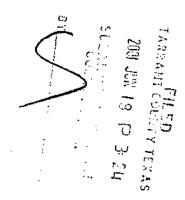
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# DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

OF

# BONDS RANCH COMMUNITY



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COUNTY OF TARRANT §

THIS DECLARATION is made this 15 h day of 1000, 2001, by Bonds Ranch Investors, Ltd., a Texas limited partnership and current owner of the land comprising Bonds Ranch ("Landowner"), and Scott Communities Developers Limited Partnership, a Texas limited partnership and the entity that will develop Bonds Ranch ("Declarant"), to establish the nature of use and enjoyment of that certain real property located in Tarrant County, Texas, which is more particularly described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and which shall be known as Bonds Ranch Community, hereinafter "Bonds Ranch."

#### RECITALS:

- A. Declarant shall acquire the property from Landowner in phases and subdivide and develop Bonds Ranch into a planned community that may consist of residential, commercial, recreational and other areas and uses.
- B. As development of Bonds Ranch proceeds, Declarant intends, without obligation, to record various subdivision plats, to dedicate portions of Bonds Ranch to the public for streets, roadways, drainage, flood control and general public use, or to keep all or portions of the above private and dedicate them to the Association, and to record Tract Declarations covering portions of Bonds Ranch, which Tract Declarations will designate the purposes for which such portions of Bonds Ranch may be used and may set forth additional covenants, conditions and restrictions applicable to such portions of Bonds Ranch.
- C. Declarant, either through Landowner or by its own actions, or Landowner, in the event Declarant is no longer developing Bonds Ranch, reserves the right, without obligation, to annex additional land into Bonds Ranch, which land is defined and described as "Annexable Property" in Section 1.3 hereof. Such additional annexations may or may not be contiguous to any other land within Bonds Ranch.
- D. Declarant desires to form the Association as a nonprofit corporation to (1) own, manage and maintain the Common Areas and certain other areas in Bonds Ranch, (2) levy, collect and disburse the Assessments and other charges imposed hereunder, and (3) act as the agent and representative of the Bonds Ranch Owners and enforce the use restrictions and other provisions of this Declaration.
- E. Declarant desires to establish for its own benefit and for the mutual benefit of all funire Owners, and other holders of interests in any portion of Bonds Ranch, certain mutually beneficial covenants, conditions, restrictions and obligations with respect to the proper development, use and maintenance of Bonds Ranch.
- F. Declarant desires and intends that the Owners, mortgagees, beneficiaries, trustees and other persons hereafter acquiring any interest in Bonds Ranch shall at all times enjoy the benefits of, and shall hold their interest subject to, the rights, easements, privileges, covenants and restrictions hereinafter set forth, all of which are declared to be in furtherance of a plan to promote and protect the value, desirability and attractiveness of Bonds Ranch.
- G. Declarant (with the permission of Landowner) therefore wishes to subject all of Bonds Ranch to the covenants, conditions, restrictions, assessments, charges, servitudes, liens, reservations and easements hereinafter set forth (collectively, "Covenants") which shall run with the land and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of all persons having any right, title or interest in Bonds Ranch or any part thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the matters set forth in the Recitals and the Covenants set forth below, Declarant and Landowner (as title owner) declare as follows:

#### 1. DEFINITIONS

As used in this Declaration, and except as may be otherwise expressly provided, the following terms, when capitalized, shall have the meanings set forth below:

- 1.1 "Amenities Fee" is defined in Section 7.8 hereof.
- 1.2 "Ancillary Association" shall mean an incorporated property owners' association created by or with the written consent of Declarant for (1) the Owners of Lots or Dwelling Units within one or more subdivision(s) or neighborhood(s) in Bonds Ranch, or (2) the Owners or tenants of land or improvements within Commercial Areas in Bonds Ranch.
- 1.3 "Annexable Property" shall mean all or any portion of the property described in Exhibit "B" hereto, or any other property designated by Declarant, whether or not contiguous thereto or to any portion of Bonds Ranch.
- 1.4 "Annual Assessment" shall mean the charge levied and assessed each year against each Lot, Dwelling Unit and Owner pursuant to Section 7.2 hereof.
- 1.5 "Apartment Development" shall mean a Parcel or portion thereof which is identified as an Apartment Development in a Tract Declaration and is comprised of integrated Rental Apartments and surrounding areas under the same ownership.
- 1.6 "Architectural and Landscape Committee" shall mean the Architectural and Landscape Committee of the Association to be created pursuant to Section 11 hereof.
- 1.7 "Architectural and Landscape Guidelines" shall mean the guidelines, if any, that may be established by the Architectural and Landscape Committee and approved by the Board for the appearance and development of Residential Areas in Bonds Ranch, supplementing such guidelines and requirements as may be contained in this Declaration, any Tract Declaration, and any Master Development Plan, as well as the supplemental review and approval procedures, if any, for the Architectural and Landscape Committee, as amended from time to time.
- 1.8 "Articles" shall mean the Articles of Incorporation of the Association, as amended from time to time.
- 1.9 "Assessable Property" shall mean any Lot in Bonds Ranch covered by a recorded Tract Declaration, except such part or parts thereof as may from time to time constitute Exempt Property.
- 1.10 "Assessment" or "Assessments" shall mean Annual Assessments, Special Assessments, Reserve Fund Assessments, Maintenance Charges, Special Use Fees, Amenities Fees, or any other fees, fines or charges assessed hereunder.
  - 1.11 "Assessment Lien" shall mean the lien created and imposed by Section 7 hereof.
  - 1.12 "Assessment Period" shall mean the term set forth in Section 7.10 hereof.
- 1.13 "Association" shall mean the Texas nonprofit corporation to be organized by Declarant to administer and enforce the Covenants and to exercise the rights, powers and duties set forth in this Declaration, and its successors and assigns. Declarant intends to name the Association "Bonds Ranch Community Homeowners Association, Inc."
- 1.14 "Association Land" shall mean any portion of Bonds Ranch, held by Declarant (or by a trustee) for conveyance to the Association on or before the Transition Date, or that the Association now or hereafter owns in fee or in which the Association now or hereafter has a leasehold or easement interest, for as long as the Association is the owner of the fee, leasehold or easement interest or such property is so held by Declarant (or such a trustee) for

conveyance to the Association, together with the buildings, structures and improvements thereon and other real property. Except as otherwise provided in this Declaration, all Association Land shall be maintained by the Association at its expense for the benefit of all of the Owners. From time to time, Declarant may convey easements, leaseholds or other real property interests within Bonds Ranch to the Association, and any such property interests automatically shall be deemed accepted by the Association.

- 1.15 "Board" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Association.
- 1.16 "Bonds Ranch" or "Community" shall mean the real property described on Exhibit "A" of this Declaration and the development to be completed thereon, together with any real property hereafter annexed, less any real property hereafter de-annexed pursuant to the provisions of Section 14 hereof.
- 1.17 "Bonds Ranch Rules" or "Community Rules" shall mean the rules for Bonds Ranch adopted by the Board pursuant to Section 5.3 hereof, as amended from time to time.
  - 1.18 "Bylaws" shall mean the Bylaws of the Association, as amended from time to time.
- 1.19 "Commercial Areas" shall mean and include any Parcel or portion thereof within Bonds Ranch that is used for one or more commercial purposes including, but not limited to, the following: Apartment Development, commercial offices, shopping centers, resorts, hotels, motels, churches and other areas used for commercial or other non-residential purposes. Commercial Areas shall not include any Common Areas owned by the Association or other common areas owned by an Ancillary Association or owned in common by residential condominium owners. If an Apartment Development is converted to a residential Condominium Development, it shall cease to be a Commercial Area and shall thereafter be a Residential Area. The Commercial Areas shall be deemed to include the Golf Course Land and the associated recreational areas and facilities.
  - 1.20 "Committee" shall mean the Architectural and Landscape Committee.
- "Common Area and Common Areas" shall mean: (1) all Association Land; (2) unless otherwise indicated in this Declaration or in a recorded instrument executed by Declarant, all land within Bonds Ranch that Declarant makes available for use primarily by Members of the Association, but not after Declarant ceases to make such land available for use primarily by Members of the Association; (3) all land within Bonds Ranch that Declarant indicates on a recorded subdivision plat or Tract Declaration is to be used for landscaping, drainage and/or flood control or other purposes for the benefit of Bonds Ranch and/or the general public and is to be transferred to the Association or dedicated to the public or a municipality or other governmental unit or agency at a future time, but only until the land is so dedicated, unless specifically specified otherwise in the dedication or as specified pursuant to clause (6) below; (4) all land or right-of-way easements within Bonds Ranch that are dedicated to the public or a municipality or other governmental unit or agency, but that the governmental unit or agency requires the Association to maintain or that the Association agrees to maintain; (5) areas on a Lot or Parcel within easements granted to the Association or its Members for the location, construction, maintenance, repair and replacement of a wall, pursuant to an easement granted or created on a recorded subdivision plat or Tract Declaration or by a deed or other conveyance accepted by the Association; and (6) any other areas with respect to which the Association has assumed in writing administrative or maintenance responsibilities, whether or not such areas are located on a Lot or Parcel.
- 1.22 "Condominium Development" shall mean a portion of Bonds Ranch that has been subjected to a condominium declaration pursuant to Texas law.
- 1.23 "Condominium Unit" shall mean a unit (as that term is defined in Texas Revised Statutes), together with any appurtenant interest in all common elements, that is created by a condominium declaration established and recorded under Texas law. The term shall not include a Rental Apartment in an Apartment Development.
- 1.24 "Covenants" shall mean the covenants, conditions, restrictions, assessments, charges, servitudes, liens, reservations and easements set forth herein, as supplemented and/or amended from time to time.

- 1.25 "Declarant" shall mean Scott Communities Developers Limited Partnership, a Texas limited partnership, whether acting in its own capacity or through a trustee, and its successors and assigns. Any assignment of all or any portion of Declarant's rights and powers shall be made by a recorded instrument executed by the assignor. An assignment of any of the rights, privileges, or immunities of Declarant shall constitute only a sharing of the assigned interest with the assignee and shall not be construed or deemed to deprive Declarant of any of its interests hereunder or to diminish them in any way.
- 1.26 "<u>Declaration</u>" shall mean this Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions of Bonds Ranch Community, as supplemented and/or amended from time to time.
- 1.27 "Designated Builder" shall mean a builder of residences or other improvements to 25 or more Lots within Bonds Ranch, which is designated by Declarant by written notice to the Association as having any of the special rights, privileges or immunities of a Designated Builder under this Declaration.
- 1.28 "Designee" shall mean an individual designated by a Member pursuant to Section 6.8 hereof to exercise certain rights of the Member.
- 1.29 "<u>Dwelling Unit</u>" shall mean any building or portion of a building situated upon a Lot or Parcel, which building or portion of a building is designed and intended for use and occupancy as a residence by a Single Family.
  - 1.30 "Exempt Property" shall mean the following parts of Bonds Ranch:
    - (a) All land and improvements owned by or dedicated to and accepted by the United States, the State of Texas, Tarrant County, or any other municipality, or any political subdivision thereof, for as long as any such governmental entity or political subdivision is the owner thereof or for so long as such dedication remains effective; provided, however, that any such land shall be Exempt Property only while it is being used by the governmental entity owner for governmental or public purposes.
    - (b) All Association Land, for as long as the Association is the owner thereof (or of the interest therein that makes it Association Land).
    - (c) All Golf Course Land for as long as such land is used for the purpose permitted in Section 4.6 hereof.
    - (d) Each portion of a Residential Area designated in a recorded subdivision plat, deed, Tract Declaration, or condominium or other declaration as an area to be used in common by the Owners and Residents of the subdivision or condominium development.
    - (e) Any land used as a Well-Site, or for utility purposes, and designated by a Tract Declaration for Well-Site Use or Utility Use.
    - (f) Any Lot or Parcel or land within Bonds Ranch owned by Landowner, Declarant or its affiliates, except for land owned by Declarant that is subject to a contract of sale under which Declarant is the seller and the purchaser is not an affiliate or Designated Builder.
    - (g) Any land in Bonds Ranch that is limited by a Tract Declaration to use for housing the aged and infirm and for related uses, if the Tract Declaration expressly provides that the Residents thereof either shall not be Members of the Association or shall have no right to use the recreational features and recreational amenities available to the other Owners of Lots, and any other land in Bonds Ranch covered by a Tract Declaration that provides that the Residents shall have no right to use the recreational features and recreational amenities available to the other Owners of Lots.
    - (h) All land in Bonds Ranch with the following Land Use Classifications: Apartment Development Use, Commercial Office Use, General Public or Quasi-Public Use, Resort Hotel or Motel Use, Church Use, General Commercial Use, or Industrial Park Use.

All Exempt Property shall be exempt from Assessments and ownership of it (other than by Declarant) shall not qualify the Owner for Membership in the Association and its associated privileges and responsibilities. Ownership of Exempt Property by Declarant shall qualify the Owner for Membership in the Association and its associated privileges and responsibilities, but not Assessments. Exempt Property (and the Owners of all interests in it) shall nevertheless be subject to all other provisions of this Declaration, unless otherwise provided in this Declaration or in the Tract Declaration applicable to the Lot or Parcel. Commercial Areas (including the Golf Course Land) shall additionally be exempt from various responsibilities as provided under Section 4.1. The Board may restrict or prohibit the use of the Common Areas (except any easements, rights-of-way, utility improvements and landscaping, drainage and flood control areas) by the Owners of Exempt Property, except for Declarant, its affiliates, assigns, subcontractors, employees, agents, guests and invitees. This Section 1.30 may not be amended without the approval of all Owners of Exempt Property affected by the amendment.

- 1.31 "Golf Course" and "Golf Course Land" shall mean the real property designated by Declarant or otherwise in a recorded plat or Tract Declaration, and all improvements thereon including, but not limited to, any Clubhouse, pro shop, driving range and associated recreational, maintenance and other facilities owned and operated in conjunction with the Golf Course.
  - 1.32 "Governmental Mortgage Agency" is defined in Section 13.5.1 hereof.
- 1.33 "Land Use Classification" shall mean the classification to be established by the Declarant pursuant to Section 4.1 hereof, which designates the type of improvements which may be constructed on a Lot, Parcel or Association Land and the purposes for which any such improvements and surrounding land may be utilized.
- 1.34 "Lot" shall mean any (a) area of real property within Bonds Ranch designated as a Lot on any subdivision plat or replat recorded or approved by Declarant (b) any Condominium Unit within Bonds Ranch which is limited to residential use by a Tract Declaration or condominium declaration, and (c) for any unplatted real property which is not designated as a Condominium Unit, Golf Course Land or Common Area within Bonds Ranch, a portion of real property that is one-quarter (1/4) of an acre in area and owned by a single Owner (i.e. an Owner who owns unplatted real property that is not designated as a Condominium Unit or Golf Course Land shall be deemed to own one Lot for each one-quarter (1/4) acre of property owned by such Owner).
  - 1.35 "Lot Maintenance Fee" is defined in Section 10.5 hereof.
- 1.36 "Maintenance Charges" shall mean any and all costs assessed pursuant to Sections 10.2 and 10.3 hereof.
- 1.37 "Master Development Plan" shall mean Declarant's master plan for development for Bonds Ranch, as amended from time to time.
  - 1.38 "Maximum Annual Assessment" is defined in Section 7.4 hereof.
- 1.39 "Member" shall mean any person holding Membership in the Association pursuant to this Declaration.
- 1.40 "Membership" shall mean a membership in the Association and the rights granted to the Owners of Lots pursuant to Section 6 hereof to participate in the Association.
- 1.41 "Neighborhood Assessment" shall mean any assessment levied and assessed pursuant to Section 7.5 hereof.
- 1.42 "Owner" shall mean the record holder of legal, beneficial or equitable title to the fee simple interest of any Lot or Parcel including, but not limited to, a person who is buying a Lot or Parcel under a valid and enforceable contract of sale but excluding others who hold such title merely as security. "Owner" shall not include a lessee or tenant of a Lot or Parcel. If fee simple title to any Lot or Parcel is vested in a trustee pursuant to a trust agreement, the beneficiary of the trust who is entitled to possession shall be deemed to be the Owner. An Owner

shall include any person who holds record title to a Lot or Parcel in joint ownership with any other person or holds an undivided fee interest in any Lot or Parcel.

- "Parcel" shall mean an area of real property within Bonds Ranch limited by a Tract Declaration to one of the following Land Use Classifications: Apartment Development Use, Residential Condominium Development Use (but only until the condominium declaration is recorded), Commercial Office Use, General Public or Quasi-Public Use, Resort Hotel or Motel Use, Church Use, General Commercial Use, Industrial Park Use, and Utility or Well-Site Use. The term Parcel shall also include an area of land as to which a Tract Declaration has been recorded designating the area for Single Family Residential Use or Cluster Residential Use but which has not yet been subdivided into Lots and related amenities and rights-of-way, but any such area shall cease to be a Parcel upon the recordation of a subdivision plat or other instrument covering the area and creating Lots and related amenities. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, a Parcel shall not include a Lot, any Golf Course Land or any Association Land, but in the case of staged developments, shall include areas not yet included in a subdivision plat, condominium declaration or other recorded instrument creating Lots and related amenities. A Parcel with a Land Use Classification of Apartment Development shall cease to be a Parcel if the Apartment Development is converted to residential Condominium Units.
- 1.44 "Party Walls" shall mean a wall constructed on or immediately adjacent to the common boundary of Lots, Parcels, Common Areas or other areas in Bonds Ranch.
- 1.45 "Rental Apartments" shall mean Dwelling Units within a permanent improvement consisting of two or more commercially integrated Dwelling Units under a single ownership upon one or more contiguous Parcels, each of which is designed and utilized, otherwise than as a hotel or on some other transient basis, for rental or leased residential purposes to non-owners on a non-cooperative basis.
  - 1.46 "Resident" shall mean:
    - (a) Each buyer under a valid and enforceable contract of sale covering any part of the Assessable Property, provided the buyer is actually residing on any part of the Assessable Property, and each Owner, tenant or lessee actually residing on any part of the Assessable Property; and
    - (b) Members of the immediate family of each Owner, lessee, tenant and of each buyer referred to in subparagraph ((a)) actually living in the same household with such Owner, lessee, tenant or buyer on any part of the Assessable Property.

Subject to such rules and regulations as the Association may hereafter specify (including the imposition of special nonresident fees for the use of Association Land if the Association shall so direct), the term "Resident" also shall include the onsite employees, guests or invitees of Declarant or of any such Owner, lessee, buyer or tenant, if and to the extent the Board in its absolute discretion by resolution so directs.

- 1.47 "Residential Areas" shall include Single Family Residential Developments, Cluster Residential Developments, residential Condominium Developments, all common recreational areas and facilities associated with any of the foregoing Residential Areas and other non-commercial, non-industrial and non-utility areas.
  - 1.48 "Reserve Fund Assessment" is defined in Section 7.7 hereof.
- 1.49 "Single Family" shall mean an individual living alone, or a group of two or more persons each related to the other by blood, marriage or legal adoption who maintain a common household in a Dwelling Unit or who otherwise are deemed to be a single family by applicable community standards.
- 1.50 "Special Assessment" shall mean any assessment levied and assessed pursuant to Section 7.6 hereof.
- 1.51 "Special Use Fees" shall mean special fees authorized by this Declaration which an Owner, Resident or any other person is obligated to pay to the Association over, above and in addition to any Annual and

Special Assessments, Reserve Fund Assessments, Maintenance Charges, or Amenities Fees imposed or payable hereunder. The amount of any Special Use Fee shall be determined in the Board's sole discretion.

- 1.52 "Taking" is defined in Section 9.4 hereof.
- 1.53 "<u>Timeshare</u>" shall mean any division of ownership into periods of time, division of use rights by periods of time, vacation club, undivided interests, or other ownership or use arrangements that would be within the definition of timeshare interests pursuant to Texas law.
- 1.54 "Tract Declaration" shall mean a declaration recorded pursuant to Section 4.1 hereof, as modified or amended from time to time.
  - 1.55 "Transition Date" shall be the first to occur of:
    - (a) the day on which title to the last Lot and Parcel in Bonds Ranch owned by Declarant (or by a trustee under a trust of which Declarant is a beneficiary), Landowner, and/or any Designated Builder is conveyed to a third party for value, other than as security for the performance of an obligation; or
    - (b) the expiration of any five-year period during which title to no Lot or Parcel in Bonds Ranch is conveyed by Declarant (or by a trustee under a trust of which Declarant is beneficiary), Landowner or a Designated Builder to a third party for value, other than as security for the performance of an obligation; or
    - (c) the date 35 years after the date this Declaration is recorded in the Official Records of Tarrant County, Texas; or
    - (d) such earlier date as Declarant declares to be the Transition Date in a properly recorded instrument.
- 1.56 "Visible From Neighboring Property" shall mean, with respect to any given object, that the object is or would be visible to a person six feet tall standing on neighboring property, on the level of the base of the structure or building being viewed.

# 2. PROPERTY SUBJECT TO DECLARATION

2.1 General Declaration Creating Bonds Ranch. Declarant (with the express permission of Landowner) hereby declares that all of Bonds Ranch (except any land which is hereafter excluded or abandoned pursuant to the provisions of this Declaration) is and shall be held, conveyed, hypothecated, encumbered, leased, occupied, built upon or otherwise used, improved or transferred, in whole or in part, subject to this Declaration. In addition, land within Bonds Ranch may be subject to recorded Tract Declarations. Declarant intends to develop Bonds Ranch by subdivision into various Lots, Parcels and other areas and to sell and convey Lots, Parcels and/or Golf Course Land. As portions of Bonds Ranch are developed, Declarant shall record one or more Tract Declarations covering the areas to be developed. Each Tract Declaration will specify the Land Use Classification(s) and permitted uses of property described therein (in accordance with Section 4 hereof) and will incorporate this Declaration and establish such additional covenants, conditions and restrictions as may be appropriate for the land subject to the Tract Declaration. This Declaration and all subsequent Tract Declarations are declared and agreed to be in furtherance of a general plan for the subdivision, development, improvement and sale of Bonds Ranch and are established for the purpose of enhancing and perfecting the value, desirability and attractiveness of Bonds Ranch and every part thereof. All of this Declaration and applicable Tract Declarations shall run with Bonds Ranch for all purposes and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of Landowner (for so long as it may hold any portion of Bonds Ranch), Declarant, the Association, all Owners and Residents and their successors in interest and assigns. Nothing in this Declaration shall be construed to prevent Declarant from modifying the Master Development Plan or any portions thereof, or the boundaries of any Lots or Parcels, regarding any property owned by Declarant or regarding any other property, whether or not a Tract Declaration for it has been recorded, provided Declarant obtains the consent of the Owner of the land that is the subject of the modification. This Declaration shall not be construed

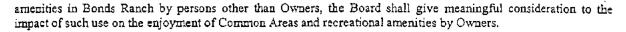
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to prevent Declarant from dedicating or conveying portions of Bonds Ranch, including streets or roadways, for uses other than as a Lot, Parcel, Golf Course Land, Common Area or Association Land, subject to the provisions of Section 4.1 hereof.

