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#### **DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS & RESTRICTIONS**

#### **FOR**

#### SILVER SAGE FARMS PHASE 2

STATE OF TEXAS

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS

§ § COUNTY OF PARKER

THIS DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS (The "Declaration") is made by FINNEY FARMS, LP, a Texas limited partnership (The "Declarant")

WHEREAS, Developer is the owner of the real property in Parker County, Texas. described in Article II Section I of this Declaration and desires to create thereof a planned community with open spaces and other common facilities for the benefit of said community; and

WHEREAS, Developer desires to provide for the preservation of the values and amenities in said community for the management and maintenance of said open spaces and other common facilities, and to this end desires to subject the real property described in Article 2 Section 2.1, to the covenants, restrictions, easements, charges and liens hereinafter set forth, each and all of which is and are for the benefit of said property and each owner thereof;

WHEREAS, Developer has deemed it desirable for the efficient preservation of the values and amenities in said community to create an agency to which should be delegated and assigned the power s of maintaining and administering the community properties and facilities and administering and enforcing the covenants, restrictions, and conditions and collecting and disbursing the assessments and charges hereinafter created; and

WHEREAS, Developer has caused or will cause to be incorporated under the laws of the State of Texas, a non-profit corporation, SILVER SAGE FARMS PHASE 2 HOA, INC. (or such other similar name as may be authorized by the State of Texas), a Texas non-profit corporation. for the purposes of exercising the functions aforesaid;

NOW THEREFORE, the Developer declares that the real property described in Article II. Section I, shall be held, transferred, sold, conveyed, and occupied subject to the covenants. restrictions, conditions, easements, charges, and liens (sometimes referred herein as "restrictions, covenants, and conditions") hereinafter set forth.

#### Article 1 Definitions

Specific Definitions. The following words, when used in this Declaration or any supplemental Declaration (unless otherwise indicated) shall have the following meanings:

- 1.1. "Association" shall mean and refer to SILVER SAGE FARMS PHASE 2 HOA, INC., a Texas Non-Profit Corporation, its successors and assigns.
- 1.2. "The Properties" shall mean and refer to those areas of land shown on any recorded subdivision plat of the Properties and intended to be devoted to the common use and enjoyment of the members of the Association.
- 1.3. "Common Properties" shall mean and refer to those areas of land shown on any recorded subdivision plat of the Properties and intended to be devoted to the common use and enjoyment of the members of the Association.
- 1.4. "Lot" shall mean and refer to any plot of land shown upon and recorded subdivision plat of the Properties with the exception of the Common Properties as herein defined, and any other Lot made subject to this Declaration pursuant to Section 2 of Article 2, below.
- 1.5. "Living Unit" shall mean and refer to any portion of a building situated upon the Properties designed and intended for use and occupancy as a residence by a single family.
- 1.6. "Owner" shall mean and refer to the record owner, whether on or more person or entities, of the fee simple title to any Lot or Living Unit which is a part of The Properties, including those which may be subject hereto pursuant to Section 2 of Article II, below, and including the purchaser under contract from Developer, but notwithstanding any applicable theory of the mortgage, shall not mean or refer to the mortgagee unless and until such mortgagee has acquired title pursuant to foreclosure or any proceeding in lieu of foreclosure.
- 1.7. "Member" shall mean and refer to every person or entity that holds membership in the Association.
- 1.8. "Developer" shall mean and refer to FINNEY FARMS, LP, a Texas limited partnership, its heirs, successors and assigns.

# Article 2 Properties Subject to This Declaration; Additions Thereto

- 2.1. Existing Property. The real property which is and shall be held, transferred, sold, conveyed and occupied subject to this Declaration is located in Parker County, Texas, and is more particularly described as Lots 7-19, Block 1, Lots 21-40, Block 2, and Lots 1-16, Block 3, of SILVER SAGE FARMS PHASE 2, an Addition to Parker County, Texas, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Document Number 202219031, of the Plat Records of Parker County, Texas.
- 2.2. Additional Property. Additional properties may become subject to this Declaration in any of the following manners:

- 2.2.1. Developer may, without the consent of any Owner or any other person, from time to time and at any time add or annex additional real property to the scheme of this Declaration by filing of record a Supplemental Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions which shall extend the scheme of the covenants and restrictions of this Declaration to such additional property, provided, however, that such Supplemental Declaration may contain such complementary additions and modifications of the covenants and restrictions contained in this Declaration as may be necessary to reflect the different character, if any, of the additional property.
- 2.2.2. In the event any person or entity other than the Developer desires to add or annex additional residential and/or common areas to the scheme of this Declaration, such proposed annexation must have the prior written consent and approval of a least seventy five percent (75%) of the outstanding votes within each voting class of the Association.
- 2.2.3. Any additions made pursuant to Paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Section 2, when made, shall automatically extend the jurisdictions, functions, duties and membership of the Association to the properties added, shall extend to the Owners of the Lots within such other properties the rights and privileges of Owners and membership in the Association and provided hereunder, and shall extend the plan of this Declaration to all properties covered by this Declaration and the Supplemental Declaration, and any reference to "Existing Property" or "Existing Properties" or the "The Properties" in this Declaration shall thereafter include such additional real property.

### Article 3 Association, Organization, and Management

- 3.1. Board of Directors. The Board of Directors of the Association shall consist of not less than three (3) or more than five (5) members, the exact number to be fixed in accordance with the provisions of the Bylaws.
- 3.2. Classes of Members. The Association shall have two classes of voting membership:
  - 3.2.1. Each owner of a residence with exception to the Developer, shall be Class A Member and shall be entitled to one (1) Class A vote per lot. Where such owner is a group or entity other than one individual person, the vote on behalf of such Owner shall be exercised by such individual person as shall be designated in proxy instrument duly executed by or on behalf of such group or entity and delivered to the secretary of the Association.
  - FOUR (4) for each Lot or Residence owned; provided, however, in no event shall the Class B Member have less than the total number of Class A votes plus one (1). The Class B Membership shall cease and be converted to Class A Membership at such time as the Developer no longer retains the right to appoint and remove members of the Board and officers of the Association pursuant to Section 3 below.

- 3.3. Control by Developer. Declarant shall have complete control of these restrictions, covenants, and conditions, the Development and the Association, until all the Lots and completed homes have been constructed on the Lots, and such homes are occupied by the owner(s) thereof (the "Declarant Control Period").
  - 3.3.1. Notwithstanding any other language or provision to contrary in the Declaration, the Certificate of Formation, or in the Bylaws of Association, Declarant hereby retains the right to appoint and remove any member of the Board of Association and any officer, or officers of the Association until 30 days after the first of the following events shall occur: (i) the expiration of twenty (20) years after the date of the recording of the Declaration, (ii) the date upon which all the Lots intended to be part of the Development have been conveyed by the Developer to Owners other than a person or persons constituting the Developer; or (iii) the surrender by Developer of the authority to appoint and removed directors and officers by an express amendment to this Declaration executed and recorded by Developer.
  - 3.3.2. Upon the expiration of the period of the Developer's right to appoint and remove directors and officers of the Association pursuant to the provisions of the Section, such right shall automatically pass to the Owners, including Developer, if Developer then owns one or more Lots, and a special election as dictated by the Bylaws of Associations shall be called at such time. This special election shall serve as the election process for a new Board of Directors which shall undertake the responsibility of the Board and Developer shall deliver any applicable Association documents and records that it may have kept on behalf of the Association.
- 3.4. Other Membership Provisions. Each owner of a Lot shall be a member of the Association, and such membership shall continue so long as such person or entity continues to be an Owner. The membership of an Owner in the Association shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from record ownership of any Lot, and the transfer of any membership in the Association which is not made as a part of a transfer of a Lot shall be null and void. Ownership of a Lot shall be the sole qualification of being a member of the Association. Each Owner shall comply with all rules and regulations as established by the Association from time to time.
- 3.5. Rights and Powers of the Association. The Association shall have the duty to maintain, insure, and pay all taxes and assessments on (or reimburse Developer for the same) all common areas on the Land and shall have the right, power, and authority to do any act which is consistent with or required by the provisions of the Declaration or the Bylaws, whether the same be expressed or implied, including but not limited to the following:
  - 3.5.1. The power to promote the health, safety, and welfare of the Owners of the Lots.
  - 3.5.2. The power to exercise all the powers and privileges and to perform all of the duties and obligations of the Association as set forth in the Declaration and Bylaws of the Association.
  - 3.5.3. The power to fix, levy, collect, and enforce payment of any charges or assessments as set forth in the Declaration and to pay all expenses, and all other expenses incidental to the conduct of the business of the Association, including all

