# DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR LAKERIDGE

THIS DECLARATION is made on the date hereinafter set forth by Plus One, LLC, a South Carolina Limited Liability Company (hereinafter referred to as the "Declarant").

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Declarant is the owner of certain real property located in the County of Anderson, State of South Carolina, which property is more particularly described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part of this Declaration; and,

WHEREAS, Declarant intends to develop on the real property described above a development to be known as Lakeridge (hereinafter referred to as the "Development"); and,

WHEREAS, Declarant has caused the Association (as hereinafter defined) to be formed as a nonprofit mutual benefit corporation to perform certain functions for the common good and general welfare of the Owners (as hereinafter defined);

NOW, THEREFORE, the Declarant hereby declares that all of the property described in Exhibit "A" shall be held, sold and conveyed subject to this Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, which is for the purpose of enhancing and protecting the desirability and attractiveness of said real property. Declarant further declares that this Declaration shall run with the title to said real property, and be binding on all parties having any right, title or interest in the described property or any part thereof, and shall, subject to all limitations herein provided, inure to the benefit of each Owner, his heirs, grantees, distributees, successors and assigns, and to the benefit of the Association.

#### ARTICLE I

#### **DEFINITIONS**

The following words, when used in this Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, shall have the following meanings:

1.01 <u>Association</u>. "Association" means Lakeridge Homeowners Association, Inc. (a nonprofit corporation organized under South Carolina Code

Ann. Section 33-31-101 et seq. (1994, as amended), its successors and assigns.

- 1.02 Board. "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Association.
- 1.03 Bylaws. "Bylaws" means the Bylaws of the Association.
- 1.04 <u>Common Property</u>. "Common Property" means all real property (together with any and all improvements now or hereafter located thereon) and all personal property now or hereafter owned by the Association or in certain instances over which the Association has been granted permanent easements, for the common use and enjoyment of the Owners.
- "Declarant" means Plus One, LLC, a South Carolina Declarant. Limited Liability Company, its successors and assigns. The term shall also be applied to any person, firm, corporation, partnership, association, trust, or other legal entity, or any combination thereof, which lawfully acquires the rights, privileges and options of Declarant in accordance with this Section 1.05. Should any of the Property become subject to a first mortgage given by Declarant (as defined herein) as security for the repayment of a loan to improve the Property for development as part of this residential community, then all rights, privileges and options herein reserved to the Declarant, if held by the Mortgagor under said Development Loan shall inure to the benefit of the holder of such first mortgage upon its becoming the actual owner of the Property then subject to such first mortgage through judicial foreclosure or by conveyance of a deed in lieu of foreclosure. The Declarant as hereinbefore defined, may transfer all of its rights, privileges and options as Declarant to a successor-in-title to all or some portion of the Property, provided any such successor-in-title shall acquire for the purpose of development or sale all or some portion of such property, and provided further, that in a written instrument, such successor-in-title is expressly assigned all of Declarant's rights, privileges and options herein reserved to Declarant. Such an assignment may be included as a recital in any deed executed by Declarant which conveys any portion of the Property.
- 1.06 <u>Declaration</u>. "Declaration" means the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Lakeridge.
- 1.07 Lot. "Lot" means any numbered parcel of land shown on the plat of survey of Lakeridge, Phase \_\_\_\_ recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Anderson County, South Carolina, in Plat Slide 1498, Page \_\_\_ or as similarly shown on supplemental surveys of such tract or such additional tracts as may be added to the Property from time to time, as provided herein; provided however, that no portion of the Common Property shall ever be a lot except as provided for in Section 2.04.

- 1.08 Member. "Member" means any member of the Association.
- 1.09 Owner. "Owner" means the record owner (including Declarant) whether one or more persons or entities, of a fee simple title to any Lot, provided, however, that where fee simple title has been transferred and is being held merely as security for repayment of a loan, the person or entity who would own the Lot in fee simple if such loan were paid in full shall be considered the Owner.
- 1.10 <u>Property</u>. "Property" means that certain real property (other than Common Property) hereinabove described.
- 1.11 <u>Restrictions</u>. "Restrictions" means all covenants, restrictions, easements, liens and other obligations created or imposed by this Declaration.

#### 1.12 Structure. "Structure" means:

- (a) any thing or object the placement of which upon any Lot may affect the appearance of such Lot, including by way of illustration and not limitation, any building or part thereof, garage, porch, shed, greenhouse or bathhouse, coop or cage, covered or uncovered patio, swimming pool, fence, curbing, paving, wall, tree, shrub, sign, signboard, temporary or permanent living quarters (including any house trailer) or any other temporary or permanent improvement to such Lot;
- (b) any excavation, grading, fill, ditch, diversion dam or other thing or device which affects or alters the natural flow of surface waters from, upon or across any Lot, or which affects the flow of any waters in any natural or artificial creek, stream, wash or drainage channel from, upon or across any Lot; and,
- (c) any change in the grade at any point on a Lot of more than six (6) inches, whether or not subsection (b) of this Section 1.12 applies to such change.

#### **ARTICLE II**

#### **COMMON PROPERTY**

#### 2.01 Conveyance of Common Property.

(a) The Declarant may from time to time cause to be conveyed to the Association certain real property or grants of easements, as well as personal property, for the common use and enjoyment of the Owners (such real and personal property having hereinafter collectively referred to as "Common

- Property"). In addition, the Declarant may from time to time cause the conveyance of certain real property or grants of easements to the general public as may be required by the governing authorities in accordance with this Declaration. The Association hereby covenants and agrees to accept all such conveyances of Common Property.
- (b) It is contemplated by the Declarant that the Declarant will convey to the Association Common Property for scenic and natural area preservation. The Declarant may, at Declarant's sole discretion, modify, alter, increase, reduce and otherwise change the Common Property contemplated to be conveyed to the Association in accordance with this subsection (b) of this Section 2.01 at any time prior to conveyance of such Common Property to the Association.
- (c) In addition to the property described in subsection (b) of this Section 2.01, the Declarant may convey to the Association in accordance with this Section 2.01 such other real and personal property as the Declarant may determine to be necessary for the completion of the Development.
- (d) Notwithstanding any legal presumption to the contrary, the fee title to, and all rights in, any portion of the Property owned by the Declarant and designated as Common Property or designated for public use shall be reserved to the Declarant until such time as the same shall be conveyed to the Association or to any municipality or other governmental body, agency or authority.
- 2.02 Right of Enjoyment. Every Owner shall have a right and easement to use and enjoy the Common Property, which right shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the title to every Lot upon transfer; provided, however, that no Owner shall do any act which interferes with the free use and enjoyment of the Common Property by all other Owners. The right and easement of enjoyment granted or permitted by this Section 2.02 is subject to those items set forth in Section 2.03, which include suspension by the Association as provided in Sections 2.03 (c) and 3.05.
- 2.03 <u>Rights of the Association</u>. The rights and privileges conferred in Section 2.02 hereof shall be subject to the right of the Association acting through the Board to:
- (a) promulgate rules and regulations relating to the use, operation and maintenance of the Common Property;
- (b) charge reasonable fees in connection with the admission to and use of facilities or services; provided that in setting any such fee the Board may establish reasonable classifications which shall be uniform within each such

class but need not be uniform between such classes;