2.2 <u>Association Bound.</u> Upon acceptance by the Secretary of State of the State of Texas of Articles of Incorporation for the Association, this Declaration shall be binding upon and shall benefit the Association.

## 3. EASEMENTS AND RIGHTS OF ENJOYMENT IN COMMON AREAS

- 3.1 <u>Easements of Enjoyment</u>. Every Owner shall have a nonexclusive easement for the use and enjoyment in and to the Common Areas, which shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the title to the Owner's Lot or Parcel. All Residents, other than Owners, shall have a nonexclusive, nontransferable temporary easement to use and enjoy the Common Areas so long as they remain Residents. The foregoing grant and rights are subject, among other things, to the following limitations:
  - (a) The right of the Association to charge reasonable admission and other Special Use Fees for the use of any recreational or other facility situated upon the Common Areas.
  - (b) The right of the Association to suspend the voting rights of any Member, and the right to use Common Area recreational facilities of any Member and any Resident claiming through the Member, (i) for any period during which an Assessment against the Member's Lot remains delinquent; (ii) for a period not to exceed 60 days for any infraction of this Declaration, a Tract Declaration, the Community Rules or applicable Architectural and Landscape Guidelines, and (iii) for successive 60-day periods if any infraction is not corrected during any preceding 60-day suspension period.
  - (c) The right of the Association to dedicate or transfer all or any part of the Common Areas to any public agency, authority or utility for such purposes and subject to such conditions as may be agreed to by the Association. Unless otherwise required by zoning stipulations or agreements with a governmental agency or entity effective prior to the date hereof or unless specified hereafter on a recorded subdivision plat executed by Declarant, no such dedication or transfer shall be effective unless approved in writing by Declarant and, if the transfer is after the Transition Date, by the Owners of at least 2/3 of the Memberships which are then eligible to vote, except that the Board shall have authority without Membership approval to transfer to such public agencies, authorities or utilities, easements and rights-of-way that are intended to benefit Bonds Ranch and which, in the Board's sole judgment, do not have any substantial adverse effect on the enjoyment of the Common Areas by the Members.
  - (d) The right of the Association to regulate the use of the Common Areas through the Community Rules and to prohibit access to those Common Areas, such as landscaped areas, not intended for use by Owners or Residents.
  - (e) The right of the Association to regulate, restrict or prohibit the use of the Common Areas, other than easements, rights-of-way, utility improvements and landscaping, drainage and flood control areas, by non-Members, except for Rental Apartment Residents designated by the Owners of such Rental Apartments as provided in Section 3.5 hereof.
  - (f) The right of the Association to change the use of Common Areas and to change the size, shape or location of the Common Areas as provided in Sections 12.4 and 12.5 hereof.
- 3.2 <u>Delegation of Use.</u> Any Owner may, in accordance with and subject to this Declaration and the Community Rules and the limitations therein contained, delegate the Owner's right of enjoyment in the Common Areas and facilities to the members of his family, his tenants or lessees, his guests or invitees or to his tenant's family, guests or invitees. In adopting rules or requirements related to use of Common Areas or recreational



#### 3.3 Intentionally Omitted.

- Bonds Ranch shall be subject to an easement of not more than five feet for encroachments of walls, ledges, roofs, air conditioners and other structures created by construction, settling and overhangs as originally or subsequently designed and constructed by Declarant or a Designated Builder or its affiliates and contractors. If any such improvement on the Common Areas encroaches upon any Lot, Parcel or other area, or if any such improvement on any Lot, Parcel or other area encroaches upon any portion of the Common Areas, or if any such improvement on any Lot, Parcel or other area encroaches upon another Lot, Parcel or other area, an easement for the encroachment and for the maintenance thereof shall exist. In the event any structure on any Lot, Parcel, Common Area or other area is repaired, altered or reconstructed in accordance with the original plans and specifications or subsequent plans and specifications of Declarant or a Designated Builder or its or their affiliates, similar encroachments shall be permitted and an easement for any such encroachment and for the maintenance thereof shall exist.
- Use of Facilities by Rental Apartment Residents. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Section 3, unless otherwise provided in an applicable Tract Declaration for an Apartment Development, Owners of Rental Apartments shall have the right to authorize the Residents of their Rental Apartments to use those Common Areas and facilities that are otherwise limited to use by Members of the Association or for which preference is given to Members of the Association, upon the same terms and conditions as Members of the Association, provided that the Association is paid, with respect to each Rental Apartment that contains Residents who are so authorized, an amount equal to 1/2 of the Annual Assessments that would be required in the year of use for the Rental Apartment if the Rental Apartment were a Lot. All such amounts shall be payable only with respect to those Rental Apartments that contain Residents who are authorized to use such Common Areas and facilities by the Owner of the Rental Apartments, Any such authorization by the Owner of a Rental Apartment may be made or withdrawn at any time or times. However, Declarant shall have the right to authorize Residents of Rental Apartments owned by Declarant to use the Common Areas and facilities, and neither Declarant nor such Residents shall be obligated to pay the Association the amounts provided for in this Section if the Rental Apartments are used by Declarant for marketing purposes including, but not limited to, use by potential purchasers of Lots or Parcels at Bonds Ranch. The amounts payable to the Association pursuant to this Section with respect to any Rental Apartment shall be prorated for the period during which the authorization by the Owner of the Rental Apartment exists.

# 4. LAND USE CLASSIFICATIONS AND USE RESTRICTIONS

## 4.1 <u>Land Use Classifications</u>.

- 4.1.1 Establishment. As portions of Bonds Ranch are readied for development, the Land Use Classifications, including any number of subclassifications thereof for any special uses, shall be fixed by Declarant in a Tract Declaration which shall be recorded for that portion of Bonds Ranch. Any such Tract Declaration may include additional covenants and restrictions and shall be construed as a supplement to this Declaration and fully a part hereof for all purposes to the same extent as if all of the provisions thereof were set forth in this Declaration. Declarant may also record one or more supplemental Tract Declarations against portions of Bonds Ranch owned by Declarant, which are already subject to a Tract Declaration, for the purpose of adding to or modifying the covenants, conditions, and restrictions applicable to those portions. The Land Use Classifications for Lots, Parcels and Association Land established by a Tract Declaration shall not be changed except as specifically permitted by this Declaration and by any applicable provisions of the affected Tract Declaration. The contemplated Land Use Classifications that may be established by Declarant include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - (a) Single Family Residential Use.
  - (b) Apartment Development Use, which may be converted to Residential Condominium Development Use upon approval by Declarant.

- (c) Residential Condominium Development Use, which may be converted to Apartment Development Use upon approval by Declarant.
- (d) Commercial Office Use, including but not limited to office condominiums and business parks.
- (e) Industrial Park Use.
- (f) General Commercial Use, including but not limited to business parks, restaurants, recreational facilities not owned by the Association or any residential Ancillary Association, shopping centers, storage, recreational vehicle storage and other commercial uses.
- (g) Association Use, which may include common recreational and other areas owned and maintained by the Association.
- (h) Golf Course Use, including any clubhouse and any other recreational and maintenance uses operated in connection therewith.
- (i) Utility or Well-Site Use, including maintenance and storage related thereto. A Parcel with a Land Use Classification of Utility Use may be used as a cable head end facility, which may include satellite receiving dishes and towers.
- (j) General Public or Quasi-Public Uses approved by Declarant including, but not limited to, libraries and parks which are not Association Land and fire stations.
- (k) Cluster Residential Use, which shall consist of Lots with Dwelling Units intended for Single Family occupancy and may include those types of residential housing arrangements known as townhouses, clustered housing, duplexes, zero-lot line housing and similar arrangements, together with any related amenities.
- (1) Resort, Hotel or Motel Use, including time-share apartments and condominiums.
- (m) Church Use.
- Exemptions: Tract Declarations. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in 4.1.2 this Declaration, except as otherwise expressly provided in an applicable Tract Declarations for Parcels within Commercial Areas, Commercial Areas shall be exempt from any and all architectural restrictions contained in this Declaration, including, but not limited to, the provisions of Section 4.2.1, Section 5.3, and Section 11 hereof, and from any and all Assessments and charges by the Association. Unless otherwise specifically provided in this Declaration, the definitions and characteristics of all Land Use Classifications, and specific permitted and prohibited uses in such Classifications or any subclassifications or combined classifications, shall be determined in the Tract Declaration and shall be within the complete discretion of Declarant. Each Tract Declaration and each subdivision plat may be modified, amended or revoked at any time by Declarant as to all or any portion of the land that is subject to the Tract Declaration or plat, without the consent of any Owners other than the Owner(s) of the land that is the subject of the modification, amendment or revocation. If the Association is the Owner of real property that is subject to any such modification, amendment or revocation, Declarant shall not be required to obtain the Association's consent to any such action prior to the Transition Date. In addition, each Tract Declaration and plat may be modified, amended or revoked at any time by Declarant (so long as Declarant or any of its affiliates owns any portion of Bonds Ranch or any interest therein) and Owners of the Lots that are subject to the Tract Declaration or plat casting 2/3 of the votes cast at an election held for such purposes, with or without a meeting of the Owners. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no modification, amendment or revocation shall be effective if it would leave any Lot which is not owned by Declarant without legal access. No Tract Declaration or plat may be modified, amended or revoked without Declarant's consent to and signature on the modification, amendment or resolution so long as Declarant or any of its affiliates owns any portion of the Community or any interest therein. All Tract Declarations shall be subject to applicable zoning laws.

- 4.2 Covenants Applicable to Lots, Parcels and Other Areas Within All Land Use Classifications. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Section 4.2 or elsewhere in this Declaration, the following Covenants and rights shall apply to all Lots, Parcels and other areas in Bonds Ranch, and the Owners, Residents and tenants thereof, whether or not a Tract Declaration has been recorded for it and regardless of the Land Use Classification of it:
- Architectural Control. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Declaration, in the Architectural and Landscape Guidelines or in any applicable Tract Declaration that has been signed by Declarant, (i) no improvements (whether temporary or permanent), alterations, repairs, excavation, grading, lighting, painting, landscaping or other work that in any way alters the exterior appearance of any property within Residential Areas of Bonds Ranch or improvements thereon from its natural or improved state existing on the date this Declaration is recorded shall be made or done, and (ii) no building, fence, exterior wall, residence, statue, or other structure shall be commenced, erected, improved, altered or made within the Commercial Areas, the Golf Course Land or the Residential Areas of Bonds Ranch, without the prior written approval of the Architectural and Landscape Committee. No subsequent addition to or change or alteration in any such building, fence, wall or other structures that affects the exterior appearance thereof, including exterior color scheme, or any change in the grade, outside lighting or landscaping of the Commercial Areas, the Golf Course Land or the Residential Areas in Bonds Ranch, shall be made without the prior written approval of the Architectural and Landscape Committee. No change or deviation in or from the plans and specifications approved by the Architectural and Landscape Committee shall be made without the prior written approval of the Architectural and Landscape Committee. Once construction of an improvement has been commenced, the Owner shall diligently pursue completion of the improvement in accordance with approved plans. Declarant shall be exempt from the requirements of this subsection and therefore all improvements, alterations, repairs, excavation, grading, lighting, landscaping or other work performed, constructed or installed by Declarant shall be deemed approved by the Architectural and Landscape Committee.
- 4.2.2 Animals. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in an applicable Tract Declaration, no animals or birds, other than a reasonable number of generally recognized house or yard pets, shall be kept on any Lot, Parcel or other area in Bonds Ranch and then only if they are kept, bred or raised thereon solely as demestic pets and not for commercial purposes. All pets must be kept in a fenced yard or on a leash or otherwise appropriately restrained at all times. No animal or bird shall be allowed to make an unreasonable amount of noise or to become a nuisance or an annoyance to other Owners or Residents. It shall be the responsibility of each Owner to remove immediately any droppings from pets. No structure for the care, housing or confinement of any animal or bird shall be maintained so as to be Visible From Neighboring Property, unless otherwise approved by the Board. Upon written request of any Owner or Resident, the Board shall conclusively determine, in its sole and absolute discretion, whether, for the purposes of this subsection, a particular animal or bird is a generally recognized house or yard pet, whether a pet is a problem or nuisance, and whether the number of animals or birds on any particular portion of the Community is reasonable. Any decision rendered by the Board shall be enforceable in the same manner as other restrictions contained herein. Exempt from the foregoing restrictions are pet shops, veterinarian offices, animal hospitals or laboratories in a General Commercial Land Use Classification.
- 4.2.3 Temporary Occupancy and Temporary Buildings. No trailer, incomplete building, storage facility, tent, shack, garage or barn, and no temporary buildings or structures of any kind, shall be used at any time for a residence, either temporary or permanent. Temporary buildings or structures used by Declarant, Designated Builders, its or their affiliates, subcontractors or employees, or by Owners and tenants of Commercial Areas, may be used on any portion of the Community for construction, repair or sales purposes.
- 4.2.4 Maintenance of Landscaping and Driveways. Unless otherwise provided in a recorded instrument approved by Declarant, each Owner shall be responsible for the proper maintenance of all landscaping in the following locations: (i) the Owner's Lot or Parcel (including set back areas and Common Areas located thereon); (ii) public right-of-way areas between sidewalks (or bike paths) and the street curb on the front or side of the Lot or Parcel; (iii) public areas between a sidewalk and the Lot or Parcel boundary; and (iv) other public or easement areas adjacent to the Owner's Lot or Parcel. However, if the maintenance of these areas is the responsibility of the Association, an Ancillary Association, a utility, or a governmental or similar authority, then an Owner shall be responsible for such maintenance only for so long as the other entities are not performing required maintenance. As used herein, maintenance shall include, but not be limited to, keeping the areas neatly trimmed, cultivated and free of trash, weeds and unsightly material. The character of the landscaping must be such as to complement landscaping

established in the Common Areas or, in Residential Areas, as required by the Architectural and Landscape Committee. Landscaping in the areas described above shall be completed by the Owner at the Owner's expense within 90 days after closing of the initial purchase of the Dwelling Unit on the Owner's Lot. The landscaping shall be of quality compatible with the development and shall otherwise be in compliance with this subsection. If an Owner has not submitted plans acceptable to the Architectural and Landscape Committee within 75 days following the initial purchase of the Dwelling Unit, or if the landscaping is not completed in accordance with the approved plans within a reasonable time thereafter, the Association shall have the right to install landscaping selected by the Association on the Owner's Lot at the expense of the Owner (and secured by the Assessment Lien). The landscaping requirements of this subsection shall not apply to Landowner, Declarant, Designated Builders or its or their affiliates. Each Owner shall also maintain in good condition and repair all paved and concrete areas, including driveways, roadways, sidewalks and parking areas, located on the Owner's Lot or Parcel and shall sweep and keep in a neat and clean condition all sidewalks located between the Owner's Lot and any front and side streets.

- Nuisances: Construction Activities. No weeds, dead trees or plants, rubbish or debris of any kind shall be placed or permitted to accumulate upon or adjacent to any Lot, Parcel or other area in Bonds Ranch, and no odors or loud noises shall be permitted to arise or emit therefrom, so as to render any such area or activity thereon unsanitary, unsightly, offensive or detrimental to any other property in the vicinity thereof or to the Owner or occupant of any such other property. No other nuisance shall be permitted to exist or operate upon any Lot, Parcel or other area in Bonds Ranch. The Architectural and Landscape Committee shall have the exclusive right to determine the existence of any nuisance within the Commercial Areas, the Golf Course Land and the Residential Areas. Without limiting the generality of any of the foregoing provisions and except as otherwise permitted herein, no exterior speakers, horns, whistles, firecrackers, bells or other sound devices, except security devices used exclusively for security purposes, shall be located, used or placed on any such portion of the property. Normal construction activities and parking in connection with the building of improvements in Bonds Ranch shall not be considered a nuisance or otherwise prohibited by this Declaration, but Lots and Parcels shall be kept in a neat and tidy condition during construction periods, trash and debris shall be removed periodically and, in Residential Areas. supplies of brick, block, lumber and other building materials will be piled only in such areas as may be approved by Declarant or the Architectural and Landscape Committee. An Owner shall be responsible for all on-site and construction trash and debris occasioned by his contractors and subcontractors and shall remove all such trash and debris within a reasonable period of time. In addition, any construction equipment and building materials stored or kept on any Lot or Parcel may be kept only in areas approved by Declarant or the Architectural and Landscape Committee. It is acknowledged that normal construction activities may be noisy and may require the use of exterior speakers and that exterior speakers may be needed on the Golf Course Land, and such use of exterior speakers is expressly permitted. Notwithstanding anything in this Section to the contrary, this Section shall be subject to the provisions of Section 4.2.28 hereof.
- 4.2.6 <u>Diseases and Pests</u>. No Owner shall permit any thing or condition to exist upon any Lot, Parcel or other area, which shall accommodate, promote or breed diseases or pests.
- 4.2.7 Repair of Buildings. No building or structure on any area in Bonds Ranch shall be permitted to fall into disrepair and each such building and structure shall at all reasonable times be kept in good condition and repair and adequately painted or otherwise finished. In the event any building or structure is damaged or destroyed, then, subject to the approvals required by Section 4.2.1 hereof, the building or structure shall be promptly repaired, rebuilt or demolished. In the event an Owner fails to comply with this provision, the Board may give notice to the defaulting Owner, and may then proceed to repair the building or improvement and charge the Owner for the cost of repair as permitted in Section 10.3 hereof.
- 4.2.8 Antennas. Subject to any applicable requirements of governmental authorities having jurisdiction, no antenna, satellite receiving station or other device for the transmission or reception of television or radio signals or any other form of electromagnetic radiation shall be erected, used or maintained outdoors on any area in Bonds Ranch (whether attached to a building or structure or otherwise) so as to be Visible From Neighboring Property, unless approved by Declarant or the Architectural and Landscape Committee. Declarant or the Architectural and Landscape Committee may permit one or more aerial satellite dishes, and/or other apparatus and equipment for an antenna or cable system for the benefit of all or portions of Bonds Ranch.

- 4.2.9 Mineral Exploration. Landowner specifically reserves to itself and any assignee all and full right of all forms of exploration, removal and retrieval with regard to oil, gas or other hydrocarbons, minerals of any kind, water, gravel, earth or any other subsurface earth substances of any kind within Bonds Ranch, regardless of whether Landowner retains ownership of any Lot or Parcel within Bonds Ranch, and, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, all such uses and/or activities related thereto, including, but not limited to, drilling, shall be exempt from the requirements of this Declaration and any Tract Declarations. Lot or Parcel Owners other than Landowner are conversely prohibited from any form of exploration, removal or retrieval of any water, oil, gas or other hydrocarbons, minerals of any kind, water, gravel, earth or any other subsurface earth substances of any kind within Bonds Ranch, without the prior written consent of Landowner and Declarant, which consent may be withheld in Landowner and/or Declarant's sole discretion.
- 4.2.10 <u>Trash Containers and Collection.</u> No garbage or trash shall be placed or kept on any Lot, residential Parcel, other Residential Area, the Golf Course Land or a Commercial Area in Bonds Ranch except in covered containers of a type, size and style which are approved by the Architectural and Landscape Committee, and except for garbage or trash produced by Declarant or Designated Builders, or its or their affiliates or subcontractors in connection with construction of the subdivision or of any improvements in Bonds Ranch. Unless otherwise approved by the Architectural and Landscape Committee, such containers shall be maintained and stored so as to not be Visible From Neighboring Property except to make them available for collection. All rubbish, trash and garbage shall be removed from Lots, Parcels and other areas in Bonds Ranch and shall not be allowed to accumulate thereon. No outdoor incinerators shall be kept or maintained in Bonds Ranch.
- 4.2.11 <u>Clothes Drying Facilities</u>. No outside clotheslines or other outside facilities for drying or airing clothes shall be placed or maintained in Bonds Ranch unless they are not Visible From Neighboring Property.
- 4.2.12 <u>Machinery and Equipment</u>. No machinery or equipment of any kind shall be placed, operated or maintained in Bonds Ranch except (i) such machinery or equipment as is usual and customary in connection with the use, maintenance or construction (during the period of construction) of an approved building, appurtenant structures, or other improvements; (ii) that which Declarant or the Association may require for the operation and maintenance of Bonds Ranch; or (iii) that used or displayed in connection with any business or operation permitted under a Tract Declaration.
- 4.2.13 <u>Signs</u>. No signs which are Visible From Neighboring Property shall be erected or maintained in Residential Areas of Bonds Ranch except:
  - (a) Signs required by legal proceedings;
  - (b) Identification signs for individual detached residences, provided the number and specifications of the signs satisfy criteria established by the Architectural and Landscape Committee from time to time;
  - (c) Signs erected by Declarant or Designated Builders, or its or their affiliates or subcontractors, and such other signs, including, but not limited to, construction job identification signs, directional signs and subdivision identification signs, as may have been approved in writing by the Architectural and Landscape Committee or by Declarant; and
  - (d) "For sale" or "for rent" signs, and political signs, for individual Dwelling Units, provided the number and specifications of the signs satisfy criteria established by the Architectural and Landscape Committee from time to time.

The Board, the Association, the Architectural and Landscape Committee, or their agent may enter a Residential Area for the purpose of removing any signs that do not comply with this subsection.

4.2.14 <u>Restriction on Further Subdivision, Property Restrictions and Rezoning</u>. No Lot or Parcel shall be further subdivided or separated into smaller Lots or Parcels by any Owner or other person, and no portion that is less than all of any Lot or Parcel, nor any easement or other interest therein, shall be conveyed or transferred by any Owner, without the prior written approval of Declarant. This provision shall not apply to transfers of an

individual ownership interest in the whole of any Lot or Parcel or to mortgages, deeds of trust or other liens on the whole of any Lot or Parcel. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Declaration, Declarant reserves and shall retain the right to subdivide, separate, re-subdivide or combine into Lots or Parcels any property at any time owned or controlled by Declarant. Unless otherwise approved by Declarant, no buildings or other permanent structures shall be constructed on any areas in Bonds Ranch until a Tract Declaration has been recorded against the land where the structure is to be constructed. No subdivision plat, Tract Declaration or further covenants, conditions, restrictions or easements shall be recorded by any Owner or other person against any property in Bonds Ranch unless the provisions thereof have first been approved in writing by Declarant. Any plat, Tract Declaration or other covenants, conditions and restrictions or easements recorded without such an approval being evidenced thereon shall be null and void. Once a Parcel has been subdivided into Lots by a recorded plat, that Parcel may not be re-subdivided without the approval of Declarant. No application for rezoning of any Lot or Parcel, and no application for variances or use permits, shall be filed with any governmental authority unless the proposed use of the property has been approved by Declarant and the proposed use otherwise complies with this Declaration and any applicable Tract Declaration.