licenses, taxes, or governmental charges levied or imposed against the Properties of the Association.

- 3.5.4. The power to acquire (by gift, purchases, otherwise), own, hold, improve, build on, operate, maintain, convey, sell, lease, transfer, to dedicate for public use, or otherwise to dispose of real personal property in connection with the affairs of the Association.
- 3.5.5. The power to borrow money, to mortgage, to pledge, to deed in trust, or to hypothecate any or all of the Association's real or personal property as security for money borrowed or debts incurred.
- 3.5.6. The power to keep accounting records with respect to all activities and operation of the Association.
  - 3.5.7. The power to contract with and employ other for maintenance and repair.
- 3.5.8. The power to adapt rules and regulations concerning the operation of the Association.
  - 3.5.9. The power to appoint a management company to operate the Association.
- 3.5.10. The power to have and to exercise any and all powers, rights, and privileges that corporation organized under the Texas Non- Profit Corporation Act by law may now or at a later time have or exercise.
- 3.5.11. The power to act in the capacity of principal, agent, joint venture, partner, or otherwise.
- 3.6. Enforcement of Declaration. The Association, through the Board of Directors, shall have the right enforce the Declaration, except and to the extent that the right to enforce certain provisions hereof has been granted to the Architectural Control Committee, whether expressly or by implication. If the Board of Directors shall fall or refuse to enforce this Declaration for an unreasonable period of time, after written request to do so, then any aggrieved Owner may enforce this Declaration on his own behalf by appropriate action, whether in law or in equity.

### Article 4 Property Rights in Common Properties

- 4.1. Members' Easements of Enjoyment. Subject to these terms, conditions and provisions hereof, every Member shall have a right and easement of enjoyment in and to the Common Properties, and such easement shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the title to every Lot or Living Unit. In addition, any member may delegate, in accordance with the Bylaws of the Association, his right and easement of enjoyment to member of his family, his guests, his tenants, or contract purchasers who reside on the Properties.
- 4.2. Title to Common Properties. Developer shall retain the legal title or easements to the Common Properties until such time as development construction has been completed thereon.

4.3. Decorative Fencing. In addition to the other common areas defined herein, the Common Properties shall include decorative fencing around a portion of the perimeter of the Properties and a portion of the Common Property. The design and materials of construction and/or repair of the said decorative fence shall be approved by the Architectural Control Committee.

#### Article 5 Covenant for Maintenance Assessments

- 5.1. Creation of the Lien and Personal Obligation of Assessments. Developer, for each Lot or Living Unit owned by him within the Properties, hereby covenants, and each Owner of any Lot or Living Unity by acceptance of a deed therefore whether or not it shall be so expressed in any such deed or other conveyance, shall be deemed to covenant and agree to pay the Association: (1) annual assessments of charges, (2) special assessments for capital improvements, such assessments to be fixed, established and collected from time to time as hereinafter provided. Such annual and special assessments, together with such interest thereon and costs of collection thereof as hereinafter provided shall be a charge on the land and shall be a continuing lien upon the property against which each such assessment is made. Each such assessment, together with such interest thereon and cost of collection thereof, and reasonable attorneys' fees, shall also be the personal obligation of the person who was the Owner of the such property at the time when the assessment fell due. Separate annual or special assessments shall be made upon each Lot or Living Unit whether or not there is more than one Living Unit per Lot.
- 5.2. Purpose of Assessments. The assessments levied by the Association shall be used exclusively for the purpose of providing for the common good and general welfare of the Residents of the Development, including, but not limited to, security, the acquisition, construction, improvement, maintenance, insuring, and equipping of Common Properties, maintenance of private driveways or other improvements or landscaping which are designated by Developer to be maintenance obligations of the Association, the enforcement of the restrictions contained in this Declaration, the enforcement of the Design Standards of the ACC, the payment of operating costs and expenses of the Association including, without limitation, any ad valorem real and personal property taxes on any real and personal property owned by the Association, and the payment of all principal and interest when due on all debts owed by the Association.
- 5.3. Basis and Maximum of Annual Assessments. The regular assessments shall be based upon the cash requirements, as the Association shall determine necessary to provide for the payment of all estimated expenses arising out of or connected with the purposes described above. The regular assessments may be due monthly, quarterly, or annually, as determined by the Board. Until and unless otherwise determined by the Association and/or Declarant, the initial annual assessment shall be \$750.00 per Lot per year. The Annual Assessment may not be increased more than twenty-five percent (25%) above the maximum annual assessment of the previous year. The assessments described in this section shall be referred to as the "Annual Assessments."

The Board of Directors of The Association, may, after consideration of current maintenance costs and future needs of the Association, fix the annual assessment.

5.4. Special Assessments for Capital Improvements. During the Declarant Control Period, as defined hereinabove, the Declarant shall have the authority to make any and all special

assessments for capital improvements as deemed necessary and appropriate by Declarant, in Declarant's sole discretion. After the expiration of the Declarant Control Period, in addition to the annual assessments authorized by Section 3 hereof, the Association may levy in any assessment year a special assignment, applicable to that year only, for the purpose of defraying, in whole or part, the cost of any construction or reconstruction, unexpected repair or replacement of a described capital improvement upon the Common Properties, including the necessary fixtures and personal property related thereto, provided that any such assessment shall have the assent of 51 percent (51%) of the votes of each Member who has voted in person or by proxy at a meeting duly called for such purpose, written notice of which shall be sent to all Members not less than thirty (30) days nor more than sixty (60) days in advance setting forth the purpose of the meeting.

#### 5.5. (Reserved for Future Use)

- 5.6. Quorum for any Action under Sections 4 and 5. The Quorum for any action authorized by Sections 4 and 5 shall be as follows.
  - 5.6.1. At the first meeting called as provided in Sections 4 and 5 hereof, the presence at the meeting of Members or of proxies entitled to cast fifty percent (51%) of all the votes of the membership shall constitute a quorum.
  - 5.6.2. If the required quorum is not forthcoming at any meeting, another meeting may be called subject to the notice requirements set forth in Sections 4 and 5 and the required quorum at any such subsequent meeting shall be one half (1/2) of the required quorum at the preceding meeting, provided that no such subsequent meeting shall be held more than sixty (60) days following the preceding meeting.
- 5.7. Due Date of Assessments. The annual assessments provided for herein shall become due and payable on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January after the commencement day herein above set out and the due date of any special assessment under Article V Section 4 hereof shall be fixed in the resolution authorizing such assessment.

