to making any major changes to their front or side yards which shall include the removal or addition of trees, landscape, yard art or ornaments, lights, or other.
- 7.13. <u>DECLARANT PRIVILEGES</u>. In connection with the development and marketing of the Property, Declarant has reserved a number of rights and privileges to use the Property in ways that are not available to other Owners and Residents, as provided in <u>Appendix B</u> of this Declaration. Declarant's exercise of a Development Period right that appears to violate a Rule or a use restriction of this Article does not constitute waiver or abandonment of the restriction by the Association.

7.14. <u>DECORATION</u>. Residents of Townhomes are prohibited from individualizing and decorating the exteriors of their Townhomes. What is appealing and attractive to one person, may be objectionable to another. For that reason, the Association prohibits exterior "decorations" by Owners without the prior written approval of the Architectural Reviewer. Examples of exterior decorations are windsocks, potted plants, and benches, name signs on tiles, hanging baskets, bird feeders, awnings, window sill birdfeeders, yard gnomes, and clay frogs. Residents of Detached Residences may decorate the outside of their Residences notwithstanding, the Architectural Reviewer shall have the sole discretion to determine what is acceptable or not and any holiday decorations may not be installed thirty (30) days before a holiday and must be removed within fifteen (15) days after the holiday.

- 7.15. <u>DRAINAGE</u>. No person may interfere with the established drainage pattern over any part of the Property unless an adequate alternative provision for proper drainage has been approved by the Board.
- 7.16. <u>DRIVEWAYS</u>. All Residences with front-entry garages must have driveways finished in integral color stained and patterned concrete or pavestone of a design approved in writing by the Architectural Control Committee. The driveway portion of a Lot may not be used for any purpose that interferes with its ongoing use as a route of vehicular access to the garage. Without the Board's prior approval, a driveway may not be used: (1) for storage purposes, including storage of boats, trailers (of any kind), sports vehicles of any kind, and inoperable vehicles; or (2) for any type of repair or restoration of vehicles. Barbeque grills must be removed when not in use.
- 7.17. BASKETBALL GOALS. Portable basketball goals may be allowed by written consent of the Architectural Reviewer, provided however, no goals may be kept in the street, in the driveway, or within or in a manner that blocks a sidewalk, and goals may not be placed in the grass area located between the front building line and street. Portable goals must be kept in the driveway when in use and stored out of public view when not in use. Permanent basketball goals are prohibited without express consent in writing from the Reviewer. Goals must be kept in good repair at all times and may not use unsightly weights such as tires, sand bags, or rocks unless the Owner can provide written proof from the manufacturer that such weights are the recommended means of weighing down the goal.
- 7.18. <u>FIRE SAFETY</u>. No person may use, misuse, cover, disconnect, tamper with, or modify the fire and safety equipment of the Property which shall include the sprinkler heads and water lines in and above the ceilings of the Townhomes, or interfere with the maintenance and/or testing of same by persons authorized by the Association or by public officials.
- 7.19. GARAGES. Without the Board's prior written approval, the original garage area of a Townhome or Detached Residence may not be enclosed or used for any purpose that prohibits the parking of two (2) standard-size operable vehicles therein. Garage doors are to be kept closed at all times except when a vehicle is entering or leaving.
- 7.20. <u>FIREARMS AND WEAPONS</u>. Hunting and shooting are not permitted anywhere on or from the Property. No toys, weapons or firearms, including, without limitation, air rifles, BB guns, sling-shots or other item that is designed to cause harm to any person, animal or property ("<u>Weapons</u>") may be used in a manner to cause such harm (whether intentionally or negligently

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or otherwise) to any person, animal or property. Violation of this restriction is subject to an immediate fine of up to \$1,000 per occurrence after the first notification (which may be given in writing or verbally, to the extent permitted under applicable law). The Board may adopt Rules to ban the carrying and use of Weapons within Common Areas and the Subdivision to the extent permitted under applicable law.

- 7.21. <u>FIREWORKS ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED</u>. Use of fireworks in the Subdivision is subject to a monetary fine of \$1,000.00 for each violation. A sworn affidavit signed by a witness with legal capacity made under penalty of perjury attesting to the violation and specifying the date of approximate time of such violation which is received by the Association shall be sufficient evidence of such violation.
- 7.22. LANDSCAPING. No person may perform landscaping, planting, or gardening on the Common Area or Areas of Common Responsibility, without the Board's prior written authorization. Except for synthetic turf expressly approved in writing by the Planning Director of the City in accordance with Applicable Zoning and the Architectural Control Committee with respect to a specific Lot, which approval may be withheld in such approving party's sole and absolute discretion, no synthetic turf, flowers, or landscape is allowed in any portion of the front, rear or sides of any yard.
- 7.23. LEASING. An Owner may lease his Residence on his Lot. Whether or not it is so stated in a lease, every lease is subject to the Documents and all Governmental Requirements. An Owner is responsible for providing his tenant with copies of the Documents and notifying him of changes thereto. Failure by the tenant or his invitees to comply with the Documents, federal or state law, or local ordinance or other Governmental Requirements is deemed to be a default under the lease. When the Association notifies an Owner of his tenant's violation, the Owner will promptly obtain his tenant's compliance or exercise his rights as a landlord for tenant's breach of lease. If the tenant's violation continues or is repeated, and if the Owner is unable, unwilling, or unavailable to obtain his tenant's compliance, then the Association has the power and right to pursue the remedies of a landlord under the lease or state law for the default, including eviction of the tenant. The Owner of a leased Lot is liable to the Association for any expenses incurred by the Association in connection with enforcement of the Documents and/or any Governmental Requirements against his tenant. The Association is not liable to the Owner for any damages, including lost rents, suffered by the Owner in relation to the Association's enforcement of the Documents against the Owner's tenant. The Association has the right to set a rental / leasing maximum and to promulgate additional rules regarding leasing or renting at any time. The Association shall request each Owner leasing a Residence or Lot in the Subdivision subject to this Declaration provide the Association with the following regarding the lease or tenant thereunder:
- 7.23.1. The contact information, including name, mailing address, phone number, and e-mail address of each person who will reside on the Owner's Residence or Lot under the terms of such lease; and
- 7.23.2. The commencement date and term of such lease.
- 7.24. NOISE & ODOR. A Resident must exercise reasonable care to avoid making or permitting to be made loud, disturbing, or objectionable noises or noxious odors that are likely to disturb or

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annoy Residents of neighboring areas within the community. The Rules may limit, discourage, or prohibit noise-producing activities and items in the Residence and on the Common Areas or Area of Common Responsibility.

NOTE TO TOWNHOME OWNERS: TOWNHOMES ARE NOT SOUND PROOFED. BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR.

- 7.25. OCCUPANCY NUMBERS. The Board may adopt Rules regarding the occupancy of Residences. If the Rules fail to establish occupancy standards, no more than one person per bedroom may occupy a Residence, subject to the exception for familial status. The Association's occupancy standard for Residents who qualify for familial status protection under the fair housing laws may not be more restrictive than the minimum (i.e., the fewest people per Townhome) permitted by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Other than the living area of the Residence, no thing or structure on a Lot, such as the garage, may be occupied as a residence at any time by any person.
- 7.26. OCCUPANCY TYPES. A person may not occupy a Residence if the person constitutes a direct threat to the health or safety of other persons, or if the person's occupancy would result in substantial physical damage to the property of others. This Section does not and may not be construed to create a duty for the Association or a selling Owner to investigate or screen purchasers or prospective purchasers of Residences. By owning or occupying a Residence, each person acknowledges that the Subdivision is subject to local, state, and federal fair housing laws and ordinances. Accordingly, this Section may not be used to discriminate against classes or categories of people.
- 7.27. RESIDENTIAL USE. The use of a Residence is limited exclusively to residential purposes or any other use permitted by this Declaration. This residential restriction does not, however, prohibit a Resident from using a Residence for personal business or professional pursuits provided that: (1) the uses are incidental to the use of the Residence as a residence; (2) the uses conform to applicable Governmental Requirements; (3) there is no external evidence of the uses; (4) the uses do not entail visits to the Residence by employees or the public in quantities that materially increase the number of vehicles parked on the Street; and (5) the uses do not interfere with Residents' use and enjoyment of neighboring Residences or Common Areas.
- 7.28. SIGNS. No signs, including signs advertising the Residences for sale or lease, or unsightly objects may be erected, placed, or permitted to remain on the Property or to be visible from windows in the Residence without written authorization of the Board. If the Board authorizes signs, the Board's authorization may specify the location, nature, dimensions, number, and time period of any advertising sign. As used in this Section, "sign" includes, without limitation, lettering, images, symbols, pictures, shapes, lights, banners, and any other representation or medium that conveys a message. One (1) Security sign per Residence shall be allowed in the front or back but, may not be more than 12" x 12" without prior written consent of the Architectural Reviewer. The Association may affect the immediate removal of any sign or object that violates this Section or which the Board deems inconsistent with neighborhood standards without liability for trespass or any other liability connected with the removal. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if public law such as Texas Election Code Section 259.002 and local ordinances grants an Owner the right to place political signs on the Owner's Lot, the Association may not prohibit

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an Owner's exercise of such right. The Association may adopt and enforce Rules regulating every aspect of political signs on Owners' Lots to the extent not prohibited or protected by public law. Unless the Rules or public law provide otherwise (1) a political sign may not be displayed more than 90 days before or 10 days after an election to which the sign relates; (2) a political sign must be ground-mounted; (3) an Owner may not display more than one political sign for each candidate or ballot item; and (4) a political sign may not have any of the attributes itemized in Texas Election Code Section 259.002(d), to the extent that statute applies to the Lot.

- 7.29. TOWNHOME STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY. No person may directly or indirectly impair the structural soundness or integrity of a Townhome Building or another Townhome, nor do any work or modification that will impair an easement or real property right.
- <u>TELEVISION</u>. Each Resident of the Property will avoid doing or permitting anything to be done that may unreasonably interfere with the television, radio, telephonic, electronic, microwave, cable, or satellite reception on the Property. Antennas, satellite or microwave dishes, and receiving or transmitting towers that are visible from a Street or from another Lot are prohibited within the Property, except (1) reception-only antennas or satellite dishes designed to receive television broadcast signals, (2) antennas or satellite dishes that are one meter or less in diameter and designed to receive direct broadcast satellite service (DBS), or (3) antennas or satellite dishes that are one meter or less in diameter or diagonal measurement and designed to receive video programming services via multipoint distribution services (MDS) (collectively, the "Antenna") are permitted if located (a) inside the Residence (such as in an attic or garage) so as not to be visible from outside the Residence, (b) in a fenced yard, or (c) attached to or mounted on the rear wall of a Residence below the eaves. If an Owner determines that an Antenna cannot be located in compliance with the above guidelines without precluding reception of an acceptable quality signal, the Owner may install the Antenna in the least conspicuous location on the Lot or Residence thereon where an acceptable quality signal can be obtained. The Association may adopt reasonable Rules for the location, appearance, camouflaging, installation, maintenance, and use of the Antennas to the extent permitted by public law. An Owner must have written permission of the Architectural Reviewer to install any apparatus to the roof of the structure.
- 7.31. TRASH. Each Resident will endeavor to keep the Property clean and will dispose of all refuse in receptacles designated specifically by the Association or by the City for that purpose. Trash must be placed entirely within the designated receptacle. The construction or installation of concrete pads for trash cans requires prior written consent of the Architectural Reviewer. The Board may adopt, amend, and repeal Rules regulating the disposal and removal of trash from the Property. If the Rules fail to establish hours for curbside trash containers, the container may be in the designated area from dusk on the evening before trash pick-up day until dusk on the day of trash pick-up. At all other times, trash containers must be kept inside the garage and may not be visible from a Street or another Residence.
- 7.32. <u>TOWNHOME VARIATIONS</u>. Nothing in this Declaration may be construed to prevent the Architectural Reviewer from (1) establishing standards for one Townhome Building, type of Townhome Building, or phase in the Property that are different from the standards for other Townhome Buildings or phases, or (2) approving a system of controlled individualization of Townhome exteriors.

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7.33. <u>VEHICLES</u>. All vehicles on the Property, whether owned or operated by the Residents or their families and guests, are subject to this Section and Rules adopted by the Board. The Board may adopt, amend, and repeal Rules regulating the types, sizes, numbers, conditions, uses, appearances, and locations of vehicles on the Property. The Board may affect the removal of any vehicle in violation of this Section or the Rules without liability to the owner or operator of the vehicle.

- 7.33.1. Parking in Street. Vehicles that are not prohibited below may park on public Streets only if the City allows curbside parking, and in designated parking areas, subject to the continuing right of the Association to adopt reasonable Rules if circumstances warrant; provided, however, parallel parking or parking of vehicles or vehicular equipment on any Streets located at or adjacent to the rear property line of a Lot or on any Streets with a width less than twenty-five feet (25') is expressly prohibited by this Declaration.
- 7.33.2. Prohibited Vehicles. Without prior written Board approval, the following types of vehicles and vehicular equipment mobile or otherwise may not be kept, parked, or stored anywhere on the Property including overnight parking on Streets, driveways, and visitor parking spaces if the vehicle is visible from a Street or from another Residence: mobile homes, motor homes, buses, all trailers (including, without limitation, boat and/or jet ski trailers), boats, inoperable vehicles, commercial truck cabs, trucks with tonnage over one ton, vehicles which are not customary personal passenger vehicles, and any vehicle which the Board deems to be a nuisance, unsightly, or inappropriate. This restriction does not apply to vehicles and equipment temporarily on the Property in connection with the construction or maintenance of a Residence. Vehicles that transport inflammatory or explosive cargo are prohibited from the Property at all times. Small vehicles with advertising used by an Owner as their primary source of transportation may be allowed ONLY if the vehicle is parked in the driveway or garage at all times. At no time is an Owner to use his vehicle to solicit business within the community. Oversize work vehicles are prohibited. Small vehicles for fire or law enforcement are excluded from these restrictions.
- 7.34. <u>WINDOW TREATMENTS</u>. Each Townhome Building in the Subdivision is designed to have uniformity. Therefore, the color and condition of all windows panes, window screens, and window treatments must conform to the Building Standard (as defined in Section 14.5 below) of such Townhome Building. All window treatments within the Townhome Building, that are visible from the Street or another Townhome, must be maintained in good condition and must not detract from the appearance of the Property. The Architectural Reviewer may require an Owner to change or remove a window treatment, window film, window screen, or window decoration that the Architectural Reviewer determines to be inappropriate, unattractive, or inconsistent with the Property's uniformity. The Architectural Reviewer may prohibit the use of certain colors or materials for window treatments if it deems it appropriate to do so.

NOTE TO TOWNHOME OWNERS: BEFORE YOU BUY THOSE WINDOW COVERINGS, GET ARCHITECTURAL APPROVAL.

7.35. <u>FLAGS</u>. Each Owner and Resident of the Subdivision has a right to fly the flag on his Lot. The United States flag ("<u>Old Glory</u>") and/or the Texas state flag ("<u>Lone Star Flag</u>"), and/or an official or replica flag of any branch of the United States armed forces, may be displayed in a respectful manner on each Lot, subject to reasonable standards adopted by the Association for the

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height, size, illumination, location, and number of flagpoles, all in compliance with section 202.012 of the Texas Property Code. All flag displays must comply with public flag laws. No other types of flags, pennants, banners, kites, or similar types of displays are permitted on a Lot if the display is visible from a Street or Common Area. Unless the Rules provide otherwise, a flag must be wall-mounted to the first floor facade of the Residence, and no in-ground flag pole is permitted on a Lot.

- 7.36. <u>USE OF ASSOCIATION NAME/LOGO</u>. The use of the name of the Association or the Subdivision, or any variation thereof, in any capacity without the express written consent of the Declarant during the Declarant Control Period, and thereafter the Board, is strictly prohibited. Additionally, the use of any logo adopted by the Association or the Subdivision, or use of any photographs of the entryway signage or other Subdivision signs or monuments or Common Properties without the express written consent of the Declarant during the Declarant Control Period, and thereafter the Board, is strictly prohibited.
- 7.37. DRONES AND UNMANNED AIRCRAFT. Any Owner operating or using a drone or unmanned aircraft within the Property and related airspace must register such drone or unmanned aircraft with the Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA"), to the extent required under applicable FAA rules and regulations, and mark such done or unmanned aircraft prominently with the serial number or registration number on the drone or unmanned aircraft for identification purposes. BY ACCEPTANCE OF TITLE TO ANY PORTION OF THE PROPERTY, EACH OWNER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT USE OF A DRONE OR UNMANNED AIRCRAFT TO TAKE IMAGES OF PRIVATE PROPERTY OR PERSONS WITHOUT CONSENT MAY BE A VIOLATION OF TEXAS LAW AND CLASS C MISDEMEANOR SUBJECT TO LEGAL ACTION AND FINES UP TO \$10,000. IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO KNOW AND COMPLY WITH ALL LAWS APPLICABLE TO YOUR DRONE AND/OR UNMANNED AIRCRAFT USE.

ARTICLE 8 ASSOCIATION AND MEMBERSHIP RIGHTS

- 8.1. <u>ASSOCIATION</u>. By acquiring an ownership interest in a Lot, a person is automatically and mandatorily a Member of the Association.
- 8.2. <u>BOARD</u>. Unless the Documents expressly reserve a right, action, or decision to the Owners, Declarant, or another party, the Board acts in all instances on behalf of the Association. Unless the context indicates otherwise, references in the Documents to the "Association" may be construed to mean "the Association acting through its board of directors."
- 8.3. THE ASSOCIATION. The duties and powers of the Association are those set forth in the Documents, primarily the Bylaws, together with the general and implied powers of a property owners association and a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Texas. Generally, the Association may do any and all things that are lawful and necessary, proper, or desirable in operating for the peace, health, comfort, and general benefit of its Members, subject only to the limitations on the exercise of such powers as stated in the Documents. Among its

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duties, the Association levies and collects Assessments, maintains the Common Areas and Areas of Common Responsibility, and pays the expenses of the Association, such as those described in Section 9.4 below. The Association comes into existence on the earlier of (1) filing of its Certificate of Formation of the Association with the Texas Secretary of State or (2) the initial levy of Assessments against the Lots and Owners. The Association will continue to exist at least as long as the Declaration is effective against the Property, regardless of whether its corporate charter lapses from time to time. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Association may not be voluntarily dissolved without the prior written consent of the City.

- 8.4. <u>GOVERNANCE</u>. The Association will be governed by a Board of Directors elected by the Members. Unless the Association's Bylaws or Certificate of Formation provide otherwise, the Board will consist of at least 3 persons elected at the annual meeting of the Association, or at a special meeting called for that purpose. The Association will be administered in accordance with the Bylaws. Unless the Documents provide otherwise, any action requiring approval of the Members may be approved in writing by Majority of Owners, or at a meeting of Members by affirmative vote of at least a Majority of Owners present at such meeting (subject to quorum requirements being met).
- 8.5. <u>MEMBERSHIP</u>. Each Owner and all successive Owners are mandatory Members of the Association, ownership of a Lot being the sole qualification for membership. Membership is appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of the Lot. The Board may require satisfactory evidence of transfer of ownership before a purported Owner is entitled to vote at meetings of the Association. If a Lot is owned by more than one person or entity, the co-owners shall combine their vote in such a way as they see fit, but there shall be no fractional votes and no more than one (1) vote with respect to any Lot. A Member who sells his Lot under a contract for deed may delegate his membership rights to the contract purchaser, provided a written assignment is delivered to the Board. However, the contract seller remains liable for all Assessments attributable to his Lot until fee title to the Lot is transferred.
- 8.6. DECLARANT PROTECTION. Further, and without regard to whether or not the Declarant has been released from obligations and duties to the Association, during the Development Period or so long as the Declarant holds record title to at least one (1) Lot and holds same for sale in the ordinary course of business, neither the Association nor its Board, nor any member of the Association shall take any action that will impair or adversely affect the rights of the Declarant or cause the Declarant to suffer any financial, legal or other detriment, including but not limited to, any direct or indirect interference with the sale of Lots. In the event there is a breach of this Section, it is acknowledged that any monetary award which may be available would be an insufficient remedy and therefore, in addition to all other remedies, the Declarant shall be entitled to injunctive relief restraining the Association, its Board or any member of the Association from further breach of this Section.
- 8.7. <u>VOTING</u>. One vote is appurtenant to each Lot. The total number of votes equals the total number of Lots in the Property. If additional property is made subject to this Declaration, the total number of votes will be increased automatically by the number of additional Lots included in the property annexed into the Property subject to this Declaration. Each vote is uniform and equal to the vote appurtenant to every other Lot, except during the Declarant Control Period as permitted

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in <u>Appendix B</u>. Cumulative voting is not allowed. Votes may be cast by written proxy, according to the requirements of the Association's Bylaws.

- 8.8. <u>VOTING BY CO-OWNERS</u>. The one vote appurtenant to a Lot is not divisible. If only one of the multiple co-owners of a Lot is present at a meeting of the Association, that person may cast the vote allocated to the Lot. If more than one of the co-owners is present, the Lot's one vote may be cast with the co-owners' unanimous agreement. Co-owners are in unanimous agreement if one of the co-owners casts the vote and no other co-owner makes prompt protest to the person presiding over the meeting. Any co-owner of a Lot may vote by ballot or proxy, and may register protest to the casting of a vote by ballot or proxy by the other co-owners. If the person presiding over the meeting or balloting receives evidence that the co-owners disagree on how the one appurtenant vote will be cast, the vote will not be counted.
- 8.9. <u>BOOKS & RECORDS</u>. The Association will maintain copies of the Documents and the Association's books, records, and financial statements. Books and records of the Association will be made available for inspection and copying pursuant to Section 209.005 of the Texas Property Code.
- 8.10. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY; INDEMNIFICATION; AND WAIVER OF SUBROGATION. No Declarant or managing agent of the Association, or their respective directors, officers, committee chairs, committee members, agents, members, employees, or representatives, or any member of the Board or the ACC or other officer, agent or representative of the Association (collectively, the "Leaders"), shall be personally liable for the debts, obligations or liabilities of the Association. The Leaders shall not be liable for any mistake of judgment, whether negligent or otherwise, except for their own individual willful misfeasance or malfeasance, misconduct, bad faith, intentional wrongful acts or as otherwise expressly provided in the Documents. The Leaders shall have no personal liability with respect to any contract or other commitment made by them, in good faith, on behalf of the Association, and THE ASSOCIATION INDEMNIFIES EVERY LEADER, AS A COMMONEXPENSE OF THE ASSOCIATION, AGAINST CLAIMS, EXPENSES, LOSS OR LIABILITIES (TO THE EXTENT NOT COVERED BY INSURANCE PROCEEDS) TO OTHERS BY ANY CONTRACT OR COMMITMENT, AND BY REASONS OF HAVING SERVED AS A LEADER, INCLUDING ATTORNEY'S FEES, REASONABLY INCURRED BY OR IMPOSED ON THE LEADER IN CONNECTION WITH ANY ACTION, CLAIM, SUIT, OR PROCEEDING TO WHICH THE LEADER IS A PARTY. A LEADER IS NOT LIABLE FOR A MISTAKE OF JUDGMENT, NEGLIGENT OR OTHERWISE. A LEADER IS LIABLE FOR HIS WILLFUL MISFEASANCE, MALFEASANCE, MISCONDUCT, OR BAD FAITH. THIS RIGHT TO INDEMNIFICATION DOES NOT EXCLUDE ANY OTHER RIGHTS TO WHICH PRESENT OR FORMER LEADERS MAY BE ENTITLED. THE ASSOCIATION MAY MAINTAIN GENERAL LIABILITY AND DIRECTORS' AND OFFICERS' LIABILITY INSURANCE TO FUND THIS OBLIGATION. ADDITIONALLY, THE ASSOCIATION MAY INDEMNIFY A PERSON WHO IS OR WAS AN EMPLOYEE, TRUSTEE, AGENT, OR ATTORNEY OF THE ASSOCIATION, AGAINST ANY CLAIM OR LIABILITY ASSERTED AGAINST HIM AND INCURRED BY HIM IN THAT CAPACITY AND ARISING OUT OF THAT CAPACITY. ADDITIONALLY, THE ASSOCIATION MAY INDEMNIFY A PERSON WHO IS OR WAS AN EMPLOYEE, TRUSTEE, AGENT, OR ATTORNEY OF THE ASSOCIATION, AGAINST ANY CLAIM OR LIABILITY ASSERTED AGAINST HIM AND

INCURRED BY HIM IN THAT CAPACITY AND ARISING OUT OF THAT CAPACITY. Any right to indemnification provided herein shall not be exclusive of any other rights to which a director, officer, agent, member, employee and/or representative, or former director, officer, agent, member, employee and/or representative, may be entitled. The Association shall have the right to purchase and maintain, as a Common Expense, directors', officers', and ACC members', insurance on behalf of any Person who is or was Leader against any liability asserted against any such Person and incurred by any such Person in such capacity as a director, officer, agent, member, employee and/or representative, or arising out of such Person's status as such. SEPARATE AND APART FROM ANY OTHER WAIVER OF SUBROGATION IN THIS DECLARATION, THE ASSOCIATION WAIVES ANY AND ALL RIGHTS OF SUBROGATION WHATSOEVER IT MAY HAVE AGAINST DECLARANT REGARDLESS OF FORM, AND TO THE EXTENT ANY THIRD-PARTY MAKES A CLAIM, SUIT, OR CAUSE OF ACTION AGAINST DECLARANT FOR OR ON BEHALF OF THE ASSOCIATION BY WAY OF A SUBROGATION RIGHT, THE INDEMNITY PROVISIONS HEREIN APPLY TO ANY SUCH SUBROGATION CLAIM, SUIT, CAUSE OF ACTION, OR OTHERWISE.