- 4.2.15 <u>Utility Easements.</u> There is hereby created a blanket easement upon, across, over and under Bonds Ranch for ingress to, and egress from, and the installation, replacing, repairing and maintaining of, all utility and service lines and systems including, but not limited to, water, sewer, gas, telecom, electricity, television cable or communication lines and other systems as such utilities are installed in connection with the initial and ongoing development of Bonds Ranch. Pursuant to this easement, a providing utility or service company may install and maintain facilities and equipment on the property and affix and maintain wires, circuits and conduits on, in and under the roofs and exterior walls of buildings on the property. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this subsection, no sewers, electrical lines, waterlines, or other utilities or service lines, facilities or equipment may be installed or relocated on any area in Bonds Ranch pursuant to this easement without the consent of Declarant, except as initially planned and approved by Declarant or, if installed on a Lot or Parcel after recordation of the Tract Declaration but not initially planned or approved by Declarant, as permitted by an otherwise valid easement or as approved by the Owner of the Lot or Parcel. Notwithstanding the foregoing to the contrary, every Owner of a Lot or Parcel not served by a utility that has been initially planned or approved by Declarant (e.g., sewer lines and/or water lines) shall accept and be part of such utility service, and bear all costs (e.g., hook-up fees) in connection therewith, promptly upon the written request of Declarant once such utility is available.
- 4.2.16 <u>Party Walls</u>. Except as hereinafter provided, the rights and duties of Owners of contiguous properties which have Party Walls shall be as follows:
  - (a) Each Owner shall have the right to use the Party Wall, provided that such use does not interfere with the other Owner's use and enjoyment of the Party Wall.
  - (b) If a Party Wall is damaged or destroyed through the act or failure to act of an Owner or any of the Owner's tenants, agents, guests or members of the Owner's family (whether or not the act is negligent or otherwise culpable), it shall be the obligation of the Owner to promptly rebuild and repair the Party Wall without cost to the Owner of the adjoining property.
  - (c) In the event any Party Wall is destroyed or damaged (including deterioration from ordinary wear and tear and lapse of time), other than by the act or failure to act of an adjoining Owner, his tenants, agents, guests or family, it shall be the obligation of all Owners whose properties adjoin the Party Wall to rebuild and repair the Party Wall at their joint expense, with the expense to be allocated among the Owners in accordance with the frontage of their respective properties on the damaged or destroyed Party Wall.
  - (d) In the event of a dispute between Owners with respect to the construction, repair or rebuilding of a Party Wall, or with respect to the sharing of the cost thereof, the adjoining Owners shall submit their dispute to the Board and the Board's decision shall be final and binding. Notwithstanding any such decision, an Owner may seek indemnity from any party causing the damage.
  - (e) Notwithstanding the foregoing and unless otherwise indicated in an applicable Tract Declaration or other recorded document, in the case of Party Walls (1) between Common Areas and Lots and

Parcels, or (2) constructed by Declarant or the Association on Common Areas within a Lot or Parcel, the Association shall be responsible for all maintenance thereof, subject to the provisions of Sections 10.2 and 10.3 hereof, except that each Owner of a Lot or Parcel shall remain responsible for painting and maintaining the surface of the portion of the Party Wall facing his Lot or Parcel and/or the portion of the Party Wall which is not a portion of the Common Area, and except that an adjoining Owner shall reimburse the Association for 1/2 of the costs incurred by the Association for any structural repair of the Party Wall located on that Owner's property.

- (f) The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any Party Wall that separates the interiors of two Dwelling Units or to any Party Wall that also constitutes an exterior wall of a Dwelling Unit. The rights of the Owners of any such Dwelling Units with respect to any such Party Walls shall be governed by the applicable Tract Declaration or by any additional covenants recorded against those Dwelling Units.
- 4.2.17 Perimeter Walls. All fences constructed by Declarant or its designee adjoining the Golf Course, Common Areas, parks or washes shall be maintained by the Association in accordance with specifications established by the Architectural and Landscape Committee. Subject to the provisions of Sections 10.2 and 10.3 hereof, the perimeter walls constructed by Declarant, if any, shall be maintained by the Association, except that each Owner shall remain responsible for painting and maintaining the surface of the portion of the perimeter wall facing his Lot or Parcel and except that the Owner shall reimburse the Association for 1/2 of the costs of any structural repair of that portion of the perimeter wall located on that Owner's property or on or near that Owner's property boundary. The Board shall have sole discretion with respect to the maintenance of the exterior surface facing rights-of-way and the structural repair of the perimeter walls. The Association shall be responsible for the maintenance of:
  - (a) all landscaping immediately outside the perimeter walls and fences and adjoining rights-of-way;
  - (b) all areas immediately outside a perimeter wall and adjoining a Common Area wash, except any maintenance assumed by any governmental entity, by an Ancillary Association, or by the Owner of the adjoining Lot or Parcel.
- 4.2.18 <u>Utility Service</u>. No lines, wires or other devices for the communication or transmission of electric current or power, including telecom, television, radio and computer signals, shall be erected, placed or maintained anywhere in Bonds Ranch unless they are contained in conduits or cables installed and maintained underground or concealed in, under or on buildings or other structures, except for:
  - (a) boxes on the ground for electrical or communication connections, junctions, transformers and other apparatus customarily used in connection with such underground lines, wires and other devices;
  - (b) such above ground electrical apparatus as may be convenient or reasonably necessary on any Well Sites or Parcels designated for Utility Use; and
  - (c) those expressly approved by Declarant.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, no aboveground electrical apparatus shall be installed without the approval of Declarant. All lines for the transmission of water and sewage shall also be installed and maintained underground or concealed in, on or under structures approved by Declarant or otherwise installed in a manner approved by Declarant. The installation and location of all utility lines and equipment must be approved in advance by Declarant. Temporary aboveground power or telecom structures and water lines incident to construction activities shall be permitted with the prior consent of Declarant.

4.2.19 Overhead Encroachments. No tree, shrub or planting of any kind on any Lot, Parcel or other area shall be allowed to overhang or otherwise to encroach upon any sidewalk, street, bike path, trail, pedestrian way, the Golf Course or other area from the ground level to a height of eight feet without the prior consent of Declarant or the Architectural and Landscape Committee.

- 4.2.20 Trucks, Trailers, Campers and Boats. Except for loading and unloading purposes not to exceed 48 hours, no motor vehicle classed by manufacturer rating as exceeding 3/4 ton, mobile home, motor home, trailer, camper shell, detached camper, boat, boat trailer or other similar equipment or vehicle may be parked or stored on any area in Bonds Ranch so as to be Visible From Neighboring Property; provided, however, this provision shall not apply to (i) pickup trucks of less than 3/4-ton capacity with camper shells not exceeding seven feet in height measured from ground level and mini-motor homes not exceeding seven feet in height and 18 feet in length that are parked as provided in Section 4.2.22 hereof and are used on a regular and recurring basis for basic transportation; (ii) trucks, trailers and campers parked in a recreational vehicle storage area, if any, within a Residential Area or other areas, if any, designated for such parking in non-residential Land Use Classifications, provided, however, that all such parking areas have been approved by Declarant or the Architectural and Landscape Committee; or (iii) trucks, trailers, temporary construction shelters or facilities maintained during, and used in connection with, construction of any improvement approved by Declarant or the Architectural and Landscape Committee.
- 4.2.21 Motor Vehicles. No motor vehicle of any kind shall be constructed, reconstructed or repaired upon any Lot, Parcel or street or other area in Bonds Ranch so as to be Visible From Neighboring Property, and no inoperable vehicle may be stored or parked so as to be Visible From Neighboring Property; provided, however, that this provision shall not apply to (i) emergency vehicle repairs; (ii) any automobile repair business which may be permitted in any Industrial Park or General Commercial Land Use Classification; (iii) the parking of motor vehicles in garages or other parking areas in Bonds Ranch designated or approved by Declarant or the Architectural and Landscape Committee so long as, if Visible From Neighboring Property, such vehicles are in good operating condition and appearance and are not under repair; and (iv) the storage of motor vehicles in an area designated for such purposes on a Tract Declaration or on a site plan approved by Declarant.
- 4.2.22 <u>Parking</u>. It is intended that on-street parking will be restricted as much as reasonably possible. Vehicles of all Owners and Residents, and of their employees, guests and invitees, are to be kept in garages, carports and other parking areas designated or approved by Declarant or the Board; provided, however, this subsection shall not be construed to permit the parking or storing in the above described areas of any vehicle whose parking or storage is otherwise prohibited herein. The Community Rules may permit temporary parking on streets or other areas in Bonds Ranch for public or private social events or other permitted activities.
- 4.2.23 Roofs. No solar panel, air conditioning unit, evaporative cooler or other apparatus, structure or object shall be placed on the roof of a Dwelling Unit without the prior written consent of Declarant or the Architectural and Landscape Committee. Any solar panel approved for placement on a roof must be flush mounted if it is Visible From Neighboring Property.
- 4.2.24 <u>Window Treatments</u>. Within 90 days of occupancy, each Owner of a Dwelling Unit shall install permanent draperies or blinds or suitable window treatments on all windows that are Visible From Neighboring Property. In no event shall windows be covered with paper, aluminum foil, bed sheets or any other materials or temporary coverings not specifically intended for such purposes. No interior or exterior reflective material shall be used as a window covering unless the material has been approved by the Architectural and Landscape Committee.
- 4.2.25 <u>Drainage</u>. No Owner or Resident shall change, interfere with or obstruct the drainage pattern over his Lot or Parcel within such Lot or Parcel or from or to any other Lot or Parcel, as that pattern may be established or altered by Declarant.
- 4.2.26 Garage Openings. Except as may be provided in the Community Rules, no garage door shall be open except when necessary for access to and from the garage. No carport, parking area or garage shall be used to store junk or other unsightly material.
- 4.2.27 <u>Right of Entry.</u> During reasonable hours and upon reasonable notice to the Owner or other occupant of a Lot or Parcel, any member of the Architectural and Landscape Committee, any member of the Board, and any authorized representative of either of them, shall have the right to enter upon and inspect any Lot or Parcel and the improvements constructed or being constructed thereon (except for the interior portions of any

completed and occupied Dwelling Unit and Dwelling Units under construction by Declarant or a Designated Builder or its or their affiliates) to determine compliance with this Declaration, the Architectural and Landscape Guidelines, or any approved stipulations issued by the Architectural and Landscape Committee or to perform repairs and maintenance as provided in Section 10.3 hereof. No person shall be deemed guilty of trespass by reason of such an entry. In addition, the Association shall have an easement and right of entry upon each Lot and Parcel at any time, without prior notice, in order to perform emergency repairs.

- 4.2.28 <u>Declarant's Exemption</u>. Nothing contained in this Declaration shall be construed to prevent or interfere with the erection, maintenance or operation by Declarant or Designated Builders or its or their affiliates or subcontractors, of structures, improvements, signs, model homes, sales office and facilities, administrative officers, or other offices or facilities deemed by Declarant or Designated Builders, as applicable, to be necessary or convenient to the development, marketing, sale or operation of property within Bonds Ranch.
- 4.2.29 Health, Safety. Welfare and Security. In the event additional uses, activities and facilities are deemed by the Board to be a nuisance or to adversely affect the health, safety or welfare of Owners or Residents, the Board may make rules restricting or regulating their presence in Bonds Ranch; provided, however, that the Board shall have such power only with respect to Residential Areas of Bonds Ranch.

NEITHER THE ASSOCIATION NOR DECLARANT SHALL BE HELD LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS OR DAMAGE BY REASON OF FAILURE TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE SECURITY OR INEFFECTIVENESS OF SECURITY MEASURES UNDERTAKEN. ALL OWNERS, TENANTS, GUESTS AND INVITEES OF ANY OWNER, AS APPLICABLE, ACKNOWLEDGE AND SHALL BE DEEMED TO AGREE THAT DECLARANT AND THE ASSOCIATION, AND COMMITTEES ESTABLISHED BY EITHER OF THEM, ARE NOT INSURERS AND THAT EACH OWNER, TENANT, GUEST AND INVITEE ASSUMES ALL RISK OF LOSS OR DAMAGE TO PERSONS, TO PROPERTY, TO LOTS, TO RESIDENCES AND TO THE CONTENTS OF LOTS AND RESIDENCES AND FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT DECLARANT HAS MADE NO REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES, NOR HAS ANY OWNER, TENANT, GUEST OR INVITEE RELIED UPON ANY REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE, RELATIVE TO ANY SECURITY MEASURES RECOMMENDED OR TAKEN.

- 4.2.30 <u>Model Homes.</u> The provisions of this Declaration and of Tract Declarations which prohibit nonresidential use of Lots and Parcels and regulate parking of vehicles shall not prohibit the construction and maintenance of model homes, sales offices, administrative offices, and parking areas incidental thereto by Declarant, Designated Builders and its or their designees engaged in the construction or marketing of Dwelling Units in Bonds Ranch.
- 4.2.31 <u>Incidental Uses.</u> Declarant may approve, regulate or restrict incidental uses of property within any Land Use Classification. By way of example and not of limitation, Declarant may permit private roadways, tennis and/or swimming clubs intended primarily for the benefit of all or certain Owners and Residents, and tennis courts, swimming pools and other recreational amenities.
- 4.2.32 <u>Leases.</u> Any lease agreement applicable to a Lot must be in writing and must be expressly subject to this Declaration, the Community Rules, the Architectural and Landscape Guidelines, the Articles and the Bylaws. Any violation of these documents by the tenant shall be a default under the lease. An Owner of a Lot shall notify the Association regarding the existence of all leases and shall provide the Association a legible copy. The Lot Owner shall remain liable for compliance with the Declaration, Articles, Bylaws, Community Rules and Architectural and Landscape Guidelines and shall be responsible for any violations thereof by the tenant or the tenant's family and guests. The Community Rules may impose reasonable requirements concerning leases including, but not limited to, minimum duration and may make reasonable distinctions (i) between persons who are not Residents.
- 4.2.33 New Construction. All Dwelling Units shall be of new construction. No buildings or other structures shall be moved on to a Lot, Parcel or other area from other locations without the prior written consent of either Declarant or the Architectural and Landscape Committee. No part of any Dwelling Unit shall be used for living purposes until the entire structure is completed.

- 4.2.34 Construction. All Dwelling Units and all other buildings in Bonds Ranch must be constructed by Declarant, a Designated Builder or its or their designees.
- 4.2.35 <u>Compliance with Law.</u> No Lot, Parcel or other area in Bonds Ranch shall be maintained or utilized in such a manner as to violate any applicable statute, ordinance or regulation of the United States of America, the State of Texas, the County of Tarrant or any other governmental entity or agency having jurisdiction over Bonds Ranch or any part thereof.
- 4.2.36 No Modification by Private Agreement. No private agreement of any Owners shall modify or abrogate any of these Covenants or the obligations, rights and duties of the Owners hereunder.
- 4.3 <u>Covenants Applicable to Lots Within Single Family Residential Land Use Classification.</u> The following Covenants shall apply only to Lots, and the Owners and Residents thereof, within a Single Family Residential Land Use Classification:
- General, Property classified as Single Family Residential Use under a Tract Declaration may be used only for the construction and occupancy of one Single Family detached Dwelling Unit per Lot and typical residential activities incidental thereto, such as the construction and use of private swimming pools, together with common recreational facilities or other common areas or amenities, if any. All Lots within such a Land Use Classification shall be used, improved and devoted exclusively to residential uses and no occupation, business, profession, trade or other nonresidential use shall be conducted thereon, except that an Owner or Resident may conduct business activities on a Lot so long as (i) the existence or operation of the business activity is not apparent or detectable by sight, sound or smell from outside the Dwelling Unit; (ii) the business activity conforms to all applicable zoning requirements; (iii) the business activity does not involve door-to-door solicitations of other Owners and Residents; and (iv) the business activity is consistent with the residential character of the surrounding area and does not constitute a nuisance, or a hazardous or offensive use, or threaten the security or safety of other residents and Owners, as may be determined in the sole discretion of the Board. The terms "business," "occupation," "profession" and "trade," as used in this Section 4.3 and in Section 4.4 hereof, shall be construed to have their ordinary, generally accepted meanings, and shall include, without limitation, any occupation, work or activity undertaken on an ongoing basis which involves the provision of goods or services to persons other than the provider's family and for which the provider receives a fee, compensation, or other form of consideration, regardless of whether: (i) the activity is engaged in full or part-time; (ii) the activity is intended to or does generate a profit; or (iii) a license is required for the activity. Notwithstanding the above, the leasing of a Dwelling Unit shall not be considered a trade or business as defined herein. The restrictions contained in this Section 4.3 or in Section 4.4 hereof shall not apply to any activity conducted by Declarant, a Designated Builder or its or their designees with respect to its development, marketing, operation or sale of property within Bonds Ranch, and Declarant and Designated Builders shall have the right to maintain sales offices, administration offices, and sales and model complexes on property classified for Single Family Residential Use, Residential Condominium Development Use or Cluster Residential Use.
- 4.3.2 <u>Tenants.</u> The entire Dwelling Unit and Lot may be leased to a Single Family tenant or lessee from time to time by the Owner, subject to the provisions of this Declaration, the Community Rules, and any applicable Architectural and Landscape Guidelines and Tract Declaration.
- 4.3.3 <u>Minimum Home Size.</u> All detached Single Family Dwelling Units in Bonds Ranch shall have at least 1,000 square feet of living space, exclusive of carports and porches.
- 4.4 <u>Covenants Applicable to Property Within a Residential Condominium Development Land Use Classification and a Cluster Residential Land Use Classification.</u> The following Covenants shall apply only to Dwelling Units, and the Owners and Residents thereof, within a Residential Condominium Development Land Use Classification or a Cluster Residential Land Use Classification:
- 4.4.1 <u>General.</u> Property classified as Residential Condominium Development Use or as Cluster Residential Use under a Tract Declaration may be used only for the construction and occupancy of Single Family Dwelling Units, together with common facilities and other common areas, if any. In addition, a management office

may be maintained on any such property for the purpose of leasing and managing Dwelling Units and related improvements on the property. All Lots within such a Land Use Classification shall be used, improved and devoted exclusively to residential uses and no occupation, business, profession, trade or other nonresidential use shall be conducted thereon, except that an Owner or Resident may conduct business activities on a Lot so long as (i) the existence or operation of the business activity is not apparent or detectable by sight, sound or smell from outside the Dwelling Unit; (ii) the business activity conforms to all applicable zoning requirements; (iii) the business activity does not involve door-to-door solicitations of other Owners and Residents; and (iv) the business activity is consistent with the residential character of the surrounding area and does not constitute a nuisance, or a hazardous or offensive use, or threaten the security or safety of other residents and Owners, as may be determined in the sole discretion of the Board. As provided in Section 4.3 hereof, the restrictions contained in this Section 4.4 shall not apply to any activity conducted by Declarant, a Designated Builder or its or their designees with respect to its or their development, marketing or sale of property within Bonds Ranch.

- 4.4.2 <u>Tenants</u>. The entire Dwelling Unit may be leased to a Single Family tenant from time to time by the Owner, subject to the provisions of this Declaration, the Community Rules, and any applicable Architectural and Landscape Guidelines and Tract Declaration.
- 4.5 <u>Timeshare Restrictions</u>. Nothing contained in this Declaration shall limit Declarant from creating Timeshare interests in portions of the Community that are limited by Tract Declarations to such use or portions of the Community in which such use is permitted by applicable Tract Declaration. Except for such Timeshare interests as may be created expressly authorized by Declarant, no Timeshare shall be allowed within the Residential Areas of the Community.

# 4.6 Covenants Applicable to Golf Course Land Use Classification.

- 4.6.1 General. The Golf Course Land shall be designated as such in a Tract Declaration recorded by Declarant. No Association membership rights or responsibilities shall be attributed or charged to the Golf Course Land (other than the use and operation restrictions in this Section 4.6).
- 4.6.2 <u>Use Restriction.</u> The Golf Course Land shall be used solely as one or more golf courses, parks, recreation areas (including but not limited to driving ranges, pro shops, water storage, well-sites, recharge wells, drainage structure, automobile parking, and other recreational and associated maintenance facilities and uses) or for open space or desert landscaping purposes. Notwithstanding the foregoing and subject to applicable zoning regulations, the Owner of the Golf Course Land, without approval from the Board or other Owners, may amend the Tract Declaration or plat or plats covering the Golf Course Land to alter the use or boundaries of the Golf Course Land or any portion thereof, provided that (i) the remaining Golf Course Land remains available for golf course purposes (and is sufficient for those purposes); and (ii) the change does not materially diminish the playability of any golf course existing on the Golf Course Land at the time of the change. As long as Declarant has fee title to, or any beneficial or security interest in, any Bonds Ranch property, any amendment to a Golf Course Tract Declaration or plat or plats affecting the Golf Course Land must be approved by Declarant.
- 4.6.3 Operation of Golf Course. To the extent reasonably possible, the manager of any golf course and other facilities located on Golf Course Land shall attempt to operate the golf course and other facilities in such a manner so as not to create an unreasonable nuisance for the Owners and Residents of Bonds Ranch. Notwithstanding the foregoing, activities and uses permitted on the Golf Course Land shall include all activities normally associated with the operation and maintenance of a golf course and any and all other recreational activities and facilities permitted under Section 4.6.2 hereof, approved by Declarant, or permitted by the applicable Tract Declaration including, but not limited to, the conduct of tournaments, races and other recreational events which may include spectators, television, radio and other media coverage, and various related activities. Notwithstanding other provisions of this Declaration or the Community Rules restricting parking, members of the public shall have the right to park their vehicles on roadways within Bonds Ranch at reasonable times before, during and following golf tournaments and other permitted functions held on the Golf Course Land.

Subject to the terms of this Declaration and any Tract Declaration recorded against the Golf Course Land and any binding contractual (or similar) obligations, the Owner of the Golf Course Land shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to establish rules and regulations governing all aspects of the golf course including, but

not limited to, price, hours of operation, tee-time procedures, annual golf fees, use, reciprocal agreements, commitments, subleasing, availability, staffing, quality, equipment and maintenance. The Owner of Golf Course Land shall also have the right, in its sole discretion and at any time, to make the Golf Course Land available to others or the general public to the extent availability exists after taking into account the needs of Owners and Residents of the Community or to restrict play to the Members of the Association. The Owner of the Golf Course Land, its guests, employees, invitees and clientele shall have, in perpetuity, a right of reasonable access through Bonds Ranch and the facilities thereon, and reasonable parking privileges, for the purpose of operating and using the golf course, golf pro shop, golf cart storage areas and snack bar. Upon request by the Owner of the Golf Course Land (if the Association is not the Owner), the Association shall execute and notarize an instrument to further evidence the rights and privileges provided for herein. Commencing one year after the Transition Date, the Owner of the Golf Course Land (if it is not the Association) shall, on an annual basis, reimburse the Association an amount not to exceed the actual cost directly attributable to the Association for the prior year of the Golf Course Owner's use and operation, if any, of the golf pro shop, golf cart storage areas and snack bar if they are located in a clubhouse conveyed to the Association or on any other property conveyed to the Association.