The Board of directors may, at its option, change the annual assessments to semi-annual, quarterly, or monthly assessment and determine the due date thereof.

5.8. Duties of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors of the Association shall, upon the commencement date herein provided, prepare a roster of the Properties and assessments applicable therefore which shall be kept in the office of the Association, and shall be open to inspection by any Owner. Written notice of the initial assessment and of any subsequent changes therein shall be forthwith sent to every Owner subject thereto.

The Association shall upon demand at any time furnish to any Owner liable for said assessment a certificate in writing signed by an officer of the Association, setting forth whether said assessment has been paid. A reasonable charge may be made by the Board for the issuance of such certificate and such certificate shall be conclusively evidence of payments of any assessment therein stated to have been paid.

5.9. Effect of Non-payment of Assessment: Personal Obligations of Owner; Lien; Remedies of Association. If the assessments are not paid on the date when due, then such assessments shall become delinquent and shall, together with such interest thereon and cost of collection thereof as hereinafter provided, forthwith become a continuing lien on the property

which shall bind such property in the hands of then Owner, his heirs, devisees, personal representatives and assigns. The personal obligation of then Owner to pay such assessment, however, shall remain his personal obligation for the statutory period and shall not pass to his successors in title unless expressly assumed by them.

If the assessment is not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date, the assessment shall bear interest from the date of delinquency at the rate of ten percent (18%) per annum, and the Association may bring an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same or to foreclose the lien against the property, and there shall be added to the amount of such assessment the cost of preparing and filing the petition in such action, and in the event a judgement is obtained, such judgment shall include interest on the assessment as above provided, and a reasonably attorney's fee to be fixed by the Court, together with costs of the action. No Owner may waive or otherwise escape liability for the assessments provided for herein by non-usage of the Common Properties or abandonment of his property.

- 5.10. Subordination of the Lien to Mortgages. The lien of the assessments provided for herein shall be subordinate to the lien of any mortgage or mortgages now or hereafter placed upon The Properties subject to assessment; provided, however, that such subordination shall apply only to the assessments which have become due and payable prior to a safe or transfer of such property pursuant to a decree of foreclosure or any other proceeding in lieu of foreclosure. Such sale or transfer shall no relieve such property from liability for any assessments thereafter becoming due nor form the lien of any such subsequent assessment.
- 5.11. Exempt Property. The following property subject to this Declaration shall be exempt from the assessments, charges and lien created herein:
  - 5.11.1. All properties to the extent of any easement or any other interest therein dedicated and accepted by the local public authority and devoted to public use.
    - 5.11.2. All Common Properties as defined in Article 1, Section 1, hereof.
  - 5.11.3. All properties exempted from taxation by the laws of the State of Texas, upon the terms and to the extent of such legal exemption.

Notwithstanding any provisions herein, no land or improvements devoted to dwelling use shall be exempt from said assessments, charges or liens.

#### Article 6 Architectural Control

6.1. The Developer hereby appoints and Architectural Control Committee (herein so called) which shall consist of three (3) members, who shall be appointed by the Developer. All matters before the Architectural Control Committee shall be decided by majority vote of its members. After the Developer conveys the last of the Lots owned by the Developer, and construction has been completed upon those Lots in accordance with plans and specifications for such construction approved by the Architectural Control Committee, the Association shall assume all of the rights and powers of the Architectural Control Committee and shall exercise same, through the Board of Directors, in the manner herein provided. In the event of the death, incapacity or resignation of a member of the Architectural Control Committee, the successor for

such member shall appointed by the majority of the remaining members of the Architectural Control Committee if the such death, incapacity or resignation occurs on or before the Developer conveys the last Lot owned by the Developer, and by the Association if such death, incapacity or resignation occurs thereafter.

- All building plans must be submitted to the Architectural Control Committee for approval before construction begins. No building, fences, wall sign exterior light, or other structure or other apparatus, either permanent or temporary shall be commenced, erected, placed, or maintained upon the existing property (or any Lot constituting a part thereof), nor shall any remodeling or reconstruction thereof, exterior addition thereto, change therein, or alteration. excavation, subdivision or re-subdivision thereof, including without limitation changes in or specifications showing the nature, kind, shape, height, materials, color, and location and other material attributes of the same shall have been submitted to and approved in writing as to harmony of external design and location in relation to surrounding structures and topography by the Architectural Control Committee, and shall include a plot plan showing the location of the improvements, the plan for drainage and the construction plans giving the dimension of all improvements and shall specify in addition to construction diagrams and specifications, all materials to be sued and color schemes for all Improvements. Once the plans and specifications have been submitted to the Architectural Control Committee, the Architectural Control Committee shall have a period of thirty (30) days to review and approve or disapprove the submitted plans and specifications, or the Architectural Control Committee may make comments and requirements for such approval. If the Architectural Control Committee does not respond within such thirty (30) day period after submission, then the approval of the submitted plans and specifications shall be deemed to have been given, and this Article will be deemed to have been fully complied with. The Architectural Control Committee shall have the right, all in the sole discretion of the Architectural Control Committee, to disapprove any plans and specifications submitted to it for any of the following reasons:
  - 6.2.1. If such plans and specifications are not in accordance with any of the provisions of these covenants or the codes, ordinances and regulations of Parker County, Texas;
  - 6.2.2. If the external design, elevation, appearance, location or color scheme for the proposed improvements and not in harmony with the general surrounding of the existing property or with the adjacent dwellings or structures or with the topography;
    - 6.2.3. If the plans and specifications submitted are incomplete;
  - 6.2.4. If the design, appearance or location of any landscaping is not in harmony with the general surroundings or topography;
  - 6.2.5. If the Architectural Control Committee deems the plans and specifications, or any part thereof, to be contrary to the interest, welfare or rights of any or all parts of the existing property.

The Architectural Control Committee is authorized to accept whatever drawings, plans or specifications as it deems desirable within its sole discretion to be in satisfaction of the foregoing. The decision of the Architectural Control Committee shall be final, conclusive and binding upon all Owners. Neither the Architectural Control Committee nor Developer shall be responsible in any way for any defects in any plans or specifications submitted, revised or approved in

accordance with the foregoing, nor for any structural or other defects in any work done according to such plans and specifications to meet local Code and Laws. The authorization of any two members of the Architectural Control Committee on any such plans and specifications with "approved" or "disapproved" written or stamped thereon shall be prima facie evidence as to such approval or disapproval being the act of the full Architectural Control Committee.

Prior to building within the subdivision, all builders must be approved by the Architectural Control Committee. The Architectural Control Committee has the right to approve or reject any builder for any reason.