- 8.11. <u>OBLIGATIONS OF OWNERS</u>. Without limiting the obligations of Owners under the Documents, each Owner has the following obligations:
- 8.11.1. <u>Pay Assessments</u>. Each Owner will pay Assessments properly levied by the Association against the Owner or his Lot, and will pay Regular Assessments without demand or written statement by the Association. Payment of Assessments are NOT contingent upon the provision, existence, or construction of any common elements or amenity.
- 8.11.2. Comply. Each Owner will comply with the Documents as amended from time to time.
- 8.11.3. <u>Reimburse</u>. Owner will pay for damage to the Property caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of the Owner, a Resident of the Owner's Lot, or the Owner or Resident's family, guests, employees, contractors, agents, or invitees.
- 8.11.4. <u>Liability</u>. Each Owner is liable to the Association for violations of the Documents by the Owner, a Resident of the Owner's Lot, or the Owner or Resident's family, guests, employees, agents, or invitees, and for costs incurred by the Association to obtain compliance, including attorney's fees whether or not suit is filed.
- 8.12. <u>HOME RESALES</u>. This Section applies to every sale or conveyance of a Lot or an interest in a Lot by an Owner other than Declarant or a Builder:
- 8.12.1. Resale Certificate. An Owner intending to sell his Residence will notify the Association and will request a Resale Certificate (herein so called) from the Association. The Resale Certificate shall include such information as may be required under Section 207.003(b) of the Texas Property Code; provided, however, that the Association or its agents may, and probably will, charge a reasonable and necessary fee in connection with preparation of the Resale Certificate not to exceed \$375.00 to cover its administrative costs or otherwise to assemble, copy and deliver the Resale Certificate, and may charge a reasonable and necessary fee in connection with preparation of any update to the Resale Certificate not to exceed \$75.00, which fee(s), as applicable, must be paid upon the earlier of (i) delivery of the Resale Certificate to an Owner, or

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(ii) the Owner's closing of the sale or transfer of his/her Residence or Lot. Declarant is exempt from any and all Resale Certificate fees. Resale Certificates shall be delivered by the Association or managing agent in any event within five (5) days after the second request delivered by an Owner to the Association via certified mail, return receipt requested, or via hand delivery with evidence of receipt by the Association. Declarant is exempt from any and all Resale Certificate fees.

- 8.12.2. No Right of First Refusal. The Association does not have a right of first refusal and may not compel a selling Owner to convey the Owner's Lot to the Association.
- 8.12.3. Reserve Fund Contribution. At time of transfer of a Lot by any owner (other than by Declarant), a "Reserve Fund Contribution" (herein so called) shall be paid to the Association in the amount equal to the greater of (i) Five Hundred and No/100 Dollars (\$500.00) for each Lot or (ii) one-third (1/3) of the then current annual Regular Assessment with respect to transfers from a non-Builder Owner to another Owner; provided, however that Declarant during the Development Period or, thereafter, the Board, may increase the Reserve Fund Contribution by an additional amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the Reserve Fund Contribution then required without joinder or consent of any Member or Owner. Reserve Fund Contributions shall be deposited in the Association's "Reserve Fund" (herein so called). The Reserve Fund Contribution may be paid by the seller or buyer, and will be collected at closing of the transfer of a Lot, provided in no event shall any Reserve Fund Contribution be due or owing in connection with a transfer by any Builder or Declarant. If the Reserve Fund Contribution is not collected at closing, the buyer remains liable to the Association for the Reserve Fund Contribution until paid. The Reserve Fund Contribution is not refundable and may not be regarded as a prepayment of or credit against Regular Assessments or Special Assessments. Per the City's Ordinances, the Association shall have the right to the use of funds allocated to the Reserve Fund for the maintenance and upkeep of any area of the grounds, Common Areas, Areas of Common Responsibility or any portion of the development, at any time and from time to time, as needed so long as the Association is the responsible party for said maintenance and upkeep.
- 8.12.4. Other Transfer-Related Fees. A number of independent fees may be charged in relation to the transfer of title to a Lot, including but not limited to fees for Resale Certificates, estoppel certificates, copies of Documents, compliance inspections, ownership record changes, and priority processing, provided the fees are customary in amount, kind, and number for the local marketplace are not refundable and may not be regarded as a prepayment of or credit against Regular Assessments or Special Assessments. The Board may, at its sole discretion, enter into a contract with a managing agent to oversee the daily operation and management of the Association. The managing agent may, and probably will, have fees, which will be charged to an Owner for the transfer of a significant estate or fee simple title to a Lot and the issuance of a Resale Certificate, which fees shall not exceed \$375.00 for the initial Resale Certificate, and \$75 for any update of a Resale Certificate in accordance with Section 8.121 above. The Association or its managing agent shall not be required to issue a Resale Certificate until payment for the cost thereof has been received by the Association or its managing agent; provided, however, in any event the Resale Certificates shall be delivered by the Association or managing agent within five (5) days after the second request delivered by an Owner to the Association via certified mail, return receipt requested, or via hand delivery with evidence of receipt by the Association. Transfer fees other than the fees for the issuance of a Resale Certificate shall in no event exceed the current annual rate of Regular Assessment applicable at the time of the transfer/sale for each Residence being

conveyed and are not refundable and may not be regarded as a prepayment of or credit against regular or special assessments, and are in addition to the contribution to the Reserve Fund in Section 8.12.3 above. This Section does not obligate the Board or any third party to levy such fees. Transfer-related fees may and probably will be charged by the Association or by the Association's managing agent, provided there is no duplication. Transfer-related fees charged by or paid to a managing agent are not subject to the Association's Assessment Lien, and are not payable by the Association. Declarant is exempt from transfer related fees.

- 8.12.5. <u>Information</u>. Within thirty days after acquiring an interest in a Lot, an Owner will provide the Association with the following information: a copy of the settlement statement or deed by which Owner has title to the Lot; the Owner's email address (if any), U. S. postal address, and phone number; any mortgagee's name, address, and loan number; the name and phone number of any Resident other than the Owner; the name, address, and phone number of Owner's managing agent, if any.
- 8.13 Right of Action by Association. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Documents, the Association shall not have the power to institute, defend, intervene in, settle or compromise litigation, arbitration, or administrative proceedings: (1) in the name of or on behalf of or against any Owner (whether one or more); or (2) pertaining to a Claim, as defined in Section 17.1(a) below, relating to the design or construction of improvements on a Lot (whether one or more), including Residences or any Areas of Common Responsibility and/or any Townhome Buildings. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Documents, this Section 8.13 may not be amended or modified without Declarant's written and acknowledged consent, and Members entitled to cast at least one hundred percent (100%) of the total number of votes of the Association, which must be part of the recorded amendment instrument.

ARTICLE 9 COVENANT FOR ASSESSMENTS

9.1. POWER TO ESTABLISH ASSESSMENTS AND PURPOSE OF ASSESSMENTS. The Association is empowered to establish and collect Assessments as provided in this Article 9 for the purpose of obtaining funds to maintain the Common Area and/or Areas of Common Responsibility, perform its other duties, and otherwise preserve and further the operation of the Property as a first-class, quality residential subdivision. The purposes for which Assessments may be used to fund the costs and expenses of the Association (the "Common Expenses") in performing or satisfying any right, duty or obligation of the Association hereunder or under any of the Documents, including, without limitation, maintaining, operating, managing, repairing, replacing or improving the Common Area, Areas of Common Responsibility or any improvements thereon; mowing grass and maintaining grades and signs; paying legal fees and expenses incurred in enforcing this Declaration; paying expenses incurred in collecting and administering Assessments; paying insurance premiums for liability and fidelity coverage for the ACC, the Board and the Association; paying operational and administrative expenses of the Association; and satisfying any indemnity obligation under the Association Documents. The Board may reject partial payments and demand payment in full of all amounts due and owing the Association. The Board is specifically authorized to establish a policy governing how payments are to be applied. The Association will use Assessments for the general purposes of preserving and enhancing the Property, and for the common benefit of Owners and Residents, including but not limited to

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maintenance of real and personal property, management and operation of the Association, and any expense reasonably related to the purposes for which the Property was developed. If made in good faith, the Board's decision with respect to the use of Assessments is final.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Association shall maintain the Common Areas and Areas of Common Responsibility in accordance with the standards and requirements established by the City under the City Design Guidelines or otherwise. This paragraph may not be modified or amendment without the express written consent of the City.

- 9.2. <u>PERSONAL OBLIGATION</u>. An Owner is obligated to pay Assessments levied by the Board against the Owner or his Lot. An Owner makes payment to the Association at its principal office or at any other place the Board directs. Payments must be made in full regardless of whether an Owner has a dispute with the Association, another Owner, or any other person or entity regarding any matter to which this Declaration pertains. No Owner may exempt himself from his Assessment liability by waiver of the use or enjoyment of the Common Area or by abandonment of his Lot. An Owner's obligation is not subject to offset by the Owner, nor is it contingent on the Association's performance of the Association's duties. Payment of Assessments is both a continuing affirmative covenant personal to the Owner and a continuing covenant running with the Lot.
- 9.3. <u>CONTROL FOR ASSESSMENT INCREASES</u>. This Section of the Declaration may not be amended without the approval of Owners of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the Lots. In addition to other rights granted to Owners by this Declaration, Owners have the following powers and controls over the Association's budget:
- 9.3.1. Veto Increased Dues. At least 30 days prior to the effective date of an increase in Regular Assessments wherein the Regular Assessments due will increase more than fifty percent (50%) from the previous year's Regular Assessments the Board will notify an Owner of each Lot of the amount of, the budgetary basis for, and the effective date of the increase. The increase will automatically become effective unless Owners of at least a Majority of the Owners disapprove the increase by petition or at a meeting of the Association, subject to rights of the Board under Section 9.4.1 below. In that event, the last-approved budget will continue in effect until a revised budget is approved. Increases of fifty percent (50%) or less shall not require a vote of the Owners, and may be approved by Declarant during the Development Period or, thereafter, by the Board.
- 9.3.2. <u>Veto Special Assessment</u>. At least 30 days prior to the effective date of a Special Assessment, the Board will notify an Owner of each Lot of the amount of, the budgetary basis for, and the effective date of the Special Assessment. The Special Assessment will automatically become effective unless Owners of at least a Majority of the Owners (no less than 51%) disapprove the Special Assessment by petition or at a meeting of the Association.
- 9.4. <u>TYPES OF ASSESSMENTS</u>. There are six types of Assessments: Regular Assessments, Special Assessments, Insurance Assessments, Individual Assessments, and Deficiency Assessments. Regular Assessments shall be reoccurring Assessments payable as defined in this Section 9.4 and more particularly as described in Section 9.4.1 and 9.4.4 below.

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9.4.1. Regular Assessments. Regular Assessments are based on the annual budget; provided, however, Builders shall be obligated to pay annual Regular Assessments at a flat rate of One Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$1,000.00) per year per Lot owned by such Builder (regardless of the type of Lot or any improvements thereon). If the Board does not approve an annual budget or fails to determine new Regular Assessments for any year, or delays in doing so, Owners will continue to pay the Regular Assessment as last determined. The Board shall have the right to determine a different schedule, notice of which shall be given by U.S. Mail to each Owner at least thirty (30) days prior to change.

The Regular Assessment for Townhomes shall be paid in quarterly increments and has been set initially at FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$550.00) per Lot per quarter (TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$2,200.00) per Lot annually), with One Thousand Two Hundred and No/100 Dollars (\$1,200.00) of the Regular Assessment for each Townhome Lot collected annually being allocated to the Association's general expense and budget for the Subdivision, and a portion of all Regular Assessment for each Townhome Lot collected annually being equal to One Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$1,000.00), being set aside in a separate fund for the exclusive purpose of funding the cost and expense of satisfying the maintenance, and/or repair or other obligations of the Association with respect to the Areas of Common Responsibility and Common Areas solely benefitting the Townhomes, or other Common Expenses of the Association exclusively attributable to the Townhomes and/or Townhome Lots, and any remaining placed in reserve therefor. Assessments shall be due and paid in advance per quarter on the first (1st) day of January, April, July, and October of each calendar year and shall be considered late if not received by the last day of the calendar month in which such payment is due.

Regular Assessments for the Detached Lots shall be paid on a quarterly basis (unless the Board determines a different schedule) and has been set initially at ONE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$1,400.00) per Lot per year. Assessments shall be due quarterly in increments of Three Hundred Fifty and No/100 Dollar (\$350.00) paid in advance per quarter on the first (1st) day of January, April, July, and October of each calendar year and shall be considered late if not received by the last day of the calendar month in which such payment is due. If during the course of a year and thereafter the Board determines that Regular Assessments are insufficient to cover the estimated Common Expenses for the remainder of the year, the Board may increase Regular Assessments for the remainder of the fiscal year in an amount that covers the estimated deficiency up to fifty percent (50%) without a vote of the Owners as set forth in Section 9.3.1 above. Notwithstanding the foregoing or the terms of Section 9.3.1 above. in the event that either (i) the Board determines that due to unusual circumstances the maximum annual Regular Assessment even as increased by fifty percent (50%) will be insufficient to enable the Association to pay the Common Expenses, or (ii) the Assessment increases resulting in an increase in excess of fifty percent (50%) above the previous year's Regular Assessment, then in such event, the Board shall have the right to increase the maximum annual Regular Assessment by the amount necessary to provide sufficient funds to cover the Common Expenses without the approval of the Members as provided herein; provided, however, the Board shall only be allowed to make one (1) such increase per calendar year pursuant to this Section 9.4.1 and the terms of Section 9.3.1 shall apply for

any additional increases of the Regular Assessment in a calendar year. When the assessments collected for Townhomes is insufficient to cover the estimated costs for expenses specific to Townhome maintenance and upkeep, the Board shall have the right to increase the assessments specific to the Townhome units only. When the assessments are insufficient to cover the estimated costs of common expenses related to the Association's common expenses, the increase shall be borne by all Lot Owners.

Regular Assessments are used for Common Expenses related to the reoccurring, periodic, and anticipated responsibilities of the Association, including but not limited to:

- a. Maintenance, repair, and replacement, as necessary, of the Common Area, including any private Streets, if applicable.
- b. Maintenance, repair, and replacement, as necessary, of the Area of Common Responsibility.
- c. Utilities billed to the Association.
- d. Services billed to the Association and serving all Lots.
- e. Taxes on property owned by the Association and the Association's income taxes.
- f. Management, legal, accounting, auditing, and professional fees for services to the Association.
- g. Costs of operating the Association, such as telephone, postage, office supplies, printing, printing and reproduction, meeting expenses, and educational opportunities of benefit to the Association.
- h. Premiums and deductibles on insurance policies and bonds required by this Declaration or deemed by the Board to be necessary or desirable for the benefit of the Association, including fidelity bonds and directors' and officers' liability insurance.
- i. Contributions to the reserve funds.
- j. Any other expense which the Association is required by law or the Documents to pay, or which in the opinion of the Board is necessary or proper for the operation and maintenance of the Property or for enforcement of the Documents.

The Board may establish separate Budgets for Common Expenses applicable to all Lots in the Subdivision and Common Expenses applicable to only all of the Townhome Lots in the Subdivision for purposes of determining the Regular Assessments due in any calendar year from the Townhome Lots and the Detached Lots.

9.4.2. <u>Special Assessments</u>. In addition to Regular Assessments, and subject to the Owners' control for certain Assessment increases, the Board may levy one or more Special Assessments against all Lots for the purpose of defraying, in whole or in part, any Common Expenses not anticipated by the annual budget and/or shortfalls in the Association's available operating funds,

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or the Reserve Funds, whether applicable to all Lots or solely the Townhome Lots. Special Assessments do not require the approval of the Owners, and may be levied by action taken by the Declarant during the Development Period and thereafter, by the Board; provided, however, Special Assessments that would result in levying of an amount in excess of fifty percent (50%) of the then annual Regular Assessment for each Lot or for Townhome Lots, as the case may be, that are being charged and for the following purposes only must be approved by at least a Majority of the Owners of all Lots, or with respect to a Special Assessment affecting only Townhome Lots, a Majority of the Owners of the Townhome Lots only:

- a. Acquisition of real property, other than the purchase of a Lot at the sale foreclosing the Association's lien against the Lot.
- b. Construction of additional capital improvements within the Property with a construction cost equal to or greater than \$20,000.00, but not replacement of existing improvements, provided such capital improvements to be constructed are not for purposes of addressing a health or safety issue (in which case approval of a Majority of the Owners will not be required).
- c. Any expenditure that may reasonably be expected to significantly increase the Association's responsibility and financial obligation for operations, insurance, maintenance, repairs, or replacement.

For avoidance of doubt, any Special Assessment in any amount made to cover additional costs or expenses related to payment of insurance deductibles, insurance premium increases, or unanticipated improvements to address integrity, health or safety issue shall in no event require approval of the Owners or any Majority of the Owners.

- 9.4.3. <u>Insurance Assessments</u>. The Association's insurance premiums are Common Expenses that must be included in the Association's annual budget. Nevertheless, the Board may levy an Insurance Assessment separately from the Regular Assessment to fund (1) insurance premiums, (2) insurance deductibles, and (3) expenses pertaining to the Fire Riser Closets and the fire sprinkler system for the Townhomes. If the Association levies an Insurance Assessment, the Association must disclose the Insurance Assessment in Resale Certificates prepared by the Association.
- 9.4.4. <u>Individual Assessments</u>. In addition to Regular Assessments, Special Assessments, and Insurance Assessments, the Board may levy an Individual Assessment against a Lot and its Owner. Individual Assessments may include, but are not limited to: interest, late charges, and collection costs on delinquent Assessments; reimbursement for costs incurred in bringing an Owner or his Lot into compliance with the Documents; fines for violations of the Documents; insurance deductibles; transfer-related fees and Resale Certificate fees; fees for estoppel letters and project documents; reimbursement for damage or waste caused by willful or negligent acts; Common Expenses that benefit fewer than all of the Lots, which may be assessed according to benefit received; fees or charges levied against the Association on a per-Lot basis; and "pass through" expenses for services to Lots provided through the Association and which are equitably paid by each Lot according to benefit received.

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9.4.5. <u>Deficiency Assessments</u>. The Board may levy a Deficiency Assessment against all Lots for the purpose of defraying, in whole or in part, the cost of repair or restoration if insurance proceeds or condemnation awards prove insufficient.

- 9.5. BASIS & RATE OF ASSESSMENTS. The share of liability for Common Expenses allocated to each Lot is uniform for all Lots, regardless of a Lot's location or the value and size of the Lot; subject, however, to Builder's right to payment of Regular Assessment at the flat rate of One Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$1,000.00) per year per Lot owned by such Builder (regardless of the type of Lot or any improvements thereon), and the exemption for Declarant provided below and in Appendix B.
- 9.6. <u>DECLARANT AND BUILDER OBLIGATION</u>. (a) Declarant's obligation for an exemption from Assessments is described in <u>Appendix B</u>. Unless <u>Appendix B</u> creates an affirmative assessment obligation for Declarant, a Lot that is owned by Declarant during the Development Period is exempt from mandatory assessment by the Association. Declarant has a right to reimbursement for any Assessment paid to the Association by Declarant during the Development Period, but only after the Declarant Control Period. This provision may not be construed to prevent Declarant from making a loan or voluntary monetary donation to the Association, provided it is so characterized.
- (b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Declaration, the Regular Assessment applicable to any Lot owned by a Builder shall be levied at the flat rate of One Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$1,000.00) per year per Lot owned by such Builder (regardless of the type of Lot or any improvements thereon).
- 9.7. ANNUAL BUDGET. The Board will prepare and approve an estimated annual budget for each fiscal year at an open meeting of the Board held in accordance with requirements under Section 209.0051 of the Texas Property Code and the Bylaws. For each calendar year or a part thereof during the term of this Declaration and after recordation of the initial final Plat of any portion of the Property, the Board shall establish an estimated budget of the Common Expenses to be incurred by the Association for the forthcoming year in performing and satisfying its rights, duties and obligations, which Common Expenses may include, without limitation, amounts due from Owners, and from and after the expiration of the Development Period, the budget adopted by the Board may include one or more line reserve funds (i.e. restricted, non-restricted, moneymarket, or investment accounts), which amounts budgeted for any reserve fund(s) shall be included in the Common Expenses. Based upon such budget, the Association shall then assess each Lot an annual fee which shall be paid by each Owner in advance in accordance with Section 9.4.1 hereof. The Association shall notify each Owner of the Regular Assessments for the ensuing year by December 31st of the preceding year, but failure to give such notice shall not relieve any Owner from its obligation to pay Assessments. Any Assessment not paid within the time allotted in Section 9.4.1 shall be delinquent and shall thereafter bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum or the maximum rate permitted by Applicable Law, whichever is less (the "Default Interest Rate") at the sole discretion of the Board. As to any partial year, Assessments on any Lot shall be appropriately prorated.

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9.8. <u>DUE DATE</u>. The Board may levy Regular Assessments on any periodic basis annually, quarterly, or monthly. Regular Assessments are due on the first day of the period for which levied. Special Assessments, Insurance Assessments, Individual Assessments and Deficiency Assessments are due on the date stated in the notice of such Assessment or, if no date is stated, within 10 days after notice of the Assessment is given. Assessments are delinquent if not received by the Association on or before the due date.

- 9.9. ASSOCIATION'S RIGHT TO BORROW MONEY. The Association is granted the right to borrow money, subject to the consent of at least a Majority of Owners and the ability of the Association to repay the borrowed funds from Assessments. To assist its ability to borrow, the Association is granted the right to encumber, mortgage, pledge, or deed in trust any of its real or personal property, and the right to assign its right to future income, as security for money borrowed or debts incurred, provided that the rights of the lender in the pledged property are subordinate and inferior to the rights of the Owners hereunder.
- 9.10. <u>LIMITATIONS OF INTEREST</u>. 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 the Association's collection of Assessments, 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 Applicable Law, the excess amount will be applied to the reduction of unpaid Special Assessments and Regular Assessments, or reimbursed to the Owner if those Assessments are paid in full.

ARTICLE 10 ASSESSMENT LIEN

10.1. <u>ASSESSMENT LIEN</u>. Each Owner, by accepting an interest in or title to a Lot, whether or not it is so expressed in the instrument of conveyance, covenants and agrees to pay Assessments to the Association. Each Assessment is a charge on the Lot and is secured by a continuing Assessment Lien (as defined below) on the Lot. Each Owner, and each prospective Owner, is placed on notice that his title may be subject to the continuing Assessment Lien for Assessments attributable to a period prior to the date he purchased his Lot.

SUPERIORITY OF ASSESSMENT LIEN. The Assessment Lien is superior to all other liens and encumbrances on a Lot, except only for (1) real property taxes and assessments levied by governmental and taxing authorities, (2) a deed of trust or vendor's lien recorded before this Declaration, (3) a recorded deed of trust lien securing a loan for construction of the original Residence, and (4) a first or senior purchase money vendor's lien or deed of trust lien recorded before the date on which the delinquent Assessment became due. The Assessment Lien is subordinate and inferior to a recorded deed of trust lien that secures a first or senior purchase money mortgage, an FHA-insured mortgage, or a VA-guaranteed mortgage.

- 10.2. <u>EFFECT OF MORTGAGEE'S FORECLOSURE</u>. Foreclosure of a superior lien extinguishes the Association's claim against the Lot for unpaid Assessments that became due before the sale, but does not extinguish the Association's claim against the former Owner. The purchaser at the foreclosure sale of a superior lien is liable for Assessments coming due from and after the date of the sale, and for the Owner's pro rata share of the pre-foreclosure deficiency as an Association expense.
- 10.3. NOTICE AND RELEASE OF NOTICE. The Association's lien for Assessments is created by recordation of this Declaration, which constitutes record notice and perfection of the lien. No other recordation of a lien or notice of lien is required. However, the Association, at its option, may cause a notice of the lien to be recorded in the county's Real Property Records. If the debt is cured after a notice has been recorded, the Association will record a release of the notice at the expense of the curing Owner.
- 10.4. <u>POWER OF SALE</u>. By accepting an interest in or title to a Lot, each Owner grants to the Association a private power of non-judicial sale in connection with the Association's Assessment Lien. The Board may appoint, from time to time, any person, including an officer, agent, trustee, substitute trustee, or attorney, to exercise the Association's lien rights on behalf of the Association, including the power of sale. The appointment must be in writing and may be in the form of a resolution recorded in the minutes of a Board meeting.
- 10.5. <u>FORECLOSURE OF LIEN</u>. The Assessment Lien may be enforced by judicial or non-judicial foreclosure. A foreclosure must comply with the requirements of applicable law, such as Chapter 209 of the Texas Property Code. A non-judicial foreclosure must be conducted in accordance with the provisions applicable to the exercise of powers of sale as set forth in Section 51.002 of the Texas Property Code, or in any manner permitted by law. In any foreclosure, the Owner is required to pay the Association's costs and expenses for the proceedings, including reasonable attorneys' fees, subject to applicable provisions of the Bylaws and Applicable Law, such as Chapter 209 of the Texas Property Code. The Association has the power to bid on the Lot at foreclosure sale and to acquire, hold, lease, mortgage, and convey same. The Association may not foreclose the Assessment Lien if the debt consists solely of fines and/or a claim for reimbursement of attorney's fees incurred by the Association.

ARTICLE 11 EFFECT OF NONPAYMENT OF ASSESSMENTS

An Assessment is delinquent if the Association does not receive payment in full by the Assessment's due date. The Association, acting through the Board, is responsible for taking action to collect delinquent Assessments. The Association's exercise of its remedies is subject to Applicable Laws, such as Chapter 209 of the Texas Property Code, and pertinent provisions of the Bylaws. From time to time, the Association may delegate some or all of the collection procedures and remedies, as the Board in its sole discretion deems appropriate, to the Association's manager, an attorney, or a debt collector. Neither the Board nor the Association, however, is liable to an Owner or other person for its failure or inability to collect or attempt to collect an Assessment.