- 4.6.4 Golf Balls. Owners, Residents, guests and other persons owning, occupying or using any Lot, Dwelling Unit, Parcel or other area adjoining the Golf Course Land are deemed to have assumed the risks of personal injury and property damage resulting from golf balls hit onto any such Lot, Dwelling Unit, Parcel or other area by persons playing golf on the Golf Course Land. Neither Declarant, nor the Owner of the Golf Course Land (if other than Declarant), nor the Association, is responsible for installing screening devices or trees to limit or prevent errant golf balls from causing injury or damage.
- 4.6.5 Members'. Use of Golf Course. From time to time Declarant or the Owner of the Golf Course Land may make available to Members or their guests certain privileges, priorities or programs ("Golf Course Programs") related to the use of the Golf Course. The initial availability, continued availability, components and terms of any such Golf Course Programs shall be at the sole discretion of Declarant or the Owner of the Golf Course Land, as applicable.
- 4.7 <u>Variances.</u> Declarant or the Board may, at its option and in extenuating circumstances, grant variances from any or all of the restrictions set forth in Section 4 hereof or in any Tract Declaration if Declarant or the Board determines in its discretion (a) either (i) that a restriction would create an unreasonable hardship or burden on an Owner, or (ii) that a change of circumstances since recordation of this Declaration has rendered the restriction obsolete or otherwise inappropriate, and (b) that the activity permitted under the variance will not have any substantial adverse affect on the Owners and Residents of Bonds Ranch and is consistent with the high quality of life intended for Residents of Bonds Ranch. The request for a variance must be made in writing and must be accompanied by adequate supporting documentation.
- 4.8 Grazing Or Agricultural Operations. Declarant reserves the right to use the undeveloped portions of Bonds Ranch, Annexable Property and perhaps other real property in the vicinity for grazing or agricultural purposes until they are developed for residential, commercial or other uses. Therefore, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Section 4 or elsewhere in this Declaration, none of the use restrictions or other provisions of this Declaration shall affect, interfere with or apply to any grazing or agricultural operations, or related operations, that are conducted within Bonds Ranch with the consent of Declarant, unless Declarant specifies otherwise in writing.

# 5. ORGANIZATION OF ASSOCIATION

- 5.1 Formation of Association. The Association shall be a non-profit Texas corporation. Upon incorporation, the Association shall serve as the governing body for all the Members and for the future Members, and shall be charged with the duties and invested with the powers prescribed by law and set forth in the Articles, Bylaws and this Declaration. Neither the Articles nor Bylaws shall, for any reason, be amended or otherwise changed or interpreted so as to be inconsistent with this Declaration.
- 5.2 <u>Board of Directors and Officers</u>. The affairs of the Association shall be conducted by the Board and such officers as the Board may elect or appoint in accordance with the Articles and the Bylaws. The Board may

also appoint various committees and appoint a manager or managing agent who shall be subject to the direction of the Board and be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the Association. The Board shall determine the compensation to be paid to the manager or managing agent and any employees of the Association. The Board's responsibilities shall be to carry out the objectives of the Association which include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

- (a) administering, including providing administrative support required for, the Architectural and Landscape Committee;
- (b) preparing and administering an operational budget that provides for the protection, administration and operation of the Common Areas, the improvements thereon and the property of the Association, for the performance of all of the Association's responsibilities hereunder and under the Articles and Bylaws, and for other uses permitted by Section 9 hereof;
- (c) establishing and administering a reserve fund to the extent that funds are available therefor;
- (d) scheduling and conducting the meetings of Members;
- (e) collecting and enforcing the Assessments and disbursing funds received for the benefit of the Association and its Members;
- (f) maintaining records and books in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and performing other necessary accounting functions;
- (g) promulgating and enforcing the Community Rules;
- (h) maintaining the Common Areas; and
- all other duties imposed upon the Board pursuant to this Declaration, the Bylaws, the Articles and the Community Rules.

The Association shall be governed by the Board who shall have the powers and duties prescribed in the Articles and the Bylaws. The Bylaws shall specify the procedure for election of the directors, as well as the terms to be served by the directors. All debts and obligations of the Association prior to the Transition Date shall continue to be the debts and obligations of the Association after the Transition Date, and Declarant shall have no responsibility or obligation to discharge those debts and obligations.

The Community Rules and Architectural and Landscape Guidelines. By a majority vote of the Board, the Association may, from time to time and subject to the provisions of this Declaration, adopt, amend and repeal rules and regulations to be known as the Community Rules. The Community Rules may restrict and govern the use of the Common Areas by any Member or Resident, by the family of any Member, or by any invitee, licensee or tenant of any Member; provided, however, that the Community Rules shall not discriminate among Members (other than Declarant and any Designated Builder) and shall not be inconsistent with this Declaration, the Articles or the Bylaws. In addition, from time to time and subject to the provisions of this Declaration, the Architectural and Landscape Committee shall have the right to adopt, amend and repeal Architectural and Landscape Guidelines for Residential Areas of the Community; provided, however, that such rules and guidelines shall be fair and reasonable. shall be consistent with the provisions of this Declaration, the Articles and Bylaws, and shall be subject to review and revision by the Board. The authority granted herein to develop rules and guidelines by the Board and Architectural and Landscape Committee, and the enforcement powers granted herein, are given for the purpose of ensuring that the Community is developed and used according to the general descriptions and intent as evidenced by the Bonds Ranch Master Development Plan, as it from time to time may be amended, and this Declaration. The Board and Architectural and Landscape Committee are responsible specifically for the administration and enforcement of the provisions of this Declaration and the Articles, Bylaws, Community Rules, and Architectural and Landscape Guidelines. Upon adoption, the Community Rules and the Architectural and Landscape Guidelines shall have the same force and effect as if they were set forth in and were a part of this Declaration, except that in the event of any inconsistency between the rules and regulations adopted by the Board and the guidelines adopted by the

Architectural and Landscape Committee, the rules and regulations adopted by the Board shall control, and in the event of any inconsistency between the rules, regulations or guidelines and any of the provisions of this Declaration or of the Articles or Bylaws, the provisions of this Declaration, the Articles and the Bylaws shall govern and control.

- 5.4 <u>Personal Liability.</u> No Board member, committee member, officer or employee of the Association or Declarant shall be personally liable to any Member or to any other person or entity, including the Association, for any damage, loss or prejudice suffered or claimed on account of any act, omission, error or negligence; provided, however, the limitations set forth in this Section shall not apply to any person who has failed to act in good faith or has engaged in willful or intentional misconduct. The Association shall indemnify its committee members, directors and officers when acting in good faith on behalf of the Association to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 5.5 Ancillary Association. In the event an Ancillary Association is formed by Declarant (or with the written consent of Declarant) for a Parcel, subdivision, area or neighborhood in Bonds Ranch, articles of incorporation, bylaws and any declaration of restrictions shall serve as the governing documents for an Ancillary Association. The governing documents for an Ancillary Association must specify that the Ancillary Association and the rights of its members are subject to the provisions of this Declaration and the Articles of the Association. The Board may delegate to an Ancillary Association the responsibility for billing and collecting for some or all of the Assessments.
- Easements. In addition to the easements specifically granted or reserved herein, the Association is authorized and empowered to grant upon, across or under Association Land such permits, licenses, easements and rights-of-way for sewer lines, water lines, underground conduits, storm drains, television, telecom, computer, cable and other similar public or private purposes, security lines, roadways or other purposes as may be reasonably necessary and appropriate for the orderly maintenance and preservation of the health, safety, convenience and welfare of the Owners of real property within Bonds Ranch, as determined by the Board.
- 5.7 Rights of Enforcement. The Association, acting through the Board, shall be and hereby is empowered to decide all questions regarding the enforcement of this Declaration within Residential Areas and to take any and all actions needed, in its sole and absolute judgment, to enforce this Declaration.
- Contracts with Others for Performance of Association's Duties. Subject to the restrictions and limitations contained herein, the Association may enter into contracts and transactions with others, including Declarant and affiliated companies or persons, and no such contract or transaction shall be invalidated or in any way affected by the fact that one or more directors or officers of the Association or members of any committee of the Association are employed by or otherwise connected with Declarant or its affiliates, provided that the interest is disclosed or known to the other directors acting upon the contract or transaction, and provided further that the transaction or contract is fair and reasonable. Any such director, officer or committee member may be counted in determining the existence of a quorum at any meeting of the Board or committee of which he is a member which shall authorize any contract or transaction described above or grapt or deny any approval sought by Declarant, its affiliates or any competitor thereof and may vote at any such meeting to authorize any such contract, transaction or approval with like force and effect as if he were not so interested. In addition, from and after the date of this Declaration and until the date 35 years after the Transition Date, Declarant or its designee shall have the right, but not the obligation, to serve as the manager of the Association and, from and after the date that 1,000 houses are constructed in Bonds Ranch, to receive from the Association a management fee in the amount of 4% of the Association's total gross revenues from all sources, as reported in the Association's annual financial statements. The management fee shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, reimbursement by the Association to Declarant or its designee for all direct expenses actually incurred in managing the Association and in addition to the costs and expenses of operating the Association and of paying the employees of the Association. The management fee shall not be payable if Declarant and its designee elect not to serve as manager of the Association.

Notwithstanding anything foregoing to the contrary and subject to the rights reserved to Declarant in this Declaration, the Association shall not engage, directly or indirectly, in any real estate sales or marketing activities or allow the use of any clubhouse or other Common Areas for such purposes by any licensed real estate brokerage company or other entity offering comparable services (other than the posting of such signs for the sale of individual Dwelling Units by Owners as may otherwise be permitted hereunder) without the prior written consent of Declarant, which may be withheld in Declarant's sole and absolute discretion.

#### MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING

- 6.1 Owners of Lots. Every Owner of a Lot, including Declarant, but not including any other Owner of a Lot that constitutes Exempt Property, shall be a Member of the Association. Each such Owner, including Declarant, shall have one Membership for each Lot owned by the Members. Each Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of the Lot to which the Membership is attributable. Except as otherwise provided in any Tract Declaration for a commercial or other Parcel, no Memberships shall be appurtenant to any Commercial Areas. There shall be only one Membership for each Lot, which shall be shared by any joint Owners of, or owners of undivided interests in, a Lot. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 6.1, in the event an Owner of two adjoining Lots, or an Owner of a Lot and a portion of an adjoining Lot, combines the areas owned by him for use as one residence, upon approval by Declarant or the Board, the combined Lots or the combined Lot and adjoining property, as the case may be, shall be assessed and treated as one Lot hereunder and shall be entitled to one Membership. Any Tract Declaration may limit or assign all or any of the voting rights otherwise applicable to portions of the Community covered by the Tract Declaration. Without limiting the preceding sentence, any Tract Declaration recorded by Declarant hereafter may assign voting rights to Declarant for such periods of time and on such terms as Declarant may elect, in its sole discretion.
- 6.2 Tenants. Tenants of Rental Apartments or other Dwelling Units shall not be Members of the Association. In the event Rental Apartments are converted to residential Condominiums, then there shall be one Membership in the Association for each residential Condominium Unit owned, commencing when the condominium declaration is recorded.
- 6.3 <u>Declarant.</u> Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Declarant shall be a Member of the Association for so long as Declarant owns any Lot in Bonds Ranch.
- 6.4 <u>Voting.</u> Subject to Declarant's right to twenty votes for each Membership held by Declarant or an affiliate of Declarant (including without limitation, Scott Communities Developers Limited Partnership and Scott Communities Builders Limited Partnership), each Membership entitles the Member to one vote in all elections for the Board of Directors and all other Association matters requiring a vote of the Members, subject to the authority of the Board to suspend the Member's voting rights for violations of this Declaration as provided herein.
- Right to Vote. No change in the ownership of a Membership shall be effective for voting purposes unless and until the Board is given actual written notice of the change and is provided satisfactory proof thereof. The vote for each Membership must be cast as a unit. Fractional votes shall not be allowed. If a Membership is owned by more than one individual or entity and the Owners are unable to agree among themselves as to how their vote or votes shall be cast, they shall lose their right to vote on the matter in question. If any Member casts a vote representing a certain Membership, it will thereafter be presumed conclusively that the Member was acting with the authority and consent of all other Owners of the same Membership unless objection thereto is made to the Board in writing at or prior to the time the vote is cast. In the event more than one vote is cast for a particular Membership, all such votes shall be deemed void.
- 6.6 Membership Rights. Each Member shall have the rights, duties and obligations set forth in this Declaration and such other rights, duties and obligations as are set forth in the Articles, Bylaws, Community Rules and Architectural and Landscape Guidelines.
- 6.7 Transfer of Membership. The rights and obligations of a Member in the Association shall not be assigned, transferred, pledged, designated, conveyed or alienated in any way except upon transfer of ownership of the Member's Lot and then only to the transferee of the Lot. Ownership of a Lot may be effected by deed, intestate succession, testamentary disposition, foreclosure of a mortgage or deed of trust of record or such other legal process as permitted by Texas law. Any attempt to make a prohibited transfer of a Membership shall be void. Any transfer of ownership of a Lot shall automatically transfer any Membership appurtenant to the Lot to the new Owner. Upon the transfer of ownership of any Lot (excluding the initial sale by Declarant or a Designated Builder) the Board, in its discretion, may assess a reasonable transfer fee to cover administrative costs associated with the transfer of ownership.

- 6.8 <u>Use of Membership: Designees</u>. Subject to the Community Rules, all of the owners of a Membership may designate one or more non-members (a "Designee") to exercise all of the rights of the Membership under this Declaration except the Member's voting rights, but any such designation shall not relieve the Member of any liabilities or obligations as an Owner or with respect to the Membership. So long as any such designation is in effect, the Member shall be permitted to exercise only his voting rights and the Board may, among other things, in its discretion, set maximum or minimum periods for which such a designation may be in effect and limit the number of individuals who may be so designated by any Member at any one time. The Designee need not be a Resident and need not live in the Community unless the Board adopts rules requiring such residence.
- 6.9 Rights of Declarant. All rights and authority granted to "Declarant" hereunder shall continue until Transition Date. On the Termination Date, all rights and authority granted to "Declarant" hereunder shall vest in, and thereafter be exercised by, the Association, except for rights and authority which by their terms cease to exist hereunder on or prior to such date. Declarant may assign any or all of its rights and authority as "Declarant" hereunder to any person or entity by written instrument of assignment duly recorded in the Real Property Records of Tarrant County, Texas, a copy of which shall be delivered to the Board. Conveyance of a property interest by Declarant alone shall not constitute an assignment of Declarant's rights and authority as "Declarant" hereunders

## COVENANT FOR ASSESSMENT AND CREATION OF LIEN

- Creation of Lien and Personal Obligations for Assessments and Maintenance Charges. Each Owner of a Lot that is not Exempt Property, by acceptance of a deed or execution of a purchase contract therefore (whether or not it shall be so expressed in the deed or purchase contract) or by otherwise acquiring any interest in a Lot, is deemed to covenant and agree to accept and be subject to mandatory Membership in the Association and to pay to the Association the following: (1) Annual Assessments, (2) Neighborhood Assessments, (3) Special Assessments, (4) Reserve Fund Assessments, (5) Maintenance Charges, (6) Special Use Fees incurred by the Owner or Resident occupying the Owner's Lot or any portion thereof, and (7) the Amenities Fee. The Annual Assessments, Neighborhood Assessments, Special Assessments, Reserve Fund Assessments, Maintenance Charges, Special Use Fees, Amenities Fee and other fees, fines and charges that are the obligation of such an Owner hereunder, together with interest, costs, collection agency fees, and reasonable attorneys' fees of the Association incurred in connection with the enforcement and collection thereof or in otherwise enforcing this Declaration, shall be a charge and continuing lien (the "Assessment Lien") upon the Lot against which the Annual Assessment, Neighborhood Assessment, Special Assessment, Reserve Fund Assessment, Maintenance Charge, Amenities Fee or other charge is made and against the Lot of an Owner liable for a Special Use Fee or other charge and, in addition, shall be the personal obligation of the Owner of the Lot at the time the obligation becomes due and payable. The Assessment Lien shall be coupled with a power of sale in favor of the Association entitling the Association to exercise the right of nonjudicial foreclosure sale and the other rights and remedies afforded under Chapter 51 of the Texas Property Code. It is expressly intended that by acceptance of a deed to a Lot or Dwelling Unit, each Owner acknowledges that title is accepted subject to the Assessment Lien, which shall be deemed to be an express contractual lien and shall be superior to any defense of homestead or other exemption, the Assessment Lien having been created prior to the creation or attachment of any homestead right with respect to any Lot or Dwelling Unit. The personal obligation for delinquent Assessments and other charges shall not pass to the successors in title of the Owner unless expressly assumed by the successor, but the Lot shall remain subject to the lien of delinquent Assessments except as provided in Section 8.3 hereof. No Owner may waive or otherwise exempt himself from liability for the Assessments provided for herein by nonuse of Common Areas, abandonment of the Owner's Lot, as a result of Assessments for any period exceeding common expenses, or otherwise. The obligation to pay Assessments is a separate and independent covenant on the part of each Owner of a Lot that is not Exempt Property. No diminution, abatement or set-off shall be allowed by reason of any action or failure to act of the Board, the Association or Declarant.
- 7.2 Annual Assessments. In order to provide for the uses and purposes specified in Section 9 hereof, including the establishment of replacement and maintenance reserves in the Board's discretion, in each year, commencing with the first Assessment Period, the Board shall prepare and adopt a budget and shall assess against each Lot (except any Exempt Property) an Annual Assessment. Subject to the provisions of Section 7.4 hereof, the amount of the Annual Assessment shall be in the sole discretion of the Board but shall be determined with the objective of fulfilling the Association's obligations under this Declaration and providing for the uses and purposes

specified in Section 9 hereof. Nothing within this Section, or elsewhere in this Declaration, shall be construed as placing a requirement upon Declarant or the Board to set up a reserve fund at any time. Further, no such reserve fund (other than any reserve fund established with the Reserve Fund Assessments) will be begun, or contributed to, during any year in which Declarant makes a contribution to Bonds Ranch Association in order to subsidize any deficit which the Association may have in that year.

- 7.3 Non-Uniform Rate of Annual Assessment. The obligation to pay Assessments shall begin on the date a Lot is purchased from Declarant, as evidenced by the recording of the deed or other conveyance instrument for the Lot, whether or not the Owner actually resides in Bonds Ranch. For purposes of this Declaration, Lots owned or sold by the trustee of a trust of which Declarant is the beneficiary shall be deemed to be owned or sold, as the case may be, by Declarant. The amount of any Annual or Special Assessment against each Lot or Dwelling Unit shall be fixed at a uniform rate per Membership, with the following exceptions:
- 7.3.1 If deemed necessary or appropriate by the Board, Assessments (whether Annual or Special) shall be assessed unevenly against the Lots, and specific Lots or Members, groups of Lots or Members, or residential neighborhoods who receive or have available services or benefits that are not reasonably available to all Lots or Members, as determined by the Board. Any such specially benefited Lots or Members may be assessed and required to pay higher Assessments than the base Annual or Special Assessments for which the other Members are responsible. Examples are areas with additional security services, swimming pools, and recreational areas or tennis courts that are limited to use by certain Members. The Board shall be fair and reasonable in establishing any such unequal Assessments. The additional Annual Assessments, to the extent they exceed the amount of the base Annual Assessments for which all Members are responsible, shall not count towards the Maximum Annual Assessments described in Section 7.4 hereof.
- 7.3.2 The Annual Assessment payable by a Designated Builder for a Lot shall be twenty-five percent (25%) of the amount that would otherwise be payable as the Annual Assessment until the earlier of (a) the date that the Lot is transferred to another Owner, or (b) twelve (12) months from the date that the Designated Builder acquires ownership of the Lot. Upon the transfer of the Lot to another Owner, such other Owner shall be immediately responsible for the full Annual Assessment allocable to the Lot in accordance with Section 7.2, prorated as of the date of transfer of ownership. If the Lot is not transferred to another Owner within twelve (12) months from the date that the Designated Builder acquires ownership of the Lot, the Designated Builder shall be responsible as of that date for the full Annual Assessment allocable to the Lot in accordance with Section 7.2, prorated as of such date.
- Maximum Annual Assessment. Except as provided in Section 7.3 hereof, the base Annual Assessment to be established by the Board may not exceed a certain amount, hereinafter referred to as the "Maximum Annual Assessment." Until December 31, 2003, the Maximum Annual Assessment for each Membership shall be \$1,200.00. The Maximum Annual Assessment for each Membership shall increase by 10% per year, compounded annually on December 31 of each year commencing on December 31, 2003 (i.e., each year, the Maximum Annual Assessment will be 10% higher that the Maximum Annual Assessment for the previous year). However, the Board has no obligation to increase the Annual Assessment each year to the Maximum Annual Assessment. Notwithstanding the foregoing limitation, the Maximum Annual Assessment may be increased by a vote of 2/3 of the votes entitled to be cast by Members who are voting in person or by proxy at a meeting duly called for such purpose, or, in the Board's discretion and without a vote of the Members, as reasonably necessitated by increased utility, fuel, water or other costs charged to the Association and costs to the Association of complying with governmental statutes, rules and regulations, including but not limited to those relating to environmental matters.
- 7.5 Neighborhood Assessments. If a Tract Declaration designates certain costs as a "Neighborhood Assessment" or if the Association determines in the exercise of its reasonable judgment that a particular Parcel or particular Lots (a "Neighborhood") benefit in a substantial way from a particular feature, characteristic or service and other Parcels and Lots outside the Neighborhood do not benefit or do not benefit as much from the feature, characteristic or service, the Board may levy against each Lot within the Neighborhood a Neighborhood Assessment to pay for the incremental cost incurred in connection with the feature, characteristic or service including, but not limited to, maintenance, repair and replacement costs.

- 3.6 Special Assessments for Capital Improvements and Extraordinary Expenses. In addition to the Annual Assessments authorized above, the Board may levy Special Assessments for the purpose of defraying in whole or in part the cost of any construction, reconstruction, repair, operating expenses, or replacements of capital improvements upon the Association Land or Common Areas, including fixtures and personal property related thereto, and for the purpose of defraying other extraordinary expenses. The Board may levy the Special Assessments uniformly to all Members, or to certain Members who receive or have available services or benefits not available to all of the Members, or otherwise as provided in Section 7.3 hereof. The provisions of this Section are not intended to preclude or limit the assessment, collection or use of Annual Assessments or the purposes for which Special Assessments may be made. The amount of any Special Assessments shall not apply towards the Maximum Annual Assessment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a proposed Special Assessment in excess of \$500 per Lot per calendar year will not become effective if it is disapproved, within 30 days after it is announced by the Board, by 2/3 of those votes eligible to be cast in person or by proxy at an annual meeting of the Members of Association or at a special meeting called for that purpose after proper notice to the Members.
- 7.7 Reserve Fund Assessment. The first Owner (other than Declarant or a Designated Builder) of each Lot that is not Exempt Property shall pay the Association (in addition to any Annual or Special Assessments or other charges provided for herein) a one-time fee of \$200 per Lot (the "Reserve Fund Assessment") which shall be used by the Association to pay the costs of maintenance or any other activity that the Association shall or may perform pursuant to this Declaration, its Articles or its Bylaws, or to fund a reserve account for such future costs, or to reimburse Declarant for costs Declarant has incurred in connection with the development and maintenance of Bonds Ranch. Following the Transition Date, any unapplied Reserve Fund Assessments that can reasonably be allocated to Lots within an Ancillary Association, if any has been established, may, in the discretion of the Board, be turned over to such Ancillary Association for the same purposes.