#### Article 7 Restrictive Covenants

- 7.1. Compliance Requirements. Each of the specifically numbered Lots shown upon any recorded residential subdivision map of The Properties (as distinguished from such land, if any, within the limits of such subdivisions which is not specifically platted and numbered as Lots) shall be impressed with the following restrictions, covenants and conditions for the purpose of carrying out a general plan of development and maintenance for continuity and conformance with the intended master plan of the premises:
- 7.2. No dwelling, accessory structure, alterations to existing structures, fence, or landscaping shall be erected or maintained on any Lot until the plans and specifications for same have been submitted according to the current Application Procedure and approved by the Architectural Control Committee prior to commencement of the same.
- 7.3. No building, fence, wall, or other structure shall be commenced, erected or maintained upon The Properties, nor shall any exterior addition to or change or alteration therein be made until the details, plans and specifications showing the color, nature, kind, shape, height, materials and location of same shall have been submitted in writing, to and approved according to the Application Procedure, as to harmony of external design and location in relation to surrounding structures and topography, by the Architectural Control Committee.
- 7.4. All dwellings shall be constructed to front on the street on which the Lot fronts unless any Lot in question fronts on two streets in which case the dwelling constructed on such Lot shall front, as the Architectural Control Committee may approve, on either of the two streets or partially on both.
- 7.5. All dwellings and accessory structures shall be erected and maintained behind the building line shown on the lot, or as otherwise approved by the Architectural Control Committee.
- 7.6. No dwelling or accessory structure shall be erected or maintained nearer than forty (25) feet from one side line and twenty-five (25) feet from the other side line and twenty-five (25) feet from the back line and forty (40) feet from front line of any Lot or as approved otherwise by the Architectural Control Committee.
- 7.7. The floor area (that enclosed for heating and/or air conditioning) of any Living Unit shall be not less than the following: all lots shall contain a minimum floor area of 2700 square feet in the Living Unit.

- 7.8. All dwellings shall be constructed of stone, stucco, masonry, brick, or such other materials as may be approved by the Architectural Control Committee, to the extent of at least 85% percent of the area of the outside walls on the first floor. The second floor of such dwellings may be masonry, cement based materials (such as James Hardie Plank [TM] or similar siding materials), or such other material as may be approved by the Architectural Control Committee.
- 7.9. No fence, wall, or hedge shall be placed on any portion of the sites with a height greater than seven feet (7') and no fence is permitted on any party of any Lot unless approved by the Architectural Control Committee. Should a hedge, shrub, tree, flower or any other planting be so placed, or afterwards grown, so as to encroach upon adjoining property, such encroachment shall be removed upon request of the owner of the adjoining property or at the request of the Architectural Control Committee. No wood panel, picket, chain-link, t-post, slick wire, hog wire or barbed wire fencing shall be allowed unless approved by the Architectural Control Committee. Fencing at the front property line is allowed only if it meets the following standards: front fencing must be comprised of 4 rail 2 3/8" round pipe rails, painted black, with 3" square metal posts.
- 7.10. All Lots shall be used for single-family residential purposes only, no building shall be erected, altered, placed or permitted to remain on any lot other than one (1) detached single-family residence per lot, which residence may not exceed two and one-half (2-1/2) stories in height (excluding basements), and a private garage as provided below, or a detached casita or guest quarters (a detached accessory dwelling unit) as approved by the Architectural Control Committee.
- 7.11. Each residence may be occupied by only one family consisting of persons related by blood, adoption or marriage or no more than two unrelated persons living together as a single housekeeping unit, together with any household servants.
  - 7.12. None of the Lots shall be subdivided into smaller Lots.
- 7.13. No animals of any kind shall be raised or bred on any Lot except that horses, cows, donkeys, chickens (domesticated fowl; excluding roosters), dogs, cats, or other household pets may be kept provided that they are not kept, bred, or maintained for any commercial purpose. No more than five (5) chickens shall be allowed per Lot. One (1) horse or cow shall be allowed per Lot, per acre. No more than six (6) household pets will be permitted on each Lot. Pets must be contained inside a fenced are or within the dwelling. Invisible pet fences will be allowed.
  - 7.13.1 Lots that are zoned for and utilized as single family detached residential may be permitted a maximum of (5) domestic female chickens (hens) contingent on the following requirements:
    - 7.13.1.1 Hens are utilized for personal egg production or as pets;
    - 7.13.1.2 A humane and properly constructed henhouse, with at least two (2) feet of grade level ground clearance shall be provided. The structure must include solid, secure sides, including a solid top, that maintain confinement and prevents entry of predatory animals such as foxes or hawks. Sides should be embedded into the ground no less than one foot unless attached to a frame. Exterior surfaces, not inherently resistant to deterioration, shall be treated with a protective coating, such as paint or other suitable preservative, and maintained with sufficient frequency to prevent deterioration. Enclosure must provide access

for proper cleaning and maintenance. It must provide protection from extreme temperatures, including but not limited to insulation, ventilation and drainage; Henhouses must include laying boxes of a minimum surface of fourteen (14) inches by fourteen (14) inches per chicken and must be regularly bedded with sawdust, straw or like material. All enclosures, including but not limited to structures and fencing, shall be constructed or repaired as to prevent rats, mice, or other rodents from being harbored underneath, within, or within the walls of the enclosure. All henhouses must be properly maintained in a safe, clean, sanitary and substantial condition that poses no health threat to the chickens or citizens and does not create a public nuisance.

- 7.13.1.3 All feed and other items associated with the keeping of chickens that are likely to attract or to become infested with or infected by rats, mice, or other rodents shall be protected so as to prevent rats, mice, or other rodents from gaining access to or coming into contact with them;
- 7.13.1.4. Disposal of Chicken Waste/Manure: Waste products (manure) generated from the raising of chickens shall be composted on-site by the owner when possible. If on-site composting is impractical the waste products shall be double bagged in clear plastic bags and placed in the rollout container for disposal along with the regular household trash,
- 7.13.1.5. All hens shall be contained, at all times, within a fence of at least four (4) feet high. Each hen shall have a minimum of four (4) square feet of range area. The range area must be well drained so there is no accumulation of moisture.
- 7.13.1.6. All henhouses must be approved by the Architectural Control Committee and shall be a minimum of fifteen (15) feet away from any adjoining property line. All structures, fencing, and hens must be located in the rear yard of the dwelling.
  - 7.13.1.7 Male chickens (roosters) are prohibited.
- 7.14. No noxious or offensive act or activity shall be allowed upon any Lots, nor shall anything be done thereon which may become an annoyance or a nuisance to the neighborhood.
- 7.15. No sign shall be erected or maintained on any Lot except a "for sale" sign which sign shall not exceed fifteen (15) square feet in size, or a sign owned by the Developer or by the Association.
- 7.16. All swimming pools must be in ground and the location and design of any proposed swimming pool, including fencing, pumps, backwash, and any other related paraphernalia must be approved in writing by the Architectural Control Committee.
- 7.17. Roofs shall be composition shingles (30 year guarantee minimum), wood shingles, slate, imitation slate, metal, or roof tiles, if compatible in color and texture with the prevailing roofing of homes within The Properties. Roofing materials must be approved in advance.