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The following remedies are in addition to and not in substitution for all other rights and remedies which the Association has:

RESERVATION, SUBORDINATION, AND ENFORCEMENT OF ASSESSMENT LIEN. Declarant hereby reserves for the benefit of itself and the Association, a continuing contractual lien (the "Assessment Lien") against each Lot to secure payment of (1) the Assessments imposed hereunder and (2) payment of any amounts expended by such Declarant or the Association in performing a defaulting Owner's obligations as provided for in the Documents. THE OBLIGATION TO PAY ASSESSMENTS IN THE MANNER PROVIDED FOR IN THIS ARTICLE, TOGETHER WITH INTEREST FROM SUCH DUE DATE AT THE DEFAULT INTEREST RATE SET FORTH (IF APPLICABLE), THE CHARGES MADE AS AUTHORIZED IN THIS DECLARATION, ALL VIOLATION FINES AND THE COSTS OF COLLECTION, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES, IS SECURED BY A CONTINUING CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENT LIEN AND CHARGE ON THE LOT COVERED BY SUCH ASSESSMENT, WHICH SHALL BIND SUCH LOT AND THE OWNERS THEREOF AND THEIR HEIRS, SUCCESSORS, DEVISEES, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES AND ASSIGNEES. The continuing contractual Assessment Lien shall attach to the Lots as of the date of the recording of this Declaration in the Official Public Records of Tarrant County, Texas, and such Assessment Lien shall be superior to all other liens except as otherwise provided in this Declaration. Each Owner, by accepting conveyance of a Lot, shall be deemed to have agreed to pay the Assessments herein provided for and to the reservation of the Assessment Lien. The Assessment Lien shall be subordinate only to the liens of any valid first lien mortgage or deed of trust encumbering a particular Lot and the Assessment Lien established by the terms of this Declaration. Sale or transfer of any Lot shall not affect the Assessment Lien. However, the sale or transfer of any Lot pursuant to a first mortgage or deed of trust foreclosure (whether by exercise of power of sale or otherwise) or any proceeding in lieu thereof, shall only extinguish the Assessment Lien as to payments which became due prior to such sale or transfer. No sale or transfer shall relieve such Lot from liability and the Assessment Lien for any Assessments thereafter becoming due. The Assessment Lien may be non-judicially foreclosed by power of sale in accordance with the provisions of Section 51.002 of the Texas Property Code (or any successor provision) or may be enforced judicially. Each Owner, by accepting conveyance of a Lot, expressly grants the Association a power of sale in connection with the foreclosure of the Assessment Lien. The Board is empowered to appoint a trustee, who may be a member of the Board, to exercise the powers of the Association to non-judicially foreclose the Assessments Lien in the manner provided for in Section 51.002 of the Texas Property Code (or any successor statute). The Association, through duly authorized agents, shall have the power to bid on the Lot at foreclosure sale and to acquire and hold, lease, mortgage and convey the same. The rights and remedies set forth in this Declaration are subject to the Texas Residential Property Owners Protection Act, as amended from time to time (Texas Property Code, Section 209.001 et seq.).

11.1.1. Notices of Delinquency or Payment. The Association, the Association's attorney or the Declarant may file notice (a "Notice of Unpaid Assessments") of any delinquency in payment of any Assessment in the Records of Tarrant County, Texas. THE ASSESSMENT LIEN MAY BE ENFORCED BY FORECLOSURE OF THE ASSESSMENT LIEN UPON THE DEFAULTING OWNER'S LOT BY THE ASSOCIATION SUBSEQUENT TO THE RECORDING OF THE NOTICE OF UNPAID ASSESSMENTS EITHER BY JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OR BY

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NONJUDICIAL FORECLOSURE THROUGH A PUBLIC SALE IN LIKE MANNER AS A MORTGAGE ON REAL PROPERTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEXAS PROPERTY CODE, AS SUCH MAY BE REVISED, AMENDED, SUPPLEMENTED OR REPLACED FROM TIME TO TIME. Upon the timely curing of any default for which a notice was recorded by the Association, the Association, through its attorney, is hereby authorized to file of record a release of such notice upon payment by the defaulting Owner of a fee, to be determined by the Association but not to exceed the actual cost of preparing and filing a release. Upon request of any Owner, any title company on behalf of such Owner or any Owner's mortgagee, the Board, through its agents, may also issue certificates evidencing the status of payments of Assessments as to any particular Lot (i.e., whether they are current or delinquent and if delinquent, the amount thereof). The Association or its managing agent may impose a reasonable fee for furnishing such certificates or statements.

- 11.1.2. <u>Suit to Recover</u>. The Association may file suit to recover any unpaid Assessment and, in addition to collecting such Assessment and interest thereon, may also recover all expenses reasonably expended in enforcing such obligation, including reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs.
- 11.2. <u>INTEREST</u>. Delinquent Assessments are subject to interest from the due date until paid, at the Default Interest Rate.
- 11.3. <u>LATE AND OTHER FEES</u>. Delinquent Assessments are subject to late fees which shall be Twenty-Five and No/100 Dollars (\$25.00) per month for each month any portion of Assessments due are not paid and is payable to the Association. This amount may be reviewed and adjusted by the Board from time to time as needed to compensate the Association with any rise in costs and expenses associated with the collection of delinquencies to an account. Late fees will be assessed to the delinquent Owner's account. Bank fees for non-sufficient funds or for any other reason charged to the Association which is in relation to a payment received by an Owner and not honored by the Owner's bank or any other financial institution and/or source shall be charged back to the Owner's account for reimbursement to the Association.
- 11.4. <u>COSTS OF COLLECTION</u>. The Owner of a Lot against which Assessments are delinquent is liable for reimbursement of reasonable costs incurred to collect the delinquent Assessments, including attorney's fees and processing fees charged by the managing agent. The managing agent shall have the right to charge a monthly collection fee in an amount of not less than Fifteen and No/100 Dollars (\$15.00) for each month an account is delinquent. Additional fees for costs involving the processing of demand letters and notice of intent of attorney referral shall apply and be in addition to the collection fee noted above; a fee of not less than Fifteen and No/100 dollars (\$15.00) shall be charged for each demand letter or attorney referral letter prepared and processed. Other like notices requiring extra processing and handling which include but, are not limited to certified and/or return receipt mail processing shall also be billed back to the Owner's account for reimbursement to the Association or its managing agent. Collection fees and costs shall be added to the delinquent Owner's account. The Declarant, during the Development Period, the Association through its Board, or the Association's managing agent may report delinquent Owners to a credit reporting agency in accordance with Section 11.11 hereof subject to prior written notice delivered to the delinquent Owner via certified mail.

11.5. <u>ACCELERATION</u>. If an Owner defaults in paying an Assessment that is payable in installments (payment plan), the Association may accelerate the remaining installments upon written notice to the defaulting Owner. The entire unpaid balance of the Assessment becomes due on the date stated in the notice. The Association is not required to offer an Owner who defaults on a payment plan the option of entering into a second or other payment plan for a minimum of two (2) years.

- 11.6. <u>SUSPENSION OF USE AND VOTE</u>. The Association may suspend the right of Owners and Residents to use Common Areas and common services (if any) during the period of delinquency, pursuant to the procedures established in the Bylaws and subject to prior notice of such suspension delivered to such Owner and/or Residents via certified mail. The Association may not suspend the right to vote appurtenant to the Lot to the extent such suspension would be prohibited under the Texas Residential Property Owners Protection Act, as amended from time to time (Texas Property Code, Section 209.001 *et seq.*). Suspension does not constitute a waiver or discharge of the Owner's obligation to pay Assessments. Further procedures for membership voting are located in Article 8 hereof or in the Bylaws.
- 11.7. MONEY JUDGMENT. The Association may file suit seeking a money judgment against an Owner delinquent in the payment of Assessments, without foreclosing or waiving the Association's Assessment Lien.
- 11.8. <u>NOTICE TO MORTGAGEE</u>. The Association may notify and communicate with the holder of any lien against a Lot regarding the Owner's default in payment of Assessments.
- 11.9. <u>FORECLOSURE OF ASSESSMENT LIEN</u>. As provided by this Declaration, the Association may foreclose its lien against the Lot by judicial or non-judicial means.
- 11.10. <u>APPLICATION OF PAYMENTS</u>. The Board may adopt and amend policies regarding the application of payments. The Association may refuse to accept partial payment, i.e., less than the full amount due and payable. The Association may also refuse to accept payments to which the payer attaches conditions or directions contrary to the Board's policy for applying payments. The Association's policy may provide that endorsement and deposit of a payment does not constitute acceptance by the Association, and that acceptance occurs when the Association posts the payment to the Lot's account.
- 11.11. <u>CREDIT REPORTING</u>. The Association through its Board, or any management agent of the Association, may report an Owner delinquent in the payment of Assessments to any credit reporting agency only if:
- 11.11.1. The delinquency is not the subject of a pending dispute between the Owner and the Association; and
- 11.11.2. at least thirty (30) business days before reporting to a credit reporting service, the Association sends, via certified mail, hand delivery, electronic delivery, or by other delivery means acceptable between the delinquent Owner and the Association, a detailed report of all delinquent charges owed; and

11.11.3. the delinquent Owner has been given the opportunity to enter into a payment plan.

The Association may not charge a fee for the reporting of an Owner to any credit reporting agency of the delinquent payment history of assessments, fines, and fees of such Owner to a credit reporting service.

ARTICLE 12 ENFORCING THE DOCUMENTS

- 12.1. NOTICE AND HEARING. Before the Association may exercise its remedies for a violation of the Documents or damage to the Property, the Association must give an Owner written notice and an opportunity for a hearing, according to the requirements and procedures in this Declaration, the Bylaws and in Applicable Law, such as Chapter 209 of the Texas Property Code, as amended from time to time. Notices are also required before an Owner is liable to the Association for certain charges, including reimbursement of attorney's fees incurred by the Association. A minimum of one (1) notices of not less than ten (10) days shall be required for most violations except prior notice is not required with respect to entry onto a Lot by the Association to cure violations that are an emergency or hazardous in nature or pose a threat or nuisance to the Association or another Owner. Not later than ten (10) days before the Association holds a hearing under Chapter 209 of the Texas Property Code, the Association shall provide to an Owner a packet containing all documents, photographs, and communications relating to the matter the Association intends to introduce at the hearing; failing which the Owner is entitled to a fifteen (15) day postponement of the hearing. During the hearing, the Association (through a member of the Board of designated representative) shall first present the Association's case against the Owner. An Owner or its designated representative is then entitled to present the Owner's information and issues relevant to the appeal or dispute.
- 12.2. <u>REMEDIES</u>. The remedies provided in this Article for breach of the Documents are cumulative and not exclusive. In addition to other rights and remedies provided by the Documents and by law, the Association has the following right to enforce the Documents, subject to applicable notice and hearing requirements (if any):
- 12.2.1. <u>Nuisance</u>. The result of every act or omission that violates any provision of the Documents is a nuisance, and any remedy allowed by law against a nuisance, either public or private, is applicable against the violation.
- 12.2.2. Fine. The Association may levy reasonable charges, as an individual Assessment, against an Owner and his Lot if the Owner or Resident, or the Owner or Resident's family, guests, employees, agents, or contractors violate a provision of the Documents. Fines may be levied for each act of violation or for each day a violation continues, and does not constitute a waiver or discharge of the Owner's obligations under the Documents. A recommended Schedule of Fines shall be as follows: \$50.00 for the first fine, \$75.00 for the second fine, and \$100.00 for the third fine. After the third fine, the fine amount shall increase in increments of \$50.00 each week until the violation is remedied; the maximum fine amount not to exceed \$500.00 per violation occurrence. The Board may choose to levy a one-time fine in lieu of staged fining notwithstanding,

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the maximum one-time fine per violation occurrence shall be \$750.00. Fines for uncurable or non-curable violations or for violations creating any form of safety hazard to the community or residents shall carry a maximum fine up to \$1,000.00 and may be enforced upon after just one notice of three (3) days. Violations deemed an emergency may be acted upon immediately. For violations not falling under the category of emergency, safety hazard, uncurable or non-curable, the Association must notice an Owner via certified mail, one (1) notice of not less than five (5) days prior to levying any fine or charges against such Owner under this Section 12.2.2.

- 12.2.3. <u>Suspension</u>. The Association may suspend the right of Owners and Residents to use Common Areas for any period during which the Owner or Resident, or the Owner or Resident's family, guests, employees, agents, or contractors violate the Documents, pursuant to the procedures as outlined in the Bylaws. A suspension does not constitute a waiver or discharge of the Owner's obligations under the Documents. The Association must notice an Owner via certified mail prior to suspending an Owners or rights to use Common Areas under this Section 12.2.3.
- 12.2.4. <u>Self-Help</u>. The Association has the right to enter any part of the Property, including Lots, to abate or remove, using force as may reasonably be necessary, any erection, thing, animal, person, vehicle, or condition that violates the Documents. In exercising this right, the Board is not trespassing and is not liable for damages related to the abatement. The Board may levy its costs of abatement against the Lot and Owner as an Individual Assessment. The Board will make reasonable efforts to give the violating Owner at least one seventy-two (72) hour notice prior to its intent to exercise self-help. The notice may be given in any manner likely to be received by the Owner. Prior notice is not required (1) in the case of emergencies, (2) to remove violative signs, (3) to remove violative debris, or (4) to remove any other violative item or to abate any other violative condition that is easily removed or abated and that is considered a nuisance, dangerous, or an eyesore to the Subdivision.
- 12.2.5. <u>Suit</u>. Failure to comply with the Documents will be grounds for an action to recover damages or for injunctive relief to cause any such violation to be remedied, or both. Prior to commencing any legal proceeding, the Association will give the defaulting party reasonable notice and an opportunity to cure the violation.
- 12.3. <u>BOARD DISCRETION</u>. The Board may use its sole discretion in determining whether to pursue a violation of the Documents, provided the Board does not act in an arbitrary or capricious manner. In evaluating a particular violation, the Board may determine that under the particular circumstances (1) the Association's position is not sufficiently strong to justify taking any or further action; (2) the provision being enforced is or may be construed as inconsistent with Applicable Law; (3) although a technical violation may exist, it is not of such a material nature as to be objectionable to a reasonable person or to justify expending the Association's resources; or (4) that enforcement is not in the Association's best interests, based on hardship, expense, or other reasonable criteria.
- 12.4. <u>NO WAIVER</u>. The Association and every Owner has the right to enforce all restrictions, conditions, covenants, liens, and charges now or hereafter imposed by the Documents. Failure by the Association or by any Owner to enforce a provision of the Documents is not a waiver of the right to do so thereafter. If the Association does waive the right to enforce a provision, that waiver does not impair the Association's right to enforce any other part of the Documents at any future

time. No officer, director, or Member of the Association is liable to any Owner for the failure to enforce any of the Documents at any time.

12.5. <u>RECOVERY OF COSTS</u>. The costs of curing or abating a violation are at the expense of the Owner or other person responsible for the violation. At the Board's sole discretion, a fine may be levied against a renter or lessee other than the Owner however, should the renter or lessee fail to pay the fine within the time allotted, the Owner shall be responsible for the fine which shall be added to the Owner's account. If legal assistance is obtained to enforce any provision of the Documents, or in any legal proceeding (whether or not suit is brought) for damages or for the enforcement of the Documents or the restraint of violations of the Documents, the prevailing party is entitled to recover from the non-prevailing party all reasonable and necessary costs incurred by it in such action, including reasonable attorneys' fees.

ARTICLE 13 MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OBLIGATIONS

- 13.1. OVERVIEW. Generally, the Association maintains the Common Areas and any Areas of Common Responsibility, and the Owner maintains his Lot. If an Owner fails to maintain his Lot, the Association may perform the work at the Owner's expense. However, this Declaration permits Owners to delegate some of their responsibilities to the Association. For example, during one span the Owners may want the Association to handle the periodic repainting of exterior trim on all the Townhomes, which otherwise is the responsibility of each Lot Owner. During the next period, the Owners may prefer to handle repainting on an individual basis. They have that option under this Declaration's concept of "Areas of Common Responsibility," as described below. A comprehensive view of the Maintenance Responsibility Chart is shown under Appendix C.
- 13.2. <u>ASSOCIATION MAINTAINS</u>. The Association's maintenance duties will be discharged when and how the Board deems appropriate. The Association maintains, repairs, and replaces, as a Common Expense, the portions of the Property listed below, regardless of whether the portions are on Lots or Common Areas.
- a. The Common Areas.
- b. The Areas of Common Responsibility as designated hereunder with respect to all Lots or, with respect to Townhome Lots, on the Maintenance Chart attached herein as Appendix C, if any.
- c. Any real and personal property owned by the Association but which is not a Common Area, such as a Lot owned by the Association.
- d. Any property adjacent to the Subdivision if maintenance of same is deemed to be in the best interests of the Association, and if not prohibited by the Owner or operator of said property.
- e. Any area, item, easement, or service the maintenance of which is assigned to the Association by this Declaration or by the Plat.

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The City or its lawful agents, after due notice to the Association and opportunity to cure, may maintain the Common Areas, landscape systems and any other features or elements that are required to be maintained by the Association and the Association fails to do so. The City or its lawful agents, after due notice to the Association and opportunity to cure, may also perform the responsibilities of the Association and its Board if the Association fails to do so in compliance with any provisions of the agreements, covenants or restrictions of the Association or of any applicable City codes or regulations. All costs incurred by the City in performing said responsibilities as addressed in this paragraph shall be the responsibility of the Association. The City may also avail itself of any other enforcement actions available to the City pursuant to state law or City codes or regulations, with regard to the items addressed in this paragraph. THE ASSOCIATION AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD THE CITY HARMLESS FROM ANY AND ALL COSTS, EXPENSES, SUITS, DEMANDS, LIABILITIES OR DAMAGES INCLUDING ATTORNEY FEES AND COSTS OF SUIT, INCURRED OR RESULTING FROM THE CITY'S MAINTENANCE OF THE COMMON AREAS AND/OR REMOVAL OF ANY LANDSCAPE SYSTEMS, FEATURES OR ELEMENTS THAT CEASE TO BE MAINTAINED BY THE ASSOCIATION. Declarant shall have no responsibility for maintenance, repair, replacement, or improvement of the Common Area or improvements therein or thereon, if any, after initial construction.

- 13.3. AREA OF COMMON RESPONSIBILITY. The Association, acting through its Members only, has the right but not the duty to designate, from time to time, portions of Lots or Townhomes as Areas of Common Responsibility to be treated, maintained, repaired, and/or replaced by the Association as a Common Expense. A designation applies to every Lot having the designated feature. The cost of maintaining components of Lots or Townhomes as Areas of Common Responsibility is added to the annual budget and assessed against all Lots and/or Townhome Lots (as such Areas of Common Responsibility may apply to all Lots or as they may apply to Townhome Lots only) as a Regular Assessment, subject to the terms and conditions of Article 9, unless the Board determines such maintenance benefits some but not all Lots and thereby decides to assess the costs as Individual Assessments.
- 13.3.1. Change in Designation. The Association may, from time to time, change or eliminate the designation of components of Lots or Townhomes as Areas of Common Responsibility. Any such change must be approved in writing by Owners of a Majority of the Owners of Lots or Townhome Lots only (as applicable, as determined by whether all Lots or Townhome Lots only may include such Areas of Common Responsibility to be added or removed from such designation), or by affirmative vote of the majority of the Owners of Lots or Townhome Lots (as applicable, as determined by whether all Lots or Townhome Lots only may include such Areas of Common Responsibility to be added or removed from such designation) present at a meeting of the Members of the Association at which a quorum is present called for the purpose of changing the Area of Common Responsibility. Notwithstanding the foregoing or anything to the contrary contained herein, no change in the Areas of Common Responsibility during the Development Period shall be effective without the prior written consent of the Declarant, and Declarant may unilaterally change the Areas of Common Responsibility during the Development Period without the consent or joinder of the Members. Although the Maintenance Responsibility Chart is attached to this Declaration as Appendix C, it may be amended, restated and published as a separate instrument. The authority for amending it is contained in this Section.

Any amended or restated Maintenance Responsibility Chart must be (1) published and distributed to an Owner of each Townhome Lot, (2) reflected in the Association's annual budget and reserve funds.

13.3.2. <u>Initial Designation</u>. On the date of this Declaration, the initial designation of components of Townhome Lots and Townhomes as Areas of Common Responsibility is shown on <u>Appendix</u> C of this Declaration. The initial Designation of Areas of Common Responsibility for all Lots is set forth in Section 4.4 hereof.

13.4. <u>ASSOCIATION'S INSPECTION OBLIGATION</u>.

- 13.4.1. Contract for Services. In addition to the Association's general maintenance obligations set forth in this Declaration, the Association shall, at all times and part of its annual budget, contract with (subject to the limitations otherwise set forth in this Declaration) or otherwise retain the services of independent, qualified, licensed individuals or entities to provide the Association with inspection services for the Common Area and the Areas of Common Responsibility for which the Association is responsible.
- 13.4.2. Schedule of Inspections. Such inspections shall take place at least once every two (2) years. The inspectors shall provide written reports of their inspections to the Association promptly following completion thereof. The written reports shall identify any items of maintenance or repair that either require current action by the Association or will need further review and analysis. The Board shall report the contents of such written reports to the Members of the Association at the next meeting of the Members following receipt of such written reports or as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable and shall include such written reports in the minutes of the Association. Subject to the provisions of the Declaration below, the Board shall promptly cause all matters identified as requiring attention to be maintained, repaired, or otherwise pursued in accordance with prudent business practices and the recommendations of the inspectors.
- 13.4.3. <u>Notice to Declarant</u>. During the Development Period, the Association shall, if requested by Declarant, deliver to Declarant ten (10) days advance written notice of all such inspections (and an opportunity to be present during such inspection, personally or through an agent) and shall provide Declarant (or its designee) with a copy of all written reports prepared by the inspectors.
- 13.5. OWNER RESPONSIBILITY. Every Owner has the following responsibilities and obligations for the maintenance, repair, and replacement of the Property, subject to the architectural control requirements of Article 6 and the use restrictions of Article 7. When a designation between Townhomes or Detached Residences is necessary, the same will be clarified.
- 13.5.1. <u>Townhome Building Repairs</u>. Unless the Property was designed for diversity and exterior expressions of individuality, all Townhomes within the same Townhome Building will be maintained with an eye towards uniformity and architectural harmony. This Section is necessitated by periods during which the Association may be lax about enforcing architectural uniformity, or during periods in which the Area of Common Responsibility is limited.
- a. The exterior of each Townhome must be maintained and repaired in a manner that is consistent for the entire Townhome Building of which it is part.

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b. If an Owner desires to upgrade a component of the exterior, such as replacing aluminum windows with wood windows, the decision to change a standard component of the Townhome Building must be approved by the Owners of more than half the Townhomes in the Townhome Building, in addition to the Architectural Reviewer. Thereafter, the new Building Standard for such Townhome Building will apply to repairs or replacement of the component, as needed, on other Townhomes in such Townhome Building.

- c. Unless a change of component has been approved, repairs, replacement, and additions to the exteriors of the Townhomes must conform to the original construction. For example, if the Townhome Building was constructed with bronze colored window frames, replacement windows with white frames may not be used unless white frames have been approved as the new standard for the Townhome Building. Similarly, the siding on one Townhome may not be replaced with wood, while another is replaced with vinyl, and a third is replaced with cement fiberboard.
- d. Ideally, all the Townhome Buildings in the Property will have the same architectural requirements, without building-to-building individuality. Nothing in this Section may be construed to prevent the Association from requiring uniform architectural standards for the entire Property. This Section may not be construed as authority for one Townhome Building to "do its own thing."
- 13.5.2. Townhome Foundation. Each Owner of a Townhome constructed on a Lot is solely responsible for the maintenance and repair of the foundation on his Lot. However, if a licensed structural engineer determines that the failure to repair the foundation under one Townhome may adversely affect one or more other Townhomes in the Townhome Building, then the cost of the foundation repair will be divided by the number of Townhomes in the Townhome Building, and the Owner of each of those Townhomes will pay an equal share. If an Owner fails or refuses to pay his share of costs of repair of the foundation, the Owner advancing monies has a right to file a claim of lien for the monies advanced in the county's real property records, and has the right to foreclose the lien as if it were a mechanic's lien. The right of an Owner to contribution from another Owner under this Section is appurtenant to the land and passes to the Owner's successors in title.
- 13.5.3. Townhome Roofs. The Association shall maintain certain aspects of the Townhome Roof as set forth in the Maintenance Chart attached herein as Appendix C. Each Owner of a Townhome is solely responsible for the maintenance, replacement and upkeep of all components as listed under Owner Responsibility as set forth in the Maintenance Chart attached herein as Appendix C. However, if a roofing professional determines that the failure to repair the structural components of the roof of one Townhome may adversely affect one or more other Townhomes in the Townhome Building of which it is part, then the cost of the structural roof work will be divided by the number of Townhomes in such Townhome Building, and the Owner of each Townhome will pay an equal share. If an Owner fails or refuses to pay his share of costs of repair of the roof, the Owner advancing monies has a right to file a claim of lien for the monies advanced in the county's real property records, and has the right to foreclose the lien as if it were a mechanic's lien. The right of an Owner to contribution from another Owner under this Section is appurtenant to the land and passes to the Owner's successors in title. Should an Owner fail to maintain his Townhome and portions of the roof or roof attachments in a satisfactory manner and damages affect neighboring units, the Owner responsible may be held solely liable for the damages and

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repairs for the neighboring unit without the weight of the burden being divided by the number of Townhomes as set forth above. The Association reserves the right to call out a roofing professional to inspect the damages and render an opinion as to the cause of any rooftop damages prior to initiating repairs. If the roofing professional finds that the cause of damages are the direct result of an Owners failure to maintain structural components of the roof as required within any section of this Declaration or if an Owner has installed an unauthorized apparatus of any kind which is determined to be the cause of any such damages, the Association shall provide to the Owner in writing a copy of the roofing professionals findings and the Owner shall be solely liable for the costs of all repairs to his unit or any neighboring units which may be affected.