## 7.8 Amenities Fce.

- 7.8.1 Each Owner (other than Declarant or a Designated Builder) of a Lot that is not Exempt Property shall pay the Association (in addition to any Annual, Special or Reserve Fund Assessments or other charges provided for herein) a fee of \$40 per Lot per month (the "Amenities Fee") which shall be used by the Association to defray the Association's obligations to Declarant under Section 9.1.2 hereof. The Amenities Fee for each such Lot shall commence on the first full month following the Lot's initial conveyance to a retail buyer and shall be payable on the first day of each month thereafter so long as the Association's payment obligations under Section 9.1.2 hereof continue.
- 7.8.2 The Amenities Fee for each Lot shall be adjusted upward as of January 1 of each year (the "Adjustment Dates"), commencing January 1, 2004, as follows:
  - (a) Declarant shall ascertain the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers -- U.S. Cities Average -- All Items (the "CPI") published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics (1982-1984 = 100) for October, 2003 (the "Base Index") and for October of the year immediately prior to the adjustment (the "Comparison Index").
  - (b) The Amenities Fee commencing as of such Adjustment Date shall be equal to the original Amenities Fee as set forth in Section 7.8.1 above times a fraction, the numerator of which is the Comparison Index and the denominator of which is the Base Index, illustrated in the following formula:

	Comparison Index	
Adjusted Amenities Fee =		x Original Amenities Fee
	Base Index	

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event shall the Amenities Fee be decreased on any Adjustment Date. If at any time the CPI is no longer published or its manuer of calculation is materially changed, Declarant may substitute such substitute index, reconciled as to October, 2003, as reasonably reflects changes in the purchasing power of the dollar.

- Notice and Quorum for Any Action Authorized Under Section 7.4. Written notice of any meeting called for the purpose of a vote of the Members to increase the Maximum Annual Assessments pursuant to the last sentence of Section 7.4 hereof shall be sent to all Members no less than 10 days nor more than 60 days in advance of the meeting. At any such meeting, the presence of Members, in person or by proxy, entitled to cast more than 20% of all the votes (exclusive of suspended voting rights) shall constitute a quorum. If the required quorum is not present, another meeting may be called subject to the same notice requirement any time thereafter, except that the requirement for a quorum shall be reduced from 20% of all of the votes to 10% of all of the votes (exclusive of suspended voting rights).
- 7.10 <u>Establishment of Assessment Period</u>. The period for which the Annual Assessment is to be levied (the "Assessment Period") shall be the calendar year, except that the first Assessment Period shall commence (a) upon the recording of the first Tract Declaration covering Lots, or (b) upon such later date as the Board shall determine, and shall terminate on December 31 of such year. The Board in its sole discretion from time to time may change the Assessment Period by Board resolution specifying the new Assessment Period.
- Billing and Collection Procedures. The Board shall have the right to adopt procedures for the 7.11 purpose of making, billing and collecting the Assessments, and other fees and charges provided for herein, so long as any such procedures are not inconsistent with the provisions hereof. Annual Assessments may be collected on a monthly, quarterly, annual or other basis as determined by the Board. Special Assessments may be collected as specified by the Board Amenities Fees shall be paid monthly, unless the Board establishes another payment schedule by notice to Members. The failure of the Association to send a bill to a Member shall not relieve the Member of liability for any Assessment or charge under this Declaration, but the Assessment lien shall not be foreclosed or otherwise enforced until the Member has been given not less than 15 days written notice prior to the foreclosure or enforcement, at the address of the Member on the records of the Association, clearly stating that the Assessment or any installment thereof is or will be due and the amount owing. Such a notice may be given at any time prior to or after the delinquency of any payment. Each Member shall be obligated to inform the Association in writing of any change of address. If appropriate settlements between a buyer and seller are not maintained by the title or escrow company, the Association shall be under no duty to refund any payments received by it even though ownership of a Lot or Parcel (and any appurtenant Membership) changes during an Assessment Period, Successor Members shall be given credit for prepayments, on a prorated basis, made by prior Members. Annual Assessments against any new Member shall be prorated to the date the Membership is acquired and the new Member shall not be liable for any previously levied Special Assessment unless the Special Assessment is levied over a period of time, in which case the amount shall be prorated to the date on which the new Membership is acquired. Nothing contained in the preceding sentence shall affect or impair the Association's lien on any Lot, including any Lot acquired by a new Member, for past due Assessments relating to the Lot.
- Collection Costs and Interest on Delinguent Assessments. Any Assessment or installment thereof not paid when due shall be deemed delinquent subject to any provisions of law applicable to such delinquencies. Delinquent amounts shall bear interest from the delinquency date until paid at the rate equal to the lesser of (a)] 18% per annum, [or (b) the maximum amount permitted by law, and the Member whose payment is delinquent shall also be liable for all costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, which may be incurred by the Association in collecting the delinquent amount and related charges. In addition, subject to any limitations imposed by applicable law, the Association may charge a late fee of 25% for any payment not made when due. Any such late fee shall also bear interest at the rate specified above from the date the Assessment or installment thereof becomes delinquent until the Assessment or installment, late charge and interest are paid in full. The Board may post a list of all members whose Assessments (whether Annual or Special Assessments or otherwise) are past due on a clubhouse bulletin hoard (or on any other similarly prominent location). The Board may also record a Notice of Delinquent Assessment against any Lot with a delinquent Assessment and may establish a fixed fee to compensate the Association for the Association's expenses in recording the notice, processing the delinquency, and recording a notice of payment. Any such fee shall be treated as a collection cost secured by the Assessment Lien. The Association shall not be obligated to release any notice recorded pursuant to this section until all delinquent Assessments, interest and collection costs have been paid in full, whether or not all of the amounts are set forth in the Notice of Delinguency.
- 7.13 Evidence of Payment of Assessments. Within a reasonable period following receipt of a written request, the Association shall issue to the requesting party a written certificate stating either (a) that all Annual, Special and Reserve Fund Assessments, Special Use Fees, Maintenance Charges and Amenities Fees (including

interest, costs and attorneys' fees, if any, as provided in Section 7.12 hereof) have been paid with respect to any specified Lot as of the date of the certificate, or (b) the amounts due and payable as of the certificate date. The Association may make a reasonable charge for the issuance of any such certificate, payable at the time the certificate is requested. Such a certificate shall be conclusive and binding on the Association with respect to any matter stated in it for the benefit of a bona fide purchaser, or lender, to whom the certificate is issued.

- 7.14 Property Exempted from the Annual, Special and Reserve Fund Assessments. Exempt Property, including property that is Exempt Property because it is owned by Declarant or affiliates shall be exempt from Annual, Special and Reserve Fund Assessments and other charges levied by the Association pursuant to this Declaration. However, in the event any change in ownership or use of Exempt Property results in all or any part thereof becoming Assessable Property in any year, the formerly Exempt Property shall become subject to Annual, Special, Reserve Fund and other Assessments and the Assessment Lien upon the change of ownership or use. The Owner of Exempt Property (with the exception of Declarant with respect to ownership of its Lots) shall not be entitled to any Memberships for the Owner's Exempt Property. The exemptions provided for herein may be modified or limited in any Tract Declaration by Declarant for portions of the Community subject to the Tract Declaration.
- 7.15 No Parcel Assessments. Except as otherwise provided in any applicable Tract Declaration, Parcels shall not be subject to any Assessments levied by the Association, and no Memberships shall be attributable to Parcels.

#### 8. ENFORCEMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND ASSESSMENT LIEN

- 8.1 <u>Association as Enforcing Body.</u> As provided in Section 12.2 hereof, the Association, the Architectural and Landscape Committee, the Members and the other Owners shall have the right to enforce the provisions of this Declaration.
- 8.2 Association's Remedies to Enforce Payment. If any Member fails to pay the Annual, Special or Reserve Fund Assessments, Special Use Fees, Maintenance Charges, or Amenities Fees, or other charges payable hereunder, when due, the Association may enforce the payment thereof by taking either or both of the following actions, concurrently or separately (and by exercising either of the remedies hereinafter set forth, the Association does not prejudice or waive its rights to exercise the other remedy) and/or by exercising any other remedies available at law or in equity:
  - Bring an action at law to recover judgment against the Member personally obligated to pay the Annual, Special or Reserve Fund Assessments, Special Use Fees, Maintenance Charges, Amenities Fees, or other sums;
  - (b) To evidence the Assessment Lien, the Association may file a written notice of such lien in the Real Property records of Taπant County, Texas, setting forth the amount of the unpaid indebtedness, the name of the owner of the Lot or Dwelling Unit covered by such lien and a description of the Lot or Dwelling Unit Subsequent to the recording of a notice of lien as provided above, the Association may conduct a nonjudicial foreclosure sale of the owner's lot under the Texas Property Code or judicially foreclose the Assessment Lien against the Owner's Lot or Dwelling Unit. The Association may bid on the foreclosed property at any such foreclosure sale.

Notwithstanding the subordination of an Assessment Lien as described in Section 8.3 hereof, the delinquent Member shall remain personally liable for the Assessments and related costs after his Membership is terminated by foreclosure or deed in lieu of foreclosure or otherwise.

8.3 <u>Subordination of Assessment Lien</u>. The Assessment Lien provided for herein shall be subordinate to any first mortgage lien of record held by, or first deed of trust lien of record of which the beneficiary is, a lender who has loaned funds with the Lot as security, or the lender's successors and assigns, and shall also be subject and subordinate to liens for ad valorem taxes and other public charges which by applicable law are expressly made

superior. Except as above provided, the Assessment Lien shall be superior to any and all charges, liens or encumbrances which hereafter in any manner may arise or be imposed upon each Lot. Notwithstanding the foregoing, sale or transfer of any Lot, whether by foreclosure of a first lien mortgage or otherwise, shall not affect the Assessment Lien; provided, however, that if the sale or transfer is pursuant to foreclosure of a mortgage or a deed of trust to which the Assessment Lien is subordinate, or pursuant to any sale or proceeding in lieu thereof, the purchaser at the mortgage foreclosure or deed of trust sale, or any grantee taking by deed in lieu of foreclosure, shall take the Lot free of the Assessment Lien for all charges that have accrued up to the date of issuance of a sheriff's or trustee's deed or deed in lieu of foreclosure; provided, however, that such a purchaser or grantee shall take title subject to all Assessments, Special Use Fees, Maintenance Charges, Amenities Fees, and other amounts payable hereunder, and the Assessment Lien therefor, first accruing subsequent to the date on which title is acquired by the purchaser or grantee.

#### USE OF FUNDS; BORROWING POWER

- 9.1 Purposes for Which Association's Funds May Be Used. The Association shall apply all funds and property collected and received by it (including the Annual, Special and Reserve Fund Assessments, fees, loan proceeds, surplus funds and all funds and property received by it from any other source) for the common good and benefit of Bonds Ranch, and the Members and Residents, by devoting the funds and property, among other things, to the acquisition, construction, alteration, maintenance, provision and operation, by any manner or method whatsoever, of all land, properties, improvements, facilities, services, projects, programs, studies and systems, within or without Bonds Ranch, which in the Board's determination may be necessary, desirable or beneficial to the general common interests of Bonds Ranch, the Members and the Residents.
- 9.1.1 General Purposes. The following are some, but not all, of the areas in which the Association may seek to aid, promote and provide for the common benefit: social interaction among Members and Residents, maintenance of landscaping on Common Areas and public rights-of-way, maintenance of trails, private roadways, washes and drainage areas within and adjoining Bonds Ranch, recreation, short-term and long-term leases of real and personal property, payments of assessments to community facilities districts and improvement districts, liability insurance, communications, ownership and operation of recreational and other facilities, vehicle storage areas, transportation, health, utilities, public services, security, safety and indemnification of officers and directors of the Association. Subject to this Declaration and the Articles and Bylaws, the Association may expend its funds in any manner permitted under the laws of the State of Texas.

#### 9.1.2 Amenities Funding.

- (a) In addition to any other sums authorized by Section 9.1.1 hereof, the Association shall pay Declarant a monthly Amenities Fee in consideration of certain amenities constructed and/or transferred by Declarant to the Association or held by Declarant or a trustee in trust for eventual transfer to the Association. The Amenities Fee shall commence the first month following the first sale of a Lot that is not Exempt Property to a retail buyer by Declarant or a Designated Builder after this Declaration is recorded. The Amenities Fee shall consist of \$40 per month for each Lot that is not Exempt Property sold to a retail buyer after the date this Declaration is recorded, subject to increase based on increases in the CPI as set forth below. For each such Lot, the Association shall pay the Amenities Fee for the Lot each month from the month following the date of initial sale of the Lot and continuing (as to each such Lot) for a period of 40 years. The Association's obligations to Declarant under this Section shall not be dependent upon the payment by Owners of all Amenities Fees required by Section 7 hereof.
- (b) The Amenities Fee for each Lot shall be adjusted upward as of January 1 of each year (the "Adjustment Dates"), commencing January 1, 2004, as follows:
  - (1) Declarant shall ascertain the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers -- U.S. Cities Average -- All Items (the "CPI") published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics (1982-1984 = 100) for October, 2003 (the "Base Index") and for October of the year immediately prior to the adjustment (the "Comparison Index").
    - (2) The Amenities Fee commencing as of such Adjustment Date shall be

equal to the original Amenities Fee as set forth in subparagraph (a) above times a fraction, the numerator of which is the Comparison Index and the denominator of which is the Base Index, illustrated in the following formula:

- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event shall the Amenities Fee be decreased on any Adjustment Date. If at any time the CPI is no longer published or its manner of calculation is materially changed, Declarant may substitute such substitute index, reconciled to October, 2003, as reasonably reflects changes in the purchasing power of the dollar.
- 9.2 <u>Borrowing Power</u>. The Association may borrow money in such amounts, at such rates, upon such terms and security, and for such periods of time as is necessary or appropriate in the discretion of the Board.
- Association's Rights in Spending Funds From Year to Year. The Association shall not be obligated to spend in any year all the sums received by it in that year (whether by way of Annual, Special or Reserve Fund Assessments, fees or otherwise), and may carry forward as surplus any balances remaining. The Association shall not be obligated to reduce the amount of an Annual Assessment in any succeeding year if a surplus exists from a prior year and the Association may carry forward from year to year any such surplus as the Board, in its discretion, may determine to be desirable for the greater financial security of the Association and the accomplishment of its purposes.
- 9.4 Eminent Domain. The term "Taking" as used in this Section shall mean condemnation by eminent domain or sale under threat of condemnation. In the event of a threatened Taking of all or any portion of the Association Land [or Common Areas, the Members hereby appoint the Board, and such persons as the Board may delegate, to represent all of the Members in connection with the taking. The Board shall act in its sole discretion with respect to any awards made or to be made in connection with the Taking and shall be entitled to make a voluntary sale to the condemnor in lieu of engaging in condemnation action. Any awards received on account of the Taking shall be paid to the Association. In the event of a total or partial Taking, the Board may retain any award in the general funds of the Association to be used to accomplish the puiposes of the Association.

#### 9.5 <u>Insurance</u>.

- 9.5.1 <u>Authority to Purchase.</u> The Association shall maintain insurance against liability incurred as a result of death or injury to persons or damage to property on the Common Areas or upon the other areas maintained by the Association, in a total amount of not less than \$1,000,000. If reasonably available, the Association shall obtain officers and directors liability insurance in an amount deemed prudent by the Board. In addition, the Association may carry any other insurance coverage which the Board, in its sole discretion, deems necessary or desirable. The deductible shall be paid by the party who would be liable for the loss or repair in the absence of insurance.
- 9.5.2 <u>Individual Responsibility</u>. It shall be the responsibility of each Owner and Resident or other person to provide insurance on his own land, Dwelling Unit, personal property, and other insurable interests within Bonds Ranch including, but not limited to, additions and improvements to the land and/or Dwelling Unit, furnishings and personal property therein, and personal liability, to the extent not covered by the Association's insurance. The Association shall provide such information about the insurance carried by the Association as any such person may reasonable request in order to allow the person to determine his personal insurance requirements. No person shall maintain any insurance, which would limit or reduce in any manner the insurance proceeds payable to the Association under the Association's casualty insurance in the event of damage to the improvements or fixtures on the Common Areas. Neither the Association nor any Board member nor the Declarant shall be liable to any person (including, but not limited to, any mortgagee) if any risks or hazards are not covered by the insurance obtained by the Association or if the amount of insurance is not adequate.

9.5.3 <u>Insurance Claims</u>. The Association is hereby irrevocably appointed and authorized by the Members to adjust all claims arising under insurance policies purchased by the Association and to execute and deliver releases upon the payment of claims, and to do all other acts reasonably necessary to accomplish any of the foregoing. The Board has full and complete power to act for the Association in this regard and may, in its discretion, appoint an authorized representative or committee, to enter into an insurance trust agreement wherein the trustee shall have authority to negotiate losses under any policy purchased by the Association. All proceeds from insurance acquired by the Association shall be payable to the Association. Any proceeds resulting from damage to the Common Areas shall be used to repair the damage. Any excess proceeds shall be retained by the Association to accomplish the purposes of the Association.

# 10. MAINTENANCE

#### 10.1 Common Areas and Public Rights-of-Way.

- 10.1.1 Areas of Association Responsibility. The Association, or its duly delegated representative, shall maintain and otherwise manage all Common Areas and improvements thereon. However, the Association shall not be responsible for providing or maintaining the landscaping or structures on any Common Areas that are part of any Lot or Parcel. The Association shall maintain any landscaping and other improvements not located on Lots or Parcels and Dwelling Units that are within the boundaries of Bonds Ranch and are identified on a recorded instrument as Common Areas intended for the general benefit of the Members and Residents of Bonds Ranch, except the Association shall not be required to maintain (but may elect to maintain) areas that (i) an improvement district or other governmental entity is obligated to maintain, (ii) an Ancillary Association is obligated under a Tract Declaration to maintain, or (iii) are to be maintained by the Owners of a Lot, Dwelling Unit or Parcel pursuant to Section 4.2.4 hereof. Specific areas to be maintained by the Association may be identified on recorded subdivision plats or Tract Declarations executed or approved by Declarant, and/or in deeds from Declarant to the Association or to a transferee of a Lot, but the failure to identify such areas shall not affect the Association's rights or responsibilities with respect to Common Areas or the Association's rights with respect to other areas intended for the general benefit of Bonds Ranch. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Declarant or the Board shall have discretion to enter into an agreement with any governmental entity with jurisdiction to permit the Association to upgrade and/or maintain landscaping on property owned by the governmental entity, held on behalf of the governmental entity, or intended to be dedicated to the governmental entity, whether or not the landscaping is within Bonds Ranch, if Declarant or the Board determines that such an agreement benefits the Association, its Members or the development of Bonds Ranch.
- 10.1.2 <u>Standards of Care</u>. The Board shall use a reasonable standard of care in providing for the repair, operation, management and maintenance of the Common Areas and other properties maintained by the Association, but the Board shall be the sole judge as to the appropriate maintenance of all such areas. The Common Areas shall be used at the risk of the user, and Declarant and the Association shall not be liable to any person for any claim, damage or injury occurring thereon or related to the use thereof.
- 10.1.3 <u>Delegation of Responsibilities</u>. In the event any subdivision plat, Tract Declaration, deed restriction or this Declaration permits the Board to determine whether or not Owners of certain Lots or Dwelling Units or Members will be responsible for maintenance of certain Common Areas or public right-of-way areas or operation of certain services, the Board shall have the sole discretion to determine whether or not it would be in the best interest of the Members and Residents of Bonds Ranch for the Association or for an individual Member or an Ancillary Association to be responsible for the maintenance, considering cost, uniformity of appearance, location and other factors deemed relevant by the Board. The Board may cause the Association to contract with others for the performance of the maintenance and other obligations of the Association under this Section 10 and, in order to promote uniformity and harmony of appearance, the Board may also cause the Association to contract to provide maintenance services to Members and Owners of Lots and Dwelling Units in exchange for the payments of such fees as the Association and the Member or Owner may agree upon or as may be established by the Board.
- 10.2 Assessment of Certain Maintenance Costs. In the event that the need for maintenance or repair of Common Areas, structures and other property maintained by the Association is caused by the willful or negligent act of any Member, or that Member's family, guests or tenants, the cost of the maintenance or repair shall be added to

and become part of the Assessment against the Member and the Member's Lot or Dwelling Unit and shall be secured by the Assessment Lien. Any charges or fees to be paid by the Member pursuant to Section 10.1.3 hereof, in connection with a contract entered into by the Association with a Member for the performance of a Member's maintenance responsibilities shall also become a part of the Assessment and shall be secured by the Assessment Lien. Any such charge-back shall not count towards the Maximum Annual Assessment.

- Improper Maintenance and Use of Lots. If any portion of any Lot is maintained or used so as to present a nuisance, or to substantially detract from the appearance or quality of the surrounding Lots and/or other areas of Bonds Ranch that are substantially affected thereby or related thereto, or any portion of a Lot is being used in a manner that violates this Declaration or any applicable Tract Declaration, or a Member is failing to perform any of the Member's obligations under this Declaration, any Tract Declaration, the Community Rules or the Architectural and Landscape Guidelines, the Board may by resolution make a finding to that effect, specifying the particular condition or conditions that exist. In that event, the Board shall give notice to the offending Member that, unless corrective action is taken within 14 days, the Board may cause corrective action to be taken at the Member's cost. If the requisite corrective action has not been taken at the expiration of the 14-day period of time, the Board shall be authorized and empowered to cause the action to be taken and the cost thereof shall be added to and become a part of the Assessment against the offending Member and the Member's Lot, secured by the Assessment Lien.
- 10.4 Easement for Maintenance Responsibilities. The Association shall have an easement upon, across, over and under the Lots and all other areas (except Commercial Areas) in Bonds Ranch for the purpose of, and to the extent reasonably required for, repairing, maintaining and replacing the Common Areas, Common Area improvements, and other areas maintained by the Association and for the purpose of performing all of the Association's other rights, duties and obligations hereunder.
- Maintenance of Vacant Lots. To keep vacant Lots that are owned by Members other than Declarant and Designated Builders neat, clean, sanitary and free from weeds, trash and other undesirable elements so as to maintain the aesthetic quality of Bonds Ranch, the Board may, in its sole discretion, assume the responsibility of the upkeep of the vacant Lots. In either case, the Board shall charge the Owners of the Lots being maintained by the Association a fee (the "Lot Maintenance Fee"). The Lot Maintenance Fee shall be fair and reasonable, shall not count towards the Maximum Annual Assessment, and shall be secured by the Assessment Lien.
- 10.6 <u>Commercial Area Maintenance</u>. Nothing contained in this Declaration shall obligate the Association to keep up or maintain, or grant the Association enforcement rights for the upkeep and maintenance of, Commercial Areas. Except as otherwise provided in applicable Tract Declarations, the maintenance of Commercial Areas shall be the responsibility of the respective Owners of the Commercial Areas.