- (c) suspend the voting rights of any Member, pursuant to Section 3.05, and the right of enjoyment granted or permitted by Section 2.02;
- (d) grant easements or rights of way over Common Property to any municipality or other governmental body, agency or authority, to any quasi-public agency or to any utility company or cable television system;
- (e) enforce all applicable provisions of valid agreements of the Association relating to the Common Property or any part thereof;
- (f) borrow money for the purpose of carrying out the activities of the Association, including the acquisition, construction, improvement, equipping and maintenance of Common Property, and in aid thereof to encumber by mortgage or other security interest, any or all of the Association's property, including Common Property and revenues from assessments, user fees and other sources;
- (g) dedicate or transfer all or any part of the Common Property or interest therein to any municipality or other governmental body, agency or authority for such purposes and subject to such provisions and conditions as may be agreed upon by the Association and such grantee, including a provision that such property or interest shall cease to be subject to this Declaration or all or any part of the Restrictions while held by any such municipality or other governmental body, agency or authority;
- (h) to sell, lease or otherwise convey all or any part of its properties and interest therein; provided, however, that the Association shall not sell, encumber by security interest, convey, dedicate or transfer any Common Property or interest therein without the approval of four-fifths (4/5) of each class of Members.
- 2.04 Types of Common Property. At the time of the conveyance of any real property or grant of easement by the Declarant to the Association to be used as Common Property, the Declarant shall designate in the deed of conveyance or easement that such real property is to be Common Property, and further may designate in the deed of conveyance or easement the specific or general purpose or purposes for which such real property or any portion thereof may be used, and in such event, such real property or portion thereof shall not, without a four-fifths (4/5) vote of each class of Members of the Association, be used for any different purpose or purposes without the prior written consent of the Declarant.

- 2.05 Entrance and Scenic Strip Landscaping Easements. It is contemplated that certain easements for the erection and maintenance of entrance monuments, subdivision signs, walls, fences, scenic strips and other structures intended to provide an attractive atmosphere or to provide privacy to Owners within the Development will be reserved by the Declarant and may be set forth on plats of survey of the Development recorded in the County Records. Such easements shall be perpetual in duration and shall include the right to erect, maintain, repair, replace and re-crect any such structures within the easement areas, as well as the right to plant grass, plants, flowers, shrubs and trees, to tend and garden the same, and to generally landscape the area within said easements to keep them clean, attractive and uniform in appearance for the benefit of all Owners within the Development. All Owners taking title to any Lot upon which such an easement lies will take title subject to the easement rights set forth herein, as well as such rights as may be set forth in the deed conveying such easements to the Association. Such easements shall be Common Property.
- 2.06 Encroachment Easements. If any buildings of other improvements initially constructed by Declarant on any of the Lots (including without limitation any eaves, roof overhangs, balconies, siding, porches, or other structures which may be attached to the walls and roof of such buildings) encroach onto or over or extend into the air space of any portion of the Common Property, or, conversely, if any such improvements initially constructed on the Common Property encroach onto or over portions of any Lot, a valid easement for the encroachment and for the maintenance, repair and replacement thereof, shall exist so long as the encroachment exists.
- 2.07 <u>Easement for Maintenance by the Association</u>. There is hereby granted to the Association and its designated representatives an easement for access to each Lot for the purpose of exercising the maintenance responsibilities of the Association on the Lots.

#### ARTICLE III

#### THE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

3.01 <u>Purposes, Powers and Duties of the Association</u>. The Association shall be formed as a nonprofit mutual benefit corporation for the primary purpose of performing certain functions for the common good and general welfare of the people of the Development. To the extent necessary to carry out such purpose, the Association (a) shall have all of the powers of a corporation organized under the South Carolina Nonprofit Corporation Code, and (b) shall have the power to exercise all of the rights, powers and privileges of the Association as set forth in this Declaration.

- 3.02. <u>Membership in the Association</u>. Every Owner shall automatically be a Member of the Association and such membership shall terminate only as provided in this Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions.
- 3.03 <u>Voting Rights</u>. Subject to the following provisions of this Section 3.03, the Association shall have two (2) classes of voting membership: Class A and Class B.
- (a) Class A. Every person who is an Owner, with the exception of the Declarant, except as otherwise set forth herein, shall be Class A Member and shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Lot owned. When more than one (1) person is a Class A Member by virtue of an ownership interest in the same Lot, the vote for such Lot shall be exercised as they among themselves determine, but in no event shall more than one (1) vote be cast with respect to any Lot. In the event of disagreement among such persons and an attempt by two (2) or more of them to cast the vote of such Lot, such persons shall not be recognized and the vote of such Lot shall not be counted. The membership of a Class A Member shall automatically terminate upon the Member's sale of his Lot. However, no termination of Class A membership shall affect such Member's obligation to pay assessments, fines or penalties as hereinafter provided for, due and payable for any period prior to the date of such termination, and there will be no refund for assessments paid for periods falling after the date of such termination.
- (b) Class B. The Declarant shall be the sole Class B. Member. Class B membership shall be a full voting membership and during its existence the Class B Member shall be entitled to vote on all matters and in all events. The Class B Member shall be entitled to three (3) votes for each Lot owned by it; 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 shall be converted to Class A membership at such time as the first of the following events occur: (a) the expiration of seven (7) years from the date of recording of this Declaration; (b) the date as of which three-fourths (3/4) of the Lots which may be developed on the Property shall have been conveyed to an individual Owner or Owners for residential occupancy; or (c) the surrender by the Declarant of the authority to appoint and remove members of the Board of the Association by an express amendment to this Declaration executed and recorded by the Declarant; provided, however, that so long as any Mortgagee of Declarant holds a security interest in any portion of the Property, as security for a Development Loan to Declarant, the Class B membership shall not terminate without the prior written consent of such Mortgagee. If at the time of termination of the Class B membership, Declarant still owns any Lots, then as to each Lot owned by Declarant, Declarant shall be deemed to be a Class A Member.

#### 3.04 Board of Directors and Officers.

- (a) <u>Board</u>. The affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Board of Directors. The number of directors and the method of election of directors shall be as set forth in this Declaration and in the Bylaws of the Association. Except to the extent otherwise expressly required or authorized by the South Carolina Nonprofit Corporation Code or this Declaration, the Association's Bylaws or Articles of Incorporation, the powers inherent in or expressly granted to the Association may be exercised by the Board, acting through the officers of the Association, without any further consent or action on the part of the Members.
- (b) Officers. The number of officers and the method of election of officers shall be as set forth in this Declaration and the Bylaws of the Association. Notwithstanding any other language or provision to the contrary in this Declaration, in the Articles of Incorporation, or in the Bylaws of the Association, officers of the Association shall be appointed by the Board until such time as Declarant no longer has the right to appoint members to the Board of Directors.
- (c) <u>Casting of Votes</u>. The votes of the Members shall be cast under such rules and procedures as may be prescribed in this Declaration or in the Bylaws of the Association, as amended from time to time, or by law.
- 3.05 <u>Suspension of Membership</u>. The Board may suspend the voting rights of any Member and the right of enjoyment of the Common Property of any person who:
- (a) shall be subject to the Right of Abatement, as defined in Section 8.02 by reason of having failed to take the reasonable steps to remedy a violation or breach of either the Restrictions or the Design Standards of the ACC (as herein defined) within thirty (30) days after having received notice of the same pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.11, 6.02 or 8.02 hereof;
- (b) shall be delinquent in the payment of any assessment, fine or penalty levied by the Association pursuant to the provisions of this Declaration; or
- (c) shall be in violation of the rules and regulations of the Association relating to the use, operation and maintenance of Common Property;

Any suspension shall be for the balance of the period in which said Member or person shall remain in violation, breach or default, as aforesaid, except that in the case of a violation described in subsection (c) of this Section 3.05, the suspension may be for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days after the

cure or termination of such violation. No such suspension shall prevent an Owner's ingress to or egress from his Lot.