- 13.5.4. <u>Townhome Cooperation</u>. Each Owner of a Townhome will endeavor to cooperate with the Owners of the other Townhomes in the same Townhome Building to affect the purposes and intent of the two preceding sections on Townhome foundations and Townhome roofs. If the Owners of Townhome Lots that share a Townhome Building cannot cooperate, they may ask the Association to coordinate the required repairs.
- 13.5.5. Townhome Maintenance. Each Owner, at the Owner's expense, must maintain all improvements on the Lot, including but not limited to the Townhome, fences, sidewalks, and driveways, except any area designated as an Area of Common Responsibility. Maintenance includes preventative maintenance, repair as needed, and replacement as needed. Each Owner is expected to maintain his Lot's improvements at a level, to a standard, and with an appearance that is commensurate with the Subdivision. Specifically, each Owner must repair and replace worn, rotten, deteriorated, and unattractive materials with like materials and color, and must regularly repaint all painted surfaces.
- 13.5.6. Avoid Damage. An Owner may not do any work or to fail to do any work which, in the reasonable opinion of the Board, would materially jeopardize the soundness and safety of the Property, reduce the value of the Property, adversely affect the appearance of the Property, or impair any easement relating to the Property.
- 13.5.7. <u>Responsible for Damage</u>. An Owner is responsible for his own willful or negligent acts and those of his or the Resident's family, guests, agents, employees, or contractors when those acts necessitate maintenance, repair, or replacement to the Common Areas, the Area of Common Responsibility, or the property of another Owner.
- 13.5.8. Owner's Obligations to Repair. Except for those portions of each Lot constituting the Areas of Common Responsibility, each Owner shall at his sole cost and expense, maintain and repair his Lot and the improvements situated thereon, keeping the same in good condition and repair at all times. In the event that any Owner shall fail to maintain and repair his Lot and such improvements as required hereunder, the Association, in addition to all other remedies available to it hereunder or by law, and without waiving any of said alternative remedies, shall have the right but not the obligation, subject to the notice and cure provisions, through its agents and employees, to enter upon said Lot and to repair, maintain and restore the Lot and the exterior of the buildings and any other improvements erected thereon; and each Owner (by acceptance of a deed for his Lot) hereby covenants and agrees to repay to the Association the cost thereof immediately upon demand, and the failure of any such Owner to pay the same shall carry with it the same

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consequences as the failure to pay any assessments hereunder when due. Maintenance shall include the upkeep in good repair of all fences, exterior portions of the Residence including trim, gutters, garage door, windows, lawn, driveway and sidewalk; this list is not intended to be inclusive and other maintenance requirements are at the sole discretion of the Board.

- 13.6. OWNER'S DEFAULT IN MAINTENANCE. If the Board determines that an Owner has failed to properly discharge his obligation to maintain, repair, and replace items for which the Owner is responsible, the Board may give the Owner written notice of the Association's intent to provide the necessary maintenance at Owner's expense. The notice must state, with reasonable particularity, the maintenance deemed necessary and a reasonable period of time in which to complete the work. If the Owner fails or refuses to timely perform the maintenance, the Association may do so at Owner's expense, which is an Individual Assessment against the Owner and his Lot. In case of an emergency, however, the Board's responsibility to give the Owner written notice may be waived and the Board may take any action it deems necessary to protect persons or property, the cost of the action being the Owner's expense.
- 13.7. <u>WARRANTY CLAIMS</u>. If the Owner is the beneficiary of a warranty against major structural defects of the Area of Common Responsibility, the Owner irrevocably appoints the Association, acting through the Board, as his attorney-in-fact to file, negotiate, receive, administer, and distribute the proceeds of any claim against the warranty that pertains to the Area of Common Responsibility.
- 13.8. TOWNHOME CONCRETE. Minor cracks in poured concrete, including foundations, garage floors, sidewalks, driveways, and patio slabs, are inevitable as a result of the natural movement of soil (expansion and contraction), shrinkage during the curing of the concrete, and settling of the Townhome Building. Such minor cracking is typically an aesthetic consideration without structural significance. The Association is not required to repair non-structural cracks in concrete components of the Area of Common Responsibility.
- 13.9. TOWNHOME SHEETROCK. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Documents, the Association is not responsible for the repair and replacement of sheetrock in any Townhome, or for any surface treatments on the sheetrock, regardless of the source of damage and the availability of insurance. This provision is provided for the benefit of the Association and is warranted by the difficulty of scheduling interior sheetrock work and the possibility that the Owner may not be satisfied with the quality or appearance of spot repairs. If the Association receives insurance proceeds for sheetrock damage to a Townhome and chooses to not perform the repairs, the Owner of the damaged Townhome is entitled to the proceeds in exchange for identification of the damage and a release from future claims for the same damage.
- 13.10. MOLD. In the era in which this Declaration is written, the public and the insurance industry have a heightened awareness of and sensitivity to anything pertaining to mold. Because many insurance policies do not cover damages related to mold, Owners should be proactive in identifying and removing visible surface mold, and in identifying and repairing sources of water leaks; this is a mandatory requirement in the Townhome. To discourage mold in his Townhome or Detached Residence, each Resident should maintain an inside humidity level under sixty percent (60%). For more information about mold, the Owner should consult a reliable source, such as the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency.

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13.11. <u>PARTY WALLS</u>. A Townhome wall located on or near the dividing line between two Townhome Lots and intended to benefit both Townhome Lots constitutes a "<u>Party Wall</u>" (herein so called) and, to the extent not inconsistent with the provisions of this Section, is subject to the general rules of law regarding party walls and liability for property damage due to negligence, willful acts, or omissions.

- 13.11.1. Encroachments & Easement. If the Party Wall is on one Townhome Lot or another due to an error in construction, the Party Wall is nevertheless deemed to be on the dividing line for purposes of this Section. Each Townhome sharing a Party Wall is subject to an easement for the existence and continuance of any encroachment by the Party Wall as a result of construction, repair, shifting, settlement, or movement in any portion of the Party Wall, so that the encroachment may remain undisturbed as long as the Party Wall stands. Each Townhome Lot is subject to a reciprocal easement for the maintenance, repair, replacement, or reconstruction of the Party Wall.
- 13.11.2. <u>Right to Repair</u>. If the Party Wall is damaged or destroyed from any cause, the Owner of either Townhome Lot may repair or rebuild the Party Wall to its previous condition, and the Owners of both Townhome Lots, their successors and assigns, have the right to the full use of the repaired or rebuilt Party Wall.
- 13.11.3. Maintenance Costs. The Owners of the adjoining Townhome Lots share equally the costs of repair, reconstruction, or replacement of the Party Wall, subject to the right of one Owner to call for larger contribution from the other under any rule of law regarding liability for negligence or willful acts or omissions. If an Owner is responsible for damage to or destruction of the Party Wall, that Owner will bear the entire cost of repair, reconstruction, or replacement. If an Owner fails or refuses to pay his share of costs of repair or replacement of the Party Wall, the Owner advancing monies has a right to file a claim of lien for the monies advanced in the county's Real Property Records, and has the right to foreclose the lien as if it were a mechanic's lien. The right of an Owner to contribution from another Owner under this Section is appurtenant to the land and passes to the Owner's successors in title.
- 13.11.4. <u>Alterations</u>. The Owner of a Townhome Lot sharing a Party Wall may not cut openings in the Party Wall or alter or change the Party Wall in any manner that affects the use, condition, or appearance of the Party Wall to the adjoining Townhome. Unless both Owners reach a mutual decision to the contrary, the Party Wall will always remain in the same location as where initially erected.

ARTICLE 14 INSURANCE

14.1. <u>GENERAL PROVISIONS</u>. All insurance affecting the Property is governed by the provisions of this Article, with which the Owners and the Board will make every reasonable effort to comply. Insurance policies and bonds obtained and maintained by the Owners must be issued by responsible insurance companies authorized to do business in the State of Texas. Each insurance policy maintained by the Owner should contain a provision requiring the insurer to

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endeavor to give at least 10 days' prior written notice to the Board before the policy may be canceled, terminated, materially modified, or allowed to expire, by either the insurer or the insured. All insurance policies obtained by the Association shall name the Declarant and any managing agent of the Association as "additional insured."

- 14.2. <u>PROPERTY INSURANCE BY OWNER(S)</u>. To the extent it is reasonably available; the Owners will obtain property insurance for all improvements and property within a Residence or Lot owned by such Owner insurable by the Owner. This insurance must be in an amount sufficient to cover the replacement cost of any repair or reconstruction in event of damage or destruction from any insured hazard.
- 14.3. <u>INSURANCE RATIONALE</u>. Owners of Detached Residences are one-hundred percent (100%) responsible for obtaining and maintaining proper insurance coverage on their Residence. Policy should cover 100% replacement cost of structure as well as vehicles and personal property. The Association is not responsible for coverage of any type on Detached Residences. All Owners must insure their Residence and Lot to the extent necessary (1) to preserve the appearance of the Property, (2) to maintain the structural integrity of the Residence, (3) to maintain systems that serve the Residence, such as pest control tubing and fire safety sprinklers, HVAC systems, irrigation, and more. <u>The Owner must insure all aspects of his Residence and its Lot and such Owner's personal property thereon and therein.</u>
- 14.4. TOWNHOME INSURANCE. A Townhome development provides many complex issues and opportunities for insurance. There are valid reasons for having the individual Owners insure their own Townhomes. All Owners must insure their Townhome and Lot to the extent necessary (1) to preserve the appearance of the Property, (2) to maintain the structural integrity of the Townhome Building and the Townhomes therein, (3) to maintain systems that serve multiple Townhomes in a Townhome Building, such as pest control tubing and fire safety sprinklers, and (4) to maintain the perimeter shells of the Townhomes. The Owner must insure all aspects of his Townhome and its Lot and such Owner's personal property thereon and therein. In insuring the Townhome and Lot, the Owner may be guided by types of policies and coverage's customarily available for similar types of properties. As used in this Article, "Building Standard" refers to the typical Townhome for the Property, as originally constructed, and as modified over time by changes in replacement materials and systems that are typical for the market and era.
- 14.4.1. Townhome Insured By Owner. As applicable towards the Owner's individual Townhome and Townhome Lot, each Owner will maintain property insurance on the following components of Townhome Building of which that Owner's Townhome is part, to the Building Standard. The Association may carry insurance on certain exterior components of the Townhome which shall, in part, be governed by the Maintenance Chart set forth herein as Appendix C. The Association shall determine the extent of its responsibility for coverage and shall carry the required coverages for Townhomes accordingly. An Owner should check with the Association prior to obtaining coverage to determine what coverage the Association provides on behalf of the exterior portions of a Townhome.

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a. All structural components of the Townhome Building, such as foundations, load bearing walls, and roof trusses.

- b. The exterior construction of the Townhome Building, such as the roof and roof stacks; exterior walls, windows, and doors; and roof top patios, balconies, and decks notwithstanding, if the Association covers through a master policy any of the exterior portions as described herein the Owner may opt out of carrying such coverage however, an Owner shall be solely responsible for confirming all coverages carried by the Association, if any. An Owner shall be responsible for confirming the type of coverage which may be provided by the Association on an annual basis at least thirty (30) days prior to the renewal date of their personal policy. An Owner shall be responsible for obtaining coverage for any area of their Townhome, exterior or interior, that is NOT covered by the Association. The Association shall not be liable for any loss sustained by an Owner failing to follow the provisions as set forth in this section. Upon request the Association shall provide a copy of the policy which shall provide to the Owner a comprehensive look at the type of coverage's provided by the Association, if any.
- c. The Party Walls of the Townhome Building, from unfinished sheetrock on one side of the Party Wall, to unfinished sheetrock on the other side of the Party Wall.
- d. The structural components of the floor/ceiling assemblies that partition the Townhome into levels or floors, including stairs connecting the floors.
- e. Partition walls, countertops, cabinets, furr downs, interior doors, and fixtures within the Townhome.
- f. Finish materials on walls, floors, and ceilings, such as carpet, paint, tile, mirror, and wallpaper.
- g. Window treatments, lighting fixtures, tub enclosures, and decorative hardware.
- h. Appliances and plumbing fixtures.
- i. All utility systems and equipment serving the Townhome, including water heaters, air conditioning and heating equipment, electric wiring, ducts, and vents.
 - Each Owner and Resident is solely responsible for insuring his personal property in his Townhome and on the Property, including furnishings and vehicles. The Association strongly recommends that each Owner and Resident purchase and maintain insurance on his personal belongings.
- 14.4.2. <u>Limitation of Liability</u>. The Association shall not be liable: (i) for injury or damage to any person or property caused by the elements or by the Owner or Resident of any Townhome, or any other person or entity, or resulting from any utility, rain, snow or ice which may leak or flow from or over any portion of the Common Areas or Areas of Common Responsibility, or from any pipe, drain, conduit, appliance or equipment which the Association is responsible to maintain hereunder; or (ii) to any Owner or Resident of any Townhome for any damage or injury caused in whole or

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in part by the Association's failure to discharge its maintenance responsibilities hereunder, to the extent not covered by available insurance proceeds.

- 14.5. <u>LIABILITY INSURANCE BY OWNER</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Declaration, to the extent permitted by Applicable Law, each Owner is liable for damage to the Property caused by the Owner or by persons for whom the Owner is responsible. <u>Each Owner is hereby required to obtain and maintain general liability insurance</u> to cover this liability as well as occurrences within his Residence, in amounts sufficient to cover the Owner's liability for damage to the property of others in the Property and to the Area of Common Responsibility, whether such damage is caused willfully and intentionally, or by omission or negligence.
- 14.6. OWNER'S GENERAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR INSURANCE. Each Owner, at his expense, will maintain all insurance coverage's required of Owners by the Association pursuant to this Article. Each Owner will provide the Association with proof or a certificate of insurance on request by the Association from time to time. If an Owner fails to maintain required insurance, or to provide the Association with proof of same, the Board may obtain insurance on behalf of the Owner who will be obligated for the cost as an Individual Assessment. The Board may establish additional minimum insurance requirements, including types and minimum amounts of coverage, to be individually obtained and maintained by Owners if the insurance is deemed necessary or desirable by the Board to reduce potential risks to the Association or other Owners. Each Owner and Resident is solely responsible for insuring his Residence and his personal property in his Residence and on his Lot, including furnishings, vehicles, and stored items.

ARTICLE 15 RESERVED

ARTICLE 16 AMENDMENTS

- 16.1. <u>CONSENTS REQUIRED</u>. As permitted by this Declaration, certain amendments of this Declaration may be executed by Declarant alone, or by the Board alone without the consent or joinder of the Members. Amendment of the Maintenance Responsibility Chart, initially recorded as <u>Appendix B</u> of this Declaration, is subject to the terms of Section 13.3. To the extent required by the City, any proposed amendment which is for the purpose of either amending the provisions of this Declaration or the Associations agreements pertaining to the use, operation, maintenance and/or supervision of any facilities, structures, improvements, systems, Common Areas, private Streets or grounds that are the responsibility of the Association, the Association shall obtain prior written consent from the City.
- 16.2. <u>METHOD OF AMENDMENT</u>. This Declaration may be amended by any method selected by the Board from time to time, pursuant to the Bylaws, provided the method gives an Owner of each Lot the substance if not exact wording of the proposed amendment, and a description of the effect of the proposed amendment.
- 16.3. <u>EFFECTIVE</u>. To be effective, an amendment must be in the form of a written instrument (1) referencing the name of the Property, the name of the Association, and the recording data of

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this Declaration and any amendments hereto; (2) signed and acknowledged by an officer of the Association, certifying the requisite approval of Declarant, so long as Declarant owns one (1) lot within the subdivision, or the directors and, if required, any mortgagees under a first lien mortgage or deed of trust encumbering a Lot; and (3) recorded in the Real Property Records of every county in which the Property is located, except as modified by the following section.

- 16.4. <u>DECLARANT PROVISIONS</u>. Declarant has an exclusive right to unilaterally amend this Declaration for the purposes stated in <u>Appendix B</u>. An amendment that may be executed by Declarant alone is not required to name the Association or to be signed by an officer of the Association. No amendment may affect Declarant's rights under this Declaration without Declarant's written and acknowledged consent, which must be part of the recorded amendment instrument. This Section may not be amended without Declarant's written and acknowledged consent.
- 16.5. <u>ORDINANCE COMPLIANCE</u>. When amending the Documents, the Association must consider the validity and enforceability of the amendment in light of current public law, including without limitation Applicable Zoning, the City Development Agreement, any requirements of the PID or TIF, or other City requirements.
- 16.6. MERGER. Merger or consolidation of the Association with another association must be evidenced by an amendment to this Declaration. The amendment must be approved by Owners of at least a Majority of the Owners. Upon a merger or consolidation of the Association with another association, the property, rights, and obligations of another association may, by operation of law, be added to the properties, rights, and obligations of the Association as a surviving corporation pursuant to the merger. The surviving or consolidated association may administer the provisions of the Documents within the Property, together with the covenants and restrictions established upon any other property under its jurisdiction. No merger or consolidation, however, will affect a revocation, change, or addition to the covenants established by this Declaration within the Property.
- 16.7. TERMINATION. Termination of the terms of this Declaration is according to the following provisions. In the event of substantially total damage, destruction, or public condemnation of the Property, an amendment to terminate must be approved by Owners of at least two-thirds of the Lots. In the event of public condemnation of the entire Property, an amendment to terminate may be executed by the Board without a vote of Owners. In all other circumstances, an amendment to terminate must be approved by Owners of at least eighty percent (80%) of the Lots. Any termination of the terms of this Declaration shall require the written approval of the City.
- 16.8. <u>CONDEMNATION</u>. In any proceeding, negotiation, settlement, or agreement concerning condemnation of the Common Area, the Association will be the exclusive representative of the Owners. The Association may use condemnation proceeds to repair and replace any damage or destruction of the Common Area, real or personal, caused by the condemnation. Any condemnation proceeds remaining after completion, or waiver, of the repair and replacement will be deposited in the Association's Reserve Funds.

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ARTICLE 17 DISPUTE RESOLUTION

This Article 17 is intended to encourage the resolution of disputes involving the Property. A dispute regarding the Lots, Common Area, Areas of Common Responsibility, Residences, and/or other improvements can create significant financial exposure for the Association and its Members, interfere with the resale and refinancing of Lots, and increase strife and tension among the Owners, the Board and the Association's management. Since disputes may have a direct effect on each Owner's use and enjoyment of their Lot and the Common Area, this Article 17 requires Owner transparency and participation in certain circumstances. Transparency means that the Owners are informed in advance about a dispute, the proposed arrangement between the Association and a law firm or attorney who will represent the Association in the dispute, the proposed arrangement between the Association and any inspection company who will prepare the Common Area Report (as defined below) or perform any other investigation or inspection of the Common Areas, Areas of Common Responsibility, Residences, and/or other improvements related to the dispute, and that each Owner will have an opportunity to participate in the decision-making process prior to initiating the dispute resolution process.

17.1. Introduction and Definitions. The Association, the Owners, Declarant, all persons subject to this Declaration, and each person not otherwise subject to this Declaration who agrees to submit to this Article 17 by written instrument delivered to the Claimant, which may include, but is not limited to, a Homebuilder, a general contractor, sub-contractor, design professional, or other person who participated in the design or construction of Lots, Common Area, Areas of Common Responsibility, Residences, and/or any other improvement within, serving or forming a part of the Property (individually, a "Party" and collectively, the "Parties") agree to encourage the amicable resolution of disputes involving the Property including the Common Area, Areas of Common Responsibility, Residences, and other improvements within the Property, to avoid the emotional and financial costs of litigation and arbitration if at all possible. Accordingly, each Party hereby covenants and agrees that this Article applies to all Claims as hereafter defined. This Article 17 may only be amended with the prior written approval of the Declarant, the Association (acting through a Majority of the Board), and Owners holding 100% of the votes in the Association. As used in this Article only, the following words, when capitalized, have the following specified meanings:

(a) "Claim" means:

- (i) Claims relating to the rights and/or duties of Declarant, the Association, or the ACC, under the Restrictions.
- (ii) Claims relating to the acts or omissions of the Declarant, the Association or a Board member or officer of the Association during Declarant's control

- and administration of the Board, and any claim asserted against the ACC.
- (iii) Claims relating to the design or construction of the Common Area, Areas of Common Responsibility, Residences, or any other improvements located within or on the Property, including any Area of Common Responsibility located on a Lot or which are part of a Residence.
- (iv) Claims relating to any repair or alteration of the Common Area, Areas of Common Responsibility, Residences, or any other improvements located within or on the Property.
- (b) "Claimant" means any Party having a Claim against any other Party.
- (c) "Respondent" means any Party against which a Claim has been asserted by a Claimant.
- 17.2. <u>Mandatory Procedures.</u> Claimant may not initiate any proceeding before any judge, jury, arbitrator or any judicial or administrative tribunal seeking redress of resolution of its Claim until Claimant has complied with the procedures of this Article. As provided in Section 17.8 below, a Claim must be resolved by binding arbitration.
- 17.3. Claims Affecting Common Areas. In accordance with Section 8.13 of this Declaration, the Association does not have the power or right to institute, defend, intervene in, settle, or compromise litigation, arbitration, administrative, or other proceedings: (i) in the name of or on behalf of any Lot Owner (whether one or more); or (ii) pertaining to a Claim, as defined in Section 17.1(a) above, relating to the design or construction of Residences or other improvements on a Lot (whether one or more), including any Area of Common Responsibility located on a Lot. Additionally, no Lot Owner shall have the power or right to institute, defend, intervene in, settle or compromise litigation, arbitration or other proceedings relating to the design or construction of the Common Area. Each Lot Owner, by accepting an interest in or title to a Lot, hereby grants to the Association the exclusive right to institute, defend, intervene in, settle or compromise litigation, arbitration or other proceedings relating to the design or construction of the Common Area. In the event the Association asserts a Claim related to the Common Area, as a precondition to providing the Notice defined in Section 17.5, initiating the mandatory dispute resolution procedures set forth in this Article 17, or taking any other action to prosecute a Claim related to the Common Area, the Association must:
 - (a) Obtain Owner Approval of Engagement.

The requirements related to Owner approval set forth in this Section 17.3(a) are intended to ensure that the Association and the Owners approve and are fully informed of the financial arrangements between the Association and a law firm or attorney engaged by the Association to prosecute a

Claim relating to the design or construction of the Common Area, and any financial arrangements between the Association and the Inspection Company (defined below) or a law firm and/or attorney and the Inspection Company. The engagement agreement between the Association, the law firm or attorney, and/or the Inspection Company may include requirements that the Association pay costs, fees, and expenses to the law firm or attorney or the Inspection Company which will be paid through Assessments levied against Owners. The financial agreement between the Association, the law firm or attorney and/or the Inspection Company may also include obligations related to payment, and the conditions and circumstances when the payment obligations arise, if the relationship between the Association, the law firm or attorney, and/or the Inspection Company is terminated, the Association elects not to engage the law firm or attorney or Inspection Company to prosecute or assist with the Claim, or if the Association agrees to settle the Claim. In addition, the financial arrangement between the Association, the law firm or attorney, and/or the Inspection Company may include additional costs, expenses, and interest charges. These financial obligations can be significant. The Board may not engage or execute an agreement with a law firm or attorney to investigate or prosecute a Claim relating to the design or construction of the Common Area or engage or execute an agreement between the Association and a law firm or attorney for the purpose of preparing a Common Area Report or performing any other investigation or inspection of the Common Area for a Claim related to the design or construction of the Common Area unless the law firm or attorney and the financial arrangements between the Association and the law firm or attorney are approved by the Owners in accordance with this Section 17.3(a). In addition, the Board may not execute an agreement with an Inspection Company to prepare the Common Area Report or perform any other investigation or inspection of the Common Areas for a Claim related to the design or construction of the Common Area, unless the Inspection Company and the financial arrangements between the Association and the Inspection Company are approved by the Owners in accordance with this Section 17.3(a). For the purpose of the Owner approval required by this Section 17.3(a), an engagement, agreement or arrangement between a law firm or attorney and an Inspection Company, if such engagement, agreement or arrangement could result in any financial obligations to the Association, irrespective of whether the Association and law firm or attorney have entered into an engagement or other agreement to prosecute a Claim relating to the design or construction of the Common Area, must also be approved by the Owners in accordance with this Section 17.3(a). An engagement or agreement described in this paragraph is referred to herein as a "Claim Agreement".

Unless otherwise approved by Members holding sixty-seven percent (67%) of the votes in the Association present as a meeting of Members, duly called at which a quorum is present, the Association, acting through its Board, shall in no event have the authority to enter into a Claim Agreement if the Claim Agreement includes any provision or requirement that would obligate the Association to pay any costs, expenses, fees, or other charges to the law firm or attorney and/or the

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Inspection Company, in connection with a Claim, including but not limited to, costs, expenses, fees, or other charges payable by the Association: (i) if the Association terminates the Claim Agreement or engages another firm or third-party to assist with the Claim; (ii) if the Association elects not to enter into a Claim Agreement; (iii) if the Association agrees to settle the Claim for a cash payment or in exchange for repairs or remediation performed by the Respondent or any other third-party; (iv) if the Association agrees to pay interest on any costs or expenses incurred by the law firm or attorney or the Inspection Company; and/or (v) for consultants, expert witnesses, and/or general contractors hired by the law firm or attorney or the Inspection Company. For avoidance of doubt, it is intended that Members holding sixty-seven percent (67%) of the votes in the Association present at a meeting of Members duly called at which a quorum is present must approve the law firm and attorney who will prosecute the Claim and the Inspection Company who will prepare the Common Area Report or perform any other investigation or inspection of the Common Area for a Claim relating to the design or construction of the Common Area, and each Claim Agreement. All Claim Agreements must be in writing. The Board shall not have the authority to pay any costs, expenses, fees, or other charges to a law firm, attorney or the Inspection Company unless the Claim Agreement is in writing and approved by the Members in accordance with this Section 17.3(a).