## 11. ARCHITECTURAL AND LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

- Appointment. The Declarant shall, at a time deemed appropriate by the Declarant, appoint an Architectural and Landscape Committee (the "Committee"), which shall be composed of such persons as are selected by the Declarant from time to time or which may consist of the entire Board. The purpose of the Committee shall be to review and evaluate proposals, plans and specifications submitted by Members for the construction, modification and repair of Dwelling Units and other improvements on or to the Lots, to recommend action to the Board, to investigate possible violations of this Declaration, to carry out decisions of the Board and to take such other action as is authorized by the Board. The Declarant shall select one of the members of the Committee to serve as Chairman of the Committee. The Chairman so selected, when unavailable, shall appoint one of the other members of the Committee to serve as acting Chairman. The Committee shall be composed of such persons as are selected by the Declarant from time to time. At least one of the members of the Committee at all times shall be a member of the Board. Members of the Committee shall not be entitled to compensation for their services, unless otherwise approved by the Board.
- 11.2 <u>Death or Resignation</u>. In the event of the death, disability or resignation of any member of the Committee, the Declarant shall have full authority to designate a successor. The members of the Committee shall serve at the pleasure of the Declarant and may be removed with or without cause by the Declarant.

- 11.3 Approval Requirement. No building, fence, wall, antenna, exterior landscaping (except landscaping not Visible from Neighboring Property), awning, sunshade, or other improvement, attached to or detached from other structures, or other work that in any way alters the exterior appearance of any property within any Residential Area, the Golf Course Land or a Commercial Area, shall be erected, placed, altered, maintained, or performed on any Lot until the plans and specifications, and the plans showing location of the structure or plot plan, have been approved by the Committee, as to color, quality of workmanship and materials, harmony with the external design and color of the existing structures, and as to location with respect to topography and finished grade elevation, except any improvements constructed by Declarant or a Designated Builder or its or their affiliates or deemed necessary by Declarant.
- 11.4 <u>Committee Review Fee.</u> The Committee shall be allowed to charge a Member or other party submitting plans a reasonable charge for reviewing and approving or disapproving the proposed plans. The charge shall be determined by the Board from time to time and shall be collected at the time of submission of the plans. The Committee shall not approve plans that are not accompanied by payment of the required charge.
- 11.5 <u>Pre-Construction Submissions</u>. Before a Member commences the construction or installation of any building, fence, wall or other structure on any Lot or any exterior alteration of, addition to or extension of any such structure: (a) the Member shall submit to the Chairman of the Committee, or to the acting Chairman of the Committee if the Chairman is absent or unavailable, five copies of the plans and specifications for the structure showing the nature, kind, shape, height, materials, color and location (as evidenced by a plot plan) of the proposed improvements, alterations, additions or extensions; and (b) the plans and specifications shall have been approved in writing by the Committee.
- Review Period. The Chairman or acting Chairman of the Committee shall give the applicant a written, dated receipt for any submitted plans and specifications. If the Committee fails to mail or deliver a written approval or disapproval of the plans and specifications to the applicant within 60 days after the plans and specifications have been submitted, and no action has been instituted to enjoin the proposed work, the plans and specifications shall be deemed to have been approved.
- 11.7 Return of Plans. If the Committee either approves or disapproves the plans and specifications in writing, it shall deliver or mail one set of the plans and specifications to the applicant with its written approval or disapproval and shall retain the other sets. If the Committee fails to mail or deliver its written approval or disapproval to the applicant within the 60 day period hereinabove specified, it shall nevertheless return one set of the plans and specifications to the applicant on demand.
- 11.8 Review Criteria. The Committee shall have the right to disapprove plans and specifications submitted if, in its opinion, the plans and specifications are not in accordance with all of the provisions of this Declaration or are not complete or if, in its opinion, the design, color scheme or location of the proposed structure or improvement is not in harmony with the general surroundings and topography of the Lot or with other buildings and structures in the vicinity, or if the plans and specifications are incomplete. However, compliance with each stated criteria in this Declaration or in the Architectural and Landscape Guidelines shall not require approval of any plans or specifications and it is expressly acknowledged that the Committee will exercise aesthetic judgment, which cannot be reduced to objective criteria, in reaching its decisions. The Committee shall, in the exercise of its judgment and determination, act reasonably and in good faith. The decision of the Committee, shall be final.
- 11.9 <u>Deviation of Plans; Liability.</u> No changes or deviation in or from the plans and specifications approved by the Committee shall be made without the prior written consent of the Committee. Neither the Board, nor the Association, nor the Committee, nor any members of the Committee, shall be responsible in any way for any defects in any plans and specifications approved by the Committee, or for any structure or improvement erected, placed or maintained according to those plans or other specifications. By approving plans and specifications, the Board and the Committee do not assume any liability or responsibility for compliance with building or zoning ordinances, or for other applicable requirements of governmental authorities or industry standards.
- 11.10 Not Applicable to Declarant. Notwithstanding any of the provisions in this Section 11, the provisions and restrictions contained in this Section 11 shall not apply to Declarant or a Designated Builder until all Lots of Declarant or the Designated Builder, as applicable, are sold and residences are constructed thereon.

- 11.11 <u>Liability</u>. Neither the Committee, nor any member of the Committee, nor the Board shall be liable to any Member or to any other party for any damage, loss or prejudice suffered or claimed on account of:
  - (a) the approval or disapproval of any plans, drawings or specifications, whether or not defective;
  - (b) the construction or performance of any work, whether or not pursuant to approved plans, drawings and specifications;
  - (c) the development of any property within Bonds Ranch;
  - (d) the execution of any estoppel certificate, whether or not the facts therein are correct; or
  - (e) the enforcement of this Declaration or of the Committee's guidelines or the granting of variances from the Committee's guidelines;

provided, however, that the person seeking the protection of this Section has acted in good faith on the basis of such information as may be possessed by him. The approval by the Committee of any plans, specifications or other matter shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver of any right to withhold approval of any similar plans, specifications or other matter subsequently submitted for approval.

## 12. RIGHTS AND POWERS OF ASSOCIATION

- 12.1 <u>Association's Rights and Powers As Set Forth in Articles and Bylaws</u>. In addition to the rights and powers of the Association set forth in this Declaration, the Association shall have such rights and powers as are set forth in its Articles and Bylaws, which shall include all rights and powers as may be reasonably necessary in order to effect the purposes of the Association as set forth herein. After incorporation of the Association, a copy of the Articles and Bylaws of the Association shall be available for inspection by Owners, prospective purchasers, mortgagees and other persons or entities with an interest in Bonds Ranch at the office of the Association during reasonable business hours.
- Enforcement of Provisions of This and Other Instruments. The Association, as agent and representative of the Owners, shall have the right (but without any obligation) to enforce, by any proceeding at law or in equity, terms of this Declaration, the Articles, Bylaws, Community Rules, the Architectural and Landscape Guidelines and any and all Covenants, restrictions, reservations, charges, servitudes, assessments, conditions, liens or easements provided for in this Declaration or in any contract, deed, declaration or other instrument that (a) has been executed pursuant to, or subject to, the provisions of this Declaration, or (b) otherwise indicates that the provisions of the instrument are intended to be enforced by the Association. The Association is authorized to impose sanctions for violations without court approval. Such sanctions may include reasonable monetary fines and suspension of the right to vote or use any recreational facilities on the Common Area as provided in Section 3.1((b)) hereof. In the event suit is brought or arbitration is instituted or an attorney is retained by the Association to enforce the terms of this Declaration or another document described in this Section 12.2 and the Association prevails, the Association shall be entitled to recover, in addition to any other remedy, reimbursement for reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs, costs of investigation and other related expenses incurred in connection therewith including but not limited to the Association's administrative costs and fees. Such fees, costs and expenses shall be the personal liability of the breaching Member and shall also be secured by the Assessment Lien against the Member's Lot. If the Association fails or refuses to enforce this Declaration or any provision hereof for an unreasonable period of time after written request by an Owner to do so, then any Owner may enforce the provision of the Declaration at his own expense by any appropriate action, whether in law or in equity, but regardless of the outcome, no expenses of the action shall be paid for by the Association.
- 12.3 Contracts with Others for Performance of Association's Duties. Subject to the restrictions and limitations contained herein, the Association may enter into contracts and transactions with others, including Declarant and its affiliated companies, and such contracts or transactions shall not be invalidated or in any way affected by the fact that one or more directors or officers of the Association or members of any committee are

employed by or otherwise connected with Declarant or its affiliates, provided that the interest is disclosed or known to the other directors acting upon the contract or transaction, and provided further that the transaction or contract is fair and reasonable. Any such director, officer or committee member may be counted in determining the existence of a quorum at any meeting of the Board or committee of which he is a member which shall authorize any contract or transaction described above or grant or deny any approval sought by Declarant, its affiliated companies or any competitor thereof and may vote at the meeting to authorize any such contract, transaction or approval with like force and effect as if he were not so interested.

- 12.4 Procedure for Change of Use of Common Areas. Upon (a) adoption of a resolution by the Board stating that in the Board's opinion the then present use of a designated part of the Association Land or of the Association's interest in other Common Areas is no longer in the best interests of the Members and Residents, (b) the approval of the resolution by Declarant, and (c) if after the Transition Date, the approval of the resolution by a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by the Members voting in person or by proxy at a meeting duly called for such purpose, the Board shall have the power and right to change the use of such property (and in connection therewith, construct, reconstruct, alter or change the buildings, structures and improvements thereon in any manner deemed necessary by the Board to accommodate the new use), provided the new use (i) is for the benefit of the Members and Residents, as determined by the Board, and (ii) is consistent with any deed restrictions, zoning and other municipal regulations restricting or limiting the use of the land. Alternatively, after the Transition Date and upon satisfaction of subsections (a) and (b) above the proposed transaction shall be deemed approved by the Members and a meeting of the Members shall not be necessary if the Board notifies all Members in writing of the proposed change of use and of their right to object and no more than 10% of the total votes eligible to be cast object in writing within 30 days after the delivery of the notice.
- Procedure for Transfer of Common Areas. The Association shall have the right to dedicate or transfer all or any part of the Common Areas owned by the Association to any public authority or utility as provided in Section 3.1((c)) hereof. In addition, the Association shall have the right to change the size, shape or location of the Common Areas, to exchange the Association's interest in Common Areas for other property or interests which become Common Areas, and to abandon or otherwise transfer the Association's interest in Common Areas (to a nonpublic authority) upon (a) the adoption of a resolution by the Board stating that in the opinion of the Board, the change proposed benefits the Members and Residents and does not substantially and adversely affect them, (b) the approval of the resolution by Declarant, and (c) the approval of the resolution by a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by Members voting in person or by proxy at a meeting called for that purpose. Alternatively, the proposed transaction shall be deemed approved by the Members and a meeting of the Members shall not be necessary if the Board satisfies subsections (a) and (b) above and then notifies all Members in writing of the proposed transaction and of their right to object and no more than 10% of the total votes eligible to be cast object in writing within 30 days after delivery of the notice.
- Procedure for Transfer of Golf Course Land. The Association shall have the right to transfer (by sale, lease or otherwise) all or any part of the Golf Course Land owned by the Association. In addition, the Association shall have the right to change the size, shape or location of the Golf Course Land, to exchange the Association's interest in the Golf Course Land for other property or interests which become Golf Course Land, and to abandon or otherwise transfer the Association's interest in the Golf Course Land upon (a) the adoption of a resolution by the Board stating that in the opinion of the Board, the change proposed benefits the Members and Residents, (b) the approval of the resolution by Declarant, and (c) the approval of the resolution by a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by Members voting in person or by proxy at a meeting called for that purpose. Alternatively, the proposed transaction shall be deemed approved by the Members and a meeting of the Members shall not be necessary if the Board satisfies subsections (a) and (b) above and then notifies all Members in writing of the proposed transaction and of their right to object and no more than 10% of the total votes eligible to be cast object in writing within 30 days after delivery of the notice.
- 12.7 Use of Effluent. Sewage effluent may be used on the Common Areas and Golf Course Land provided the effluent is adequately treated for such use.

## 13. <u>DURATION AND AMENDMENTS</u>

- 13.1 <u>Duration</u>. This Declaration and the Covenants and other provisions hereof (as amended from time to time) run with the land and shall bind all persons having any interest in it, all Owners, and their heirs, legal representatives, successors and assigns until January 1, 2035. Thereafter, this Declaration and the Covenants and other provisions hereof shall be extended automatically for successive periods of five years each, unless not less than 30 days prior to the end of the initial term or any successive period of five years, they are amended or changed to provide otherwise or are terminated.
- Amendments. Except as otherwise provided in this Section, amendments, changes or terminations must be approved by Declarant (so long as Declarant owns any portion of the Community or serves as the manager of the Association) and by the Owners of a majority of the Lots (with one vote for each Lot owned, including those owned by Declarant), either at a meeting of the Members or without a meeting if all Members have been notified and if the Owners of a majority of the Lots consent to the amendment, change or termination in writing. Except as otherwise provided in this Section, amendments, changes or terminations shall be effected only by instruments in recordable form executed by Declarant and by the President or Vice President and the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Association and shall be recorded in the proper office of record. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, all amendments to this Declaration shall be effective immediately upon compliance with the provisions of this Section 13.2.
- 13.3 <u>Limitation on Amendments</u>. Any amendment to this Declaration, which limits or terminates membership in the Association must also be signed by 2/3 of the members of the Board.
- 13.4 <u>Non-Retroactive Clause.</u> Each person who acquires any interest in all or any part of Bonds Ranch after the date hereof agrees to look for performance of, or relief deemed equitable for the enforcement of, the Covenants, and other terms, conditions and restrictions contained herein, only to those who are Owners when performance and/or relief is sought, except as otherwise provided in Section 7 hereof.
  - 13.5 <u>Declarant's Amendment Rights</u>, Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding:
- 13.5.1 Governmental or Financing Requirements. Declarant reserves the right to amend all or any part of this Declaration to such an extent and with such language as may be requested by, or as may reasonably be necessary to comply with the requirements of, a Governmental Mortgage Agency or any other federal, state or local governmental agency that requests such an amendment, or that has requirements necessitating such amendment, as a condition precedent to the agency's approval of this Declaration, or by any other entity as a condition precedent to lending funds upon the security of any Lot or Dwelling Unit or any portions of Bonds Ranch. For purposes of this Section 13.5, "Governmental Mortgage Agency" means the Federal Housing Administration, the Veterans Administration, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, the Government National Mortgage Association or the Federal National Mortgage Association or any similar entity, public or private, authorized, approved or sponsored by any governmental agency to insure, guarantee, make or purchase mortgage loans.
- 13.5.2 <u>Substitute Control Amendment</u>. It is the desire of Declarant to retain substantial control of the Association and its activities during the anticipated period of planning and development until the Transition Date. If any amendment requested or deemed to be necessary under Section 13.5.1 deletes, materially diminishes or materially alters that control, Declarant shall have the right to prepare, provide for and adopt an amendment implementing other and different provisions to achieve comparable control, by executing and recording an amendment hereto without the approval or vote of any other person or entity.
- 13.5.3 Other. Until the Transition Date, Declarant shall have the further right to amend all or any part of this Declaration to such an extent and with such language as may be necessary or desirable in order to correct errors, comply with laws and restrictions, or otherwise provide for the reasonable development of Bonds Ranch.
- 13.5.4 <u>Procedures</u>. For the purpose of this Section 13.5, any permitted amendment shall be effected by the Declarant recording the amendment (which may be in the form of a restatement of the Declaration), without the consent of any other person or entity. The amendment, when recorded, shall be immediately binding upon all of Bonds Ranch and all persons having an interest therein.

13.6 <u>Rule Against Perpetuities.</u> If any of the provisions, privileges, Covenants or rights created by or set forth in this Declaration are unlawful, void or voidable for violation of the rule against perpetuities, then the provision shall continue until 21 years after the death of the survivor of the now living descendants of Steven S. Robson.

#### 14. <u>ANNEXATION AND DE-ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY; OTHER DEVELOPMENT</u>

- Right of Annexation. Declarant expressly reserves the right at any time to expand Bonds Ranch, without the consent of any Owner, Member, mortgagee or any other person, by annexing all or any portion of the Annexable Property. The annexation of any or all of the Annexable Property shall be accomplished by Declarant recording a Tract Declaration with the County Recorder of Tarrant County, Texas, which subjects the annexed property to the Declaration and includes the legal description of the Annexable Property being annexed. Any such Tract Declaration may, in Declarant's discretion, establish the Land Use Classification of the Annexed Property. Declarant shall not be obligated to annex all or any portion of the Annexable Property. Declarant may annex noncontiguous portions of the Annexable Property. A Tract Declaration amexing property as permitted hereunder may contain such complementary additions and modifications of the Covenants and other provisions contained in this Declaration as may be necessary or appropriate, in Declarant's sole discretion, to reflect the different character, if any, of the annexed property and as are not materially inconsistent with this Declaration.
- 14.2 <u>De-annexation of Parcels</u>. Declarant expressly reserves the right at any time to de-annex any Parcel from Bonds Ranch and from the scope of this Declaration, without the consent of any Owner, Member, mortgagee or other person, other than the Owner of the Parcel being de-annexed. The de-annexation of a Parcel shall be accomplished by Declarant recording a certificate of de-annexation executed by Declarant and the Owner of the Parcel (if other than Declarant).
- 14.3 Other Development. In the event that Declarant should develop Annexable Property or other land, Declarant may develop such lands as not part of Bonds Ranch, but shall have the right, without obligation, to execute binding reciprocal agreements and easements between and/or binding upon any or all of the land within Bonds Ranch and the additional areas of land so developed which are not part of Bonds Ranch for commercially reasonable purposes, including but not limited to access and utility purposes.

# 15. MISCELLANEOUS

- 15.1 <u>Exemption of Declarant from Restrictions</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Declaration, none of the Covenants or other provisions in this Declaration shall be construed or deemed to limit or prohibit any act of Declarant, its employees, agents and contractors, or parties designated by it in connection with the construction, completion, marketing and sale of any portion of Bonds Ranch.
- 15.2 <u>Limitation on Declarant's Liability</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Declaration, each Owner, by accepting any interest in any portion of Bonds Ranch and becoming an Owner, acknowledges and agrees that neither Declarant (including without limitation any assignee of the interest of Declarant hereunder), nor any partner, officer, director or shareholder of Declarant (or any partner or shareholder in any such assignee), shall have any personal liability to the Association, or any Owner, Member or any other person, arising under, in connection with, or resulting from (including without limitation resulting from action or failure to act with respect to) this Declaration or the Association except, in the case of Declarant (or its assignee), to the extent of its interest in the property served by the Association. In the event of a judgment, no execution or other action shall be sought or brought thereon against any other assets or be a lien upon such other assets of the judgment debtor.
- 15.3 <u>Use of Recreational Facilities</u>. Declarant and its employees, guests and designees may use the clubhouse and other recreational facilities, and if there is more than one, all clubhouses and recreational facilities, located in Bonds Ranch for sales, promotional and other purposes, as long as Declarant is the owner of any real property located within Bonds Ranch, regardless of whether or not legal title to one or more of the Common Areas passes to the Association. No portion of the facilities and amenities located within Bonds Ranch and commonly known as a "clubhouse" shall be used by anyone other than Declarant for the purpose of soliciting any prospective purchaser being escorted or shown through or viewing the clubhouse at the invitation of Declarant, its sales agents

or employees. No one, other than Declarant, its sales agents or employees, shall use any part of a clubhouse to consummate the purchase or sale of any property whatsoever. Nothing herein shall be construed to prevent anyone from showing a clubhouse or any other part of the Association facilities or Common Areas to any prospect or customer.

- 15.4 <u>Blanket Easement</u>. Declarant shall have the right to grant or create easements over, across or under the Common Areas, roadways, open spaces, Golf Course Land or any other part of Bonds Ranch (other than Lots conveyed to other parties) which, in its sole discretion, are required or convenient for development purposes.
- Cable TV. Telecom and Security Systems Easement. There is hereby reserved to Declarant (or its nominee) a perpetual easement and right-of-way across and upon all Common Areas for the maintenance, construction and repair of a cable television system, telecom system and/or security system and appurtenant facilities. Declarant or its nominee shall have the right to excavate, have, place, lay, construct, operate, use, maintain, repair, replace, reconstruct, enlarge, improve, add to, relocate and/or remove at any time and from time to time underground structures with required appurtenances necessary or convenient for the operation of any such cable television system, telecom system and/or security system and all miscellaneous equipment and material connected therewith. Declarant or its nominee shall have the right of ingress to and egress from the easement by a practical route or routes upon, over and across the Common Areas or any portion or portions thereof, together with the right to clear and keep clear the easement and rights-of-way of materials, buildings and other structures, implements or obstructions. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Declarant or its nominee shall have the right to trim and cut trees, foliage, and roots upon and from within the above described easement and rights-of-way whenever, in its judgment, the work is necessary for the convenient and safe exercise of the rights herein reserved. All cable television system equipment and telecom and/or security system equipment installed by Declarant or its nominee shall remain the personal property of Declarant or its nominee and shall not be deemed a part of the real property. Declarant or its nominee shall have the right, directly or indirectly, to assign its rights to this easement. Neither Declarant, its nominee nor the Association shall be obligated to provide a cable television system and/or security system in Bonds Ranch. If a cable television system and/or security system is built by Declarant or its nominee, the type and quality of the system and the fees and charges to be paid by users of the systems, shall be at the absolute discretion of Declarant or its nominee.
- Declaration or easement executed by Declarant, use of the private roadways within Bonds Ranch, if any, shall be limited to Declarant, Owners, Members and Residents, tenants of Commercial Areas, their employees, guests and invitees, applicable governmental agencies and entities, and those who are entitled to use the Golf Course Land or snack bar. The Board shall have the right to assess the Members for the repair, reconstruction, replacement and maintenance of the private roadways, curbs and guard service pursuant to Section 7 hereof. Neither Declarant nor any Owner of the Golf Course shall be assessed or charged in any way for normal wear and tear on the private roadways caused by its guests, customers, agents, employees, subcontractors, or other persons entitled to use the Golf Course Land. Declarant reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to cause title to all or any part of the private roadways to be conveyed to the Association or an Ancillary Association at any time. Until private roadways are conveyed to the Association or an Ancillary Association, Declarant reserves the right to cause all or any part of the private roadways to be dedicated to the public.
- 15.7 Transfer of Title to the Common Areas. Declarant shall transfer the Common Areas to the Association on the Transition Date, or shall transfer all or any part of the Common Areas to the Association sooner at Declarant's sole discretion. The condition of the facilities at the time of transfer shall be reasonable subject to normal wear and tear. The Common Areas may, upon transfer, be subject to deeds of trust, mortgages or encumbrances securing indebtedness of the Association, provided the indebtedness was incurred for the operation of the Association or payment of the debts or obligations of the Association. Declarant shall have no obligation to the Association or to any Member or other person to pay any such indebtedness or the interest thereon.
- 15.8 <u>Interpretation of the Covenants</u>. Except for judicial construction, the Association, by its Board, shall have the exclusive right to construe and interpret the provisions of this Declaration that are applicable to Residential Areas. In the absence of any adjudication to the contrary by a court of competent jurisdiction, the

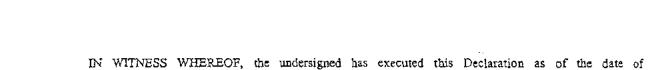
Association's construction or interpretation of the provisions of this Declaration that are applicable to Residential Areas shall be final, conclusive and binding as to all persons and property benefited or bound by the Covenants.