- 3.06 <u>Voting Procedures</u>. The procedures for the election of Directors of the Association and the resolution of such other issues as may be brought before the membership of the Association shall be governed by this Declaration, the South Carolina Nonprofit Corporation Code, the Articles of Incorporation of the Association, and the Bylaws of the Association, as each shall from time to time be in force and effect.
- 3.07 Control by Declarant and Appointment of the Board. Until such time as Declarant no longer has the right to appoint members to the Board, the Board of the Association shall consist of three (3) members. Notwithstanding any other language or provision to the contrary in this Declaration, in the Articles of Incorporation, or in the Bylaws of the Association, the Declarant hereby retains the right to appoint all members to the Board. The rights of Declarant to appoint members of the Board also includes the right to remove and replace appointees until such time as Declarant's rights to appoint members to the Board ceases. Declarant shall retain the right to appoint and remove members of the Board until such time as the first of the following events shall occur: (i) the expiration of seven (7) years from the date of the recording of this Declaration; (ii) the date upon which three-fourths (3/4) of the Lots which may be developed on the Property shall have been conveyed, by Declarant to an individual Owner or Owners for residential occupancy; or (iii) the surrender by Declarant of the authority to appoint and replace directors by an express amendment to this Declaration executed and recorded by Declarant. Upon the final expiration of all rights of Declarant to appoint and replace directors of the Association a special meeting of the Association shall be called. At such special meeting the Owners shall elect a new Board of Directors which shall undertake the responsibilities of the Board, and Declarant shall deliver the books, accounts, and records, if any, which Declarant has kept on behalf of the Association, and any agreements or contracts executed by or on behalf of the Association during such period, which Declarant has in its possession. Each Owner by acceptance of a deed to or other conveyances of a Lot vests in Declarant such authority to appoint and replace directors and officers of the Association as provided in this Section.
- 3.08 <u>Implied Rights</u>. The Association may exercise any other right or privilege given to it expressly by this Declaration or by law and any other right or privilege reasonably to be implied from the existence of any right or privilege given to it herein or reasonably necessary to effectuate any such right or privilege.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### ASSESSMENTS AND MAINTENANCE CHARGES

- 4.01 <u>Covenant for Assessments and Creation of Lien and Personal Obligations</u>. The Declarant, to the extent that Declarant is an Owner, hereby covenants and agrees, and each Owner, jointly and severally, for himself, his heirs, distributees, personal representatives, successors and assigns, by acceptance of a deed for a Lot, whether or not the covenants contained herein shall be expressed in any such deed, subject to any limitations on amount of assessments as set forth hereinafter in this Article IV, hereby covenants and agrees as follows:
- (a) to pay to the Association the annual assessments which may or shall be levied by the Association pursuant to this Declaration against all Lots owned by him;
- (b) to pay to the Association any special assessments for capital improvements and any fines, penalties or other charges which may or shall be levied by the Association pursuant to this Declaration against all Lots owned by him;
- (c) that there is hereby created a continuing charge and lien upon all Lots owned by him against which all assessments, fines, penalties and other charges are made to secure payment of such items and any interest thereon as provided in Section 4.08 hereof and costs of collection including reasonable attorneys' fees:
- (d) that such continuing charge and lien on such Lots binds such Lots in the hands of the then Owner, and the Owner's heirs, devisees, personal representatives, successors and assigns. Such charge and lien is superior to any and all charges, liens, or encumbrances which may hereafter in any manner arise or be imposed upon such Lots whether arising from or imposed by judgment or decree or by any agreement, contract, mortgage, deed to secure debt, or other instrument, except (i) such liens for taxes or other public charges as are by applicable law made superior, and (ii) the lien of any first mortgage. The sale of any Lot pursuant to mortgage foreclosure, shall extinguish the lien of such assessments as to payments which become due prior to such sale or transfer;
- (e) that no sale or transfer at foreclosure shall relieve any Lot or Lots from liability for any assessment thereafter assessed;

- (f) that all annual and special assessments (together with interest thereon as provided in Section 4.08 of this Declaration and costs of collection including reasonable attorneys' fees) levied against any Lot or Lots owned by him during the period that he is an Owner shall be (in addition to being a continuing charge and lien against such Lot or Lots as provided in Section 4.01(c) of this Declaration) a personal obligation which will survive any sale or transfer of the Lot or Lots owned by him; provided, however, that such personal obligation for delinquent assessments shall not pass to an Owner's successor in title unless expressly assumed by such successor.
- 4.02 <u>Purpose of Assessment</u>. The assessments levied by the Association shall be used exclusively for the purpose of providing for the common good and general welfare of the people of the new community of the Development, including, but not limited to, and in addition to other purposes set forth in this Declaration, security, the acquisition, construction, improvement, maintenance and equipping of Common Property, 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 and the payment of all principal and interest when due on all debts owed by the Association.
- 4.03 <u>Accumulation of Funds Permitted</u>. The Association shall not be obligated to spend in any calendar year all the sums collected in such year by way of annual assessments or otherwise, and may carry forward, as surplus, any balances remaining; nor shall the Association be obligated to apply such surplus to the reduction of the amount of the Annual Assessments in any succeeding year, but may carry forward from year to year such surplus as the Board may deem to be desirable for the greater financial security of the Association and the effectuation of its purposes.

# 4.04 <u>Annual Assessment or Maintenance Charge</u>.

- (a) Subject to the terms of this Article, each Lot in the Property is hereby subjected to an annual assessment or maintenance charge for the purpose of creating a fund to be known as the "maintenance fund," which maintenance charge and assessment will be paid by the Owner or Owners of each Lot within the Property (and any area annexed under the jurisdiction of the Association). Payment of such assessments will be made in advance in monthly, quarterly or annual installments with the due dates being established by the Board of Directors.
- (b) The annual maintenance charge and assessment will commence as to each Lot on the first day of the month following the earlier to occur of the

following events: (i) upon the occupancy of the Lot as a residence; or (ii) upon the conveyance of the Lot by Declarant to an Owner or tenant for residential occupancy.