The approval of the Members required under this Section 17.3(a) must be obtained at a meeting of Members called in accordance with the Bylaws. The notice of Member meeting will be provided pursuant to the Bylaws but the notice must also include: (a) the name of the law firm and attorney and/or the Inspection Company; (b) a copy of each Claim Agreement; (c) a narrative summary of the types of costs, expenses, fees, or other charges that may be required to be paid by the Association under any Claim Agreement; (d) the conditions upon which such types of costs, expenses, fees, or other charges are required to be paid by the Association under any Claim Agreement; (e) an estimate of the costs, expenses, fees, or other charges that may be required to be paid by the Association if the conditions for payment under any Claim Agreement occur, which estimate shall be expressed as a range for each type of cost, expense, fee, or other charge; and (f) a description of the process the law firm, attorney and/or the Inspection Company will use to evaluate the Claim and whether destructive testing will be required (i.e., the removal of all or portions of the Common Area, Areas of Common Responsibility, Residences, or other improvements on the Property). If destructive testing will be required or is likely to occur, the notice shall include a description of the destructive testing, likely locations of the destructive testing, whether the Owner's use of their Lots or the Common Area will be affected by such testing, and if the destructive testing occurs the means or method the Association will use to repair the Common Area, Areas of Common Responsibility, Residences, or other improvements affected by such testing and the estimated costs thereof, and an estimate of Assessments that may be levied against the Owners for such repairs. The notice required by this paragraph must be prepared and signed by a person other than the law firm or attorney who is a party to the proposed Claim Agreement being approved by the Members. In the event Members holding sixty-seven percent D221363874 Page 61 of 115

(67%) of the votes in the Association present at a meeting of Members duly called at which a quorum is present approve the law firm and/or attorney who will prosecute the Claim and the Claim Agreement(s), the Board shall have the authority to engage the law firm and/or attorney, and the Inspection Company, and enter into the Claim Agreement approved by the Members.

(b) Provide Notice of the Inspection.

As provided in Section 17.3(c) below, a Common Area Report is required which is a written inspection report issued by the Inspection Company. Before conducting an inspection that is required to be memorialized by the Common Area Report, the Association must have provided at least ten (10) days prior written notice of the date on which the inspection will occur to each Respondent which notice shall identify the Inspection Company preparing the Common Area Report, the specific Common Areas to be inspected, and the date and time the inspection will occur. Each Respondent may attend the inspection, personally or through an agent.

(c) Obtain a Common Area Report.

The requirements related to the Common Area Report set forth in this Section 17.3(c) are intended to provide assurance to the Claimant, Respondent, and the Owners that the substance and conclusions of the Common Area Report and recommendations are not affected by influences that may compromise the professional judgement of the party preparing the Common Area Report, and to avoid circumstances which would create the appearance that the professional judgment of the party preparing the Common Area Report is compromised.

Obtain a written independent third-party report for the Common Area (the "Common Area Report") from a professional engineer licensed by the Texas Board of Professional Engineers with an office located in Tarrant County, Texas (the "Inspection Company"). The Common Area Report must include: (i) a description with photographs of the Common Area subject to the Claim; (ii) a description of the present physical condition of the Common Area subject to the Claim; (iii) a detailed description of any modifications, maintenance, or repairs to the Common Area performed by the Association or a third-party, including any Respondent; and (iv) specific and detailed recommendations regarding remediation and/or repair of the Common Area subject to the Claim. For the purpose of subsection (iv) of the previous sentence, the specific and detailed recommendations must also include the specific process, procedure, materials, and/or improvements necessary and required to remediate and/or repair the deficient or defective condition identified in the Common Area Report and the estimated costs necessary to effect such remediation and/or repairs. The estimate of costs required by the previous sentence shall be obtained from third-party contractors with an office located in Tarrant County, Texas, and each such contractor providing the estimate must hold all necessary or required licenses from the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation or

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otherwise required by Applicable Law for the work to which the cost estimate relates.

The Common Area Report must be obtained by the Association. The Common Area Report will not satisfy the requirements of this Section and is not an "independent" report if: (i) the Inspection Company has an arrangement or other agreement to provide consulting and/or engineering services with the law firm or attorney that presently represents the Association or proposes to represent the Association; (ii) the costs and expenses for preparation of the Common Area Report are not required to be paid directly by the Association to the Inspection Company at the time the Common Area Report is finalized and delivered to the Association; (iii) the law firm or attorney that presently represents the Association or proposes to represent the Association has agreed to reimburse (whether unconditional or conditional and based on the satisfaction of requirements set forth in the Association's agreement with the law firm or attorney) the Association for the costs and expenses for preparation of the Common Area Report. For avoidance of doubt, an "independent" report means that the Association has independently contracted with the Inspection Company on an arms-length basis based on customary terms for the preparation of engineering reports and that the Association will directly pay for the report at the time the Common Area Report is finalized and delivered to the Association.

(d) Provide a Copy of Common Area Report to all Respondents and Owners.

Upon completion of the Common Area Report, and in any event no later than three (3) days after the Association has been provided a copy of the Common Area Report, the Association will provide a full and complete copy of the Common Area Report to each Respondent and to each Owner. The Association shall maintain a written record of each Respondent and Owner who was provided a copy of the Common Area Report which will include the date the report was provided. The Common Area Report shall be delivered to each Respondent by hand-delivery and to each Owner by mail.

(e) Provide a Right to Cure Defects and/or Deficiencies Noted on Common Area Report.

Commencing on the date the Common Area Report has been completed and continuing for a period of ninety (90) days thereafter, each Respondent shall have the right to: (a) inspect any condition identified in the Common Area Report; (b) contact the Inspection Company for additional information necessary and required to clarify any information in the Common Area Report; and (c) correct any condition identified in the Common Area Report. As provided in Section B.2.6 of Appendix B of the Declaration, the Declarant has an easement throughout the Property for itself, and its successors, assigns, architects, engineers, other design professionals, each Homebuilder, other builders, and general contractors that may

be utilized during such ninety (90) day period and any additional period needed thereafter to correct a condition identified in the Common Area Report.

(f) Hold Owner Meeting and Obtain Approval.

In addition to obtaining approval from Members for the terms of the attorney or law firm engagement agreement, the Association must obtain approval from Members holding eighty percent (80%) of the votes in the Association to provide the Notice described in Section 17.5, initiate the mandatory dispute resolution procedures set forth in this Section 17, or take any other action to prosecute a Claim, which approval from Members must be obtained at a meeting of Members called in accordance with the Bylaws. The notice of meeting required hereunder will be provided pursuant to the Bylaws but the notice must also include: (i) the nature of the Claim, the relief sought, the anticipated duration of prosecuting the Claim, and the likelihood of success; (ii) a copy of the Common Area Report; (iii) a copy of any engagement letter between the Association and the law firm and/or attorney selected by the Association to assert or provide assistance with the Claim; (iv) a description of the attorney fees, consultant fees, expert witness fees, and court costs, whether incurred by the Association directly or for which the Association may be liable as a result of prosecuting the Claim; (v) a summary of the steps previously taken and proposed to be taken by the Association to resolve the Claim; (vi) a statement that initiating the lawsuit or arbitration proceeding to resolve the Claim may affect the market value, marketability, or refinancing of a Lot while the Claim is prosecuted; and (vii) a description of the manner in which the Association proposes to fund the cost of prosecuting the Claim. The notice required by this paragraph must be prepared and signed by a person who is not (a) the attorney who represents or will represent the Association in the Claim; (b) a member of the law firm of the attorney who represents or will represent the Association in the Claim; or (c) employed by or otherwise affiliated with the law firm of the attorney who represents or will represent the Association in the Claim. In the event Members approve providing the Notice described in Section 17.5, or taking any other action to prosecute a Claim, the Members holding a Majority of the votes in the Association, at a special meeting called in accordance with the Bylaws, may elect to discontinue prosecution or pursuit of the Claim.

(g) Prohibition on Contingency Fee Contracts.

The Association may not engage or contract with any attorney, law firm, consultant, expert or advisor on a contingency fee basis, in whole or in part, to assist in the prosecution of a Claim.

17.4. Claims by Lot Owners – Improvements on Lots. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, in the event a warranty is provided to a Lot Owner by the Declarant or a builder relating to the design or construction of any Residences or other improvements located on a Lot, then this Article 17 will only apply to the extent that this Article 17 is more restrictive than such Lot Owner's warranty, as determined in the sole discretion of the party that provided such warranty (either the Declarant or the builder). If a warranty has not been provided

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to a Lot Owner relating to the design or construction of any Residences or other improvements located on a Lot, then this Article 17 will apply. Class action proceedings are prohibited, and no Lot Owner shall be entitled to prosecute, participate, initiate, or join any litigation, arbitration or other proceedings as a class member or class representative in any such proceedings under this Declaration. If a Lot Owner brings a Claim, as defined in Section 17.1(a), relating to the design or construction of any Residences or other improvements located on a Lot (whether one or more), as a precondition to providing the Notice defined in Section 17.5, initiating the mandatory dispute resolution procedures set forth in this Article 17, or taking any other action to prosecute a Claim, the Lot Owner must:

(a) <u>Provide Notice of the Inspection</u>.

As provided in Section 17.4(b) below, an Owner Improvement Report is required which is a written inspection report issued by the Inspection Company. Before conducting an inspection that is required to be memorialized by the Owner Improvement Report, the Owner must have provided at least ten (10) days prior written notice of the date on which the inspection will occur to each Respondent which notice shall identify the Inspection Company preparing the Owner Improvement Report, the improvements and areas of the improvements to be inspected, and the date and time the inspection will occur. Each Respondent may attend the inspection, personally or through an agent.

(b) Obtain an Owner Improvement Report.

The requirements related to the Owner Improvement Report set forth in this Section 17.4(b) are intended to provide assurance to the Claimant and Respondent that the substance and conclusions of the Owner Improvement Report and recommendations are not affected by influences that may compromise the professional judgement of the party preparing the Owner Improvement Report, and to avoid circumstances which would create the appearance that the professional judgment of the party preparing the Owner Improvement Report is compromised.

Obtain a written independent third-party report for the improvements (the "Owner Improvement Report") from an Inspection Company. The Owner Improvement Report must include: (i) a description with photographs of the improvements subject to the Claim; (ii) a description of the present physical condition of the improvements; (iii) a detailed description of any modifications, maintenance, or repairs to the improvements performed by the Owner or a third-party, including any Respondent; (iv) specific and detailed recommendations regarding remediation and/or repair of the improvements. For the purpose of subsection (iv) of the previous sentence, the specific and detailed recommendations must also include the specific process, procedure, materials, and/or improvements necessary and required to remediate and/or repair the deficient or defective condition identified in the Owner Improvement Report and the estimated costs necessary to effect such remediation and/or repairs. The estimate of costs required by the previous sentence shall be obtained from third-party contractors with an

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office located in Tarrant County, Texas, and each such contractor providing the estimate must hold all necessary or required licenses from the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation or otherwise required by Applicable Law for the work to which the cost estimate relates.

The Owner Improvement Report must be obtained by the Owner. The Owner Improvement Report will not satisfy the requirements of this Section and is not an "independent" report if: (i) the Inspection Company has an arrangement or other agreement to provide consulting and/or engineering services with the law firm or attorney that presently represents the Owner or proposes to represent the Owner; (ii) the costs and expenses for preparation of the Owner Improvement Report are not directly paid by the Owner to the Inspection Company no later than the date the Owner Improvement Report is finalized and delivered to the Owner; (iii) the law firm or attorney that presently represents the Owner or proposes to represent the Owner has agreed to reimburse (whether unconditional or conditional and based on the satisfaction of requirements set forth in the Owner's agreement with the law firm or attorney) the Owner for the costs and expenses for preparation of the Owner Improvement Report. For avoidance of doubt, an "independent" report means that the Owner has independently contracted with the Inspection Company on an armslength basis based on customary terms for the preparation of engineering reports and that the Owner will directly pay for the report no later than the date the Owner Improvement Report is finalized and delivered to the Owner.

(c) Provide a Copy of Owner Improvement Report to all Respondents.

Upon completion of the Owner Improvement Report, and in any event no later than three (3) days after the Owner has been provided a copy of the Owner Improvement Report, the Owner will provide a full and complete copy of the Owner Improvement Report to each Respondent. The Owner shall maintain a written record of each Respondent who was provided a copy of the Owner Improvement Report which will include the date the report was provided. The Owner Improvement Report shall be delivered to each Respondent by hand-delivery and to each Owner by mail.

(d) Right to Cure Defects and/or Deficiencies Noted on Owner Improvement Report.

Commencing on the date the Owner Improvement Report has been completed and continuing for a period of ninety (90) days thereafter, each Respondent shall have the right to: (a) inspect any condition identified in the Owner Improvement Report; (b) contact the Inspection Company for additional information necessary and required to clarify any information in the Owner Improvement Report; and (c) correct any condition identified in the Owner Improvement Report. As provided in Section B.2.6 of Appendix B of the Declaration, the Declarant has an easement throughout the Property for itself, and its successors, assigns, architects, engineers, other design professionals, each builder, and general contractors that may be utilized during such ninety (90) day

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period and any additional period needed thereafter to correct a condition identified in the Owner Improvement Report.

(e) <u>Claims Pertaining to the Common Area.</u>

Pursuant to Section 17.3 above, an Owner does not have the power or right to institute, defend, intervene in, settle or compromise litigation, arbitration or other proceedings relating to the design or construction of the Common Area. In the event that a court of competent jurisdiction or arbitrator determines that an Owner does have the power or right to institute, defend, intervene in, settle or compromise litigation, arbitration or other proceedings relating to the design or construction of the Common Area, such Owner shall be required, since a Claim affecting the Common Area could affect all Owners, as a precondition to providing the Notice defined in Section 17.5, initiating the mandatory dispute resolution procedures set forth in this Article 17, or taking any other action to prosecute a Claim, to comply with the requirements imposed by the Association in accordance with Section 17.3(b) (Provide Notice of Inspection), Section 17.3(c) (Obtain a Common Area Report), Section 17.3(d) (Provide a Copy of Common Area Report to all Respondents and Owners), Section 17.3(e) (Provide Right to Cure Defects and/or Deficiencies Noted on Common Area Report), Section 17.3(f) (Owner Meeting and Approval), and Section 17.5 (Notice).

17.5 Notice. Claimant must notify Respondent in writing of the Claim (the "Notice"), stating plainly and concisely: (i) the nature of the Claim, including date, time, location, persons involved, and Respondent's role in the Claim; (ii) the basis of the Claim (i.e., the provision of the Restrictions or other authority out of which the Claim arises); (iii) what Claimant wants Respondent to do or not do to resolve the Claim; and (iv) that the Notice is given pursuant to this Section 17.5. For Claims governed by Chapter 27 of the Texas Property Code, the time period for negotiation in Section 17.6 below, is equivalent to the sixty (60) day period under Section 27.004 of the Texas Property Code. If a Claim is subject to Chapter 27 of the Texas Property Code, the Claimant and Respondent are advised, in addition to compliance with Section 17.6, to comply with the terms and provisions of Section 27.004 during such sixty (60) day period. Section 17.6 does not modify or extend the time period set forth in Section 27.004 of the Texas Property Code. Failure to comply with the time periods or actions specified in Section 27,004 could affect a Claim if the Claim is subject to Chapter 27 of the Texas Property Code. The one hundred and twenty (120) day period for mediation set forth in Section 17.7 below, is intended to provide the Claimant and Respondent with sufficient time to resolve the Claim in the event resolution is not accomplished during negotiation. If the Claim is not resolved during negotiation, mediation pursuant to Section 17.7 is required without regard to the monetary amount of the Claim.

If the Claimant is the Association, the Notice will also include: (a) if the Claim relates to the design or construction of the Common Area, a true and correct copy of the Common Area Report, and any and all other reports, studies, analyses, and recommendations obtained by the Association related to the Common Area; (b) a copy of any engagement letter between the Association and the law firm and/or attorney selected by the Association to assert or provide assistance with the Claim; (c) if the Claim relates to the design or construction of the Common Area, reasonable and credible evidence confirming that Members holding sixty-seven percent

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(67%) of the votes in the Association present at a meeting of Members duly called at which a quorum is present approved the law firm and attorney and the Claim Agreement in accordance with Section 17.3(a); (d) a true and correct copy of the special meeting notice provided to Members in accordance with Section 17.3(f) above; and (e) reasonable and credible evidence confirming that Members holding eighty percent (80%) of the votes in the Association approved providing the Notice. If the Claimant is not the Association and the Claim pertains to the Common Areas, the Notice will also include a true and correct copy of the Common Area Report. If the Claimant is not the Association and relates to the design or construction of improvements on a Lot, the Notice will also include a true and correct copy of the Owner Improvement Report.

- 17.6. Negotiation. Claimant and Respondent will make every reasonable effort to meet in person to resolve the Claim by good faith negotiation. Within sixty (60) days after Respondent's receipt of the Notice, Respondent and Claimant will meet at a mutually acceptable place and time to discuss the Claim. If the Claim involves all or any portion of the Property, then at such meeting or at some other mutually-agreeable time, Respondent and Respondent's representatives will have full access to the Property that is subject to the Claim for the purposes of inspecting the Property.
- 17.7. Mediation. If the parties negotiate, but do not resolve the Claim through negotiation within one-hundred twenty (120) days from the date of the Notice (or within such other period as may be agreed on by the parties), Claimant will have thirty (30) additional days within which to submit the Claim to mediation under the auspices of a mediation center or individual mediator on which the parties mutually agree. The mediator must have at least five (5) years of experience serving as a mediator and must have technical knowledge or expertise appropriate to the subject matter of the Claim. If Claimant does not submit the Claim to mediation within the 30-day period, Respondent may submit the Claim to mediation in accordance with this Section 17.7. If the Parties do not settle the Claim within thirty (30) days after submission to mediation, Respondent or Claimant may initiate arbitration proceedings in accordance with Section 17.8.
- 17.8 <u>Binding Arbitration Claims.</u> All Claims must be settled by binding arbitration. Claimant or Respondent may, by summary proceedings (e.g., a plea in abatement or motion to stay further proceedings), bring an action in court to compel arbitration of any Claim not referred to arbitration as required by this Section 17.8.
 - (a) Governing Rules. If a Claim has not been resolved after mediation in accordance with Section 17.7, the Claim will be resolved by binding arbitration in accordance with the terms of this Section 17.8 and the American Arbitration Association (the "AAA") Construction Industry Arbitration Rules and Mediation Procedures and, if applicable, the rules contained in the AAA Supplementary Procedures for Consumer Related Disputes, as each are supplemented or modified by the AAA (collectively, the Construction Industry Arbitration Rules and Mediation Procedures and AAA Supplementary Procedures for Consumer Related Disputes are referred to herein as the "AAA Rules"). In the event of any inconsistency between the AAA Rules and this Section 17.8, this Section 17.8 will control. Judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrator shall be binding and not subject to appeal, but may be reduced to judgment or enforced in any court having jurisdiction. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary or any applicable rules for arbitration, any arbitration with respect to Claims arising

hereunder shall be conducted by a panel of three (3) arbitrators, to be chosen as follows:

- (i) One arbitrator shall be selected by Respondent, in its sole and absolute discretion;
 - (ii) One arbitrator shall be selected by the Claimant, in its sole and absolute discretion; and
 - (iii) One arbitrator shall be selected by mutual agreement of the arbitrators having been selected by Respondent and the Claimant, in their sole and absolute discretion.
- (b) Exceptions to Arbitration; Preservation of Remedies. No provision of, nor the exercise of any rights under, this Section 17.8 will limit the right of Claimant or Respondent, and Claimant and the Respondent will have the right during any Claim, to seek, use, and employ ancillary or preliminary remedies, judicial or otherwise, for the purposes of realizing upon, preserving, or protecting upon any property, real or personal, that is involved in a Claim, including, without limitation, rights and remedies relating to: (i) exercising self-help remedies (including set-off rights); or (ii) obtaining provisions or ancillary remedies such as injunctive relief, sequestration, attachment, garnishment, or the appointment of a receiver from a court having jurisdiction before, during, or after the pendency of any arbitration. The institution and maintenance of an action for judicial relief or pursuit of provisional or ancillary remedies or exercise of self-help remedies shall not constitute a waiver of the right of any party to submit the Claim to arbitration nor render inapplicable the compulsory arbitration provisions hereof.
- (c) <u>Statute of Limitations</u>. All statutes of limitation that would otherwise be applicable shall apply to any arbitration proceeding under this Section 17.8.
- shall resolve all Claims in accordance with Applicable Law. The arbitrator may grant any remedy or relief that the arbitrator deems just and equitable and within the scope of this Section 17.8 and subject to Section 17.9 below; provided, however, attorney's fees and costs may not be awarded by the arbitrator to either Claimant or Respondent. In addition, for a Claim, or any portion of a Claim governed by Chapter 27 of the Texas Property Code, or any successor statute, in no event shall the arbitrator award damages which exceed the damages a Claimant would be entitled to under Chapter 27 of the Texas Property Code, except that the arbitrator may not award attorney's fees and/or costs to their Claimant or Respondent. In all arbitration proceedings the arbitrator shall make specific, written findings of fact and conclusions of law. In all arbitration proceedings the parties shall have the right to seek vacation or modification of any award that is based in whole, or in part, on (i) factual findings that have no legally or factually

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sufficient evidence, as those terms are defined in Texas law; (ii) conclusions of law that are erroneous; (iii) an error of Applicable Law; or (iv) a cause of action or remedy not expressly provided under Applicable Law. In no event may an arbitrator award speculative, special, exemplary, treble, or punitive damages for any Claim.

- (e) Other Matters. To the maximum extent practicable, an arbitration proceeding hereunder shall be concluded within one hundred and eighty (180) days of the filing of the Claim for arbitration. Arbitration proceedings hereunder shall be conducted in Tarrant County, Texas. Unless otherwise provided by this Section 17.8, the arbitrator shall be empowered to impose sanctions and to take such other actions as the arbitrator deems necessary to the same extent a judge could pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure and Applicable Law. Claimant and Respondent agree to keep all Claims and arbitration proceedings strictly confidential, except for disclosures of information required in the ordinary course of business of the parties or by Applicable Law. In no event shall Claimant or Respondent discuss with the news media or grant any interviews with the news media regarding a Claim or issue any press release regarding any Claim without the written consent of the other parties to the Claim.
- 17.9. Allocation of Costs. Notwithstanding any provision in this Declaration to the contrary, each party bears all of its own costs incurred prior to and during the proceedings described in the Notice, Negotiation, Mediation, and Arbitration sections above, including its attorney's fees. Respondent and Claimant will equally divide all expenses and fees charged by the mediator and arbitrator.
- 17.10. <u>General Provisions.</u> A release or discharge of Respondent from liability to Claimant on account of the Claim does not release Respondent from liability to persons who are not party to Claimant's Claim.

17.11. Period of Limitation.

(a) For Actions by an Owner or Resident. The exclusive period of limitation for any of the Parties to bring any Claim, shall be the earliest of: (i) for Claims alleging construction defect or defective design, two (2) years and one (1) day from the date that the Owner or Resident discovered or reasonably should have discovered evidence of the Claim; (ii) for Claims other than those alleging construction defect or defective design, four (4) years and one (1) day from the date that the Owner or Resident discovered or reasonably should have discovered evidence of the Claim; or (iii) the applicable statute of limitations for such Claim. In the event that a court of competent jurisdiction determines that an Owner does have the power or right to institute, defend, intervene in, settle or compromise litigation, arbitration or other proceedings relating to the design or construction of the Common Area, the exclusive period of limitation for a Claim of construction defect or defective design of the Common Areas, shall be the earliest of: (a) two (2) years and one (1) day from the date that the Owner or the Association discovered or reasonably should have discovered evidence of the Claim; or (b) the applicable

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statute of limitations for such Claim. In no event shall this Section 17.11(a) be interpreted to extend any period of limitations.

- (b) For Actions by the Association. The exclusive period of limitation for the Association to bring any Claim, including, but not limited to, a Claim of construction defect or defective design of the Common Areas, shall be the earliest of: (i) for Claims alleging construction defect or defective design, two (2) years and one (1) day from the date that the Association or its manager, board members, officers or agents discovered or reasonably should have discovered evidence of the Claim; (ii) for Claims other than those alleging construction defect or defective design of the Common Areas, four (4) years and one (1) day from the date that the Association or its manager, board members, officers or agents discovered or reasonably should have discovered evidence of the Claim; or (iii) the applicable statute of limitations for such Claim. In no event shall this Section 17.11(b) be interpreted to extend any period of limitations.
- 17.12. <u>Funding the Resolution of Claims</u>. The Association must levy a Special Assessment to fund the estimated costs to resolve a Claim pursuant to this Article 17. The Association may not use its annual operating income or reserve funds to fund the costs to resolve a Claim unless the Association has previously established and funded a dispute resolution fund.
- 17.13 <u>LIMITATION ON DAMAGES</u>. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION CONTAINED IN THIS DECLARATION OR ANY OF THE ASSOCIATION DOCUMENTS TO THE CONTRARY, IN NO EVENT SHALL DECLARANT OR THE ASSOCIATION BE LIABLE FOR SPECULATIVE, CONSEQUENTIAL, SPECIAL, INDIRECT, LOST PROFIT OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES IN CONNECTION WITH ANY CLAIM, EVEN IF DUE TO THE NEGLIGENCE OF DECLARANT OR THE ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE 18 GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 18.1. <u>COMPLIANCE</u>. The Owners hereby covenant and agree that the administration of the Association will be in accordance with the provisions of the Documents and Applicable Laws, regulations, and ordinances, as same may be amended from time to time, of any governmental or quasi-governmental entity having jurisdiction over the Association or Property.
- 18.2. <u>HIGHER AUTHORITY</u>. The Documents are subordinate to federal and state law, and local ordinances. Generally, the terms of the Documents are enforceable to the extent they do not violate or conflict with local, state, or federal law or ordinance.
- 18.3. <u>NOTICE</u>. All demands or other notices required to be sent to an Owner or Resident by the terms of this Declaration may be sent by ordinary or certified mail, postage prepaid, to the party's last known address as it appears on the records of the Association at the time of mailing. If an Owner fails to give the Association an address for mailing notices, all notices may be sent to the

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Owner's Lot, and the Owner is deemed to have been given notice whether or not he actually receives it. A minimum of one (1) notice informing an Owner of an existing violation (emergency violations excluded) will be required. Each notice shall provide the Owner not less than ten (10) days to cure the violation with the exception of self-help notices. If Owner does not cure the violation after one (1) notice is delivered, the Association shall proceed with a fine notice and subsequent fines or with self-help whichever the Association deems appropriate.