- 7.18. No pole/mast, antenna, radio, television, satellite dish or other aerial shall be erected or maintained on any lot except as approved by the Architectural Control Committee.
- 7.19. Each residential dwelling unit erected on any Lot shall provide garage space for a minimum of two (2) conventional automobiles. Detached garages, carports, servants or guest quarters, accessory dwelling units, barns, outbuildings, workshops and storage rooms much be approved in writing by the Architectural Control Committee, and must meet the following minimal requirements: (i) the building or structure must be a minimum of 30 feet behind the primary residential dwelling unit, but no closer than 10 feet to the rear of the property line of the Lot, and no closer than 10 feet to the side property line of the Lot (except for corner lots which must not be closer than 25 feet from the side property line fronting on the adjacent side street); (ii) the accessory or outbuilding at its highest point may not exceed 18 feet in height; (iii) the total square footage for any accessory or outbuilding shall not exceed 1200 square feet, and any such building with square footage in excess of 200 square feet shall be placed on a concrete foundation; and (iv) the building must be constructed of wood, metal or other suitable building materials as may be approved by the Architectural Control Committee. No garage shall ever be changed, altered. reconstructed or otherwise converted for any purpose inconsistent with the garaging of automobiles. No garage shall face a residential street unless approved in writing by the Architectural Control Committee. Any detached garage buildings constructed under this Section shall provide garage space for no more than three (3) automobiles. All garage doors on the dwelling much face the side or rear of the Lot unless the garage is more than ten (10) feet behind the rear corner of the primary dwelling unit. A third garage bay door may face the street granted that the full two (2) bay garage door does not. Driveways shall be of full concrete or asphalt as approved by the Architectural Control Committee. The roof pitch of any outbuilding shall be 3/12 or greater, and any detached accessory dwelling unit shall have a roof pitch of at least 5/12 or greater.
- 7.20. Sporting, recreation, exercise and or play equipment, dog runs or other outdoor items shall be placed in the back yards of the Lots.
- 7.21. A Lot or any portion of any Lot that is exposed to the public view (including the area between the Lot's front yard and the road pavement) must be maintained by the property Owner in a neat and orderly fashion. In the event this restriction is not complied with, the Association has the right to cause this maintenance to be done at the expense of the property Owner.
- 7.22. No lot affected hereby shall be used for the dumping or storage of rubbish, trash, debris, surplus soil or rocks, etc.
- 7.23. No drilling, oil/natural gas development operations, oil refining, quarrying or mining operation of any kind shall be used upon or in any Lot, nor shall oil wells, tanks, tunnels, mineral excavations or shafts be permitted upon or in any Lot. No derrick or similar structure shall be erected, maintained, or permitted upon any Lot.
- 7.24. No outbuilding, shop, trailer or residence of a temporary character shall be permitted (except as otherwise reserved as a right by the Developer). No building material of any kind shall be stored on the lot until the owner is ready to commence construction of improvements.
- 7.25. No boats, trailers, mobile homes, camper or similar wheeled vehicle shall be stored (except temporarily not to exceed 24 hours), nearer to the street than the front of the Living Unit

situated thereon. No boats, trailers, mobile homes, camper or similar wheeled vehicle shall be stored or parked on any Lot except in a closed garage or within the fenced, walled or enclosed portion of such Lot. Any fence or enclosure shall be subject to approval by the Architectural Control Committee.

- 7.26. All houses and structures permitted shall be completed within twelve (12) months from the date of commencement. No structure may be occupied unless and until the premises are connected in a proper manner to a sewage treatment system.
- 7.27. Specifically exempted from the provisions of this section are activities by Developer in furtherance of construction, maintenance and sales within the subdivision.
- 7.28. No vehicle of any size which transports inflammatory, explosive, or hazardous cargo may be kept in subdivision at any time.
- 7.29. Each Lot on which a dwelling unit is constructed shall have landscaping in the proximity of its front yard and visible side yards, including but not limited to, shrubs, flowers, trees, ground cover, and grass of sufficient quality and design to be compatible with traditional residential landscaping of similar subdivision developments, as approved by the Architectural Control Committee. Landscaping of a Lot shall be completed with ninety (90) days after the date on which the Living Unit is ninety percent (90%) complete. Lot owners shall keep and maintain the Landscaping in a healthy and attractive condition.
- 7.30. Each Lot owner shall mow and maintain the landscaping on his/her lot in such a manner as to control weeds, grass and/or unsightly growth at all times. If after ten (10) days prior written notice, Owner fails to (I) fail to control weeds, grass and/or unsightly growth, (ii) remove trash, rubble, and/or construction debris; or (iii) exercise reasonable care or conduct to prevent or remedy any unclean, untidy, or unsightly condition, then the Association shall have the authority and right to go onto said Lot to remedy the condition giving rise to the notice. The cost, together with interest and the cost of collection shall be a charge on the land and shall be a continuing lien upon the Lot. Such costs shall also continue to be a personal obligation of the Owner. The lien securing such costs shall be subordinate and inferior to any mortgage or renewals thereof that are recorded before costs are incurred.
- 7.31. At the time of initial construction of any Living Unit, each residential dwelling shall include provisions for the installation of smoke detectors and such other safety and security devices which, in the opinion of the Architectural Control Committee, are reasonable for the individual Living Unit.
- 7.32. The Owner of any Lot, shall maintain the Lot and comply with any and all applicable law, ordinances, and regulations.
- 7.33. The minimum air conditioned square footage of any primary dwelling constructed within the Properties shall be 2,000 square feet.
- 7.34. All well heads, if allowed, must be enclosed by a brick/masonry siding (or James Hardie Siding [TM] or similar materials) or housing materials that is compatible and/or matches the primary dwelling.

- 7.35. Propane tanks may be placed above ground but must be screened from view with fencing or evergreen vegetation. All propane screens must be approved by the ACC.
- 7.36. All driveways must be constructed of concrete or asphalt with a three-inch (3") minimum thickness.
- 7.37. The discharge of firearms is prohibited except for the protection of all personal property, self-defense, livestock and varmint extermination.

#### Article 8 Easements Reserved

- 8.1. No shrubbery, fence, building or other permanent structure shall be erected or maintained within areas designated on the recorded plat as utility, drainage, access, trail, park, equestrian, or landscaping easements, except as may be approved by the Architectural Control Committee. The Association shall be responsible for the cost and expense of maintenance of the drainage easement areas as shown on the recorded plat of the Development, which expense shall be set out in the annual budget for the Association and will be part of the Maintenance Assessments for the Properties.
- 8.2. Developer reserves for the use and benefit of the Association, a perpetual easement as shown on the recorded plat of the Properties, and as such other additions as may hereafter be covered and included in this Declaration as Supplemented for the purpose of erecting a fence of reasonable height and composition. The Association shall repair and maintain the fence if installed.

#### Article 9 General Provisions

- 9.1. Duration. The restrictions, covenants and conditions of this Declaration shall run with and bind the land, and shall inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the Association or the Owner of any land subject to this Declaration, their respective legal representatives, heirs, successors and assigns for a term of twenty-five (25) years from the date this Declaration is recorded, after which time said covenants shall be automatically extended for successive periods of ten (10) years unless an instrument signed by the then Owners of fifty-one percent (51%) of the Lots or Living Units have been recorded, agreeing to eliminate or change said restrictions, covenants, and conditions in whole or in part; provided however, that no such agreement to change shall be effective unless made and recorded one (1) year in advance of the effective date of such change and unless written notice of the proposed agreement is sent to every Owner at least thirty (30) days in advance of any action taken.
- 9.2. Reserve Rights of Developer. Notwithstanding any other provision hereof, Developer reserves the right (upon application and request of the Owner of any Lot) to waive, vary or amend (by an appropriate letter to the effect addressed and delivered to Developer), the

application of any of these covenants and restrictions to such Lot, if in the sole discretion of the Developer, such action is necessary. Developer also reserves the right to divide or replat any of the Properties without any notice or consent of any other owner.

- 9.3. Sales Office. Developer may designate the location of a Sales Office for use in offering Lots for sale and all associated purposes.
- 9.4. Invalidation and Severability. The invalidation of any provision contained herein, by a court of competent jurisdiction, shall not impair the full force and effect of any other provision.
- 9.5. Acceptance of Declaration. The provisions hereof are made a part of each contract, and/or deed, as if they are fully set forth therein. Each conveyance shall be conclusively held to be executed, delivered and accepted upon and subject to the provisions and conditions herein.
- 9.6. Interpretation. This Declaration shall be liberally construed to effectuate its purpose of creating a uniform plan for the Properties. The doctrine of Contra Proferentum shall not apply.
- 9.7. Other Committees. Developer may appoint a committee of one or more persons to exercise any and all of the discretionary rights and powers herein to Developer.
- 9.8. Assignment. Developer may assign to any person or entity any or all rights, powers, reservations, easements, privileges herein reserved by Developer. Any such assignee shall have the same right to reasonably assign such rights.
- 9.9. Notices. Any notice required to be sent to any Member or Owner under this Declaration shall be deemed to have been properly sent when mailed postage prepaid to the last known address of the person(s) who appears as a Member or Owner on the records at the time of such mailing.
- 9.10. Enforcement / Attorney Fees. Enforcement of these Declarations shall be by any proceeding at law or in equity against person violating or attempting to violate anything contained herein. If any controversy, claim, or dispute arises from or relates to this instrument, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the losing party reasonable expenses and attorney fees, and court costs. The failure of the Association to enforce any provision herein contained shall not be deemed a waiver of the right to enforce such provision in future.
- 9.11. Amendments. Notwithstanding anything herein above, Developer, in its sole discretion, may amend or change these Declarations at any time until such time as the last of the Lots have been sold and improvements constructed thereon in accordance with plans and specifications approved by the Architectural Control Committee.
- 9.12. Rule and Regulations. Developer may adopt certain reasonable rules and regulations, together with sanction for violations thereof, to insure the character and quality of the SILVER SAGE FARMS PHASE 2 development. From time to time the Association may amend or vary such rules and regulations according to the Bylaws of the Association.

#### **Policy Regarding Document Inspection**

- 10.1. The purpose of this Policy is to establish procedures for the inspection of Association records and notify Owners of the costs to be incurred for the production and reproduction of the Association's books and records in response to a written request.
- 10.2. Owners, or their designated representatives, may have access to the Association records upon submission of a written request to the Association by certified mail to the mailing address of the Association or its authorized representative as listed in the current management certificate. The request must contain sufficient detail as to the books and records to be inspected.
- 10.3. The Association's books and records are those records designated by Section 209.005 of the Texas Property Code.
- 10.4. The Association will keep the following records confidential: violation histories of owners, owners personal financial information, owners contact information other than address, and association personnel files.
- 10.5. The written request must specify whether the Owner wants to inspect before obtaining copies, or have the Association forward copies.
- 10.6. If inspection is requested, within ten (10) business days of receipt of written request, Association must send written notice of dates during normal business hours that the Owner may perform the inspection.
- 10.7. If copies are requested, Association shall produce copies within ten (10) business days from the date of the receipt of the request. If Association cannot produce copies within ten (10) business days, Association shall notify the Owner within the ten (10) business day window and then produce the requested records within fifteen (15) business days of giving notice to Owner. The Association may produce all requested books and records in hard copy, electronic format, or other format readily available to the Association.
- 10.8. Owners are responsible for the costs of producing and copying Association records in accordance with the cost schedule below. The Association will estimate the costs for producing records prior to producing.
- 10.9. Inspection shall take place at the office of the Association's management company or such other location as the Association designates during normal business hours. No Owner, or designated representative, shall remove original records from the location where inspection takes place nor alter the records in any manner.
- 10.10. The costs associated with compiling, producing and reproducing the Association's books and records in response to a request to inspect or copy documents shall be as follows:
  - 10.10.1. Standard paper copy. The charge for standard paper copies reproduced by means of an office machine copier or a computer printer is \$.15 per page or part of a page. Each side that has recorded information is considered a page.
  - 10.10.2. 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:

- 10.10.3. Flash Drive actual cost
- 10.10.4. Non rewritable CD (CD R) \$1.00;
- 10.10.5. Digital video disc (DVD) \$3.00;
- 10.10.6. Other electronic media actual cost;
- 10.10.7. Oversize paper copy (e.g.: 11 inches by 17 inches, greenbar, bluebar, not including maps and photographs using specialty paper) \$.50;
- 10.10.8. Specialty paper (e.g.: Mylar, blueprint, blueline, map, photographic) actual cost.
- 10.10.9. 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 Association may charge for the programmer's time. The hourly charge for a programmer is \$28.50 an hour.
- 10.10.10. The charge for labor costs incurred in processing a request for information is \$25 an hour. The labor charge includes the actual time to locate, compile, manipulate data, and reproduce the requested information. 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 remote storage facility.
- 10.10.11. When confidential information 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.
- 10.10.12. Overhead charge. Whenever any labor charge is applicable to a request, the Association may include in the charges direct and indirect costs, in addition to the specific labor charge. If an Association chooses to recover such costs, a charge shall be made in accordance with the methodology described in paragraph (ii) of this subsection.
  - 10.10.12.1. An overhead charge shall not be made for requests for copies of 50 or fewer pages of standard paper records.
  - 10.10.12.2. 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 = $3.00$ ).

- 10.10.13. 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.
- 10.10.14. Postal and shipping charges. An Association may add any related postal or shipping expenses which are necessary to transmit the reproduced information to the requesting party.
  - 10.10.15. These charges are subject to periodic reevaluation and update.
- 10.11. The Association may require the Owner requesting documents to pay the estimated costs associated with production and copying in advance. If the estimated cost is different than the actual cost, the Association shall submit a final invoice to the Owner on or before thirty (30) business days after the Association has produced and/or delivered the requested information. If the actual cost is greater than the estimated amount, the Owner must pay the difference to the Association within thirty (30) business days after the date the invoice is sent to the Owner, or the Association will add such additional charges as an assessment against the Owner's property in the Association. If the actual cost is less that the estimated amount, the Association shall issue a refund to the owner within thirty (30) business days after the date the invoice is sent to the Owner.

### Article 11 Policy Regarding Document Retention

- 11.1. The purpose of this policy is to ensure that the necessary documents of the Association are protected and maintained.
- 11.2. The Association is in charge of administering the Policy. The Board is authorized to make changes from time to time to ensure it is in compliance with all applicable laws.
  - 11.3. This policy applies to all hard copy records as well as all electronic records.
  - 11.4. Documents are to be retained as follows:
    - 11.4.1. Governing Documents: will be retained permanently.
    - 11.4.2. Financial Records: will be retained for 7 years.
    - 11.4.3. Owners Account Records: will be retained for 5 years.
    - 11.4.4. Contracts: will be retained for 4 years after the end of the contract terms.
    - 11.4.5. Meeting Minutes: will be retained for 7 years.
    - 11.4.6. Tax returns and audit records: will be retained for 7 years.
- 11.5. If the Association is served with a subpoena, becomes aware of potential pending litigation concerning or involving the Association, or becomes aware of a governmental

investigation or audit concerning the Association, all documents relevant to any such claim, audit or investigation will be retained indefinitely, or until conclusion of the matter or until such time as the Board of Directors shall decide.

#### Article 12 Policy Regarding E-mail Registration

- 12.1. The purpose of this policy is to ensure that each owner receives proper notice of regular and special Board meetings of the Association pursuant to Section 209.0051(e) of the Texas Property Code. This E-mail Registration Policy is also intended to provide the Association with a method to verify the identity of owners who cast electronic ballots in elections via e-mail.
- 12.2. Each owner must register an e-mail address with the Association, and must keep his or her registered e-mail address up-to-date and accurate. An owner may register his or her e-mail address by submitting a request to register or change his or her e-mail address to the Association's property manager, via e-mail, mail, or facsimile. Alternatively, the Association may allow an owner to register his or her e-mail address through a form on the Association's website, if any. Please allow seven (7) business days from submission of an e-mail address for the Association to update its records. Please note, correspondence to the Association and/or its property manager from an email address for any other purpose other than an express statement to register an email address is not sufficient to register such email address with the Association.
- 12.3. In the event an owner fails to register an accurate email address with the Association, the owner may not receive email notification of regular and special Board meetings. Also, the Association may use an owner's registered email address for purposes of verifying the owner's identity for electronic voting. If an owner fails to register an email address with the Association or submits an electronic ballot from an email address other than the email address registered with the Association, such owner's electronic ballot may not be counted. The Association has no obligation to actively seek out a current email address for each owner. In addition, the Association has no obligation to investigate or obtain an updated e-mail address for owners whose current registered email address is returning an email delivery failure message/undeliverable message.