- (c) The amount of the annual assessment is subject to the limitation contained in subparagraph 4.06 hereinafter.
- (d) Assessments may be used by the Association to provide for, by way of clarification, and not limitation, any and/or all of the following as determined, from time to time, by the Board of Directors: normal, recurring maintenance of Common Property (including, but not limited to, mowing, edging, watering, clipping, sweeping, pruning, raking and otherwise caring for the existing landscaping) and the acquisition and installation of capital improvements to the Common Property, such as sprinkler systems, provided that the Association shall have no obligation (except as expressly provided hereinafter) to make capital improvements to the Common Property; the cost of hazard and liability insurance for the Common Property and the cost of such other insurance as the Association may deem necessary; the cost of water, electricity, street lights, and other utilities to the Common Property; payment of all legal and other expenses incurred in connection with the enforcement of all recorded covenants, restrictions, and conditions affecting the Property to which said assessments apply; payment of all reasonable and necessary expenses in connection with the collection and administration of the maintenance charge and assessment; payment of ad valorem property taxes assessed against the Common Property (in the event the Association is dissolved or for any reason fails to pay such taxes or other obligations hereunder, such shall become the obligation of the members of the Association to the extent of their percentage interests in the Association); employment of security guards or watchmen, if determined necessary; and doing any other thing or things necessary or desirable in the opinion of the Board or membership of the Association to keep the Property neat and in good order, or which is considered of general benefit to the Owners or occupants of the Property, it being understood that when and if presented to the Members the judgment of the majority of the Members of the Association in the determination of what constitutes normal, recurring maintenance shall be final and conclusive so long as such judgment is exercised in good faith, it being further understood that the Board of Directors may discontinue any existing maintenance program for any reason. The Association shall also establish and maintain an adequate reserve fund for the periodic maintenance, repair, and replacement of improvements to the Common Property.
- (e) Unless required as a matter of law or as otherwise set forth in this Article, Declarant shall not be, at any time, subject to the annual maintenance charge and assessment; however, Declarant agrees that until such time as

Declarant no longer has the right to appoint members to the Board of the Association, Declarant will pay to the Association any deficit amounts not covered by the income of the Association which are reasonably necessary to maintain the Common Property in a neat, attractive condition, and in addition, where such property is intended for recreational use, in usable condition.

- 4.05. <u>Special Assessments for Working Capital Fund, Nonrecurring Maintenance, and Capital Improvements</u>. In addition to the annual assessments authorized by this Article IV, subject to the limitations on amount of assessments as set forth hereinafter in this Article IV, the Association may levy:
- (a) upon the first sale of each and every Lot to an Owner who will individually or through tenants or assigns occupy a Lot, a special assessment up to amount no greater than Two hundred fifty and no/100 (\$250.00) dollars shall be collected at the closing of such sale for the benefit of the Association. The aggregate fund established by such special assessment shall be maintained in a segregated account, and shall be for the purpose of insuring that the Association will have cash available to meet unforeseen expenditures, or to acquire additional equipment or services deemed necessary or desirable by the Board; and,
- (b) in any assessment year, a special assessment applicable to that year only for the purpose of defraying, in whole or in part any Association expenses not covered by the annual budget, including, but not limited to, the cost of nonrecurring maintenance, or the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, repair or replacement of a capital improvement upon any Common Property, including fixtures and personal property related thereto, provided that any such assessment shall have been approved by a two-third (2/3) vote of each class of Members of the Association who are present in person or by proxy at a meeting duly called for such purpose.
- 4.06. <u>Maximum Assessment and Maintenance Charges</u>. Notwithstanding any of the foregoing provisions for assessments by the Board, except for the one time assessment made pursuant to the provisions of subparagraph (a) of Paragraph 4.05, no Lot Owner shall be subject to an assessment that exceeds Three hundred and no/100 (\$300.00) dollars in any one calendar year without unanimous vote of each class of members of the Association who are present in person or by proxy at a meeting duly called for such purpose.
- 4.07. Notice and Quorum. Written notice of any meeting called for the purpose of taking any action requiring vote under Section 4.04 and Section 4.05 shall be sent to all Members, or delivered to their residence, not less than twenty-one (21) days nor more than sixty (60) days in advance of the meeting. At

the first such meeting called, the presence of Members or of proxies entitled to cast sixty (60%) percent of all the votes of each class of membership shall constitute a quorum. If the required quorum is not present, another meeting may be called subject to the same notice requirement, and the required quorum at the subsequent meeting shall be one-half (1/2) of the required quorum at the preceding meeting. No such subsequent meeting shall be held more than sixty (60) days following the preceding meeting.

Effect of Nonpayment of Assessments. If any assessment or installment is not paid within fifteen (15) days after the Due Date there shall be imposed a late or delinquency charge in the amount of the greater of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) or ten (10%) percent of the amount of each assessment or installment not paid when due. Any assessment or installment, and any late charge connected therewith, which is not paid within thirty (30) days after the Due Date of the assessment shall bear interest (from the Due Date with respect to the assessment or installment, and the date such charge was imposed with respect to the late charge), at the rate of eighteen (18%) percent per annum or at such rate as the Board may from time to time establish; provided, however, that in no event shall the Board have the power to establish a rate of interest in violation of the laws of the State of South Carolina. If any one or more installment of any assessment is not paid within thirty (30) days after the Due Date the Board may declare any remaining balance of the assessment at once due and payable. In the event that an Owner shall fail to pay fully any portion of any assessment or installment on or before the date on which payment is due, such unpaid portion (including any remaining balance declared immediately due and payable in accordance with the preceding sentence), together with any delinquency charges, interest, and costs of collection, including court costs, the expenses of sale, any expense required for the protection and preservation of the Lot, and reasonable attorney's fees, shall be a binding personal obligation of such Owner, as well as a lien on such Owner's Lot enforceable in accordance with the provisions of this Declaration. In addition to the above, if any Owner has not paid any assessment or installment, or any late charges or expenses related thereto, within sixty (60) days after the Due Date of the assessment or installment, the Association shall have the right to notify any or all mortgagees having a security interest in such Owner's Lot or Lots that such Owner is in default in the performance of his obligations under these Restrictions, and of those actions taken or proposed to be taken by the Association as a result of the default.

# 4.09. Certificate of Payment.

(a) Upon written demand by Owner, the Association shall within a reasonable period of time issue and furnish to such Owner a written certificate

stating that all assessments (including penalties, interest and costs, if any) have been paid with respect to any Lot owned by said Owner as of the date of such certificate, or that all assessments, interest and costs have not been paid, setting forth the amount then due and payable. The Association may make a reasonable charge for the issuance of such certificate. Any such certificate, when duly issued as herein provided, shall be conclusive and binding with regard to any matter therein stated as between the Association and any bona fide purchaser of, or lender on, the Lot in question;

(b) The Association shall file with the Register of Deeds notice of the name, address and relevant contact information of the person or persons to provide relevant information concerning the status of assessments with respect to each Lot.