- 18.4. <u>LIBERAL CONSTRUCTION</u>. The terms and provision of each Document are to be liberally construed to give effect to the purposes and Intent of the Document. All doubts regarding a provision, including restrictions on the use or alienability of Property, will be resolved in favor of the operation of the Association and its enforcement of the Documents, regardless which party seeks enforcement.
- 18.5. <u>SEVERABILITY</u>. Invalidation of any provision of this Declaration by judgment or court order does not affect any other provision, which remains in full force and effect. The effect of a general statement is not limited by the enumeration of specific matters similar to the general.
- 18.6. <u>CAPTIONS</u>. In all Documents, the captions of 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. Boxed notices are inserted to alert the reader to certain provisions and are not to be construed as defining or modifying the text.
- 18.7. <u>APPENDIXES</u>. The following appendixes are attached to this Declaration and incorporated herein by reference:
 - A Description of Subject Land (Legal Description)
 - B Declarant Representations & Reservations
 - C Maintenance Responsibility chart
 - D Design Guidelines adopted by ACC
- 18.8. <u>INTERPRETATION</u>. Whenever used in the Documents, unless the context provides otherwise, a reference to a gender includes all genders. Similarly, a reference to the singular includes the plural, the plural the singular, where the same would be appropriate.
- 18.9. <u>DURATION</u>. Unless terminated or amended by Owners as permitted herein, the provisions of this Declaration shall run with and bind the Property, and will remain in effect initially for 25 years from the date this Declaration is recorded, and shall automatically renew without any action from the Association for successive ten (10) year periods to the extent permitted by law, unless previously terminated in accordance with <u>Section 16.7</u> hereof.
- 18.10. NOTICE OF INCLUSION IN PID, AND NOTICE OF OBLIGATION TO PAY PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS DISTRICT ASSESSMENT. THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN A PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT CREATED BY THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS, KNOWN AS THE "CITY POINT PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT". THE PURPOSE OF THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT

DISTRICT IS TO MAKE AVAILABLE VARIOUS UTILITIES, STORM WATER FACILITIES, PARK, CERTAIN PAVING ITEMS, AND ENGINEERING, LEGAL, AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT. THE COST OF THESE PID FACILITIES WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE PURCHASE PRICE OF YOUR PROPERTY, AND THESE PID FACILITIES ARE OWNED OR WILL BE OWNED BY THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS. THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS, THROUGH THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, HAS LEVIED OR WILL LEVY AN ASSESSMENT ("PID ASSESSMENT") FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING THESE PID IMPROVEMENTS TO BENEFIT PROPERTY IN THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT. ANY OWNER OF A LOT OR OTHER PORTION OF THE PROPERTY IS OBLIGATED TO PAY THE PID ASSESSMENT TO A THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS FOR AN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT UNDERTAKEN BY PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT. THE PID ASSESSMENT MAY BE DUE ANNUALLY OR IN PERIODIC INSTALLMENTS. INFORMATION CONCERNING THE AMOUNT OF THE PID ASSESSMENT AND THE DUE DATES OF THAT PID ASSESSMENT MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS LEVYING THE ASSESSMENT. THE AMOUNT OF THE PID ASSESSMENTS IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. AN OWNER'S TO PAY THE PID ASSESSMENTS COULD RESULT IN A LIEN ON AND THE FORECLOSURE OF AN OWNER'S LOT OR PORTION OF THE PROPERTY.

18.11. NOTICE OF INCLUSION IN TIF. THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED WITHIN A TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE CREATED BY THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS, FORMED PURSUANT TO AND GOVERNED BY CHAPTER 311, OF THE TEXAS TAX CODE, AS AMENDED. IN THIS REGARD, A PORTION OF THE REVENUES COLLECTED BY THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS, MAY BE USED TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND/OR REPLACEMENT OF CERTAIN QUALIFIED IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE TIF. MORE INFORMATION REGARDING THE TIF MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS THIS PAGE]

SIGNED on this 9th day of December, 2021

DECLARANT:

MM City Point 53, LLC, a Texas limited liability company

By: MMM Ventures, LLC,

a Texas limited liability company

Its Manager

By: 2M Ventures, LLC,

a Delaware limited liability company

Its Manager

Name: Mehrdad

Its: Manager

STATE OF TEXAS

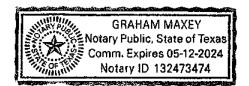
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COUNTY OF DALLAS

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Mehrdad Moayedi, Manager of 2M Ventures, LLC, as Manager of MMM Ventures, LLC, as Manager of MM City Point 53, LLC, a Texas limited liability company, known to me to be the person and officer whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that s/he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and as the act and deed of said limited liability company and in the capacity therein stated

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE, on this day of 2021.

[SEAL]



Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

CONSENT AND SUBORDINATION OF LIENHOLDER

The undersigned, being the beneficiary under that certain Deed of Trust (With Security Agreement) dated October 28, 2019, executed by MM City Point 53, LLC, a Texas limited liability company (the "Borrower") and recorded on October 31, 2019, as Document No. D219250825 in the Official Public Records of Tarrant County, Texas, together with any modifications, supplements, restatements or amendments thereto, hereby consents to the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for City Point NRH Residential Community (the "Declaration") to be applicable to the Property, in accordance with the terms thereof, and furthermore subordinates its lien rights and interests in and to the Property to the terms, provisions, covenants, conditions and restrictions under the Declaration so that foreclosure of its lien will not extinguish the terms, provisions, covenants, conditions and restrictions under the Declaration.

BENEFICIARY:

TREZ CAPITAL (2015) CORPORATION, a corporation formed under the laws of British Columbia

By: Trez Capital Funding II, LLC a Delaware limited liability company its Administrative Agent

Name: John D. Hutchinson

Title: President

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared John D. Hutchinson the President of Trez Capital Funding II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, Administrative Agent of TREZ CAPITAL (2015) CORPORATION, a corporation formed under the laws of British Columbia, known to me to be the person and officer whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that s/he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and as the act and deed of said corporation, and in the capacity therein stated

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE, on this ______ day of _______, 2021.

ANGELA WILLIAMS
Notary Public, State of Texes
PATT & Comm. Expires 02-07-2025
Notary ID 125190354

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

APPENDIX "A"

Legal description subject land

REAL PROPERTY LEGAL DESCRIPTION

[to be attached]

SF-3 – 5.8974 Acres Being a tract of land out of the William W. Wallace Survey, Abstract No. 1606 and situated in the City of North Richland Hills, Tarrant County, Texas, said tract being all of Lot 2, Block 1, City Point Addition, an addition to the City of North Richland Hills, Texas according to the plat thereof recorded as Instrument No. D214125258 of the Official Public Records of Tarrant County, Texas.

Beginning at a cross in concrete found for the southeast corner of said Lot 2, said cross being in the westerly right-of-way line of City Point Drive;

Thence South 89 degrees 35 minutes 08 seconds West with the southerly boundary line a distance of 10.00 feet;

Thence North 00 degrees 24 minutes 47 seconds West continuing with said southerly boundary line a distance of 0.11 feet;

Thence South 89 degrees 35 minutes 08 seconds West continuing with said southerly boundary line a distance of 409.25 feet to a 1/2 inch "MILLER 5665" capped steel rod found for the southwest corner of said Lot 2;

Thence North 00 degrees 24 minutes 51 seconds West with the westerly boundary line of said Lot 2 a distance of 803.70 feet to a cross in concrete set for the northwest corner thereof, said cross being in said westerly right-of-way line and also being the beginning of a curve to the right with a radius of 488.50 feet and whose chord bears South 65 degrees 31 minutes 50 seconds East at 67.10 feet;

Thence southeasterly with the easterly boundary line of said Lot 2 and said westerly right-of-way line and with said curve along an arc length of 67.15 feet and through a delta angle of 07 degrees 52 minutes 35 seconds to a cross in concrete set for the beginning of a curve to the left with a radius of 53.00 feet and whose chord bears South 69 degrees 41 minutes 12 seconds East at 14.93 feet;

Thence southerly continuing with said easterly boundary line and said westerly right-of-way line and with said curve along an arc length of 14.97 feet and through a delta angle of 16 degrees 11 minutes 19 seconds for the beginning of a curve to the right with a radius of 91.00 feet and whose chord bears South 67 degrees 02 minutes 17 seconds East, at 35.47 feet;

Thence southerly continuing with said easterly boundary line and said westerly right-of-way line and with said curve along an arc length of 35.70 feet and through a delta angle of 22 degrees 28 minutes 29 seconds to a cross in concrete set for the beginning of a curve to the right with a radius of 496.63 feet and whose chord bears South 48 degrees 06 minutes 28 seconds East at 132.96 feet:

Thence southerly continuing with said easterly boundary line and said westerly right-of-way line and with said curve along an arc length of 133.36 feet and through a delta angle of 15 degrees 23 minutes 09 seconds ;; for the beginning of a curve to the right with a radius of 912.77 feet and whose chord bears South 20 degrees 24 minutes 47 seconds East , at 624.37 feet;

Thence southerly continuing with said easterly boundary line and said westerly right-of-way line and with said curve along an arc length of 637.23 feet and through a delta angle of 40 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds;

Thence South 00 degrees 24 minutes 47 seconds East continuing with said easterly boundary line and said westerly right-of-way line and a distance of 80.00 feet to the point of beginning and containing 5.8974 acres of land, more or less;

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APPENDIX "A" CONTINUED

Legal description subject land

TRACT B-1

REAL PROPERTY LEGAL DESCRIPTION

[to be attached]

TRACT B-1

Tract B-1 - 4.4870 Acres: Being a tract of land out of the William W. Waliace Survey, Abstract No. 1606 and situated in the City of North Richland Hills, Tarrant County, Texas, being surveyed by Miller Surveying, Inc. of Hurst, Texas in February of 2020, said tract being a portion of Lot 1, Block 3, City Point Addition, an addition to the City of North Richland Hills, Texas according to the plat thereof recorded as Instrument No. D214125258 of the Official Public Records of said County, and being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows:

Commencing at a 2 inch aluminum monument found for the most northerly corner of said Lot 1, said monument being the intersection of the southeasterly right-of-way line of Boulevard 26 (Texas Highway No. 26) and the southwesterly right-of-way line of Rodger Line Drive; Thence South 31 degrees 56 minutes 13 seconds West a distance of 223.82 feet to the point of beginning o the tract described herein;

Thence North 88 degrees 16 minutes 26 seconds East a distance of 16.07 feet;

Thence South 55 degrees 12 minutes 33 seconds East a distance of 460.42 feet:

Thence South 85 degrees 29 minutes 25 seconds East a distance of 59.95 feet;

Thence South 34 degrees 21 minutes 11 seconds West a distance of 99.92 feet;

Thence South 01 degrees 19 minutes 24 seconds East a distance of 16.25 feet;

Thence South 37 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East a distance of 88.35 feet;

Thence South 49 degrees 53 minutes 06 seconds West a distance of 258.12 feet;

Thence North 40 degrees 06 minutes 54 seconds West a distance of 13.00 feet;

Thence North 85 degrees 06 minutes 54 seconds West a distance of 14.14 feet;

Thence North 40 degrees 06 minutes 54 seconds West a distance of 22.07 feet to the beginning of a curve to the left with a radius of 277.00 feet and whose chord bears North 47 degrees 39 minutes 43 seconds West at 72.76 feet;

Thence with said curve along an arc length of 72.97 feet and through a delta angle of 15 degrees 05 minutes 39 seconds to the end of said curve:

Thence North 55 degrees 12 minutes 33 seconds West a distance of 20.04 feet;

Thence North 10 degrees 12 minutes 33 seconds West a distance of 14.14 feet:

Thence North 55 degrees 12 minutes 33 seconds West a distance of 18.00 feet:

Thence South 79 degrees 47 minutes 27 seconds West a distance of 14.14 feet;

Thence North 55 degrees 12 minutes 33 seconds West a distance of 332.11 feet;

Thence North 14 degrees 38 minutes 09 seconds West a distance of 15.19 feet;

Thence North 25 degrees 56 minutes 14 seconds East a distance of 51.86 feet;

Thence North 75 degrees 21 minutes 51 seconds East a distance of 13.01 feet:

Thence North 34 degrees 47 minutes 27 seconds East a distance of 18.00 feet;

Thence North 55 degrees 12 minutes 33 seconds West a distance of 2.80 feet;

Thence North 14 degrees 38 minutes 09 seconds West a distance of 15.19 feet;

Thence North 25 degrees 56 minutes 14 seconds East a distance of 38.70 feet;

Thence North 75 degrees 21 minutes 51 seconds East a distance of 13.01 feet;

Thence South 55 degrees 12 minutes 33 seconds East a distance of 5.01 feet;

Thence North 34 degrees 47 minutes 27 seconds East a distance of 54.00 feet:

Thence North 55 degrees 12 minutes 33 seconds West a distance of 13.42 feet;

Thence North 14 degrees 38 minutes 09 seconds West a distance of 15.19 feet;

Thence North 25 degrees 56 minutes 14 seconds East a distance of 38.67 feet;

Thence North 75 degrees S5 minutes 08 seconds East a distance of 13.15 feet;

Thence North 34 degrees 47 minutes 27 seconds East a distance of 18.00 feet;

Thence North 55 degrees 12 minutes 33 seconds West a distance of 1.23 feet:

Thence North 10 degrees 14 minutes 36 seconds West a distance of 14.15 feet to the beginning of a curve to the right with a radius of 209.00 feet and whose chord bears North 43 degrees 14 minutes 23 seconds East at 52.00 feet;

Thence with said curve along an arc length of 52.13 feet and through a delta angle of 14 degrees 17 minutes 32 seconds to the point of beginning, and containing 4.4870 acres of land, more or less.



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APPENDIX "A" CONTINUED

Legal description subject land

TRACT B-2

REAL PROPERTY LEGAL DESCRIPTION

[to be attached]

TRACT B-2

Tract B-2 - 5.3270 Acres: Being a tract of land out of the William W. Wallace Survey, Abstract No. 1606 and situated in the City of North Richland Hills, Tarrant County, Texas, being surveyed by Miller Surveying, Inc. of Hurst, Texas in February of 2020, said tract being a portion of Lot 1, Block 3, City Point Addition, an addition to the City of North Richland Hills, Texas according to the plat thereof recorded as instrument No. D214125258 of the Official Public Records of said County, and being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows:

Commencing at a 2 inch aluminum monument found for the most northerly corner of said Lot 1, said monument being the intersection of the southeasterly right-of-way line of Boulevard 26 (Texas Highway No. 26) and the southwesterly right-of-way line of Rodger Line Drive; Thence South 40 degrees 35 minutes 48 seconds East a distance of 571.73 feet to the point of beginning of the tract described herein;

Thence South 37 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East a distance of 275.53 feet to the beginning of a curve to the right with a radius of 95.00 feet and whose chord bears South 25 degrees 38 minutes 37 seconds East at 37.41 feet;

Thence with said curve along an arc length of 37.66 feet and through a delta angle of 22 degrees 42 minutes 46 seconds;

Thence South 14 degrees 17 minutes 14 seconds East a distance of 109.71 feet to the beginning of a curve to the right with a radius of 414.56 feet and whose chord bears South 02 degrees 27 minutes 44 seconds West at 238.94 feet;

Thence with said curve along an arc length of 242.38 feet and through a delta angle of 33 degrees 29 minutes 57 seconds;

Thence South 19 degrees 04 minutes 31 seconds West a distance of 210.40 feet;

Thence South 64 degrees 06 minutes 25 seconds West a distance of 14.13 feet to the beginning of a curve to the left with a radius of 538.50 feet and whose chord bears North 80 degrees 31 minutes 59 seconds West at 179.67 feet;

Thence with said curve along an arc length of 180.52 feet and through a delta angle of 19 degrees 12 minutes 25 seconds;

Thence South 89 degrees 51 minutes 49 seconds West a distance of 85.53 feet;

Thence North 45 degrees 08 minutes 11 seconds West a distance of 14.14 feet;

Thence North 00 degrees 08 minutes 11 seconds West a distance of 51.00 feet;

Thence North 44 degrees 51 minutes 49 seconds East a distance of 14.14 feet;

Thence North 00 degrees 08 minutes 11 seconds West a distance of 18.00 feet;

Thence North 45 degrees 08 minutes 11 seconds West a distance of 14.14 feet;

Thence North 00 degrees 08 minutes 11 seconds West a distance of 38.00 feet;

Thence North 44 degrees 51 minutes 49 seconds East a distance of 14.14 feet;

Thence North 00 degrees 08 minutes 11 seconds West a distance of 54.00 feet;

Thence North 45 degrees 08 minutes 11 seconds West a distance

of 14.14 feet;

Thence North 00 degrees 08 minutes 11 seconds West a distance of 37.00 feet;

Thence North 44 degrees 12 minutes 34 seconds East a distance of 13.98 feet:

Thence North 00 degrees 22 minutes 00 seconds East a distance of 26.00 feet;

Thence South 89 degrees 51 minutes 49 seconds West a distance of 3.93 feet;

Thence North 52 degrees 36 minutes 18 seconds West a distance of 15.86 feet to the beginning of a curve to the left with a radius of 152.00 feet and whose chord bears North 28 degrees 32 minutes 12 seconds West at 61.01 feet;

Thence with said curve along an arc length of 61.43 feet and through a delta angle of 23 degrees 09 minutes 22 seconds;

Thence North 40 degrees 06 minutes 54 seconds West a distance of 58.66 feet;

Thence North 04 degrees 53 minutes 06 seconds East a distance of 14.14 feet;

Thence North 40 degrees 06 minutes 54 seconds West a distance of 13.00 feet;

Thence North 49 degrees 53 minutes 06 seconds East a distance of 258.12 feet;

Thence North 37 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West a distance of 88.35 feet;

Thence North 01 degrees 19 minutes 24 seconds West a distance of 16.25 feet;

Thence North 34 degrees 21 minutes 11 seconds East a distance of 99.92 feet to the beginning of a curve to the right with a radius of 120.00 feet and whose chord bears North 42 degrees 21 minutes 29 seconds East at 33.42 feet;

Thence with said curve along an arc length of 33.53 feet and through a delta angle of 16 degrees 00 minutes 36 seconds;

Thence South 82 degrees 07 minutes 28 seconds East a distance of 14.11 feet to the point of beginning and containing 5.3270 acres of land, more or less.



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APPENDIX "A" CONTINUED

Legal description subject land

TRACT B-3

REAL PROPERTY LEGAL DESCRIPTION

[to be attached]

TRACT B-3

TRACT B-3 - 11.2394 Acres: Being a tract of land out of the William W. Wallace Survey, Abstract No. 1606 and situated in the City of North Richland Hills, Tarrant County, Texas, being surveyed by Miller Surveying, Inc. of Hurst, Texas in October of 2019, said tract being a portion of Lot 1, Block 1, City Point Addition, an addition to the City of North Richland Hills, Texas according to the plat thereof recorded as Instrument No. D214125258 of the Official Public Records of said County, and being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows:

Commencing at a 2 inch aluminum monument found for the northwest corner of said Lot 1, said monument being in the southeasterly right-of-way line of Boulevard 26 (Texas Highway No. 26); Thence South 48 degrees 54 minutes 59 seconds East a distance of 41.78 feet to the point of beginning of the tract described herein;

Thence North 47 degrees 39 minutes 42 seconds East a distance of 277.87 feet to the beginning of a curve to the right with a radius of 26.00 feet and whose chord bears North 71 degrees 27 minutes 30 seconds East at 20.98 feet;

Thence with said curve along an arc length of 21.60 feet and through a delta angle of 47 degrees 35 minutes 36 seconds to the end of said curve;

Thence South 84 degrees 44 minutes 42 seconds East a distance of 99.56 feet;

Thence North 69 degrees 52 minutes 03 seconds East a distance of 43.97 feet:

Thence North 89 degrees 31 minutes 26 seconds East a distance of 64.81 feet:

Thence South 75 degrees 00 minutes 30 seconds East a distance of 2.30 feet:

Thence South 73 degrees 49 minutes 57 seconds East a distance of 1.60 feet:

Thence South 72 degrees 52 minutes 08 seconds East a distance of 1.59 feet:

Thence South 26 degrees 22 minutes 08 seconds East a distance of 14.63 feet to the beginning of a curve to the left with a radius of 155.00 feet and whose chord bears South 07 degrees 09 minutes 15 seconds West at 41.16 feet;

Thence with said curve along an arc length of 41.28 feet and through a delta angle of 15 degrees 15 minutes 39 seconds to the end of said curve;

Thence South 00 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds East a distance of 10.49 feet;

Thence South 44 degrees 31 minutes 26 seconds West a distance of 14.14 feet;

Thence South 00 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds East a distance of 54.00 feet:

Thence South 45 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds East a distance of 14.14 feat.

Thence South 00 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds East a distance of 312.00 feet;

Thence South 44 degrees 31 minutes 26 seconds West a distance of 14.14 feet:

Thence South 00 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds East a distance of 54.00 feet:

Thence South 45 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds East a distance of 14.14 feets

Thence South 00 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds East a distance of 497.17 feet;

Thence South 44 degrees 31 minutes 26 seconds West a distance of 14.14 feet;

Thence South 00 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds East a distance of 54.00 feet:

Thence South 45 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds East a distance of 14.14 feet:

Thence South 00 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds East a distance of 51.00 feet:

Thence South 44 degrees 31 minutes 26 seconds West a distance of 14.14 feet:

Thence South 89 degrees 31 minutes 26 seconds West a distance of 411.00 feet to the beginning of a curve to the right with a radius of 26.00 feet and whose chord bears North 45 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds West at 36.77 feet;

Thence with said curve along an arc length of 40.84 feet and through a delta angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds to the end of said curve;

Thence North 00 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds West a distance of 35.00 feet:

Thence North 44 degrees 31 minutes 26 seconds East a distance of 14.14 feet:

Thence North 00 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds West a distance of 54.00 feet:

Thence North 45 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds West a distance of 14.14 feet;

Thence North 00 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds West a distance of 388.17 feet to the beginning of a curve to the right with a radius of 26.00 feet and whose chord bears North 44 degrees 31 minutes 26 seconds East at 36.77 feet;

Thence with said curve along an arc length of 40.84 feet and through a delta angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds to the end of said curve;

Thence North 00 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds West a distance of 18.00 feet to the beginning of a curve to the right with a radius of 26.00 feet and whose chord bears North 45 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds West at 36.77 feet;

Thence with said curve along an arc length of 40.84 feet and through a delta angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds to the end of said curve;

Thence North 00 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds West a distance of 348.85 feet to the beginning of a curve to the right with a radius of 26.00 feet and whose chord bears North 23 degrees 35 minutes 34 seconds East at 21.21 feet;

Thence with said curve along an arc length of 21.84 feet and through a delta angle of 48 degrees 08 minutes 16 seconds to the point of beginning and containing 11.2394 acres of land, more or less.