### Article 13 Policy Regarding Flag Display and Flagpole Installation

- 13.1. An Owner or resident may display:
  - 13.1.1. The flag of the United States of America;
  - 13.1.2. The flag of the State of Texas; or
  - 13.1.3. An official or replica flag of any branch of the United States armed forces.
- 13.2. An Owner may only display a flag described above if such display meets the following criteria:

- 13.2.1. A flag of the United States must be displayed in accordance with 4 U.S.C. Sections 5 -10;
- 13.2.2. A flag of the State of Texas must be displayed in accordance with Chapter 3100 of the Texas Government Code;
- 13.2.3. A flagpole attached to a dwelling or a freestanding 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;
- 13.2.4. The display of a flag or the location and construction of the supporting flagpole must comply with applicable zoning ordinances, easements and setbacks of record;
- 13.2.5. A display flag and the flagpole on which it is flown must be maintained in good condition and any deteriorated flag or deteriorated or structurally unsafe flagpole must be repaired, replaced or removed;
- 13.3. The Association hereby adopts the following additional restrictions on the display of flags on an Owner's lot:
  - 13.3.1. An Owner may not install a flagpole which is greater than twenty feet (20') in height, and must be equipped to minimize halyard noise;
  - 13.3.2. An Owner may not install more than one flagpole on the Owner's property. A flagpole can either be securely attached to the face of the dwelling or be a freestanding flagpole;
    - 13.3.3. Any flag displayed must not be greater than 4' x 6' in size;
  - 13.3.4. An Owner may not install lights to illuminate a displayed flag which, due to their size, location or intensity, constitute a nuisance;
  - 13.3.5. An Owner may not locate a displayed flag or flagpole on property that is:
    - 13.3.5.1. Owned or maintained by the Association; or
    - 13.3.5.2. Owned in common by the members of the Association.
  - 13.3.6. Prior to erecting or installing a flag and/or flagpole, an Owner must first submit plans and specifications to and receive the written approval of the Board or Architectural Control Committee ("ACC"). The plans and specifications must show the proposed location, material, size and type of such flag and flagpole (and all parts thereof, including any lights to illuminate the displayed flag).

# Article 14 Policy Regarding Alternative Payment Plans

- 14.1. The purpose of this Policy is to assist Owners in managing their delinquent assessments and fees and remain current on the payment of those amounts owed to the Association by providing a uniform and orderly procedure by which Owners can make payments to the Association.
  - 14.2. Only the Owner of record can enter into a payment plan.
- 14.3. The Association will accept payment plans in which the delinquent balance should be paid in full within a minimum term of three (3) months or a maximum term of eighteen (18) months. The Board of Directors shall have discretion to decide the length of the term.
- 14.4. The Association Board of Directors will consider alternate payment plan terms, if the homeowner presents the alternate terms in writing and the Owner has not failed to honor the terms of a previous payment plan within the last two (2) years.
- 14.5. The Association Board of Directors will notify the homeowner, directly, or through its managing agent, of acceptance/denial of payment plan schedule. If accepted, Owner must submit a signed payment plan along with the initial payment to the designated address.
- 14.6. If the Association bills an Assessment, Special Assessment, or other applicable Association fee, it must be paid in full within thirty (30) days, and is not to be included in the payment plan schedule.
- 14.7. If an Owner requires a payment plan for a Special Assessment, or other applicable Association fee, and does not have a delinquent balance, a payment plan can be entered into that ensures the balance due is paid prior to the next scheduled Assessment, or Special Assessment (if applicable).
- 14.8. Owner payments are to be received by the 15th day of each month, unless otherwise approved by the Association Board of Directors or its managing agent.
- 14.9. If payments are submitted in accordance with the payment plan guidelines, the Owners account will not incur additional late fees but may continue to incur interest. The Association may charge a reasonable fee to negotiate, establish and initiate a payment plan and charge a monthly fee to administer the plan for the duration of the payment plan.
- 14.10. If the payment plan goes into default, a subsequent payment plan may not be approved by the Board of Directors for a period of two (2) years.

### Article 15 Policy Regarding Application of Payments

- 15.1. Except as provided by Paragraph 2, a payment received by the Association from the owner shall be applied to the owner's debt in the following order of priority:
  - 15.1.1. any delinquent assessment;
  - 15.1.2. any current assessment;

- 15.1.3. any attorney's fees or third party collection costs incurred by the Association associated solely with assessments or any other charge that could provide the basis for foreclosure;
- 15.1.4. any attorney's fees incurred by the Association that are not subject to Subdivision 15.1.3 above;
  - 15.1.5. any fines assessed by the Association; and
  - 15.1.6. any other amount owed to the Association.
- 15.2. If, at the time the Association receives a payment from a property owner, the owner is in default under a payment plan entered into with the Association:
  - 15.2.1. the Association is not required to apply the payment in the order of priority specified by Subsection 15.1 above; and
  - 15.2.2. in applying the payment, a fine assessed by the Association may not be given priority over any other amount owed to the Association.

### Article 16 Policy Regarding Rainwater Collection Systems

- 16.1. No rainwater harvesting systems may be constructed or installed without the prior written authorization of the Architectural Control Committee ("ACC"). Rainwater harvesting systems will be approved upon request by an owner subject to the following exceptions and restrictions:
- 16.2. Rainwater harvesting systems allowable uses are restricted to outdoor irrigation and foundation watering only. Required components are;
  - 16.2.1. Rooftop catchment surface
  - 16.2.2. Debris excluder (leaf screen, roof washer, first-flush diverter, etc.)
  - 16.2.3. Storage tank(s)
  - 16.2.4. Delivery system (gravity or pump fed)
  - 16.2.5. All systems must adhere to city ordinances when and where applicable
- 16.3. To prevent backflow contamination, an air gap or reduced pressure principle backflow assembly is required when using potable water as a supplementary water source for rainwater harvesting systems.

#### Storage tanks must:

16.3.1. Be opaque to prevent algae growth

- 16.3.2. Have never been used to store hazardous materials
- 16.3.3. Be covered, vents screened
- 16.3.4. Be accessible for cleaning and repair
- 16.3.5. Have locked/secured openings
- 16.3.6. Have an overflow port
- 16.3.7. Be placed on a stable/level surface
- 16.3.8. Be eight feet (8') or less in height
- 16.3.9. Have a 1:1 setback if laid underground
- 16.4. Systems must be maintained to prevent mosquito breeding and be labeled "Rainwater Do Not Drink" or with a similar phrase to prevent accidental ingestion of non-potable water.
- 16.5. Systems are only allowed in the back yard and all systems must be screened from public view.