#### ARTICLE V

#### ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL

- 5.01. <u>Architectural Control Committee Creation and Composition</u>. An Architectural Control Committee (the "ACC") shall be established consisting of at least one (1) individual, but no more than three (3) individuals to be appointed by the Board of Directors.
- 5.02. Purpose, Powers and Duties of the ACC. The purpose of the ACC is to review and approve any proposed installation, construction or alteration of any Structure on any Lot. All plans shall be submitted to the ACC for approval (i) as to whether the proposed installation, construction or alteration is in conformity with and harmony of external design and general quality with the existing standards of the neighborhood and with the standards of the Development, and (ii) as to the location of Structures with respect to topography, finished ground elevation and surrounding Structures. To the extent necessary to carry out such purpose, the ACC shall have all of the powers and duties to do each and every thing necessary, suitable, convenient or proper for, or in connection with, or incidental to, the accomplishment of such purpose, including, without being limited to, the power and duty to approve or disapprove plans and specifications for any installation, construction or alteration of any Structure on any Lot.
- 5.03. Officers, Subcommittees and Compensation. If the Committee is composed of more than one (1) member, the members of the ACC shall appoint a Chairman from among their number and may appoint from among their number such other officers and subcommittees of members of the ACC as they shall from time to time determine necessary. The members of the ACC may, with the

approval of the Board, be reimbursed by the Association for traveling expenses and other out-of-pocket costs incurred in the performance of their duties as members of the ACC.

#### 5.04. Operations of the ACC.

(a) Meetings. The ACC shall hold regular meetings as may be established by the ACC; provided, however, that during such time as Declarant has the right to appoint and replace members of the Board of Directors the frequency of regular meetings will be established by the Board. Special meetings may be called by the Chairman and shall be called by the Chairman upon the written request of a majority of the members of the ACC then in office. Regular and special meetings of the ACC shall be held at such time and at such place as the ACC shall specify. Notice of each regular or special meeting of the ACC shall be mailed to each member thereof at his residence or at his usual place of business at least three (3) days before the day the meeting is to be held. At each meeting of the ACC, the presence of a majority of the members then in office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Except as otherwise provided herein, the act of a majority of the members of the ACC present at any regular or special meeting thereof at which a quorum is present shall constitute the act of the ACC. The ACC shall maintain both a record of votes and minutes for each of its meetings. The ACC shall make such records and minutes available at reasonable places and times for inspection by Members of the Association and by the Secretary. Any action required to be taken at a meeting of the ACC, or any action which may be taken at a meeting of the ACC, may be taken without a meeting if written consent, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by all the members of the ACC and be filed within the minutes of the proceedings of the ACC. Such consent shall have the same force and effect as a unanimous vote, and may be stated as such in any document filed by the ACC.

# (b) Activities.

- (i) The ACC shall adopt and promulgate the Design Standards and shall, as required, make findings, determinations, rulings, and orders with respect to the conformity with said Design Standards of plans and specifications to be submitted for approval to the ACC pursuant to the provisions of this Declaration. The ACC shall, as required, issue permits, authorizations, or approvals, which may include specified requirements or conditions, pursuant to the provisions of this Declaration.
- (ii) any one (1) member of the ACC may be authorized by the ACC to exercise the full authority of the ACC with respect to all matters over

which the ACC has authority as may be specified by resolution of the ACC, except with respect to the adoption or promulgation of the Design Standards. The action of said member with respect to the matters specified shall be final and binding upon the ACC and upon any applicant for an approval, permit or authorization, subject, however, to review and modification by the ACC on its own motion or appeal by the applicant to the ACC as provided in this paragraph (ii).

Written notice of the decision of the one member of the ACC shall, within five (5) working days thereof, be given to any applicant for an approval, permit or authorization. The applicant may, within ten (10) days after receipt of notice of any decision which he deems to be unsatisfactory, file a written request to have the matter in question reviewed by the ACC. Upon the filing of any such request, the matter with respect to which such request was filed shall be submitted to, and reviewed promptly by, the ACC, but in no event later than thirty (30) days after the filing of such request. The decision of a majority of the members of the ACC with respect to such matter shall be final and binding.

# 5.05. Design Standards.

- (a) The ACC shall from time to time adopt, promulgate, amend, revoke and enforce guidelines (the "Design Standards") for the purposes of:
  - (i) governing the form and content of plans and specifications to be submitted to the ACC for approval pursuant to the provisions of this Declaration;
  - (ii) governing the procedure for such submission of plans and specification;
  - (iii) establishing guidelines with respect to the approval and disapproval of design features, architectural styles, exterior colors and materials, details of construction, location and size of Structures and all other matters that require approval by the ACC pursuant to this Declaration; and
  - (iv) assuring the conformity and harmony of external design and the generally quality of the Development.
- (b) The ACC may publish copies of its current Design Standards, in which case they shall be made readily available to Members and prospective Members of the Association and to all applicants seeking the ACC's approval.

- 5.06. <u>Submission of Plans and Specifications</u>. No Structure shall be commenced, erected, placed, moved onto or permitted to remain on any Lot nor shall any existing Structure upon any Lot be altered in any way which materially changes the exterior appearance of the Structure or Lot, unless plans and specifications therefor shall have been submitted to and approved in writing by the ACC. Such plans and specifications shall be in such form and shall contain such information as may be reasonably required by the ACC in the Design Standards.
- 5.07. Approval of Plans and Specifications. Upon approval by the ACC of any plans and specification submitted pursuant to this Declaration, two (2) copies of such plans and specifications, as approved, shall be deposited for permanent record with the ACC and a copy of such plans and specifications bearing such approval, in writing, shall be returned to the applicant submitting the same. Approval for use in connection with the Lot or Structure of any plans and specifications shall not be deemed a waiver of the ACC's right, in its discretion, to disapprove similar plans and specifications or any of the features or elements included therein if such plans, specifications, features or elements are subsequently submitted for use in connection with any other Lot or Structure. Approval of any such plans and specifications relating to any Lot or Structure, however, shall be final as to that Lot or Structure and such approval may not be revoked or rescinded thereafter, provided that there has been adherence to, and compliance with, such plans and specifications, as approved, and any conditions attached to any such approval.
- 5.08. <u>Disapproval of Plans and Specifications</u>. The ACC shall have the right to disapprove any plans and specifications submitted pursuant to this Declaration for any of the following reasons:
- (a) the failure to include information in such plans and specifications as may have been reasonably requested;
- (b) the failure of such plans or specifications to comply with this Declaration or the Design Standards;
- (c) any other matter which, in the judgment of the ACC, would be likely to cause the proposed installation, construction or alteration of a Structure (i) to fail to be in conformity and harmony of external design and general quality with the standards of the Development as set forth in the Design Standards, or (ii) as to location, to be incompatible with topography, finished ground elevation and surrounding Structures. In any case in which the ACC shall disapprove any plans and specifications submitted hereunder, or shall approve the same only as

modified or upon specified conditions, such disapproval or qualified approval shall be accompanied by a statement of the grounds upon which such action was based. In any such case the ACC shall, if requested, make reasonable efforts to assist and advise the applicant in order that an acceptable proposal may be prepared and submitted for approval.