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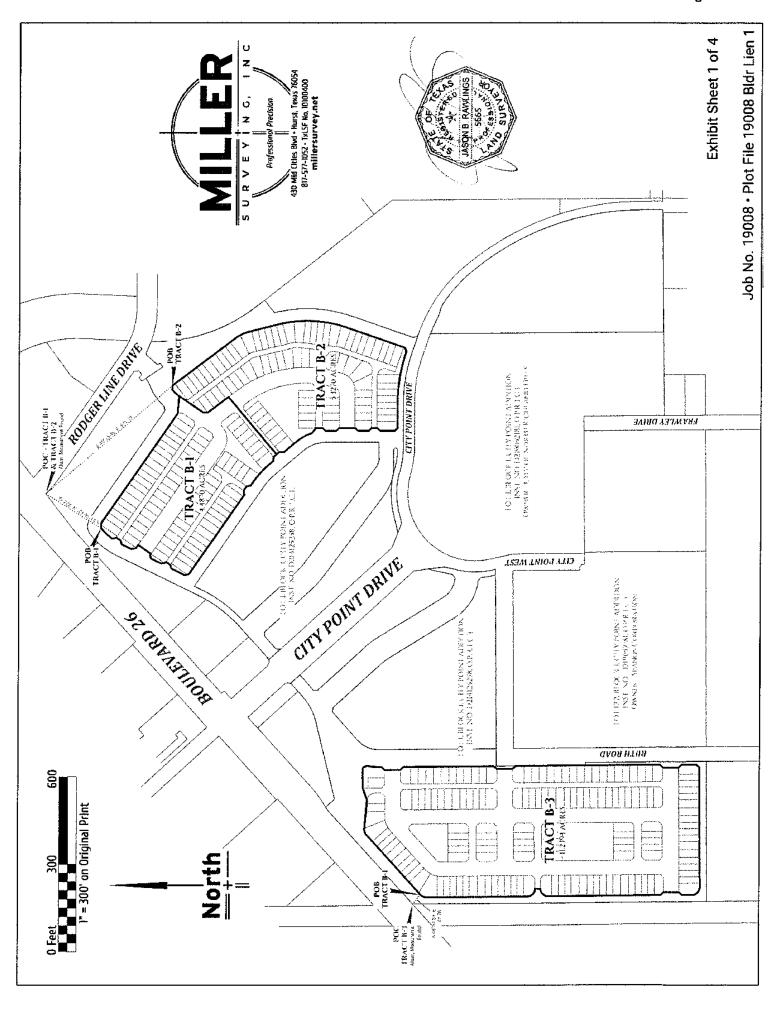
APPENDIX "A" CONTINUED

Legal description subject land

EXHIBIT SHEET FOR TRACTS B-1, B-2 AND B-3

REAL PROPERTY LEGAL DESCRIPTION

[to be attached]



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APPENDIX "B"

DECLARANT REPRESENTATIONS & RESERVATIONS

B.1. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

- B.1.1. <u>Introduction</u>. Declarant intends the Declaration to be perpetual and understands that provisions pertaining to the initial development, construction, marketing, and control of the Property will become obsolete when Declarant's role is complete. As a courtesy to future users of the Declaration, who may be frustrated by then-obsolete terms, Declarant is compiling the Declarant-related provisions in this Appendix.
- B.1.2. General Reservation & Construction. Notwithstanding other provisions of the Documents to the contrary, nothing contained therein may be construed to, nor may any mortgagee, other Owner, or the Association, prevent or interfere with the rights contained in this Appendix which Declarant hereby reserves exclusively unto itself and its successors and assigns. In case of conflict between this Appendix and any other Document, this Appendix controls. This Appendix may not be amended without the prior written consent of Declarant. To the extent any proposed amendment is for the purpose of either amending the provisions of this Declaration or the Association's Agreements pertaining to the use, operation, maintenance and/or supervision of any facilities, structures, improvements, systems, Common Areas, private Streets or grounds that are the responsibility of the Association, prior written consent of the City may be required. The terms and provisions of this Appendix must be construed liberally to give effect to Declarant's intent to protect Declarant's interests in the Property.
- B.1.3. <u>Purpose of Development and Declarant Control Periods</u>. This Appendix gives Declarant certain rights during the Development Period and the Declarant Control Period to ensure a complete and orderly build out and sellout of the Property, which is ultimately for the benefit and protection of Owners and mortgagees. Declarant may not use its control of the Association and the Property for an advantage over the Owners by way of retention of any residual rights or interests in the Association or through the creation of any contractual agreements which the Association may not terminate without cause with ninety days' notice.
- B.1.4. <u>Definitions</u>. As used in this Appendix and elsewhere in the Documents, the following words and phrases, when capitalized, have the following specified meanings:
- a. "<u>Builder</u>" means a person or entity which purchases, or contracts to purchase, a Lot from Declarant or from a Builder for the purpose of constructing a Townhome or Detached Residence for resale or under contract to an Owner other than Declarant. As used in this Declaration, Builder does not refer to Declarant or to any home building or home marketing company that is an affiliate of Declarant.
- b. "<u>Declarant Control Period</u>" means that period of time during which Declarant controls the operation of this Association. The duration of the Declarant Control Period will be from the date this Declaration is recorded for a maximum period not to exceed the earlier of:

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- (1) fifty (50) years from date this Declaration is recorded.
- (2) the date title to the Lots and all other portions of the Property has been conveyed to Owners other than Builders or Declarant.
- B.1.5. <u>Builders</u>. Declarant, through its affiliates, intends to construct Townhomes and Detached Residences on the Lots in connection with the sale of the Lots. However, Declarant may, without notice, sell some or all of the Lots to one or more Builders to improve the Lots with Townhomes to be sold and occupied.
- B.2. <u>DECLARANT CONTROL PERIOD RESERVATIONS</u>. Declarant reserves the following powers, rights, and duties during the Declarant Control Period:
- B.2.1. Officers & Directors. During the Declarant Control Period, the Board may consist of a minimum of three (3) persons, and a maximum of five (5) persons. During the Declarant Control Period, Declarant may appoint, remove, and replace any officer or director of the Association, none of whom need be Members or Owners, and each of whom is indemnified by the Association as a "Leader;" provided, however, that on or before the date which is the earlier of (i) one hundred twenty (120) days after Declarant has sold seventy five percent (75%) of the Lots that may be developed within the Property, or (ii) ten (10) years after the date of recordation of this Declaration, at least one-third (1/3) of the directors on the Board shall be elected by non-Declarant Owners.
- B.2.2. Weighted Votes. During the Declarant Control Period, the vote appurtenant to each Lot owned by Declarant is weighted twenty (20) times that of the vote appurtenant to a Lot owned by another Owner. In other words, during the Declarant Control Period, Declarant may cast the equivalent of twenty (20) votes for each Lot owned by Declarant on any issue before the Association. On termination of the Declarant Control Period and thereafter, the vote appurtenant to Declarant's Lots is weighted uniformly with all other votes. In determining the number of Lots owned by the Declarant for the purpose of weighted voting hereunder, the total number of Lots covered by this Declaration, including all Lots annexed into the Property in accordance with the terms of this Declaration (including, by Declarant pursuant to its rights under Section B.7 of this Appendix B) shall be considered.
- B.2.3. <u>Budget Funding</u>. The Declarant shall not be responsible or liable for any deficit in the Association's Budget or funds. The Declarant may, but is under no obligation to, subsidize any liabilities incurred by the Association, and the Declarant may, but is not obligated to, lend funds to the Association to enable it to defray its expenses, provided the terms of such loans are on reasonable market conditions at the time. Declarant is not responsible for funding the Reserve Fund and may, at its sole discretion, require the Association to use Reserve Funds or working capital funds collected under Section B.5 of this <u>Appendix B</u> when available to pay operating expenses prior to the Declarant funding any deficit.
- B.2.4. <u>Declarant Assessments</u>. During the Declarant Control Period, any real property owned by Declarant is not subject to Assessments by the Association.

B.2.5. <u>Builder Obligations</u>. During the Declarant Control Period only, Declarant has the right but not the duty (1) to reduce or waive the Assessment obligation of a Builder, and (2) to exempt a Builder from any or all liabilities for transfer-related fees charged by the Association or its manager, provided the agreement is in writing. Absent such an exemption, any Builder who owns a Lot is liable for all Assessments and other fees charged by the Association in the same manner as any Owner.

- B.2.6. <u>Commencement of Assessments</u>. During the initial development of the Property, Declarant may elect to postpone the Association's initial levy of Regular Assessments until a certain number of Lots are sold. During the Declarant Control Period, Declarant will determine when the Association first levies Regular Assessments against the Lots. Prior to the first levy, Declarant will be responsible for all operating expenses of the Association.
- B.2.7. Expenses of Declarant. Expenses related to the completion and marketing of the Property will be paid by Declarant and are not expenses of the Association.
- B.2.8. <u>Budget Control</u>. During the Declarant Control Period, the right of Owners to veto Assessment increases or Special Assessments is not effective and may not be exercised. Annual budgets wherein no assessment increase is anticipated need only be acknowledged by the Board in an open Board meeting for memorialization of the action.
- B.2.9. Organizational Meeting. Within one hundred twenty (120) days after the end of the Declarant Control Period, or sooner at the Declarant's option, Declarant will call an organizational meeting of the Members of the Association for the purpose of electing, by vote of the Owners, directors to the Board. Written notice of the organizational meeting must be given to an Owner of each Lot at least ten (10) days but not more than sixty (60) days before the meeting. For the organizational meeting, Owners of ten percent (10%) of the Lots constitute a quorum. The directors elected at the organizational meeting will serve as the Board until the next annual meeting of the Association or a special meeting of the Association called for the purpose of electing directors, at which time the staggering of terms will begin. At this transition meeting, the Declarant will transfer control over all utilities related to the Common Areas owned by the Association and Declarant will provide information to the Association, if not already done so, relating to the total costs to date related to the operation and maintenance of the Common Areas and Areas of Common Responsibility.
- B.3. <u>DEVELOPMENT PERIOD RESERVATIONS</u>. Declarant reserves the following easements and rights, exercisable at Declarant's sole discretion, at any time during the Development Period:
- B.3.1. Changes in Development Plan. Declarant may modify the initial development plan to respond to perceived or actual changes and opportunities in the marketplace. Subject to approval by (1) a governmental entity, if applicable, and (2) the Owner of the land or Lots to which the change would directly apply (if other than Declarant), Declarant may (a) change the sizes, dimensions, and configurations of Lots and Streets; (b) change the minimum Townhome or Detached Residence size; (c) change the building setback requirements; and (d) eliminate or modify any other feature of the Property.

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B.3.2. <u>Builder Limitations</u>. Declarant may require its approval (which may not be unreasonably withheld) of all documents and materials used by a Builder in connection with the development and sale of Lots, including without limitation promotional materials; deed restrictions; forms for deeds, Lot sales, and Lot closings. Without Declarant's prior written approval, a Builder may not use a sales office or model in the Property to market homes, Lots, or other products located outside the Property.

- B.3.3. Architectural Control. During the Development Period, Declarant has the absolute right to serve as the Architectural Reviewer pursuant to Article 6. Declarant may from time to time, but is not obligated to, delegate all or a portion of its reserved rights as Architectural Reviewer under Article 6 and this Appendix to (1) an ACC appointed by the Board, or (2) a committee comprised of architects, engineers, or other persons who may or may not be Members of the Association. Any such delegation is at all times subject to the unilateral rights of Declarant (1) to revoke such delegation at any time and reassume jurisdiction over the matters previously delegated and (2) to veto any decision which Declarant in its sole discretion determines to be inappropriate or inadvisable for any reason. Declarant also has the unilateral right to exercise architectural control over vacant Lots in the Property. The Association, the Board of directors, nor a committee appointed by the Association or Board (no matter how the committee is named) may involve itself with the approval of new Residences and related improvements on vacant Lots.
- B.3.4. <u>Amendment</u>. During the Development Period, Declarant may amend this Declaration and the other Documents, including the Bylaws, without consent of the Board, other Owners or mortgagee, or Members for any purpose, including without limitation the following purposes:
- a. To create Lots, easements, and Common Areas within the Property.
- b. To modify the designation of the Area of Common Responsibility.
- c. To subdivide, combine, or reconfigure Lots.
- d. To convert Lots into Common Areas and Common Areas back to Lots.
- e. To modify the construction and use restrictions of Article 7 of this Declaration.
- f. To merge the Association with another property owners association.
- g. To comply with the requirements of an underwriting lender, to bring any provisions of this Declaration into compliance with any applicable governmental statute, rule, regulation or judicial determination, or to satisfy the requirements of any local, state or federal governmental.
- h. To resolve conflicts, clarify ambiguities, and to correct misstatements, errors, or omissions in the Documents.
- i. To enable any reputable title insurance company to issue title insurance coverage on the Lots.

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j. To enable an institutional or governmental lender to make or purchase mortgage loans on the Lots.

- k. To change the name or entity of Declarant.
- 1. To change the name of the addition in which the Property is located.
- m. To change the name of the Association.
- n. For any other purpose, provided the amendment has no material adverse effect on any right of any Owner.
- B.3.5. <u>Completion</u>. During the Development Period, Declarant has (1) the right to complete or make improvements indicated on the Plat; (2) the right to sell or lease any Lot owned by Declarant; and (3) an easement and right to erect, construct, and maintain on and in the Common Area, Area of Common Responsibility, and Lots owned or leased by Declarant whatever Declarant determines to be necessary or advisable in connection with the construction, completion, management, maintenance, leasing, and marketing of the Property, including, without limitation, parking areas, temporary buildings, temporary fencing, portable toilets, storage areas, dumpsters, trailers, and commercial vehicles of every type.
- B.3.6. Easement to Inspect & Right to Correct. During the Development Period, Declarant reserves for itself the right, but not the duty, to inspect, monitor, test, redesign, correct, and relocate any structure, improvement or condition that may exist on any portion of the Property, including the Lots, and a perpetual nonexclusive easement of access throughout the Property to the extent reasonably necessary to exercise this right. Declarant will promptly repair, at its sole expense, any damage resulting from the exercise of this right. By way of illustration but not limitation, relocation of a screening wall located on a Lot may be warranted by a change of circumstance, imprecise siting of the original wall, or desire to comply more fully with public codes and ordinances. This Section may not be construed to create a duty for Declarant or the Association.
- B.3.7. <u>Promotion</u>. During the Development Period, Declarant reserves for itself an easement and right to place or install signs, banners, flags, display lighting, potted plants, exterior decorative items, seasonal decorations, temporary window treatments, and seasonal landscaping on the Property, including items and locations that are prohibited to other Owners and Residents, for purposes of promoting, identifying, and marketing the Property and/or Declarant's Residences, Lots, developments, or other products located outside the Property. Declarant reserves an easement and right to maintain, relocate, replace, or remove the same from time to time within the Property. Declarant also reserves the right to sponsor marketing events such as open houses, MLS tours, and broker's parties at the Property to promote the sale of Lots. During the Development Period, Declarant also reserves (1) the right to permit Builders to place signs and promotional materials on the Property and (2) the right to exempt Builders from the sign restriction in this Declaration.

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B.3.8. Offices. During the Development Period, Declarant reserves for itself the right to use Townhomes or Detached Residences owned or leased by Declarant as models, storage areas, and offices for the marketing, management, maintenance, customer service, construction, and leasing of the Property and/or Declarant's developments or other products located outside the Property. Also, Declarant reserves for itself the easement and right to make structural changes and alterations on and to Lots, Townhomes, and Detached Residences used by Declarant as models, storage areas, and offices, as may be necessary to adapt them to the uses permitted herein.

B.3.9. Access. During the Development Period, Declarant has an easement and right of ingress and egress in and through the Property for purposes of constructing, maintaining, managing, and marketing the Property and the Property Subject to Annexation (as hereinafter defined), and for discharging Declarant's obligations under this Declaration.

Declarant also has the right to provide a reasonable means of access for the home buying public through any existing or future gate that restricts vehicular access to the Property in connection with the active marketing of Lots and Residences by Declarant or Builders, including the right to require that the gate be kept open during certain hours and/or on certain days. This provision may not be construed as an obligation or intent to gate the Property.

- B.3.10. <u>Utility Easements</u>. During the Development Period, Declarant may grant permits, licenses, and easements over, in, on, under, and through the Property for utilities, roads, and other purposes necessary for the proper development and operation of the Property. Declarant reserves the right to make changes in and additions to the easements on any Lot, as shown on the Plat, to more efficiently or economically install utilities or other improvements. Utilities may include, but are not limited to, water, sewer, trash removal, electricity, gas, telephone, television, cable, internet service, and security. To exercise this right as to land that is not a Common Area or not owned by Declarant, Declarant must have the prior written consent of the Owner.
- B.3.11. Assessments. For the duration of the Development Period, any Lot owned by Declarant is not subject to mandatory assessment by the Association until the date Declarant transfers title to an Owner other than Declarant. If Declarant owns a Lot on the expiration or termination of the Development Period, from that day forward Declarant is liable for Assessments on each Lot owned by Declarant in the same manner as any Owner.
- B.3.12. <u>Land Transfers</u>. During the Development Period, any transfer of an interest in the Property to or from Declarant is not subject to any transfer-related provision in the Documents, including without limitation on an obligation for transfer or Resale Certificate fees, and the transfer-related provisions of Article 8 of this Declaration. The application of this provision includes without limitation Declarant's Lot take-downs, Declarant's sale of Lots to Builders, and Declarant's sale of Lots to homebuyers.
- B.4. <u>COMMON AREAS</u>. Declarant will convey title to the Common Areas, including any and all facilities, structures, improvements and systems of the Common Areas owned by Declarant, to the Association by one or more deeds with or without warranty. Any initial Common Area improvements will be installed, constructed, or authorized by Declarant, the cost of which is not a Common Expense of the Association. At the time of conveyance to the Association, the Common Areas will be free to encumbrance except for the property taxes accruing for the year of

conveyance the terms of this Declaration and matters reflected on the Plat. Declarant's conveyance of title is a ministerial task that does not require and is not subject to acceptance by the Association or the Owners. The transfer of control of the Association at the end of the Declarant Control Period is not a transfer of Common Areas requiring inspection, evaluation, acceptance, or approval of Common Area improvements by the Owners. Declarant is under no contractual or other obligation to provide amenities of any kind or type.

- WORKING CAPITAL FUND. Declarant may (but is not required to) establish a working capital fund for the Association by requiring purchasers of Lots to make a one-time contribution to this fund, subject to the following conditions:
- The amount of the contribution to this fund will be an amount equal to the greater of (i) Five Hundred and No/100 Dollars (\$500.00) for each Lot or (ii) one-third (1/3) of the then current annual Regular Assessment with respect to transfers from a non-Builder Owner to another Owner, and will be collected on the closing of the sale of the Lot to any Owner (including Builders) other than transfers from a Builder, or any transfers to or from a Declarant, a Successor Declarant, or Declarant-affiliate. Declarant during the Development Period or, thereafter, the Board may increase the amount of the contribution to be made by Builder or any Owner pursuant to this paragraph by an additional amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the then current contribution required to be made without joinder or consent of any Member or Owner.
- Subject to the foregoing, a Lot's contribution should be collected from the Owner at closing upon sale of Lot from Builder to Owner; Declarant acknowledges that this condition may create an inequity among the Owners, but deems it a necessary response to the diversification of marketing and closing Lot sales.
- Contributions to the fund are not advance payments of Regular Assessments or Special Assessments and are not refundable to the contributor by the Association or by Declarant. This may not be construed to prevent a selling Owner from negotiating reimbursement of the contribution from a purchaser.
- Declarant will transfer the balance of the working capital fund to the Association d. on or before termination of the Declarant Control Period. Declarant may not use the fund to defray Declarant's personal expenses or construction costs however, Declarant may, if necessary, utilize funds for the Association's operating needs in the event of a deficit in the Association's operating budget.
- Declarant may designate one or more Successor SUCCESSOR DECLARANT. B.6. Declarants' (herein so called) for specified designated purposes and/or for specified portions of the Property, or for all purposes and all of the Property. To be effective, the designation must be in writing, signed and acknowledged by Declarant and Successor Declarant, and recorded in the Real Property Records of Tarrant County, Texas. Declarant (or Successor Declarant) may subject the designation of Successor Declarant to limitations and reservations. Unless the designation of Successor Declarant provides otherwise, a Successor Declarant has the rights of Declarant under this Section and may designate further Successor Declarants.

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B.7. <u>Declarant's Right to Annex Adjacent Property.</u> Declarant hereby reserves for itself and its affiliates and/or any of their respective successors and assigns the right to annex any real property in the vicinity of the Property (the "Property Subject to Annexation") into the scheme of this Declaration as provided in this Declaration. Notwithstanding anything herein or otherwise to the contrary, Declarant and/or such affiliates, successors and/or assigns, subject to annexation of same into the real property, shall have the exclusive unilateral right, privilege and option (but never an obligation), from time to time, for as long as Declarant owns any portion of the Property or Property Subject to Annexation, to annex (a) all or any portion of the Property Subject to Annexation owned by Declarant, and (b) subject to the provisions of this Declaration and the jurisdiction of the Association, any additional property located adjacent to or in the immediate vicinity of the Property (collectively, the "Annexed Land"), by filing in the Official Public Records of Tarrant County, Texas, a Supplemental Declaration expressly annexing any such Annexed Land. Such Supplemental Declaration shall not require the vote of the Owners, the Members of the Association, or approval by the Board or other action of the Association or any other Person. subject to the prior annexation of such Annexed Land into the real property. Any such annexation shall be effective upon the filing of such Supplemental Declaration in the Official Public Records of Tarrant County, Texas (with consent of Owner(s) of the Annexed Land, if not Declarant). Declarant shall also have the unilateral right to transfer to any successor Declarant, Declarant's right, privilege and option to annex Annexed Land, provided that such successor Declarant shall be the developer of at least a portion of the Annexed Land and shall be expressly designated by Declarant in writing to be the successor or assignee to all or any part of Declarant's rights hereunder.

- B.7.1. <u>Procedure for Annexation</u>. Any such annexation shall be accomplished by the execution by Declarant, and the filing for record by Declarant (or the other Owner of the property being added or annexed, to the extent such other Owner has received a written assignment from Declarant of the right to annex hereunder) of a Supplemental Declaration which must set out and provide for the following:
- (i) A legally sufficient description of the Annexed Land being added or annexed, which Annexed Land must as a condition precedent to such annexation be included in the real property;
- (ii) That the Annexed Land is being annexed in accordance with and subject to the provisions of this Declaration, and that the Annexed Land being annexed shall be developed, held, used, sold and conveyed in accordance with, and subject to, the provisions of this Declaration as theretofore and thereafter amended; provided, however, that if any Lots or portions thereof being so annexed are to be treated differently than any of the other Lots (whether such difference is applicable to other Lots included therein or to the Lots now subject to this Declaration), the Supplemental Declaration should specify the details of such difference in treatment and a general statement of the rationale and reasons for the difference in treatment, and if applicable, any other special or unique covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements or other requirements as may be applicable to all or any of the Lots or other portions of Annexed Land being annexed;

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(iii) That all of the provisions of this Declaration, as amended, shall apply to the Annexed Land being added or annexed with the same force and effect as if said Annexed Land were originally included in this Declaration as part of the Initial Property, with the total number of Lots increased accordingly;

- (iv) That an Assessment Lien is therein created and reserved in favor of the Association to secure collection of the Assessments as provided in this Declaration, and as provided for, authorized or contemplated in the Supplemental Declaration, and setting forth the first year Maintenance Assessments and the amount of any other then applicable Assessments (if any) for the Lots within the Annexed Land being made subject to this Declaration; and
- (v) Such other provisions as the Declarant therein shall deem appropriate.
- B.7.2. <u>Amendment</u>. The provisions of this B.7. or its sub-sections may not be amended without the express written consent of Declarant (and Declarant's successors and assigns in accordance with the terms hereof).
- B.7.3. <u>No Duty to Annex</u>. Nothing herein contained shall establish any duty or obligation on the part of the Declarant or any Member to annex any property to this Declaration and no Owner of the property excluded from this Declaration shall have any right to have such property annexed thereto.

[End of Appendix B]

APPENDIX "C"

DESIGNATION OF AREA OF COMMON RESPONSIBILITY AND MAINTENANCE CHART

MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITY CHART

"All aspects" includes maintenance, repair, and replacement, as needed.

COMPONENT OF PROPERTY	ASSOCIATIONS AREA OF COMMON RESPONSIBILITY	OWNER RESPONSIBILITY (SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY ACC)
Roofs.	Decking, felt, shingles, and metal flashing, only	All other aspects, including roof trusses.
Roof mounted attachments.	None.	All aspects.
Exterior vertical walls of Townhome Buildings, other exterior features of Townhome Buildings not specifically listed in chart.	Outermost materials only, such as siding, stucco, and brick, and any coatings or surface treatments on the material, such as paint or sealant.	1
Townhome Building foundations, patio slabs, and A/C slabs.	Patio Slab failure.	All other aspects including repair for minor cracks that result from the natural movement of soil (expansion and contraction), shrinkage during the curing of the concrete, and settling of the Townhome Building.

COMPONENT OF PROPERTY	ASSOCIATIONS AREA OF COMMON RESPONSIBILITY	OWNER RESPONSIBILITY (SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY ACC)
Concrete driveways and sidewalks.	All structural aspects.	Routine cleaning & including repair of minor cracks that result from the natural expansion & contraction of soil, shrinkage during the curing of the concrete and settling of the Townhome Building.
Retaining walls.	All aspects.	None.
Displays of street numbers on exterior doors or Townhome Building surfaces.	All aspects.	None.
Gutters and downspouts.	All aspects.	None.
Landscape Services – Yard Area (outside fenced yards).	All aspects.	None.
Fences and gates around private Townhome yards.	All aspects.	None.
Irrigation Maintenance Services	All aspects within the Yard Area.	None, unless outside of the Yard Area.
Exterior light fixtures on Townhome Buildings.	None.	All aspects.

COMPONENT OF PROPERTY	ASSOCIATIONS AREA OF COMMON RESPONSIBILITY	OWNER RESPONSIBILITY (SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY ACC)
Exterior doors of Townhome Buildings.	Determining styles and materials of front doors and garage doors. Periodic paint or stain on garage doors, only.	All other aspects of the garage door, and all aspects of other doors, including paint, door frame, door, glass panes, hardware, locks, peepholes, thresholds, weather-stripping, and doorbells.
Garages.	Roofs and exterior vertical walls, as described above.	All aspects, except those noted for Association. Includes, routine interior cleaning, interior wall and ceiling materials, pedestrian door, automatic garage door opener, remote controls, interior light fixture, interior electrical outlets.
Skylights.	None.	All aspects.
Attics.	None.	All aspects.
Insulation & weather-stripping.	None.	All aspects.
Townhome interiors, including improvements, fixtures, partition walls & floors within Townhome.	None.	All aspects.
Sheetrock in Townhomes (walls and ceilings) & treatments on walls.	None.	All aspects.
Improvements and grounds in private/fenced yard.	None.	All aspects.

COMPONENT OF PROPERTY	ASSOCIATIONS AREA OF COMMON RESPONSIBILITY	OWNER RESPONSIBILITY (SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY ACC)
Surface water drainage systems.	All aspects, including collection drains and drain systems.	None. Prohibited from changing the drainage system.
Windows.	Periodic exterior caulking in connection with exterior painting.	All other aspects, including window frames, window sill flashings, window seals and sealants, screens, window locks, glass panes, glazing, interior caulking.
Water, sewer, electrical lines & systems.	All other aspects unless maintained by a utility company or other regulatory authority.	All aspects for lines and systems located on and serving the Lots.
Heating and cooling systems & water heaters.	None.	All aspects.
Intrusion alarms on doors/windows, smoke/heat detectors, monitoring equipment.	None.	All aspects.
Cable for television or internet.	Standards for location and appearance of able and/or conduit.	All other aspects.
Television antennas & satellite dishes.	Standards for location and appearance of exterior mounted devices.	All other aspects.

COMPONENT OF PROPERTY	ASSOCIATIONS AREA OF COMMON RESPONSIBILITY	OWNER RESPONSIBILITY (SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY ACC)
Any other component of a Townhome and/or Lot not specifically listed in this Exhibit "A".	None.	All aspects.

- NOTE 1: The components listed in the first column are applicable only if they exist, and may not be construed to create a requirement to have such a component.
- NOTE 2: If any Owner is responsible for a component of the Townhome Building that is shared with one or more other Townhomes in the Townhome Building, such as roof trusses and the foundation, the responsibility is shared by the Owners of all the Townhomes in the Townhome Building. If the Owners of the Townhomes in the Townhome Building cannot agree on an equitable division of the costs based on the circumstances, the division will be equal among the Townhomes although one Townhome may be more affected than the others. If the Owners of the Townhomes cannot agree on any aspect of maintenance that requires their joint participation, the matter will be decided by a 3 person ad hoc committee appointed by the Board.
- NOTE 3: If an Owner fails or refuses to perform necessary maintenance, repair, or replacement, the Association may perform the work after giving required notices to the Owner. The expense incurred by the Association in connection with the entry upon any Lot and/or Residence, and the maintenance and repair work conducted thereon or therein, will be a personal obligation of the Owner of the Lot so entered, will be deemed an Individual Assessment against such Lot, will be secured by a lien upon such Lot, and will be enforced in the same manner and to the same extent as provided in Article 9 of the Declaration for Assessments.
- NOTE 4: This Maintenance Responsibility Chart may be revised by the Association at any time and from time to time at the sole discretion of the Declarant or a majority vote of the Board. A revised Chart must be recorded in the Real Property Records of Dallas County, Texas. Revisions to the Maintenance Responsibility Chart must be provided to the Owners of Townhomes by delivering a copy of the revised Chart to such Owners by U.S. mail and if applicable, posted to the Association's website.