- 15.9 <u>Severability</u>. Any determination by any court of competent jurisdiction that any provision of this Declaration is invalid or unenforceable shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any of the other provisions hereof.
- 15.10 <u>Change of Circumstances</u>. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Declaration, no change of conditions or circumstances shall operate to extinguish, terminate or modify any of the provisions of this Declaration.
- 15.11 <u>Rules and Regulations</u>. In addition to the right to adopt rules and regulations on the matters expressly mentioned elsewhere in this Declaration, the Association (through its Board and committees) shall have the right to adopt rules and regulations with respect to all other aspects of the Association's rights, activities and duties, provided the rules and regulations are not materially inconsistent with the provisions of this Declaration.
- 15.12 Declarant's Disclaimer of Representations. Anything to the contrary in this Declaration notwithstanding, and except as otherwise may be expressly set forth on a recorded plat or other instrument recorded in the office of the County Recorder of Tarrant County, Texas, Declarant makes no warranties or representations whatsoever that the plans presently envisioned or the complete development of Bonds Ranch can or will be carried out, or that any land now owned or hereafter acquired by Declarant is or will be subjected to this Declaration or any other declaration, or that any such land (whether or not it has been subjected to this Declaration) is or will be committed to or developed for a particular (or any) use, or if that land is once used for a particular use, that use will continue in effect. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Declarant expressly reserves the right at any time and from time to time to amend the Master Development Plan.
- 15.13 No Warranty of Enforceability. Declarant makes no warranty or representation as to the present or future validity or enforceability of any Covenants contained in this Declaration. Any Owner acquiring a Lot or Parcel in Bonds Ranch shall assume all risks of the validity and enforceability hereof and, by acquiring any Lot or Parcel, agrees that Declarant shall have no liability therefor.
- 15.14 References to the Covenants in Deeds. Deeds or any instruments affecting any part of Bonds Ranch may contain a reference to the Covenants herein set forth; but regardless of whether any such reference is made in any Deed or instrument, each and all of the Covenants shall be binding upon the grantee Owner or other person claiming through any such instrument and his heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.
- 15.15 Gender and Number. Wherever the context of this Declaration so requires, words used in the masculine gender shall include the feminine and neuter genders, words used in the neuter gender shall include the masculine and feminine genders, words in the singular shall include the plural, and words in the plural shall include the singular.
- 15.16 <u>Captions and Titles</u>. All captions, titles or headings of the Sections in this Declaration are for the purpose of reference and convenience only and are not to be deemed to limit, modify or otherwise affect any of the provisions hereof or to be used in determining the intent or context thereof.
- 15.17 Notices. If notice of any action or proposed action by the Board or of any committee or of any meeting is required by applicable law, this Declaration or resolution of the Board to be given to any Owner, Member or Resident then, unless otherwise specified herein or in the resolution of the Board, the notice requirement shall be deemed satisfied if notice is published once in any newspaper in general circulation within Bonds Ranch. This Section shall not be construed to require that any notice be given if not otherwise required, and shall not prohibit satisfaction of any notice requirement in any other manner. If notice is made by mail, it shall be deemed to have been delivered and received 24 hours after a copy has been deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the address given to the Association for the purpose of service of notice, or to the address of the Lot, Parcel or Dwelling Unit owned by the person if no other address has been given. Notice to the Board shall be delivered or sent certified mail to the office of the Association.

- 15.18 <u>Litigation</u>. After the Transition Date, no judicial or administrative proceedings shall be commenced or prosecuted by the Association unless approved by Members holding 75% percent of the outstanding votes eligible to be cast. This Section shall not apply, however, to (a) actions brought by the Association to enforce the provisions of this Declaration (including, without limitation, the foreclosure of liens), (b) the imposition and collection of Assessments as provided in Section 7 hereof, (c) proceedings involving challenges to taxation, or (d) counterclaims and other claims brought by the Association in suits instituted against it. This Section shall not be amended unless the amendment is made by Declarant or is approved by the percentage votes necessary to institute proceedings as provided above.
- 15.19 <u>Use of the Words "Bonds Ranch"</u>. No person other than Declarant shall use the words "Bonds Ranch" or any derivative thereof in any printed or promotional material without the prior written consent of Declarant. However, Members may use the term "Bonds Ranch" in printed or promotional material where the term is used solely to specify that the particular property is located within Bonds Ranch.
- 15.20 No Warranty of Enforceability. While the Declarant has no reason to believe any of the restrictive covenants or other terms or provisions contained in this Declaration or a Tract Declaration are or may be invalid or unenforceable for any reason or to any extent, Declarant makes no warranty as to the present or future validity or enforceability of any such restrictive covenants. Any Owner acquiring a Lot or Parcel in reliance on one or more of such restrictive covenants, terms or provisions shall assume all risks of the validity and enforceability thereof and, by acquiring the Lot or Parcel, agrees to hold Declarant, the Association and the Architectural and Landscape Committee harmless therefrom. The Declarant, the Association and the Architectural and Landscape Committee shall not be responsible for the acts or omissions of any individual, entity or other Owners.
- 15.21 Right of Enforcement. The failure of Declarant or the Association to enforce any provision of this Declaration or any Tract Declaration shall in no event subject Declarant or the Association to any claims, liability, costs or expense; it being the express intent of this Declaration to provide Declarant and the Association with the right (such right to be exercised at its sole and absolute discretion), but not the obligation to enforce the terms of this Declaration and a Tract Declaration for the benefit of any Owner(s).
- 15.22 Governing Law. This Declaration shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas.

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acknowledgement below to be effective as of the day and year first above written.

LANDOWNER:

Bonds Ranch investors, Ltd., a Texas limited partnership

Steven Robson, Manager and Sole Member of E.L. Property Investors, LLC, a Texas limited liability company and the General Partner of Bonds Ranch Investors, Ltd.

DECLARANT:

Scott Communities Developers

Limited Partnership,

a Texas limited Partnership

By:

Jesse Flores, Member of Scott
Communities, L.L.C., a Texas
limited liability company and
General Partner of Scott
Communities Developers

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Steven S. Robson, Member of
Scott Communities, L.L.C., a
Texas limited liability company
And General Partner of Scott
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# BONDS RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. SOLAR DEVICE POLICY ENERGY EFFICIENT ROOFING POLICY

Terms used but not defined in this policy will have the meaning subscribed to such terms in that certain Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, recorded under Instrument Number: D201138743, Official Public Records of Tarrant County, Texas, as amended (the "Covenant").

Note: Texas statutes presently render null and void any restriction in the Covenant which prohibits the installation of solar devices or energy efficient roofing on a residential lot. The Board and/or the architectural approval authority under the Covenant has adopted this policy in lieu of any express prohibition against solar devices or energy efficient roofing, or any provision regulating such matters which conflict with Texas law, as set forth in the Covenant

#### A. DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1. <u>Solar Energy Device Defined</u>. A "Solar Energy Device" means a system or series of mechanisms designed primarily to provide heating or cooling or to produce electrical or mechanical power by collecting and transferring solar-generated energy. The term includes a mechanical or chemical device that has the ability to store solar-generated energy for use in heating or cooling or in the production of power.
- 2. <u>Energy Efficiency Roofing Defined</u>. As used in this Policy, "Energy Efficiency Roofing" means shingles that are designed primarily to: (a) be wind and hail resistant; (b) provide heating and cooling efficiencies greater than those provided by customary composite shingles; or (c) provide solar generation capabilities.
- 3. <u>Architectural Review Approval Required</u>. Approval by the architectural review authority under the Covenant (the "ACC") is required prior to installing a Solar Energy Device or Energy Efficient Roofing. The ACC is not responsible for: (i) errors in or omissions in the application submitted to the ACC for approval; (ii) supervising the installation or construction to confirm compliance with an approved application; or (iii) the compliance of approved application with governmental codes and ordinances, state and federal laws.

#### B. SOLAR ENERGY DEVICE PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS

During any development period under the terms and provisions of the Covenant, the architectural review approval authority established under the Covenant need not adhere to the terms and provisions of this Solar Device Policy and may approve, deny, or further restrict the installation of any Solar Device. A development period continues for so long as the Declarant has reserved the right to facilitate the development, construction, size, shape, composition and marketing of the community.

 Approval Application. To obtain ACC approval of a Solar Energy Device, the Owner shall provide the ACC with the following information: (i) the proposed installation location of the Solar Energy Device; and (ii) a description of the Solar Energy Device, including the dimensions, manufacturer, and photograph or other accurate depiction (the "Solar Application"). A Solar Application may only be submitted by an Owner unless the Owner's tenant provides written confirmation at the time of submission that the Owner consents to the Solar Application.

Approval Process. The decision of the ACC will be made within a reasonable time, or 2. within the time period otherwise required by the principal deed restrictions which govern the review and approval of improvements. The ACC will approve a Solar Energy Device if the Solar Application complies with Section B.3 below UNLESS the ACC makes a written determination that placement of the Solar Energy Device, despite compliance with Section B.3, will create a condition that substantially interferes with the use and enjoyment of the property within the community by causing unreasonable discomfort or annoyance to persons of ordinary sensibilities. The ACC's right to make a written determination in accordance with the foregoing sentence is negated if all Owners of property immediately adjacent to the Owner/applicant provide written approval of the proposed placement. Notwithstanding the foregoing provision, a Solar Application submitted to install a Solar Energy Device on property owned or maintained by the Association or property owned in common by members of the Association will not be approved despite compliance with Section B.3. Any proposal to install a Solar Energy Device on property owned or maintained by the Association or property owned in common by members of the Association must be approved in advance and in writing by the Board, and the Board need not adhere to this policy when considering any such request.

Each Owner is advised that if the Solar Application is approved by the ACC, installation of the Solar Energy Device must: (i) strictly comply with the Solar Application; (ii) commence within thirty (30) days of approval; and (iii) be diligently prosecuted to completion. If the Owner fails to cause the Solar Energy Device to be installed in accordance with the approved Solar Application, the ACC may require the Owner to: (i) modify the Solar Application to accurately reflect the Solar Energy Device installed on the property; or (ii) remove the Solar Energy Device and reinstall the device in accordance with the approved Solar Application. Failure to install a Solar Energy Device in accordance with the approved Solar Application or an Owner's failure to comply with the post-approval requirements constitutes a violation of this policy and may subject the Owner to fines and penalties. Any requirement imposed by the ACC to resubmit a Solar Application or remove and relocate a Solar Energy Device in accordance with the approved Solar Application shall be at the Owner's sole cost and expense.

- 3. <u>Approval Conditions</u>. Unless otherwise approved in advance and in writing by the ACC, each Solar Application and each Solar Energy Device to be installed in accordance therewith must comply with the following:
- (i) The Solar Energy Device must be located on the roof of the residence located on the Owner's lot, entirely within a fenced area of the Owner's lot, or entirely within a fenced patio located on the Owner's lot. If the Solar Energy Device will be located on the roof of the residence, the ACC may designate the location for placement unless the location proposed by the Owner increases the estimated annual energy production of the Solar Energy Device, as determined by using a publicly available modeling tool provided by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory, by more than 10 percent above the energy production of the Solar Energy Device if installed in the location designated by the ACC. If the Owner desires to contest the alternate location proposed by the ACC, the Owner should submit information to the ACC which demonstrates that the Owner's proposed location meets the foregoing criteria. If the Solar Energy Device will be located in the fenced area of the Owner's lot or patio, no portion of the Solar Energy Device may extend above the fence line.

(ii) If the Solar Energy Device is mounted on the roof of the principal residence located on the Owner's lot, then: (A) the Solar Energy Device may not extend higher than or beyond the roofline; (B) the Solar Energy Device must conform to the slope of the roof and the top edge of the Solar Device must be parallel to the roofline; (C) the frame, support brackets, or visible piping or wiring associated with the Solar Energy Device must be silver, bronze or black.

# C. ENERGY EFFICIENT ROOFING

The ACC will not prohibit an Owner from installing Energy Efficient Roofing provided that the Energy Efficient Roofing shingles: (i) resemble the shingles used or otherwise authorized for use within the community; (ii) are more durable than, and are of equal or superior quality to, the shingles used or otherwise authorized for use within the community; and (iii) match the aesthetics of adjacent property.

An Owner who desires to install Energy Efficient Roofing will be required to comply with the architectural review and approval procedures set forth in the Covenant. In conjunction with any such approval process, the Owner should submit information which will enable the ACC to confirm the criteria set forth in the previous paragraph.

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# EXHIBIT A BONDS RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. RAINWATER HARVESTING SYSTEM POLICY

Terms used but not defined in this policy will have the meaning subscribed to such terms in that certain Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, recorded under Instrument Number: D201138743, Official Public Records of Tarrant County, Texas, as amended (the "Covenant").

Note: Texas statutes presently render null and void any restriction in the Covenant which prohibits the installation of rain barrels or a rainwater harvesting system on a residential lot. The Board and/or the architectural approval authority under the Covenant has adopted this policy in lieu of any express prohibition against rain barrels or rainwater harvesting systems, or any provision regulating such matters which conflict with Texas law, as set forth in the Covenant

# A. ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW APPROVAL REQUIRED.

Approval by architectural review authority under the Covenant (the "ACC") is required prior to installing rain barrels or rainwater harvesting system on a residential lot (a "Rainwater Harvesting System"). The ACC is not responsible for: (i) errors in or omissions in the application submitted to the ACC for approval; (ii) supervising installation or construction to confirm compliance with an approved application; or (iii) the compliance of an approved application with governmental codes and ordinances, state and federal laws.

## B. RAINWATER HARVESTING SYSTEM PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS

- 1. <u>Approval Application</u>. To obtain ACC approval of a Rainwater Harvesting System, the Owner shall provide the ACC with the following information: (i) the proposed installation location of the Rainwater Harvesting System; and (ii) a description of the Rainwater Harvesting System, including the color, dimensions, manufacturer, and photograph or other accurate depiction (the "Rain System Application"). A Rain System Application may only be submitted by an Owner unless the Owner's tenant provides written confirmation at the time of submission that the Owner consents to the Rain System Application.
- 2. Approval Process. The decision of the ACC will be made within a reasonable time, or within the time period otherwise required by the principal deed restrictions which govern the review and approval of improvements. A Rain System Application submitted to install a Rainwater Harvesting System on property owned by the Association or property owned in common by members of the Association will not be approved. Any proposal to install a Rainwater Harvesting System on property owned by the Association or property owned in common by members of the Association must be approved in advance and in writing by the Board, and the Board need not adhere to this policy when considering any such request.

Each Owner is advised that if the Rain System Application is approved by the ACC, installation of the Rainwater Harvesting System must: (i) strictly comply with the Rain System Application; (ii) commence within thirty (30) days of approval; and (iii) be diligently prosecuted to completion. If the Owner fails to cause the Rain System Application to be installed in accordance with the approved Rain System Application, the ACC may require the Owner to: (i) modify the Rain System Application to accurately reflect the Rain System Device installed on the property; or (ii) remove the Rain System Device

and reinstall the device in accordance with the approved Rain System Application. Failure to install a Rain System Device in accordance with the approved Rain System Application or an Owner's failure to comply with the post-approval requirements constitutes a violation of this policy and may subject the Owner to fines and penalties. Any requirement imposed by the ACC to resubmit a Rain System Application or remove and relocate a Rain System Device in accordance with the approved Rain System shall be at the Owner's sole cost and expense.

- 3. <u>Approval Conditions</u>. Unless otherwise approved in advance and in writing by the ACC, each Rain System Application and each Rain System Device to be installed in accordance therewith must comply with the following:
- (i) The Rain System Device must be consistent with the color scheme of the residence constructed on the Owner's lot, as reasonably determined by the ACC.
- (ii) The Rain System Device does not include any language or other content that is not typically displayed on such a device.
- (iii) The Rain System Device is in no event located between the front of the residence constructed on the Owner's lot and any adjoining or adjacent street.
- (iv) There is sufficient area on the Owner's lot to install the Rain System Device, as reasonably determined by the ACC.
- (v) If the Rain System Device will be installed on or within the side yard of a lot, or would otherwise be visible from a street, common area, or another Owner's property, the ACC may regulate the size, type, shielding of, and materials used in the construction of the Rain System Device. See Section B. 4 for additional guidance.
- 4. <u>Guidelines for Certain Rain System Devices</u>. If the Rain System Device will be installed on or within the side yard of a lot, or would otherwise be visible from a street, common area, or another Owner's property, the ACC may regulate the size, type, shielding of, and materials used in the construction of the Rain System Device. Accordingly, when submitting a Rain Device Application, the application should describe methods proposed by the Owner to shield the Rain System Device from the view of any street, common area, or another Owner's property. When reviewing a Rain System Application for a Rain System Device that will be installed on or within the side yard of a lot, or would otherwise be visible from a street, common area, or another Owner's property, any additional regulations imposed by the ACC to regulate the size, type, shielding of, and materials used in the construction of the Rain System Device may not prohibit the economic installation of the Rain System Device, as reasonably determined by the ACC.

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# BONDS RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. FLAG DISPLAY AND FLAGPOLE INSTALLATION POLICY

Terms used but not defined in this policy will have the meaning subscribed to such terms in that certain Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, recorded under Instrument Number: D201138743, Official Public Records of Tarrant County, Texas, as amended (the "Covenant").

Note: Texas statutes presently render null and void any restriction in the Covenant which restricts or prohibits the display of certain flags or the installation of certain flagpoles on a residential lot in violation of the controlling provisions of Section 202.011 of the Texas Property Code or any federal or other applicable state law. The Board and/or the architectural approval authority under the Covenant has adopted this policy in lieu of any express prohibition against certain flags and flagpoles, or any provision regulating such matters which conflict with Texas law, as set forth in the Covenant.

# A. ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW APPROVAL.

- 1. <u>Approval Required</u>. Approval by the ACC <u>is required</u> prior to installing a flagpole no more than five feet (5') in length affixed to the front of a residence near the principal entry or affixed to the rear of a residence ("Mounted Flagpole"). A Mounted Flag or Mounted Flagpole need to be approved in advance by the architectural review authority under the Covenant (the "ACC"). The ACC is not responsible for: (i) errors in or omissions in the application submitted to the ACC for approval; (ii) supervising installation or construction to confirm compliance with an approved application; or (iii) the compliance of an approved application with governmental codes and ordinances, state and federal laws.
- 2. <u>Approval Required</u>. Approval by the ACC <u>is required</u> prior to installing vertical freestanding flagpoles installed in the front or back yard area of any residential lot ("Freestanding Flagpole"). The ACC is not responsible for: (i) errors in or omissions in the application submitted to the ACC for approval; (ii) supervising installation or construction to confirm compliance with an approved application; or (iii) the compliance of an approved application with governmental codes and ordinances, state and federal laws.

## B. PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS

- 1. <u>Approval Application</u>. To obtain ACC approval of any Freestanding Flagpole, the Owner shall provide the ACC with the following information: (a) the location of the flagpole to be installed on the property; (b) the type of flagpole to be installed; (c) the dimensions of the flagpole; and (d) the proposed materials of the flagpole (the "Flagpole Application"). A Flagpole Application may only be submitted by an Owner UNLESS the Owner's tenant provides written confirmation at the time of submission that the Owner consents to the Flagpole Application.
- 2. <u>Approval Process</u>. The decision of the ACC will be made within a reasonable time, or within the time period otherwise required by the principal deed restrictions which govern the review and approval of improvements. A Flagpole Application submitted to install a Freestanding Flagpole on property owned by the Association or property owned in common by members of the Association will not be approved. Any proposal to install a Freestanding Flagpole on property owned by the Association

or property owned in common by members of the Association must be approved in advance and in writing by the Board, and the Board need not adhere to this policy when considering any such request.

Each Owner is advised that if the Flagpole Application is approved by the ACC, installation of the Freestanding Flagpole must: (i) strictly comply with the Flagpole Application; (ii) commence within thirty (30) days of approval; and (iii) be diligently prosecuted to completion. If the Owner fails to cause the Freestanding Flagpole to be installed in accordance with the approved Flagpole Application, the ACC may require the Owner to: (i) modify the Flagpole Application to accurately reflect the Freestanding Flagpole installed on the property; or (ii) remove the Freestanding Flagpole and reinstall the flagpole in accordance with the approved Flagpole Application. Failure to install a Freestanding Flagpole in accordance with the approved Flagpole Application or an Owner's failure to comply with the post-approval requirements constitutes a violation of this policy and may subject the Owner to fines and penalties. Any requirement imposed by the ACC to resubmit a Flagpole Application or remove and relocate a Freestanding Flagpole in accordance with the approved Flagpole Application shall be at the Owner's sole cost and expense.

- 3. <u>Installation, Display and Approval Conditions</u>. Unless otherwise approved in advance and in writing by the ACC, Permitted Flags, Permitted Flagpoles and Freestanding Flagpoles, installed in accordance with the Flagpole Application, must comply with the following:
  - (a) No more than one (1) Freestanding Flagpole OR no more than two (2) Mounted Flagpoles are permitted per residential lot, on which only Mounted Flags may be displayed;
  - (b) Any Mounted Flagpole must be no longer than five feet (5') in length and any Freestanding Flagpole must be no more than twenty feet (20') in height;
  - (c) Any Mounted Flag displayed on any flagpole may not be more than three feet in height by five feet in width (3'x5');
  - (d) With the exception of flags displayed on common area owned and/or maintained by the Association and any lot which is being used for marketing purposes by a builder, the flag of the United States of America must be displayed in accordance with 4 U.S.C. Sections 5-10 and the flag of the State of Texas must be displayed in accordance with Chapter 3100 of the Texas Government Code;
  - (e) The display of a flag, or the location and construction of the flagpole must comply with all applicable zoning ordinances, easements and setbacks of record;
  - (f) Any flagpole must be constructed of permanent, long-lasting materials, with a finish appropriate to the materials used in the construction of the flagpole and harmonious with the dwelling;
  - (g) A flag or a flagpole must be maintained in good condition and any deteriorated flag or deteriorated or structurally unsafe flagpole must be repaired, replaced or removed;
  - (h) Any flag may be illuminated by no more than one (1) halogen landscaping light of low beam intensity which shall not be aimed towards or directly affect any neighboring property; and

(i) Any external halyard of a flagpole must be secured so as to reduce or eliminate noise from flapping against the metal of the flagpole.

# BONDS RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

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# BONDS RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. DISPLAY OF CERTAIN RELIGIOUS ITEMS POLICY

Terms used but not defined in this policy will have the meaning subscribed to such terms in that certain Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, recorded under Instrument Number: D201138743, Official Public Records of Tarrant County, Texas, as amended (the "Covenant").

- 1. Display of Certain Religious Items Permitted. An Owner or resident is permitted to display or affix to the entry of the Owner's or resident's dwelling one or more religious items, the display of which is motivated by the Owner's or resident's sincere religious belief. This Policy outlines the standards which shall apply with respect to the display or affixing of certain religious items on the entry to the Owner's or resident's dwelling.
- 2. General Guidelines. Religious items may be displayed or affixed to an Owner or resident's entry door or door frame of the Owner or resident's dwelling; provided, however, that individually or in combination with each other, the total size of the display is no greater than twenty-five square inches (5"x5" = 25 square inches).
- Prohibitions. No religious item may be displayed or affixed to an Owner or resident's dwelling that: (a) threatens the public health or safety; (b) violates applicable law; or (c) contains language, graphics or any display that is patently offensive. No religious item may be displayed or affixed in any location other than the entry door or door frame and in no event may extend past the outer edge of the door frame of the Owner or resident's dwelling. Nothing in this Policy may be construed in any manner to authorize an Owner or resident to use a material or color for an entry door or door frame of the Owner or resident's dwelling or make an alteration to the entry door or door frame that is not otherwise permitted pursuant to the Association's governing documents.
- Removal. The Association may remove any item which is in violation of the terms and 4. provisions of this Policy.
- Covenants in Conflict with Statutes. To the extent that any provision of the 5. Association's recorded covenants restrict or prohibit an Owner or resident from displaying or affixing a religious item in violation of the controlling provisions of Section 202.018 of the Texas Property Code, the Association shall have no authority to enforce such provisions and the provisions of this Policy shall hereafter control.

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# BONDS RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. ASSESSMENT COLLECTION POLICY

BONDS RANCH Homeowners Association, Inc. is a community (the "Community") created by and subject that Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, recorded under Instrument Number: D201138743, Official Public Records of Tarrant County, Texas, as amended (the "Covenant"). The operation of the Community is vested in BONDS RANCH Homeowners Association, Inc. (the "Association"), acting through its board of directors (the "Board"). The Association is empowered to enforce the covenants, conditions and restrictions of the Covenant, the Bylaws and rules of the Association (collectively, the "Restrictions"), including the obligation of Owners to pay Assessments pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Covenant.

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

# Section 1. DELINQUENCIES, LATE CHARGES & INTEREST

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

# Section 2. INSTALLMENTS & ACCELERATION

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

#### Section 3. PAYMENTS

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

(2) Current assessments

- (5) Fines
- (3) Attorney fees and costs associated (6) Any other amount with delinquent assessments
- 3-B. Payment Plans. The Association shall offer a payment plan to a delinquent Owner with a minimum term of at least three (3) months and a maximum term of six (6) months from the date the payment plan is requested for which the Owner may be charged reasonable administrative costs and interest. The Association will determine the actual terms of each payment plan offered to an Owner. An Owner is not entitled to a payment plan if the Owner has defaulted on a previous payment plan in the last two (2) years. If an Owner is in default at the time the Owner submits a payment, the Association is not required to follow the application of payments schedule set forth in Paragraph 3-A.
- 3-C. <u>Notice of Payment.</u> If the Association receives full payment of the delinquency after recording a notice of lien, the Association will cause a release of notice of lien to be publicly recorded. The Association may require the Owner to prepay the cost of preparing and recording the release.
- 3-F. <u>Correction of Credit Report</u>. If the Association receives full payment of the delinquency after reporting the defaulting Owner to a credit reporting service, the Association will report receipt of payment to the credit reporting service.

# Section 4. LIABILITY FOR COLLECTION COSTS

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

# Section 5. COLLECTION PROCEDURES

- 5-A. <u>Delegation of Collection Procedures</u>. From time to time, the Association may delegate some or all of the collection procedures, as the Board in its sole discretion deems appropriate, to the Association's managing agent, an attorney, or a debt collector.
- 5-B. <u>Delinquency Notices.</u> If the Association has not received full payment of an Assessment by the due date, the Association may send written notice of nonpayment to the defaulting Owner, by hand delivery, first class mail, and/or by certified mail, stating the amount delinquent. The Association's delinquency-related correspondence may state that if full payment is not timely received, the Association may pursue any or all of the Association's remedies, at the sole cost and expense of the defaulting Owner.
- 5-C. <u>Verification of Owner Information</u>. The Association may obtain a title report to determine the names of the Owners.
- 5-D. <u>Notification of Credit Bureau</u>. The Association may report the defaulting Owner to one or more credit reporting services.
- 5-E. <u>Collection by Attorney</u>. If the Owner's account remains delinquent, the Association may refer the delinquent account to the Association's attorney for collection. In the event an account is referred to the Association's attorney, the Owner will be liable to the Association for its legal fees and expenses. Upon referral of a delinquent account to the Association's attorney, the Association's attorney will provide the following notices and take the following actions unless otherwise directed by the Board:
  - (1) Initial Notice: Preparation of the Initial Notice of Demand for Payment Letter. If the account is not paid in full within 30 days (unless such notice has previously been provided by the Association, then
  - (2) Lien Notice: Preparation of the Lien Notice of Demand for Payment Letter and record a Notice of Unpaid Assessment Lien (unless such notice has previously been provided by the Association). If the account is not paid in full within 30 days, then
  - (3) Final Notice: Preparation of the Final Notice of Demand for Payment Letter and Intent to Foreclose and Notice of Intent to Foreclose. If the account is not paid in full within 30 days, then
  - (4) Foreclosure of Lien: Only upon specific approval by a majority of the Board.
- 5-F. <u>Notice of Lien</u>. The Association's attorney may cause a notice of the Association's Assessment lien against the Owner's home to be publicly recorded. In that event, a copy of the notice will be sent to the defaulting Owner, and may also be sent to the Owner's mortgagee.
- 5-G. <u>Cancellation of Debt</u>. If the Board deems the debt to be uncollectible, the Board may elect to cancel the debt on the books of the Association, in which case the Association may report the full

amount of the forgiven indebtedness to the Internal Revenue Service as income to the defaulting Owner.

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

# Section 6. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 6-A. <u>Independent Judgment.</u> Notwithstanding the contents of this detailed policy, the officers, directors, manager, and attorney of the Association may exercise their independent, collective, and respective judgment in applying this policy.
- 6-B. Other Rights. This policy is in addition to and does not detract from the rights of the Association to collect Assessments under the Association's Restrictions and the laws of the State of Texas.
- 6-C. <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 Restrictions or any other document or agreement executed or made in connection with this policy, the Association will not in any event be entitled to receive or collect, as interest, a sum greater than the maximum amount permitted by applicable law. If from any circumstances whatsoever, the Association ever receives, collects, or applies as interest a sum in excess of the maximum rate permitted by law, the excess amount will be applied to the reduction of unpaid Assessments, or reimbursed to the Owner if those Assessments are paid in full.
- 6-D. Notices. Unless the Restrictions, applicable law, or this policy provide otherwise, any notice or other written communication given to an Owner pursuant to this policy will be deemed delivered to the Owner upon depositing same with the U.S. Postal Service, addressed to the Owner at the most recent address shown on the Association's records, or on personal delivery to the Owner. If the Association's records show that an Owner's property is owned by two (2) or more persons, notice to one co-Owner is deemed notice to all co-Owners. Similarly, notice to one resident is deemed notice to all residents. Written communications to the Association, pursuant to this policy, will be deemed given on actual receipt by the Association's president, secretary, managing agent, or attorney.
- 6-E. Amendment of Policy. This policy may be amended from time to time by the Board.
- 6-F. <u>Collections Policy Schedule.</u> The Association collections policy schedule is attached.

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# BONDS RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. RECORDS INSPECTION, COPYING AND RETENTION POLICY

Terms used but not defined in this policy will have the meaning subscribed to such terms in that certain Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, recorded under Instrument Number: D201138743, Official Public Records of Tarrant County, Texas, as amended (the "Covenant").

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

- Written Form. The Association shall maintain its records in written form or in another form capable of conversion into written form within a reasonable time.
- 2. Request in Writing; Pay Estimated Costs In Advance. An Owner (or an individual identified as an Owner's agent, attorney or certified public accountant, provided the designation is in writing and delivered to the Association) may submit a written request via certified mail to the Association's mailing address or authorized representative listed in the management certificate to access the Association's records. The written request must include sufficient detail describing the books and records requested and whether the Owner desires to inspect or copy the records. Upon receipt of a written request, the Association may estimate the costs associated with responding to each request, which costs may not exceed the costs allowed pursuant to Texas Administrative Code Section 70.3, as may be amended from time to time (a current copy of which is attached hereto). Before providing the requested records, the Association will require that the Owner remit such estimated amount to the Association. The Association will provide a final invoice to the Owner on or before the 30th business day after the records are provided by the Association. If the final invoice includes additional amounts due from the requesting party, the additional amounts, if not reimbursed to the Association before the 30th business day after the date the invoice is sent to the Owner, may be added to the Owner's account as an assessment. If the estimated costs exceeded the final invoice amount, the Owner is entitled to a refund, and the refund shall be issued to the Owner not later than the 30th business day after the date the final invoice is sent to the Owner.
- 3. <u>Period of Inspection</u>. Within ten (10) business days from receipt of the written request, the Association must either: (1) provide the copies to the Owner; (2) provide available inspection dates; or (3) provide written notice that the Association cannot produce the documents within the ten (10) days along with either: (i) another date within an additional fifteen (15) days on which the records may either be inspected or by which the copies will be sent to the Owner; or (ii) after a diligent search, the requested records are missing and can not be located.
- 4. <u>Records Retention</u>. The Association shall keep the following records for <u>at least</u> the times periods stated below:

- a. PERMANENT: The Articles of Incorporation or the Certificate of Formation, the Bylaws and the Covenant, any and all other governing documents, guidelines, rules, regulations and policies and all amendments thereto recorded in the property records to be effective against any Owner and/or Member of the Association.
- b. FOUR (4) YEARS: Contracts with a term of more than one (1) year between the Association and a third party. The four (4) year retention term begins upon expiration of the contract term.
- c. FIVE (5) YEARS: Account records of each Owner. Account records include debit and credit entries associated with amounts due and payable by the Owner to the Association, and written or electronic records related to the Owner and produced by the Association in the ordinary course of business.
- d. SEVEN (7) YEARS: Minutes of all meetings of the Board and the Owners.
- e. **SEVEN (7) YEARS:** Financial books and records produced in the ordinary course of business, tax returns and audits of the Association.
- f. GENERAL RETENTION INSTRUCTIONS: "Permanent" means records which are not to be destroyed. Except for contracts with a term of one (1) year or more (See item 4.b. above), a retention period starts on the last day of the year in which the record is created and ends on the last day of the year of the retention period. For example, if a record is created on June 14, 2012, and the retention period is five (5) years, the retention period begins on December 31, 2012 and ends on December 31, 2017. If the retention period for a record has elapsed and the record will be destroyed, the record should be shredded or otherwise safely and completely destroyed. Electronic files should be destroyed to ensure that data cannot be reconstructed from the storage mechanism on which the record resides.
- 5. <u>Confidential Records</u>. As determined in the discretion of the Board, certain Association records may be kept confidential such as personnel files, Owner account or other personal information (except addresses) unless the Owner requesting the records provides a court order or written authorization from the person whose records are sought.
- 6. Attorney Files. Attorney's files and records relating to the Association (excluding invoices requested by a Owner pursuant to Texas Property Code Section 209.008(d)), are not records of the Association and are not: (a) subject to inspection by the Owner; or (b) subject to production in a legal proceeding. If a document in an attorney's files and records relating to the Association would be responsive to a legally authorized request to inspect or copy Association documents, the document shall be produced by using the copy from the attorney's files and records if the Association has not maintained a separate copy of the document. The Association is not required under any circumstance to produce a document for inspection or copying that constitutes attorney work product or that is privileged as an attorney-client communication.

	7.	Presence of Board Member or Manager; No Removal. At the discretion of the Board of
the A	ssociatio	n's manager, certain records may only be inspected in the presence of a Board member of
empl	oyee of th	ne Association's manager. No original records may be removed from the office without the
expre	ess writte	n consent of the Board.

# BONDS RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Duly Authorized Officer/Agent

Date

STEPHANIE CLAYTH

District Name

Printed Name

# TEXAS ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TITLE 1, PART 3, CHAPTER 70

# RULE §70.3 - CHARGES FOR PROVIDING COPIES OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

- (a) The charges in this section to recover costs associated with providing copies of public information are based on estimated average costs to governmental bodies across the state. When actual costs are 25% higher than those used in these rules, governmental bodies other than agencies of the state, may request an exemption in accordance with §70.4 of this title (relating to Requesting an Exemption).
- (b) Copy charge.
- (1) Standard paper copy. The charge for standard paper copies reproduced by means of an office machine copier or a computer printer is \$.10 per page or part of a page. Each side that has recorded information is considered a page.
- (2) Nonstandard copy. The charges in this subsection are to cover the materials onto which information is copied and do not reflect any additional charges, including labor, that may be associated with a particular request. The charges for nonstandard copies are:
  - (A) Diskette--\$1.00;
  - (B) Magnetic tape--actual cost
  - (C) Data cartridge--actual cost;
  - (D) Tape cartridge--actual cost;
  - (E) Rewritable CD (CD-RW)--\$1.00;
  - (F) Non-rewritable CD (CD-R)--\$1.00;
  - (G) Digital video disc (DVD)--\$3.00;
  - (H) JAZ drive--actual cost;
  - (I) Other electronic media--actual cost;
  - (J) VHS video cassette--\$2.50;
  - (K) Audio cassette--\$1.00;
  - (L) Oversize paper copy (e.g.: 11 inches by 17 inches, greenbar, bluebar, not including maps and photographs using specialty paper--See also §70.9 of this title)--\$.50;
  - (M) Specialty paper (e.g.: Mylar, blueprint, blueline, map, photographic--actual cost.
- (c) Labor charge for programming. If a particular request requires the services of a programmer in order to execute an existing program or to create a new program so that requested information may be accessed and copied, the governmental body may charge for the programmer's time.
- (1) The hourly charge for a programmer is \$28.50 an hour. Only programming services shall be charged at this hourly rate.

- (2) Governmental bodies that do not have in-house programming capabilities shall comply with requests in accordance with §552.231 of the Texas Government Code.
- (3) If the charge for providing a copy of public information includes costs of labor, a governmental body shall comply with the requirements of §552.261(b) of the Texas Government Code.
- (d) Labor charge for locating, compiling, manipulating data, and reproducing public information.
- (1) The charge for labor costs incurred in processing a request for public information is \$15 an hour. The labor charge includes the actual time to locate, compile, manipulate data, and reproduce the requested information.
- (2) A labor charge shall not be billed in connection with complying with requests that are for 50 or fewer pages of paper records, unless the documents to be copied are located in:
  - (A) Two or more separate buildings that are not physically connected with each other; or
    - (B) A remote storage facility.
- (3) A labor charge shall not be recovered for any time spent by an attorney, legal assistant, or any other person who reviews the requested information:
  - (A) To determine whether the governmental body will raise any exceptions to disclosure of the requested information under the Texas Government Code, Subchapter C, Chapter 552; or
  - (B) To research or prepare a request for a ruling by the attorney general's office pursuant to §552.301 of the Texas Government Code.
- (4) When confidential information pursuant to a mandatory exception of the Act is mixed with public information in the same page, a labor charge may be recovered for time spent to redact, blackout, or otherwise obscure confidential information in order to release the public information. A labor charge shall not be made for redacting confidential information for requests of 50 or fewer pages, unless the request also qualifies for a labor charge pursuant to Texas Government Code, §552.261(a)(1) or (2).
- (5) If the charge for providing a copy of public information includes costs of labor, a governmental body shall comply with the requirements of Texas Government Code, Chapter 552, §552.261(b).
- (6) For purposes of paragraph (2)(A) of this subsection, two buildings connected by a covered or open sidewalk, an elevated or underground passageway, or a similar facility, are not considered to be separate buildings.

#### (e) Overhead charge.

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

avoid complication in calculating such costs and will provide uniformity for charges made statewide.

- (2) An overhead charge shall not be made for requests for copies of 50 or fewer pages of standard paper records unless the request also qualifies for a labor charge pursuant to Texas Government Code, §552.261(a)(1) or (2).
- (3) The overhead charge shall be computed at 20% of the charge made to cover any labor costs associated with a particular request. Example: if one hour of labor is used for a particular request, the formula would be as follows: Labor charge for locating, compiling, and reproducing,  $$15.00 \times .20 = $3.00$ ; or Programming labor charge,  $$28.50 \times .20 = $5.70$ . If a request requires one hour of labor charge for locating, compiling, and reproducing information (\$15.00 per hour); and one hour of programming labor charge (\$28.50 per hour), the combined overhead would be:  $$15.00 + $28.50 = $43.50 \times .20 = $8.70$ .

# (f) Microfiche and microfilm charge.

- (1) If a governmental body already has information that exists on microfiche or microfilm and has copies available for sale or distribution, the charge for a copy must not exceed the cost of its reproduction. If no copies of the requested microfiche or microfilm are available and the information on the microfiche or microfilm can be released in its entirety, the governmental body should make a copy of the microfiche or microfilm. The charge for a copy shall not exceed the cost of its reproduction. The Texas State Library and Archives Commission has the capacity to reproduce microfiche and microfilm for governmental bodies. Governmental bodies that do not have in-house capability to reproduce microfiche or microfilm are encouraged to contact the Texas State Library before having the reproduction made commercially.
- (2) If only a master copy of information in microfilm is maintained, the charge is \$.10 per page for standard size paper copies, plus any applicable labor and overhead charge for more than 50 copies.

# (g) Remote document retrieval charge.

- (1) Due to limited on-site capacity of storage documents, it is frequently necessary to store information that is not in current use in remote storage locations. Every effort should be made by governmental bodies to store current records on-site. State agencies are encouraged to store inactive or non-current records with the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. To the extent that the retrieval of documents results in a charge to comply with a request, it is permissible to recover costs of such services for requests that qualify for labor charges under current law.
- (2) If a governmental body has a contract with a commercial records storage company, whereby the private company charges a fee to locate, retrieve, deliver, and return to storage the needed record(s), no additional labor charge shall be factored in for time spent locating documents at the storage location by the private company's personnel. If after delivery to the governmental body, the boxes must still be searched for records that are responsive to the request, a labor charge is allowed according to subsection (d)(1) of this section.

# (h) Computer resource charge.

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

- (2) These computer resource charges are not intended to substitute for cost recovery methodologies or charges made for purposes other than responding to public information requests.
- (3) The charges in this subsection are averages based on a survey of governmental bodies with a broad range of computer capabilities. Each governmental body using this cost recovery charge shall determine which category(ies) of computer system(s) used to fulfill the public information request most closely fits its existing system(s), and set its charge accordingly. Type of System--Rate: mainframe--\$10 per CPU minute; Midsize--\$1.50 per CPU minute; Client/Server-\$2.20 per clock hour; PC or LAN--\$1.00 per clock hour.
- (4) The charge made to recover the computer utilization cost is the actual time the computer takes to execute a particular program times the applicable rate. The CPU charge is not meant to apply to programming or printing time; rather it is solely to recover costs associated with the actual time required by the computer to execute a program. This time, called CPU time, can be read directly from the CPU clock, and most frequently will be a matter of seconds. If programming is required to comply with a particular request, the appropriate charge that may be recovered for programming time is set forth in subsection (d) of this section. No charge should be made for computer print-out time. Example: If a mainframe computer is used, and the processing time is 20 seconds, the charges would be as follows: \$10 / 3 = \$3.33; or  $$10 / 60 \times 20 = $3.33$ .
- (5) A governmental body that does not have in-house computer capabilities shall comply with requests in accordance with the §552.231 of the Texas Government Code.
- (i) Miscellaneous supplies. The actual cost of miscellaneous supplies, such as labels, boxes, and other supplies used to produce the requested information, may be added to the total charge for public information.
- (j) Postal and shipping charges. Governmental bodies may add any related postal or shipping expenses which are necessary to transmit the reproduced information to the requesting party.
- (k) Sales tax. Pursuant to Office of the Comptroller of Public Accounts' rules sales tax shall not be added on charges for public information (34 TAC, Part 1, Chapter 3, Subchapter O, §3.341 and §3.342).
- (l) Miscellaneous charges: A governmental body that accepts payment by credit card for copies of public information and that is charged a "transaction fee" by the credit card company may recover that fee.
- (m) These charges are subject to periodic reevaluation and update.

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# BONDS RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. EMAIL REGISTRATION POLICY

BONDS RANCH Homeowners Association, Inc. is a community (the "Community") created by and subject that certain Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, recorded under Instrument Number: D201138743, Official Public Records of Tarrant County, Texas, as amended (the "Covenant"). The operation of the Community is vested in BONDS RANCH Homeowners Association, Inc. (the "Association"), acting through its board of directors (the "Board"). The Association is empowered to adopt reasonable policies for the operation of the Association, including a policy for the registration of member email addresses.

The Board hereby adopts this Email Registration Policy to establish a means by which members of the Association might register and maintain their email addresses for the purpose of receiving certain required communications from the Association.

- (1) Community Website. Should the Association maintain a community website capable of allowing members to register and maintain an email address with the Association then the member is responsible for registering and updating whenever necessary such email address so that the member can receive email notification of certain required communications from the Association.
- (2) Official Email Registration Form. Should the Association not maintain a community website as described in (1) above then the Association shall provide each member with an Official Email Registration Form so that the member might provide to the Association an email address for the purpose of receiving email notification of certain required communications from the Association. It shall be the member's responsibility to complete and submit the form to the Association, as well as updating the Association with changes to their email address whenever necessary.

BONDS RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

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