- 5.09. Obligation to Act. The ACC shall take action on any plans and specifications submitted as herein provided within thirty (30) days after receipt thereof. Approval by the ACC, if granted, together with any conditions imposed by the ACC, shall be placed in writing on the plans and specifications and shall be returned to the applicant. Failure by ACC to take action within thirty (30) days of receipt of plans and specifications submitted for approval shall be deemed approval of such plans and specifications.
- 5.10 <u>Inspection Rights</u>. Any employee or agent of the Association or the ACC may, after reasonable notice, at any reasonable time or times enter upon any Lot or Structure thereon for the purpose of ascertaining whether the installation, construction, alteration or maintenance of any Structure or the use of any Lot or Structure is in compliance with the provisions of this Declaration; and neither the Association, nor the ACC, nor any such agent shall be deemed to have committed a trespass or other wrongful act solely by reason of such entry or inspection, provided such inspection is carried out in accordance with the terms of this Section.
- 5.11. Violations. If any Structure shall be erected, placed, maintained or altered upon any Lot, otherwise than in accordance with the plans and specifications approved by the ACC pursuant to the provisions of this Article, such erection, placement, maintenance or alteration shall be deemed to have been undertaken in violation of this Article and without the approval required herein. If in the opinion of the ACC such violation shall have occurred, the ACC shall notify the Association. If the Board shall agree with the determination of the ACC with respect to the violation, then the Board shall provide written notice to the Owner by certified mail, setting forth in reasonable detail the nature of the violation and the specific action or actions required to remedy the violation. If the owner shall not have taken reasonable steps toward the required remedial action within thirty (30) days after the mailing of the aforesaid notice of violation, then the Association shall have the Right of Abatement as provided in Section 8.02 hereof.
- 5.12. <u>Fees</u>. The ACC may impose and collect a reasonable and appropriate fee to cover the cost of inspections performed pursuant to Section 5.10. The fee shall be established from time to time by the ACC and published in the Design Standards.

- 5.13. Disclaimer as to ACC Approval. Plans and specifications are not reviewed for engineering or structural design or quality of materials, and by approving such plans and specifications neither the ACC, the members thereof, nor the Association assumes liability or responsibility therefor, nor for any defect in any Structure constructed from such plans and specifications. Declarant, the Association, the ACC, the Board, nor the officers, directors, members, employees, and agents of any of them shall be liable in damages to anyone submitting plans and specifications to any of them for approval, or to any Owner of property affected by these Restrictions by reason of mistake in judgment, negligence, or nonfeasance arising out of or in connection with the approval or disapproval or failure to approve or disapprove any such plans or specifications. Every person who submits plans or specifications and every Owner agrees that he will not bring any action or suit against Declarant, the Association, the ACC, the Board, or the officers, directors, members, employees, and agents of any of them to recover any such damages and hereby releases, remises, quit-claims, and covenants not to sue for connection with any judgment, negligence, or nonfeasance and hereby waives the provisions of any law which provides that a general release does not extent to claims, demands, and causes of action not known at the time the release is given.
- 5.14. <u>Declarant</u>. The provisions contained in this Article, as well as all other architectural control provisions contained in the Development documents shall not apply to Declarant. This Section 5.14 may only be amended with the prior written consent of the Declarant.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

#### GENERAL COVENANTS AND RESTRICTIONS

- 6.01. <u>Application</u>. The covenants and restrictions contained in this Article VI shall pertain and apply to all Lots and to all Structures erected or placed thereon.
- 6.02. Maintenance. Except for maintenance that is actually provided by the Association pursuant to Section 4.04(d) of this Declaration (none is or will be required unless specifically provided for by the Board), each Owner shall keep and maintain each Lot, the exterior of the dwelling and all Structures owned by him, as well as all landscaping located thereon, in good condition and repair, including, but not limited to (i) the repairing and painting (or other appropriate external care) of and otherwise caring for the dwelling and all other Structures; (ii) the seeding, fertilizing and watering of all lawns and the mowing, edging, clipping, sweeping, pruning, raking and otherwise caring for all lawns not

maintained by the Association; (iii) the pruning and trimming of all trees, hedges and shrubbery not maintained by the Association so that the same are not obstructive of a view by motorists or pedestrians of street traffic; and (iv) the maintenance, repair and painting of all fences on the Lot. If in the opinion of the ACC, any Owner shall fail to perform the duties imposed by this Section, the ACC shall notify the Association. If the Board shall agree with the determination of the ACC with respect to the failure of said Owner to perform the duties imposed by this Section, then the Board shall give written notice to the Owner to remedy the condition in question, setting forth in reasonable detail the nature of the condition and the specific action or actions needed to be taken to remedy such condition. If the Owner shall fail to take reasonable steps to remedy the condition within thirty (30) days after the mailing of said written notice by certified mail, then the Association shall have the Right to Abatement as provided in Section 8.02 hereof. Guidelines relating to the maintenance of Structures and landscaping may be included in the Design Standards of the ACC.

- 6.03. Restriction of Use. Lots may be used for single-family residences only and for no other purpose and no residential building shall be constructed upon any Lot unless it conforms to and complies with the requirements of this Section 6.03 of this Declaration:
- (a) Type Construction. No residential building shall be placed on any Lot, except a residential building that is "stick-built" (meaning constructed entirely on site) and no existing, pre-built or prefabricated residential building shall be placed on any Lot, provided pre-engineered trusses approved by the ACC may be used in construction.
- (b) Minimum Size. No residential building shall be constructed upon any Lot that contains less than 2,400 square feet of heated space for single story dwellings and 2,800 square feet for two-story dwellings, exclusive of one-story open porches, garages, breezeways and basements.
- (c) Maximum Height. No residential building shall be constructed upon any Lot containing more than two and a half stories in height, excluding basement.
- (d) Exterior Siding. No residential building shall be constructed with the use of exterior siding other than brick or stone approved by the ACC.
- All residential buildings shall include an attached and Garages. enclosed three-car garage with openings that face away from the street on which the residential house fronts. Two-car garage is acceptable with evidence of

storage no less than 150 square feet.

- (f) Outbuildings. No outbuilding other than a pool bathhouse shall be constructed, placed or maintained on any lot, provided such prohibition shall not be construed to exclude a child's playhouse or dollhouse.
- (g) Term of Construction. Construction of any residential building must be completed within thirteen months after commencement of construction and the owner shall not permit any nuisance to occur during construction period.
- 6.04. Re-subdivision of Property. No Lot may be split, divided, or subdivided for sale, resale, gift, transfer, or otherwise, without the prior written approval of the ACC of plans and specifications for such split, division or subdivision; except, however, Declarant shall have the right without the consent of other Lot Owners to subdivide or re-subdivide Lots to correct minor changes resulting from errors of survey in the platting of the subdivision.
- 6.05. Erosion Control. No activity which may create erosion or siltation problems shall be undertaken on any Lot without the prior written approval of the ACC of plans and specifications for the prevention and control of such erosion or siltation. The ACC may, as a condition or approval of such plans and specifications, require the use of certain means of preventing and controlling such erosion or siltation. Any alteration of the drainage ditch adjacent to lots 24,25,26,1,8,7,15 is strictly prohibited without written approval by the ACC.
- 6.06. <u>Landscaping</u>. No construction or alteration of any Structure shall take place without the prior written approval by the ACC of plans and specifications for the landscaping to accompany such construction or alteration. Specifically related to lots 24,25,26, clearing is prohibited on areas contiguous with common area nature trail without written approval.
- 6.07. <u>Trees</u>. No living tree having a diameter of six (6) inches or more (measured from a point two (2) feet above ground level) shall be removed from any Lot unless such removal is in conformity with approved landscaping plans and specifications submitted pursuant to the provisions of Section 6.05 hereof.

