# RESOLUTION OF THE DEL PASEO TOWN HOMES ASSOCIATION'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGARDING THE DOCUMENT RETENTION POLICY

WHEREAS, Del Paseo Town Homes Association ("Association") keeps correct and complete books and records of account and minutes of the proceedings of its members and Board of Directors; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Association ("Board") has determined that it would be in the best interests of the Association to provide a policy establishing guidelines for effectively managing the records of the Association in order to meet legal requirements for record retention and privacy protection, optimizing the use of space, minimizing the cost of record retention, and properly destroying outdated records; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following requirements are hereby establishes and adopts the following procedures to be observed in furtherance of the document retention policy of the Association:

## 1. Policy

- a. It is the Association's policy to maintain complete, accurate and high quality documents. Documents, defined below, are to be retained for the period of their immediate use, unless longer retention is required for historical reference, contractual or legal requirements, or for other purposes as set forth in this document retention and destruction policy ("Policy").
- b. Documents that are no longer required, or have satisfied their recommended period of retention, are to be destroyed in an appropriate manner.
- c. The Manager is responsible for ensuring that Documents within his or her area of assigned responsibility are identified, retained, stored, protected and subsequently disposed of, in accordance with the guidelines set forth in this Policy.
- Compliance This Policy is not intended to be exhaustive and accordingly, will
  be implemented to meet the specific needs of the Association. The retention
  periods set forth herein are guidelines based on the current retention periods set
  forth in federal, state, and local statutes and regulations and industry custom and
  practice.
- Board Members The Association does not require Board members to maintain any Documents. Board members, in their discretion, may dispose of Documents generated by the Association because the Association has maintained such

Documents in the Official Files. However, if Board members receive Documents relating to the Association, which were not generated by the Association, or not received through the Association, Board members shall send the originals of such Documents to the Manager to be maintained in the Official Files.

# 4. Annual Purge of Files

- a. The Manager and each Board member electing to maintain Documents may conduct an annual purge of files that are under their control.
- b. When a member of the Board ceases to be a member, the Board member shall either destroy or turn over to the Manager, all Documents and files relating to the business of the Association. If the Documents and files are turned over, from that time forward, the Manager shall have the responsibility to conduct the annual purge of files maintained by the former Board member.

### 5. Destruction Procedure

- a. If the Documents to be destroyed are of public record, it is recommended that they be recycled. If recycling is not possible, the Documents may be placed in a trash receptacle.
- b. If the Documents to be destroyed are not of public record, they should be recycled if their confidentiality can be protected or they may be shredded, burned, chemically treated or otherwise made illegible.
- 6. Certification Following the annual purge of files, the Manager, if requested by the Board, shall complete a Certification Letter directed to the Association's Board stating that all Documents under his or her control conform to the retention guidelines.
- Miscellaneous There may be immediate destruction of copies of any Document, regardless of age, provided that an original is maintained in the Official Files of the Association.
- 8. Onset of Litigation Upon the institution of litigation, or if it is reasonably foreseeable that litigation may be imminent, all Documents potentially relevant to the dispute must be preserved. Therefore, at the direction of legal counsel, the Manager will advise the Board Members, and any other person who may maintain Association Documents, of the facts relating to litigation. Thereafter, all Documents potentially relevant to the dispute shall be deemed "held" until such litigation is concluded and all appeal periods have expired. At the conclusion of the litigation, the "hold" period will cease and the time periods provided in the Records Retention Schedule will be applied.

#### 9. Definitions

- a. Document means any documentary material, that is generated or received by the Association in connection with transacting its business, is related to the Association's legal obligations, and is retained for any period of time. The term "Document" includes, among others, writings, drawings, graphs, charts, photographs, tape, disc, audio recordings, microforms, and other electronic documents from which information can be obtained or translated such as electronic mail, voice mail, floppy disks, hard discs and CD ROM.
- b. Community Manager means the Manager of the Association.
- c. Official Files means the files maintained by the Manager of the Association. Legal documents and documents subject to the attorneyclient privilege and the work product privilege maintained by the Association's legal counsel are not part of the "Official Files" of the Association.
- d. Permanent means that the retention period for that document is permanent.

#### 10. Record Retention Schedule

- a. The retention periods identified with particular Documents are intended as guidelines. In particular circumstances, the Manager and Board Members have the discretion to determine that either a longer or shorter retention period is warranted.
- b. Although every conceivable Document is not listed below, the following list should serve as a basis for retention schedules for the Association's Documents.

## RECORD RETENTION SCHEDULE

DOCUMENT TYPE	RETENTION OR TERMINATION PERIOD
Corporate Documents and Governing Instruments	Permanent
Financial Books and Records	Seven (7) years
Account Records of Current Owners	Period of Ownership Plus Five (5) years
Vendor or Contract for Labor Records	Four (4) years after the expiration of the contract term
Minutes of Owner Meetings and Board of Directors Meetings	Seven (7) years
Tax Returns and Audit Records	Seven (7) years

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED this Resolution was duly introduced, seconded, and was thereafter adopted at a regular scheduled meeting of the Board, at which a quorum was present, by a majority vote of the members of the Board present and eligible to vote on this matter, and shall remain in force and effect until revoked, modified or amended by the Board. This Resolution shall be filed of record in the Official Public Records of Dallas County, Texas.

Date: 6 10, 20 11.

DEL PASEO TOWN HOMES ASSOCIATION, a Texas non-profit corporation

Its: