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highest use and the most appropriate development and improvements of each lot for residential purposes within said subdivision; to protect owners of lots against improper use of surrounding lots; to preserve so far as practicable, the natural beauty of said Subdivision; to guard against the erection of poorly designed or proportioned structures of improper, or unsuitable materials; to encourage and secure the erection of attractive improvements on each lot with appropriate location; to prevent haphazard and inharmonious improvements of lots; to secure and maintain proper setbacks from streets and adequate free space; and, in general, to provide for development of the highest quality to enhance the value of investments made by owners.

A. Land Use and Building Types. The lots shall be used solely for private single family residential purposes. On each residential lot no building shall be erected, altered, placed or permitted other than a detached, single family dwelling not to exceed two (2) stories in height, with an attached private garage or carport for not more than three (3) cars. No building shall remain incomplete for more than one (1) year after construction has been commenced.

B. Antennae. No exterior radio, television antenna or aerial, guy wire, or satellite dish antenna shall be erected or maintained without the prior written approval of the Architectural Control Committee.

C. Architectural Control. No building, wall, fence or any other improvement shall be erected or placed on, nor shall any building, wall, fence or any other improvement be altered, modified, added to or removed from any lot until the construction plans and specifications thereof and a plan showing the location of all buildings, walls, fences and other improvements, including, but not limited to, driveways and setbacks, have been approved in writing by the Architectural Control Committee, hereinafter called "Committee". Nor shall the topography of the lot be enlarged in any way which will impede, restrict or in any way divert the flow of water without the prior written approval of the Committee. The approval of the Committee shall not be unreasonably or whimsically withheld.

The Committee shall be composed of three (3) members. The original members of the Committee shall be Bryan Rome, Joseph A. DiQuinzio, Jr. and Steve Herring. Each Committee member shall serve at the pleasure of the Declarant. In the event of the death, resignation or removal of any member of said Committee, the remaining member or members will have full authority to act until the member or members have been replaced. A decision of a majority of the Committee shall be binding on all members thereof.

The Committee in considering each set of plans and specifications and the plan showing the location of all improvements shall consider, among other things, the quality of design and materials, harmony of the design with existing structures and location with respect to topography and finished grade elevation.

The Committee's approval or disapproval of the plans and specifications and plot plan for the improvements to be erected or placed on a lot, or the plans and specifications for the alteration, modification, addition to or removal of any improvements located on a lot, shall be granted within thirty (30) days after the same have been submitted to the Committee; if the Committee's approval or disapproval is not so granted within such thirty (30) days, then in that event the same shall be deemed approved and this covenant complied with. All plans and specifications shall be delivered to the Committee not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date construction is to be commenced at its office at 11911 Burnet Road, Austin, Travis County, Texas 78758, or any such other address as it may designate, by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered and a written, receipt received therefore, and the date received by the Committee

shall be considered the date of delivery to the Committee.

Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, the Committee is hereby authorized, at its sole discretion, to waive any requirements relating to garages (including size), carports, dwelling size, masonry requirements, fences, and setbacks and such decision shall be binding on all owners of lots encumbered by this Declaration.

D. Dwelling Size. The ground floor area of the main structure of the single story, single-family residence shall be not less than Nine Hundred (900) square feet, excluding all open and covered porches and garage units. If more than one (1) story, the combined area for the first and second floors shall be not less than One Thousand Fifty (1050) square feet. The Architectural Control Committee may approve a dwelling size containing less square feet, but such approval must be in writing.

E. Easements and Setbacks. Easements reserved and setback requirements are those set forth on the plat of record of the Subdivision on file in the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas, and other such easements dedicated by separate instrument on file in the Real Property Records of Travis County, Texas. Within these easements, no structure, planting or other material shall be placed, or permitted to remain, which may damage or interfere with the installation and maintenance of utilities, or which may change the direction of flow or drainage channels in the easements, or which may obstruct or retard the flow of water. The easement area of each lot shall not be fenced out of the lot and shall be maintained continuously by the owner of the lot.

F. Fences. No fence, wall or hedge shall be erected, placed or altered on a lot nearer to the front street than the front wall of the house situated on such lot.

G. Garbage and Refuse. No garbage or refuse of any kind shall be placed or permitted to accumulate on any property within the Subdivision, and no odor shall be permitted to arise there from so as to render any property within the Subdivision unsanitary, unsightly, offensive or detrimental to any other property or to its occupants. Refuse, garbage and trash shall be kept at all times in covered containers and such containers shall be kept within a closed structure or structures or appropriately screened from view. Each lot owner shall contract with an independent disposal service to collect all garbage or other wastes, if such service is not provided by a governmental entity.