#### 6.08. Signs.

- (a) No signs whatsoever (including but not limited to commercial and similar signs) shall, without the ACC's prior written approval of plans and specifications therefor, be installed, altered or maintained on any Lot, or on any portion of a Structure visible from the exterior thereof except:
  - (i) such signs as may be required by legal proceedings;
  - (ii) not more than one "For Sale" or "For Rent" sign, such sign

having a maximum face area of two square feet; provided, however, that if, at the time of any desired use of such sign, the Association is making "For Sale" or "For Rent" signs available for the use of Owner, the signs made available by the Association must be used;

- (iii) directional signs for vehicular or pedestrian safety in accordance with plans and specifications approved by the ACC; and
- (iv) such signs that the Declarant may deem necessary to advertise the Development and to promote the sale of Lots and homes in Lakeridge.
- (b) In no event during approved construction of any Structure shall more than one job identification sign (containing not more than five square feet) be approved by the ACC. Except as provided in the Design Standards no "Sold" sign shall at any time be installed or maintained on any Lot or on any portion of the Structure visible from the exterior thereof.

# 6.09 Setbacks.

- (a) No Structure shall be located on any Interior Lot nearer than thirty (30) feet to the front lot line (125' feet on lake front lots)(the boundary adjoining or facing a public street and if the Lot faces more than one street, the ACC shall determine the front property line); no Structure shall be located on any Lot nearer than twenty (10) feet of any side boundary line; and, no Structure shall be located on any Lot nearer than sixty (60) feet of any rear property line (0' setback on rear lot line of lake lots. If two or more lots are joined together to form one lot, the setback line shall apply to the aggregate lot. The ACC may grant a variance or waive the setback requirements, if because of the configuration of the Lot such setback lines would result in undue hardship for intended purposes.
- (b) In approving plans and specifications for any purposed Structure, the ACC may establish setback requirements for the location of such Structure. No Structure shall be erected or placed on any Lot unless its locations is consistent with such setbacks.
- 6.10. <u>Fences</u>. No fence or wall of any kind shall be erected, maintained, or altered on any Lot without the prior written approval of the ACC of plans and specifications for such fences and walls. Fences or walls erected at the rear yards shall not be higher than six (6) feet. No fences or walls shall be permitted in the front yards except for ornamental purposes. No chain link fence shall be permitted on any Lot.

- 6.12. Antennae. Except as set forth in this Section 6.12, no satellite dish, tower, radio or television antennae of any sort shall be placed, allowed or maintained upon any portion of a Structure or Lot. No antennae shall be installed or used for the purposes of transmitting electronic signals. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions all owners who have a dwelling upon a Lot may place a satellite dish on the Lot, provided the satellite dish is no greater than eighteen (18) inches in diameter and is located so as not to be visible from the street on which the dwelling faces.
- 6.13. Front Yard Areas. No clothes-lines shall be permitted. The front yard areas shall be kept neat and clean. All equipment, garbage cans, and woodpiles shall be kept in the garage or screened by adequate planting or approved fencing so as to conceal them from view by neighboring residences and streets.
- 6.14. Recreational, Commercial Vehicles and Trailers. No school bus, truck or commercial vehicle over one (1) ton capacity, house trailer, mobile home, motor home, recreational vehicle, camper, truck with camper top, habitable motor vehicle of any kind, boat or boat trailer, trailers of any kind, or like equipment shall be permitted on any Lot provided, however, any such vehicle, boat or trailer will be permitted if stored within the garage with the garage door closed, further provided, nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prohibit an Owner from parking a recreational vehicle temporarily on a lot so long as may be reasonably required to permit transferring personal belongings between a residence and the recreational vehicle. Any trash, firewood, wood scraps, building materials contained in any vehicle or trailer shall be covered from view. The provisions of this Section shall not apply to Declarant while construction a Structure on any Lot.
- 6.15. <u>Recreational Equipment</u>. Recreational and playground equipment shall not be placed or installed in the front or side yard area and may only be placed in the rear of a Lot as approved by the ACC.
- 6.16. Animals. No animals, including birds, livestock, poultry, insects, and reptiles, shall be permitted or kept upon any Lot except household pets, such as dogs and cats which may be kept subject to the following restrictions:

- (a) Such pet must be housed in the dwelling and shall not be permitted outside of the dwelling except when the homeowner is present in the home;
  - (b) No animal shall be permitted to become a nuisance to others;
- (c) No animal shall be permitted outside of any dwelling unless securely restrained upon the owner's property so as to prevent encroachment upon adjoining properties;
- (d) No Structure for the care, housing or confinement of any animal shall be constructed, placed or maintained on any lot without ACC prior approval.

# 6.17. Solid Waste.

- (a) No person shall dump or burn rubbish, garbage, or any other form of solid waste on any Lot or on Common Property except Declarant during development and construction of the Development.
- (b) Except for building materials employed during the course of construction of any Structure approved by the ACC, no lumber, metals, bulk materials or solid waste of any kind shall be kept, stored, or allowed to accumulate on any Lot unless screened or otherwise handled in a manner set forth in the Design Standards.
- (c) If rubbish, garbage, or any other form of solid waste is to be disposed of by being collected on a regular and recurring basis, containers may be placed in the open on any day that a pick-up is to be made, in order to provide access to persons making such pick-up. At all other times such containers shall be screened or enclosed.
- 6.18. <u>Nuisances</u>. No noxious or offensive activity shall be carried on upon any Lot, nor shall anything be done thereon which may be or may become an annoyance or nuisance to this community.
- 6.19. Exteriors. ACC will issue design standards which will color coordinate certain exterior materials on the dwellings as they are built. As these products need replacing, repairing or repainting, the original colors and type of materials must be used or colors and materials as near the original as possible may be substituted providing the original is not readily available. Exterior trim and garage trim shall be white or as originally installed. Siding and roofing colors and design shall remain as similar as possible to the original. Painted and unpainted fences connecting the dwellings shall remain the same type and color as the original.

- 6.20. <u>Air Conditioning Units</u>. No window air conditioning units shall be placed in any dwelling so as to be visible from the front of any lot or any adjoining street.
- 6.21 <u>Solar Panel Units</u>. No solar panel units shall be placed, allowed or maintained upon any portion of a Structure or lot that would be visible from any other lot and no solar panel shall be placed, allowed or maintained upon any portion of a Structure without the written consent of the ACC, which shall be the sole judge of whether or not such solar panels would be visible from any adjacent lot.
- 6.22 <u>Utility Lines</u>. All telephone, electric and other utility lines and connections between the main utility lines and residences or other buildings located on each Lot shall be concealed and located underground. Each Lot Owner requiring an original or additional electric service shall be responsible to complete at his expense the secondary electric service, conduits, wires, conductors and other electric facilities from the point of the applicable transformer to Owner's Lot improvements and all of the same shall be underground and remain the property of the Owner of such Lot.
- 6.23 Approval of Contractors. No contractor or subcontractor shall make any improvement or construct any Structure on any Lot unless such contractor is approved by the ACC.
- 6.24 <u>Leasing, Subleasing and Rental</u>. No dwelling on any Lot shall be rented, let, demised, leased or otherwise solely occupied by a non-owner without a written Lease Agreement between the Owner and the occupant made pursuant to the requirements of Article X of this Declaration.