APPENDIX "D"

TO DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR CITY POINT NRH RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY

Design Guidelines

TOWNHOMES ARE EXCLUDED FROM APPENDIX "D-1" UNLESS REFERENCE TO TOWNHOMES IS SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED

PART ONE: LANDSCAPING, FENCES AND EXTERIOR ELEMENTS

SECTION 1.1 LANDSCAPING. This Section shall pertain to Townhomes and Detached Residences:

Upon completion of each Residence, each Residence must comply with the landscaping requirements of any applicable City of North Richland Hills ordinances and Association Rules. Notwithstanding compliance with the foregoing, the following landscape elements shall be installed prior to occupancy of the Residence:

- 1.1.1 Sod and Irrigation: Each Residence shall have full sod installed for the entire front and rear yard and a minimum of ten (10) feet back from the front wall face for each side yard, or to the side yard fence, or as required under Applicable Zoning, whichever is greater. Decorative ricks may be permitted within areas where plant material is difficult to maintain or where used to accentuate landscape areas. All yard areas within a Lot covered with organic material must be watered by an automatic underground irrigation system equipped with rain and freeze sensors. No synthetic turf, flowers, or vegetation whatsoever is allowed.
- 1.1.2 Trees: A minimum of One (1) shade tree or One (1) evergreen tree, or Three (3) small ornamental trees shall be located in the Front Yard of each Residence. All plants shall be selected from the City's required plant schedule outlined in the Applicable Zoning. Each Owner of the Detached Residence Lots shall be responsible for maintenance and preservation of trees located on their property and shall promptly replace dead trees within thirty (30) days of loss occurrence when favorable planting weather exists or sixty (60) days unless otherwise noticed by the Architectural Reviewer or compliance division. The City may have a tree ordinance or tree preservation ordinance in place. Owner should check with the City before removing or replacing a tree. Owners of Townhomes shall promptly report any dead trees within five (5) days to the Association. All large and ornamental trees must be irrigated with drip or bubbler irrigation on a separate zone from spray-head irrigation.

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1.1.3 Shrubbery and Planting Beds: Each front yard of a Lot shall have (i) at least ten (10) 5-gallon shrubs and twenty-two (22) 1-gallon shrubs for Lots of forty feet (40') in width or greater, (ii) at least eight (8) 5-gallon shrubs and eighteen (18) 1-gallon shrubs for Lots of less than forty feet (40') but greater than twenty-six feet 926') in width, and (iii) at least five (5) 5-gallon shrubs and twelve (12) 1-gallon shrubs for Lots that are less than twenty-six feet (26') in width. All plants shall be selected from the City's required plant schedule outlined in the Applicable Zoning. A mulched planting bed; edging is preferred but, not mandatory. Owners of Detached Residence Lots shall be responsible for ensuring proper watering and care of the shrubs and planting bed. Owners of Townhomes shall promptly report any dead shrubbery within five (5) days to the Association.

1.1.4 Street Trees: Where on-Street parking spaces with curb bump-outs are used for parallel parking, one Street tree meeting the requirements under Applicable Zoning must be planted and maintained by the Owner of the Lot whose front yard adjacent to the public right of way that such Street tree is located on (or by the Association if the front yard area of such adjacent Lot is part of the Area of Common Responsibility under the Declaration). Street tress must be spaced fifty feet (50') on center, provided that street trees planted within parkway of 60'-wide Streets must be plated with an average spacing of thirty feet (30') on center and at least one (1) Street tree shall be located within the front yard area of each Lot or adjacent parkway. street trees must be at least three caliper inches in diameter measures twelve inches (12") above grade, and at least ten feet (10') in height at the time of planting.

SECTION 1.2 FENCES: Fence height for wood fences shall be a minimum of six feet (6') and maximum of eight feet (8'). Six feet shall be the standard height; eight-foot (8') fences will require the prior written approval of the Architectural Reviewer and shall be considered on a case-by-case basis; provided that Declarant shall not be required to obtain approval for any fence or masonry wall constructed by Declarant within the Subdivision. Rear yard fencing adjacent to any Common Areas located on any Lot shall be wrought iron or tubular steel construction in compliance with Applicable Zoning and using ornamental metal/wrought iron fencings of the design depicted on the Iron Fence Detail attached hereto as Attachment 1.2.3.2. The perimeter wall of the Subdivision to be maintained by the Association as part of the Common Area and constructed within the Wall & Wall Maintenance Easements or within other Common Areas shown on the Plat shall be constructed and installed in accordance with the design depicted.

Fencing for Townhomes may be optional notwithstanding, if fencing for Townhomes is allowed or required by Declarant, the specifications shall be those as set forth in this Section.

1.2.1 Major thoroughfares and Corner Lots: Portions of a fence that face a major thoroughfare or street including corner Lots will be considered major thoroughfare fencing and shall be cedar wood with a cap, and stained with a Seal Rite Medium Brown. Steel posts with the smooth side of the fence always facing outward. See Exhibit Attachment 1.2.1.1 for more information. Fencing must be kept in good repair at all times. Broken or missing pickets or panels must be promptly repaired or replaced. All leaning or fallen panels must be up righted, repaired or replaced.

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Fencing must be routinely stained and kept aesthetically pleasing at all times. All fencing shall be stained and preserved as follows:

Manufacturer: Seal Rite Medium Brown

(any other stain color must be approved in advance, in writing, by the Architectural Reviewer prior to

use)

- 1.2.2 Standard Side and Rear Yard Fences Interior Lots: For all interior lots which shall include any portion of a fence that is not visible from a major street or thoroughfare shall be cedar wood, with steel or wood posts, and top rail. Fencing may be four-inch (4") dog-ear or board-to-board pickets and all fences to have step ups and step downs to adjust for grade. See Exhibit Attachment 1.2.2.1. Fences shall be stained with the approved color from Section 1.2.1 above. Fencing must be kept in good repair at all times. Broken or missing pickets or panels must be promptly repaired or replaced. All leaning or fallen panels must be up righted, repaired or replaced. Fencing must be routinely stained and kept aesthetically pleasing at all times.
- 1.2.3. Pool Enclosures. The design and appearance of any "swimming pool enclosure" (as defined below) that is visible from the Street or Common Area adjacent to the Lot on which such swimming pool enclosure is located must be six feet (6') or less in height, black in color, and consist of transparent mesh set in metal frames, unless otherwise approved in writing by the Architectural Reviewer. In no event shall the Architectural Reviewer prohibit or restrict an Owner from installing on such Owner's Lot a swimming pool enclosure that conforms to applicable state or local safety requirements. A "swimming pool enclosure" means and refers to a fence that (1) surrounds a water feature, including a swimming pool or spa located on a Lot; (2) consists of transparent mesh or clear panels set in metal frames; (3) is not more than six feet (6') in height; and (4) is designed not to be climbable

SECTION 1.3 MAIL BOXES:

1.3.1 Mail boxes for all Residences shall be cluster boxes of a type and style approved for use by the U.S. Postal Service. Refer to Exhibit Attachment 1.3.1.

SECTION 1.4 FLAGS AND FLAGPOLES: This Section may be used as a standard approval base for both Townhomes and Detached Residences at the Architectural Reviewer's discretion:

- 1.4.1 The only flags which may be displayed are: (i) the flag of the United States of America; (ii) the flag of the State of Texas; and (iii) an official or replica flag of any branch of the United States armed forces and School Spirit flags. No other types of flags, pennants, banners, kits or similar types of displays are permitted on a Lot if the display is visible from a street or Common Properties.
- 1.4.2 The flag of the United States must be displayed in accordance with 4 U.S.C. Sections 5-10.

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1.4.3 The flag of the State of Texas must be displayed in accordance with Chapter 3100 of the Texas Government Code.

- 1.4.4 Any freestanding flagpole, or flagpole attached to a Residence, shall be constructed of permanent, long-lasting materials. The materials used for the flagpole shall be harmonious with the Residence, and must have a silver finish with a gold or silver ball at the top. The flagpole must not exceed three (3) inches in diameter.
- 1.4.5 The display of a flag, or the location and construction of the supporting flagpole, shall comply with applicable zoning ordinances, easements, and setbacks of record.
- 1.4.6 A displayed flag, and the flagpole on which it is flown, shall be maintained in good condition at all times. Any flag that is deteriorated must be replaced or removed. Any flagpole that is structurally unsafe or deteriorated shall be repaired, replaced, or removed.
- 1.4.7 Only one flagpole will be allowed per Lot. A flagpole can either be securely attached to the face of the Residence (no other structure) or be a freestanding flagpole. A flagpole attached to the Residence may not exceed 4 feet in length. A freestanding flagpole may not exceed 20 feet in height. Any freestanding flagpole must be located in either the front yard or backyard of a Lot, and there must be a distance of at least 5 feet between the flagpole and the property line.
- 1.4.8 Any flag flown or displayed on a freestanding flagpole may be no smaller than 3'x5' and no larger than 4'x6'.
- 1.4.9 Any flag flown or displayed on a flagpole attached to the Residence may be no larger than 3'x5'.
- 1.4.10 Any freestanding flagpole must be equipped to minimize halyard noise. The preferred method is through the use of an internal halyard system. Alternatively, swivel snap hooks must be covered or "Quiet Halyard" Flag snaps installed. Neighbor complaints of noisy halyards are a basis to have flagpole removed until Owner resolves the noise complaint.
- 1.4.11 The illumination of a flag is allowed so long as it does not create a disturbance to other residents in the community. Solar powered, pole mounted light fixtures are preferred as opposed to ground mounted light fixtures. Compliance with all municipal requirements for electrical ground mounted installations must be certified by Owner. Flag illumination may not shine into another Residence. Neighbor complaints regarding flag illumination are a basis to prohibit further illumination until Owner resolves complaint.
- 1.4.12 Flagpoles shall not be installed in Common Properties or any property maintained by the Association.
- 1.4.13 All freestanding flagpole installations must receive prior written approval of the Architectural Reviewer.

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SECTION 1.5 RAIN BARRELS OR RAINWATER HARVESTING SYTEMS. This Section may be used as a standard approval base for both Townhomes and Detached Residences at the Architectural Reviewer's discretion:

- 1.5.1 Rain barrels or rain water harvesting systems and related system components (collectively, "Rain Barrels") may only be installed after receiving the written approval of the Architectural Reviewer.
- 1.5.2 Rain Barrels may not be installed upon or within Common Properties.
- 1.5.3 Under no circumstances shall Rain Barrels be installed or located in or on any area within a Lot that is in-between the front of the property owner's Residence and an adjoining or adjacent street.
- 1.5.4 The rain barrel must be of color that is consistent with the color scheme of the property owner's Residence and may not contain or display any language or other content that is not typically displayed on such Rain Barrels as manufactured.
- 1.5.5 Rain Barrels may be located in the side-yard or back-yard of an owner's Residential Parcel so long as these may not be seen from a street, another Lot or any Common Properties.
- 1.5.6 In the event the installation of Rain Barrels in the side-yard or back-yard of an owner's property in compliance with paragraph 1.5.5 above is impossible, the Reviewing Body may impose limitations or further requirements regarding the size, number and screening of Rain Barrels with the objective of screening the Rain Barrels from public view to the greatest extent possible. The owner must have sufficient area on their Lot to accommodate the Rain Barrels.
- 1.5.7 Rain Barrels must be properly maintained at all times or removed by the owner.
- 1.5.8 Rain Barrels must be enclosed or covered.
- 1.5.9 Rain Barrels which are not properly maintained become unsightly or could serve as a breeding pool for mosquitoes must be removed by the owner from the Lot.

SECTION 1.6 RELIGIOUS DISPLAYS. Both Townhomes and Detached Residences apply:

- 1.6.1 An owner may display or affix on the Owner's Lot or Resident's Residence one or more religious items, the display of which is motivated by the Owner's or Resident's sincere religious belief.
- 1.6.2 If displaying or affixing of a religious item on the Owner's Lot or Resident's Residence violates any of the following covenants, the Association may remove the item displayed:

- (1) threatens the public health or safety;
- (2) violates a law other than a law prohibiting the display of religious speech;
- (3) contains language, graphics, or any display that is patently offensive to a passerby for reasons other than its religious content;
- (4) is installed on property:
 - (A) owned or maintained by the Association; or
 - (B) owned in common by members of the Association;
- (5) violates any applicable building line, right-of-way, setback or easement; or
- is attached to a traffic control device, street lamp, fire hydrant, or utility sign, pole, or fixture.
- 1.6.3 No Owner or Resident is authorized to use a material or color for an entry door or door frame of the Owner's or Resident's Residence or make an alteration to the entry door or door frame that is not authorized by the Association, Declaration or otherwise expressly approved by the Architectural Reviewer.

PART TWO: RESIDENCES

SECTION 2.1 ROOFS. This Section shall pertain to both Townhomes and Detached Residences unless stated otherwise:

- 2.1.1 Roof Pitch: Roof Pitch for Residences shall have a minimum of 6-in 12in slopes, provided accent roofs must be pitched a minimum of 4-in 12-in slopes. Roof Pitch for porches and patios may have a lesser pitch but, shall be subject to approval of the Declarant or Architectural Reviewer.
- 2.1.2 Roofing Materials: Roofing materials shall be high-definition architectural asphalt shingles (4-tab) with a minimum 30-year rated warranty. Other roofing materials or colors permitted under Applicable Zoning shall not be used without written approval from the Architectural Control Committee.
- 2.1.3 Dormers & Above Roof Chimneys: Dormers and Chimney Chases, above roof structure and roofing materials, may be finished with an approved exterior grade siding material. All Fireplace flues shall be enclosed and finished; exposed prefabricated metal flue piping is prohibited.
- 2.1.4 Roof Pitch for primary room shall conform to the Sections 2.1.1, 2.1.2 and 2.1.3 above. Exemptions allowing lower pitch pans in areas around windows, covered porches and patios or certain Residence plans are allowed and will be reviewed for approval by the Architectural Reviewer on a case-by-case basis.

SECTION 2.2 CERTAIN ROOFING MATERIALS

- 2.2.1 Roofing shingles covered by this Section are exclusively those designed primarily to: (i) be wind and hail resistant; (ii) provide heating and cooling efficiencies greater than those provided by customary composite shingles; or (iii) provide solar generation capabilities (collectively, "Roofing Shingles").
- 2.2.2 Roofing Shingles allowed under this Section 2.2 shall:
 - (1) resemble the shingles used or otherwise authorized for use in the Subdivision and/or Property;
 - (2) be more durable than and are of equal or superior quality to the shingles used or otherwise authorized for use in the Subdivision and/or Property.
 - (3) match the aesthetics of the property surrounding the property of the owner requesting permission to install the Roofing Shingles.
- 2.2.3 The owner requesting permission to install the Roofing Shingles will be solely responsible for accrediting, certifying and demonstrating to the Architectural Reviewer that the proposed installation is in full compliance with paragraphs a and b above. Owners of Townhomes should not attempt replacement of Roofing Shingles without the express written consent of the Architectural Reviewer.
- 2.2.4 Roofing Shingles shall be installed after receiving the written approval of the Architectural Reviewer.
- 2.2.5 Owners are hereby placed on notice that the installation of Roofing Materials may void or adversely other warranties.

SECTION 2.3 SOLAR PANELS. Installation of Solar Panels in a Residence may be more restrictive. If an Owner of a Residence installs a Solar Panel and it results in damage to the Roof in any way, Owner shall be held liable for the repair and / or replacement of the roof in and around the area affected. An Owner should consider carefully the installation of Solar Panels. Prior written approval of the Architectural Reviewer is required at all times for both Townhomes and Detached Residences. Damage to a roof whether Architectural Reviewer approved or not will be the sole responsibility of the Owner.

- 2.3.1 Solar energy devices, including any related equipment or system components (collectively, "Solar Panels") may only be installed after receiving the written approval of the Architectural Control Committee.
- 2.3.2 Solar Panels may not be installed upon or within Common Properties or any area which is maintained by the Association.

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2.3.3 Solar Panels may only be installed on designated locations on the roof of a Residence, on any structure allowed under any Association dedicatory instrument, or within any fenced rear-yard or fenced-in patio of the owner's property, but only as allowed by the Architectural Reviewer. Solar Panels may not be installed on the front elevation of the Residence.

- 2.3.4 If located on the roof of a Residence, Solar Panels shall:
 - (1) not extend higher than or beyond the roofline;
 - (2) conform to the slope of the roof;
 - (3) have a top edge that is parallel to the roofline; and
 - (4) have a frame, support bracket, or wiring that is black or painted to match the color of the roof tiles or shingles of the roof. Piping must be painted to match the surface to which it is attached, i.e. the soffit and wall. Panels must blend with the color of the roof to the greatest extent possible.
- 2.3.5 If located in the fenced rear-yard or patio, Solar Panels shall not be taller than the fence line or visible from a Lot, Common Properties or street.
- 2.3.6 The Architectural Reviewer may deny a request for the installation of Solar Panels if it determines that the placement of the Solar Panels, as proposed by the property owner, will create an interference with the use and enjoyment of land of neighboring owners.
- 2.3.7 Owners are hereby placed on notice that the installation of Solar Panels may void or adversely affect roof warranties. Any installation of Solar Panels which voids material warranties is not permitted and will be cause for the Solar Panels to be removed by the owner.
- 2.3.8 Solar Panels must be properly maintained at all times or removed by the owner.
- 2.3.9 Solar Panels which become non-functioning or inoperable must be removed by the owner of the property.

SECTION 2.4 MINIMUM FLOOR AREA AND SETBACK RESTRICTIONS. This Section shall pertain to both Townhome and Detached Residences as described herein. Setback Restrictions, Lot size and depth, Minimum front and side yard, and other restrictions may exist in the City of North Richland Hills, Texas, Ordinance No. 3595, passed and approved on August 12, 2019, for Townhomes and/or Detached Residences. Builders must comply with these ordinances. In the event of a conflict, the higher standard shall prevail.

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The total air-conditioned living area of the main residential structure of Detached Residences constructed on each Lot, as measured to the outside of exterior walls but exclusive of open porches, garages, patios and detached accessory buildings, shall be at least 1,250 square feet for one-story Bungalows, and 1,600 square feet for two-story Bungalows, and 1,500 square feet for Urban Homes, and otherwise in accordance with the Applicable Zoning, the City Development Agreement, and/or any requirements of the PID or TIF, and other applicable laws. The setback requirements are subject to the building line setbacks as outlined in Applicable Zoning for each type of Residence permitted within the Subdivision.

The total air-conditioned living area of the main residential structure of Townhomes constructed on each Lot, as measured to the outside of exterior walls but exclusive of open porches, garages, patios and detached accessory buildings, shall be at least 1,500 square feet in accordance with the Applicable Zoning, the City Development Agreement, and/or any requirements of the PID or TIF, and other applicable laws. The setback requirements are subject to the building line setbacks applicable to Townhomes, as set forth in in Applicable Zoning for the Subdivision.

SECTION 2.5 EXTERIOR WALLS

- 2.5.1 Exterior Wall Materials Minimum: Exterior walls (excluding doors, windows, garage doors, and dormers) of a minimum of fifty percent of all Residences located within the Subdivision shall be a minimum of eighty percent (80%) masonry or stone materials, or stucco or plaster materials, as described in the Applicable Zoning. Other permitted primary building materials include Hardi-PlankTM or equivalent (or better) siding, or other materials as approved by the Architectural Control Committee. Permitted accent materials (as listed in the Applicable Zoning) may cover not more than five percent (5%) of any façade of a Residence.
- 2.5.2 Exterior Wall Materials Generally. Exterior walls (excluding doors, windows, garage doors, and dormers) of each Residence shall be a minimum of ninety-five percent (95%) masonry, stone, stucco, or plaster materials, or Hardi-PlankTM or equivalent (or better) siding or other approved primary building material permitted under Applicable Zoning and as approved by the Architectural Control Committee.
 - 2.5.2.1. Chimneys: Chimney wall structures that are a direct extension of an exterior wall shall match the requirement of said wall.

SECTION 2.6 WINDOWS

2.6.1 Windows shall be constructed of vinyl, divided light on all front windows, divided light on all windows backing siding collectors, parks or open spaces. Reflective glass is prohibited. Other windows may be used at the sole discretion and approval of the Architectural Reviewer but, shall be subject to any City ordinance. Specialty windows (stained glass, glass block) may be permitted provided the total area does not exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the total window area on the façade of a Residence. Window screening must be black or gray in color. Exterior solar screens are only permitted on facades of a Residence that do not face Common Area or the Street.

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SECTION 2.7 GARAGE

2.7.1 Front loaded garage doors shall be constructed of metal or fiberglass with cedar, mahogany, or other rot-resistant wood veneer or all-weather wood-like material. Rear entry garage doors must be constructed of decorative metal or fiberglass. South and west facing garage doors may be a steel door that has the appearance and color of a wood-grain finish. All garage doors shall be kept in good repair at all times. No garage shall be used as living or business quarters at any time. Garage doors should be kept closed when not in use.

SECTION 2.8 ADDRESS BLOCKS

2.8.1 All address blocks shall be cast stone, brass, or bronze, and shall be visible form the street.

SECTION 2.9 ELEVATION AND BRICK USAGE

Residences shall conform with the Architectural Standards and requirements for architectural diversity set forth in the City Design Guidelines included in the Applicable Zoning and the City Development Agreement If contradictions between this Appendix "D" and the City Design Guidelines exist, the City Design Guidelines shall prevail unless this Appendix "D" sets a higher or stricter standard. The higher standard shall prevail.

Exhibits:

Exhibit Attachment 1.2.3.2 – Iron Fence Detail

Exhibit Attachment 1.2.1.1 – Major Thoroughfare Fence Detail

Exhibit Attachment 1.2.2.1 – Standard Fence Detail

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Exhibit Attachment 1.2.3.2

Iron Fence Detail

[see attached]

EXHIBIT ATTACHMENT 1.2.3.2

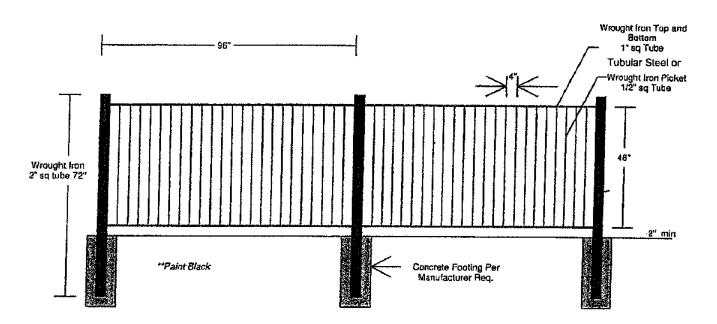
Sample of acceptable wrought iron or tubular steel fencing allowed.

Fencing must be ornamental iron or tubular steel finished in black.

Fencing must be approved in writing by the Architectural Control

Committee prior to installation.

Iron Fence Detail



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Exhibit Attachment 1.2.1.1

Major Thoroughfare Fence Detail

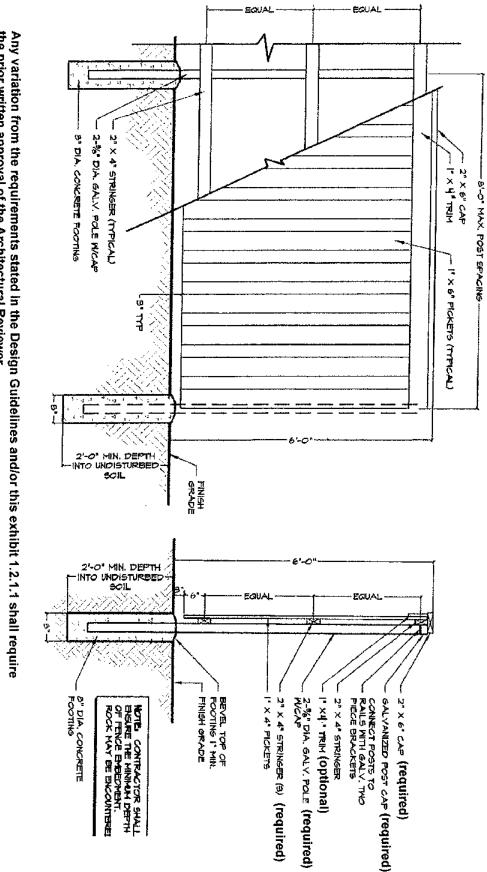
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Eight foot (8') fences allowed only upon written permission of the Architectural Reviewer

Fence height shall be six feet (6')

EXHIBIT ATTACHMENT 1.2.1.1

BOARD-ON-BOARD CONSTRUCTION CEDAR WOOD REQUIRED



the prior written approval of the Architectural Reviewer

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Exhibit Attachment 1.2.2.1

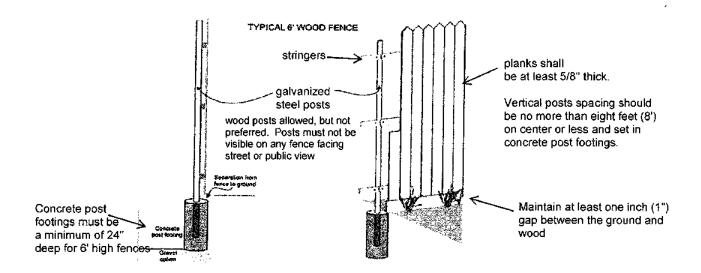
Standard Fence Detail

[see attached]

EXHIBIT ATTACHMENT 1.2.2.1

STANDARD SIDE AND REAR YARD FENCES

Fences must be constructed of Cedar Wood Fences may be four-inch dog-ear or board-to-board pickets with top rail



TOP RAIL REQUIRED. TRIM FOR SIDE AND REAR YARD FENCES ARE OPTIONAL BUT IS PREFERRED. ALL PORTIONS OF THE FENCE THAT MAY BE VIEWED FROM ANY STREET OR IN PUBLIC VIEW SHALL BE STAINED WITH THE COLOR SPECIFIED IN APPENDIX D, SECTION 1.2.1.

ALL FENCING SUBJECT TO ARC APPROVAL