H. Hazardous Activities. No activities may be conducted on the Subdivision and no improvements constructed on the Subdivision which are or might be unsafe or hazardous to any person or property. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, no firearms or fireworks shall be discharged upon the Subdivision, and no open fires shall be lighted or permitted except within safe and well designed interior fireplaces, or in contained barbecue units which are attended and in use for cooking purposes only.

I. Livestock and Poultry. No animals, livestock or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred or kept on any property within the Subdivision except that each lot owner may keep no more than two (2) dogs, two (2) cats, or two (2) other household pets, provided they are not kept, bred or maintained for any commercial purpose. No animal shall be allowed to make an unreasonable amount of noise or to become a nuisance, and no domestic pets will be allowed on any property within the Subdivision other than on the lot of its owner unless confined to a leash. No animal may be stabled, maintained, kept, cared for or boarded for hire or remuneration within the Subdivision, and no kennels or breeding operation shall be allowed. No animal shall be

allowed to run at large, and all animals shall be kept within enclosed areas which must be clean, sanitary and reasonably free of refuse, insects and wastes at all times. Such enclosed area shall be constructed in accordance with plans approved by the Committee, shall be of reasonable design and construction to adequately contain such animals in accordance with the provisions hereof, and shall be screened so as not to be visible from any other portion of the Subdivision.

J. Maintenance, Alteration or Removal of Improvements. All improvements upon any of the Subdivision shall at all times be kept in good condition and repair and adequately painted or otherwise maintained by the Owner thereof. The opinion of the Committee as to condition and repair shall be final. Any construction, other than normal maintenance, which in any way alters the exterior appearance of any improvements or the removal of any improvements within the Subdivision shall be performed only with the prior written approval of the Committee.

K. Masonry. Each dwelling shall have not less than ten percent (10%) of the exterior walls of masonry construction; provided, however, the Committee may waive this requirement in whole or in part, but any such waiver must be in writing.

L. Noise. No exterior speakers, horns, whistles, bells or other sound devices (other than security devices used exclusively for security purposes) shall be located, used or placed on any of the Subdivision. No noise or other nuisance shall be permitted to exist or operate upon any portion of the Subdivision so as to be offensive or detrimental to any other portion of the Subdivision or to its occupants.

M. Nuisances. No noxious or offensive activity shall be conducted within the Subdivision, nor shall anything be done thereon which may be or become an annoyance to the neighborhood, or which is in conflict with the purposes of these restrictions.

N. Oil and Mining Operations. No portion of the Subdivision shall be used for the purpose of oil drilling, oil development, operations, oil refining, coring, boring or exploring for or removal, removing oil, gas or other hydrocarbons, minerals of any kind, rocks, stones, sand, gravel, aggregate or earth.

O. Signs. No signs of any kind shall be displayed for public view on any property within the Subdivision, except for the following: One (1) sign of not more than five (5) square feet, advertising any property within the Subdivision for sale or rent; signs used by builders to advertise property within the Subdivision for sale; and directional and marketing signs of not more than four (4) feet by eight (8) feet used by the developer and builders for marketing purposes. All merchandising, advertising and sales programming shall be subject to the approval of the Committee.

P. Subdividing. No Lot shall be further divided or subdivided, nor may any easement or other interests therein less than the whole be conveyed by the Owner thereof without the prior written approval of the Committee; provided, however, that when Declarant is the Owner thereof. Declarant may further divide and subdivide any Lot and convey an easement or other interest less than the whole, all without the approval of the Committee.

Q. Temporary Structures. No tent, mobile home, trailer, basement, shack, garage, barn or other temporary building, improvement or structure shall be placed upon any property within the Subdivision without the prior written approval of the Committee.

R. Unightly Articles; Vehicles. No article deemed to be unsightly by the Committee shall be permitted to remain on any property within the Subdivision so as to be visible from adjoining property or public or private thoroughfares. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, trailers, graders, trucks other than pickups, boats, tractors, campers, wagons, buses, motorcycles, motor scooters and garden maintenance equipment shall be kept at all times, except when in actual use, in enclosed structures or screened from view and no repair or maintenance work shall be done on any of the foregoing, or on any automobile (other than minor emergency repairs), except in enclosed garages. Lot owners shall not keep more than two (2) automobiles in such manner as to be visible from any other property within the Subdivision for any period in excess of seventy- two (72) hours. No automobile, boat, trailer, truck, pickup, tractor, camper, mobile home, recreational vehicle, motor scooter, maintenance equipment or other vehicle may be parked overnight on any roadway within the Subdivision. Service areas, storage areas, compost piles and facilities for hanging, drying or airing clothing or household fabrics shall be appropriately screened from view and no lumber, grass, plant waste, shrub or tree clippings, metals, bulk materials or scrap or refuse of trash shall be kept, stored or allowed to accumulate on any portion of the property except within enclosed structures or appropriately screened from view. No (i) racing vehicles or (ii) other vehicles (including without limitation motorcycles and motor scooters) which are inoperable or do not have a current license tag shall be permitted to remain visible on any lot or to be parked on any street in the Subdivision. No commercial vehicles larger than a standard size pickup truck or van shall be permitted to remain on any lot or to be parked on any street in the Subdivision.