#### Article 17 Policy Regarding Display of Certain Religious Items

- 17.1. A property owner or resident may display or attach one or more religious items to the entry to their dwelling. Such items include anything related to any faith that is motivated by the resident's sincere religious belief or tradition.
- 17.2. Individually or in combination with each other, the items at any entry may not exceed 25 square inches total in size.
- 17.3. The items may only be displayed on or attached to the entry door or frame and may not extend beyond the outside edge of the door frame.
- 17.4. To the extent allowed by the Texas state constitution and the United States constitution, any such displayed or affixed religious items may not:
  - 17.4.1. threaten public health or safety; or
  - 17.4.2. violate any law; or
  - 17.4.3. contain language, graphics or any display that is patently offensive to a passerby.
- 17.5. Approval from the Architectural Control Committee is not required for displaying religious items in compliance with these guidelines.

17.6. As provided by Section 202.018, the Association may remove any items displayed in violation of these guidelines.

#### Article 18 Policy Regarding Roofing Materials

- 18.1. The Association shall not prohibit an owner who is otherwise authorized to install shingles on the roof of the owner's property from installing shingles that:
  - 18.1.1. are designed to:
    - 18.1.1.1. be wind and hail resistant;
  - 18.1.1.2. Provide heating and cooling efficiencies greater than those provided by customary composite shingles;
    - 18.1.1.3. Provide solar generation capabilities; and
  - 18.1.2. when installed:
  - 18.1.2.1. resemble the shingles used or otherwise authorized for use on property in the subdivision,
  - 18.1.2.2. are more durable than and are of equal or superior quality to the shingles described by subsection I above; and
  - 18.1.2.3. match the aesthetic of the property surrounding the owner's property.

# Article 19 Policy Regarding Solar Energy Devices

- 19.1. These guidelines apply to solar energy devices ("Devices") as defined in Section 171.107(a) of the Texas Tax Code. 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.
- 19.2. Such Devices may be installed with advance approval of the Architectural Control Committee ("ACC") subject to these guidelines.
- 19.3. Any such Device must be installed on land or structures owned by the property owner. No portion of the Device may encroach on adjacent properties or common areas.
  - 19.4. Such Devices may only be installed in the following locations:

- 19.4.1. on the roof of the main residential dwelling; or
- 19.4.2. on the roof of any other approved structure; or
- 19.4.3. within a fenced yard or patio.
- 19.5. For Devices mounted on a roof, the Device must:
- 19.5.1. have no portion of the Device higher than the roof section to which it is attached; and
- 19.5.2. have no portion of the Device extend beyond the perimeter boundary of the roof section to which it is attached; and
  - 19.5.3. conform to the slope of the roof; and
- 19.5.4. be aligned so that the top edge of the Device is parallel to the roof ridge line for the roof section to which it is attached; and
- 19.5.5. have a frame, brackets, and visible piping or wiring that is a color that matches the roof shingles or a silver, bronze or black tone commonly available in the marketplace; and
- 19.5.6. be located in a position on the roof which is least visible from any street or common area which does not reduce estimated annual energy production more than ten percent (10%), as determined by the publically available modeling tool provided by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (www.nrel.gov) or equivalent entity over alternative roof locations.
- 19.6. For Devices located in a fenced yard or patio, no portion of the Device may extend above the fence. If the fence is not a solid fence which blocks view of the Device, the ACC may require the Device be placed in a location behind a structure or otherwise require visual screening. The ACC may consider installation of Devices on properties without a fenced yard if there is adequate screening from public view from any street or common area.
- 19.7. All Devices must be installed in compliance with manufacturer's instruction and in a manner which does not void material warranties. Licenses craftsmen must be used where required by law. Permits must be obtained where required by law.
  - 19.8. Installed Devices may not:
    - 19.8.1. threaten public health or safety; or
    - 19.8.2. violate any law; or

19.8.3. substantially interfere with the use and enjoyment of land by causing unreasonable discomfort or annoyance to any adjoining property owner of ordinary sensibilities.

19.9. All Devices must be maintained in good repair. Unused or inoperable Devices must be removed if they can be seen from any street or common area.

Executed this 26 day of September, 2022.

FINNEY FARMS, LP, a Texas limited partnership

BY: Mc A and Mc Ree Mearl McBee, Manager

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF PARKER

This instrument was acknowledged before me on this the <u>Ab</u> day of <u>September</u> 2022, by Mearl McBee, Manager of FINNEY FARMS, LP, a Texas limited partnership, on behalf of said limited partnership.

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# FIRST AMENDMENT TO DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS & RESTRICTIONS FOR SILVER SAGE FARMS PHASE 2

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COUNTY OF PARKER §

THIS FIRST AMENDMENT TO DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS (The "First Amendment of Declaration") is made by **FINNEY FARMS**, **LP**, **a Texas limited partnership** (The "Declarant" and/or "Developer").

WHEREAS, Declarant/Developer has caused to be filed the Declaration of Restrictions, Covenants and Conditions (the "Declaration") for the orderly development of the residential development known as "SILVER SAGE FARMS PHASE 2, said Declaration being filed of record on September 28, 2022, as Document or Instrument No. 202235680, Official Public Records of Parker County, Texas; and

WHEREAS, Declarant/Developer, pursuant to the authority granted by the Declaration, now desires to amend the Declaration as hereinafter set forth in this First Amendment of Declaration;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Declarant/Developer hereby amends the Declaration as follows; to-wit:

- 1. Article 7, Section 7.7 is hereby amended, by deleting said provision in its entirety, and in the place thereof, providing as follows:
  - "7.7 The floor area (that enclosed for heating and/or air conditioning) of any Living Unit shall be not less than the following: all lots shall contain a minimum floor area of 2000 square feet in the Living Unit."
- 2. Article 7, Section 7.19 is hereby amended, by deleting said provision in its entirety, and in the place thereof, providing as follows:
  - "7.19. Each residential dwelling unit erected on any Lot shall provide garage space for a minimum of two (2) conventional automobiles. Detached garages, carports, servants or guest quarters, accessory dwelling units, barns, outbuildings, workshops and storage rooms must be approved in writing by the Architectural Control

Committee, and must meet the following minimal requirements: (i) the building or structure must be a minimum of 30 feet behind the primary residential dwelling unit, but no closer than 10 feet to the rear of the property line of the Lot, and no closer than 10 feet to the side property line of the Lot (except for corner lots which must not be closer than 25 feet from the side property line fronting on the adjacent side street); (ii) the accessory or outbuilding at its highest point may not exceed 18 feet in height; (iii) the total square footage for any accessory or outbuilding shall not exceed 1200 square feet, and any such building with square footage in excess of 200 square feet shall be placed on a concrete foundation; and (iv) the building must be constructed of wood, metal or other suitable building materials as may be approved by the Architectural Control Committee. No garage shall ever be changed, altered, reconstructed or otherwise converted for any purpose inconsistent with the garaging of automobiles. No garage shall face a residential street unless approved in writing by the Architectural Control Committee. Any detached garage buildings constructed under this Section shall provide garage space for no more than three (3) automobiles. A third garage bay door may face the street only if approved in writing by the Architectural Control Committee. Driveways shall be of full concrete or asphalt as approved by the Architectural Control Committee. The roof pitch of any outbuilding shall be 3/12 or greater, and any detached accessory dwelling unit shall have a roof pitch of at least 5/12 or greater."

Except as amended hereby, the Declaration and all other provisions thereof are ratified and confirmed and shall remain in full force and effect, unmodified hereby.

Executed this 30 day of August, 2023.

FINNEY FARMS, LP, a Texas limited partnership

BY: <u>Mearl McBee</u>, Manager

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This instrument was acknowledged before me on this the  $\underline{30}$ 2023, by Mearl McBee, Manager of FINNEY FARMS, LP, a Texas limited partnership, on behalf of said limited partnership.

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