### III.

#### ***SIDEWALKS***

The owner of each lot shall construct, at his cost and expense and prior to his occupancy of the dwelling, sidewalks, if any, as set forth on the recorded subdivision plat. This provision may not be amended or altered in any way without the prior written approval of the City of Austin Planning Department.

### IV.

#### **TERM**

These covenants run with the land and shall be binding on all persons claiming under them until January 1, 2018 ("initial term"), at which time said covenants shall be automatically extended for successive periods of ten (10) years each ("renewal term") unless, by vote of a majority of the then-owners of the lots encumbered by this Declaration, it is agreed to change said Declaration in whole or in part.

Any such instrument of amendment or termination must be executed and acknowledged by fifty-one percent (51%) of the then-owners of the lots encumbered by this Declaration and filed of record in the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas. The instrument of amendment shall be effective to amend this Declaration when such instrument is filed of record. The instrument of termination shall be effective to terminate this Declaration at the expiration of the initial term, if such instrument is filed of record during the initial term hereof; or if such instrument is filed of record during any renewal term, this Declaration shall be terminated at the end of such renewal term. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, Declarant, its successors or assigns, may amend these covenants at any time, or from time to time, in order to correct any typographical errors or other errors or omissions which, in the discretion of the developer, its successors or assigns, may require amendment in order to properly reflect the intent hereof. Such amendments to correct typographical errors or other errors or omissions shall be effective on the

date that such amendment is filed of record in the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas by the Declarant, its successors or assigns. Notwithstanding anything hereinabove, no amendment shall be effective until the approval of any governmental regulatory body which is required shall have been obtained.

V.

**EXTERIOR MAINTENANCE**

In the event the owner of any lot shall fail to maintain the premises and the improvements situated thereon in a neat and orderly manner, the Committee shall have the right, through its agents and employees, to enter upon said lot and to repair, maintain and restore the lot and exteriors of the buildings and any other improvements erected thereon, all at the expense of the owner.

VI.

**ENFORCEMENT**

If the owner of any lot, or his heirs, executors, administrators, successors, assigns or tenants shall violate or attempt to violate any of the covenants set forth in this Declaration, it shall be lawful for any person, or persons, owning any lot encumbered by this Declaration, or Declarant, to prosecute any proceedings against the person, or persons, violating, or attempting to violate, any such covenants. The failure of the owner or tenant to perform his obligations hereunder would result in irreparable damage to the Declarant and other owners of lots in the Subdivision, thus the breach of any provisions of this Declaration may not only give rise to an action for damages at law, but also may be enjoined by an action for specific performance in equity in any court of competent jurisdiction. Such action may be brought against any person, firm or corporation violating, or apparently about to violate, any of these covenants, either before such violation occurs or within a reasonable time thereafter, for an appropriate order or injunction of either a restraining or mandatory nature, or both, and of either a temporary or permanent nature, or both, including, but not limited to, one restraining construction of any improvements commenced, or about to be commenced, without the prior written approval of the Committee or for the removal of any improvement constructed without the prior written approval of the Committee. In the event enforcement actions are instituted and the party bringing such action is successful in obtaining any relief, then in addition to the remedies specified above, the party or parties against whom such relief was granted shall pay to the enforcing party costs and reasonable attorney's fees in such amount as the court may determine. Failure to enforce any covenant or restriction herein contained shall in no event be deemed a waiver of the right to do so thereafter.

VII.

**SEVERANCE**

In the event any of the foregoing covenants, conditions, restrictions, reservations or charges is held invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect the validity and enforceability of the other covenants, conditions, restrictions, reservations or charges. If one of the foregoing is subject to more than one interpretation, the interpretation which more clearly reflects the intent hereof shall be enforced.

VIII.

***NUMBER AND GENDER***

The singular shall be treated as the plural and vice versa, if such treatment is necessary to interpret this Declaration. Likewise, if either the feminine, masculine or neuter gender should be any of the other genders, it shall be so treated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Declaration of Restrictions effective as of the date first set forth above.