#### **ARTICLE VII**

#### EASEMENTS, ZONING AND OTHER RESTRICTIONS

#### 7.01 Easements.

- (a) Declarant hereby expressly reserves to the Declarant, its successors and assigns forever, the right to create perpetual easements in, on, over and under any part of the Property owned by Declarant for any purpose which Declarant deems necessary, including, by way of example, and not limitation, the following:
  - (i) The erection, installation, construction and maintenance of wires, lines,

conduits and poles and the necessary or proper attachments in connection with the transmission of electricity, telephone, cable television and other utilities and similar facilities;

- (ii) the erection, installation, construction and maintenance of storm-water drains, land drains, public and private sewers, irrigation systems, pipelines for supplying gas, water and heat, and for any other public or quasi-public facility, service or function;
- (iii) slope control purposes, including the right to grade and plant slopes and to prevent the doing of any activity which might interfere with slopes or which might create erosion or sliding problems or which might change, obstruct or retard drainage flow;
- (iv) the planting or re-planting of hedges, shrubbery, bushes, trees, flowers and plants of any nature; and
- (v) the erection, installation, construction and maintenance of fences, walls, monuments, signs, etc. along streets in, around and along, and at entrances to, the Development, and the right to landscape such areas, plan, re-plant and prune hedges, shrubbery, bushes, trees, flowers, grass and plants of any nature.
- (b) No Owner shall have any right to use any easement created by the Declarant in, on or over any portion of the Property unless such easement has been assigned by the Declarant to the Association.
- (c) The easements created in this Article VII are in addition to any easements or rights created elsewhere in this Declaration or in other easements of record. The provisions of this Article VII may not be amended without the written consent of the Declarant, its successors and assigns.
- 7.02. <u>Easement Area</u>. The words "Easement Area" as used herein shall mean those areas on any Lot with respect to which easements are shown on a recorded deed or grant of easement, or on any filed or recorded map or plat relating thereto, or as otherwise set forth in Section 7.01 and 7.05.

- 7.03. Entry. The Declarant and its employees, agents, successors and assigns, shall have the right at all reasonable times to enter upon all parts of each Easement Area for any of the purposes for which such Easement Area is reserved without being deemed to have committed a trespass or wrongful act solely by reason of such entry and the carrying out of such purposes. The Declarant and its employees, agents, successors and assigns shall be responsible for leaving each Lot in good condition and repair following any work or activity undertaken by the same in an Easement Area pursuant to the provisions of Section 7.01 and 7.05.
- 7.04. Zoning and Private Restrictions. None of the covenants, restrictions or easements created or imposed by this Declaration shall be construed as permitting any action prohibited by applicable zoning laws, or by the laws, rules or regulations of any governmental body. In the event of any conflict between such laws, rules or regulations and the covenants, restrictions and easements created or imposed by this Declaration, the most restrictive provision shall govern and control.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### **ENFORCEMENT**

8.01. Right of Enforcement. This Declaration and the Restrictions contained herein shall inure to the benefit of and shall be enforceable by (i) the Declarant so long as it is an Owner, (ii) the Association and (iii) each Owner, his legal representatives, heirs, successors and assigns.

# 8.02. Right of Abatement.

(a) Except where different notice provisions are provided in Sections 5.11 and 6.02, in the event of a violation or breach of any Restriction contained in this Declaration the Association shall give written notice by certified mail to the Owner setting forth in reasonable detail the nature of such violation or breach and the specific action or actions needed to be taken to remedy such violation or breach. If the Owner shall fail to take reasonable steps to remedy such violation or breach within thirty (30) days after the mailing of such written notice, then the Association shall have the Right of Abatement. If any assessment, interest, cost or charge required by this Declaration is not paid within sixty (60) days after such assessment is due or such charge is imposed, the Association shall have the right to notify any or all mortgagees who have a security interest in the Owner's Lot or Lots that such Owner is in default in the performance of his obligations under these Restrictions, and of those actions taken or proposed to be taken by the Association as a result of the default.

- (b) The Right of Abatement, as used in this Section and Sections 5.11 and 6.02 hereof, means the right of the Association, through its agents and employees, to enter at all reasonable times upon any Lot or Structure, as to which a violation, breach or other condition to be remedied exists, and to take the actions specified in the notice to the Owner to abate, extinguish, remove, or repair such violation, breach or other conditions which may exist thereon contrary to the provisions hereof, without being deemed to have committed a trespass or wrongful act solely by reason of such actions are carried out in accordance with the provisions of this Section, and with the cost thereof, including the costs of collection and reasonable attorneys' fees, together with interest thereon at the lower of the highest rate permitted by law or eighteen (18%) percent to be a binding personal obligation of such Owner enforceable in law, as well as a lien on such Owner's Lot enforceable pursuant to the provisions of Section 8.04 hereof. Such lien shall be superior to any an all charges, liens or encumbrances which may in any manner arise or be imposed upon the Lot after such entry whether arising from or imposed by judgment or decree or by any agreement, contract, mortgage, deed to secure debt, or other instrument, excepting only (i) such liens for taxes or other public charges as are by applicable law made superior, (ii) the liens created by Section 8.04 hereof and (iii) any first mortgage on the Lot.
- 8.03. Specific Performance. Nothing contained in this Declaration shall be deemed to affect or limit the rights of the Declarant, the Association or any Owner to enforce the Restrictions by appropriate judicial proceedings or to recover damages. However, it is hereby declared that it may be impossible to measure accurately in money the damages which will accrue to a beneficiary hereof, its transferees, successors or assigns, by reason of a violation of, or failure to perform any of the obligations provided by, this Declaration; and therefore, any beneficiary hereof shall be entitled to relief by way of injunction or specific performance, as well as any other relief available at law or in equity, to enforce the provisions hereof.

# 8.04. Collection of Assessments and Enforcement of Lien.

- (a) If any assessment, interest, cost or other charge is not paid as required by this Declaration, the Association may bring either an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same, or an action to foreclose any lien created by this Declaration against the Lot or Lots subject to the lien, or both, for the purpose of collecting such assessment, cost or charge, plus any interest thereon and costs of collection, including reasonable attorneys' fees.
- (b) As an additional remedy, but in no way as a limitation on the remedies, if any assessment, interest, cost or other charge is not paid as

required by this Declaration, each Owner hereby grants to the Association and its assigns the following irrevocable power of attorney: To sell the said Lot or Lots subject to the lien at auction, at the usual place for conducting sales at the Courthouse in Anderson County, South Carolina, to the highest bidder for cash, after advertising the time, terms and place of such sale once a week for three weeks immediately preceding such sale (but without regard to the number of days) in the paper in which the Sheriff's advertisements for Anderson County, South Carolina are published, all other notice being hereby waived by each Owner, and the Association or any person on behalf of the Association, or assigns, may bid and purchase at such sale and thereupon execute and deliver to the purchaser or purchasers at such sale a conveyance of said property in fee simple, which conveyance shall contain recitals as to the happenings of the default upon which the execution of the power of sale herein granted depends, and each Owner hereby constitutes and appoints the Association and assigns, the agent and attorney in fact of each Owner to make such recitals, and hereby covenants and agrees that the recitals so to be made by the Association, or assigns, shall be binding and conclusive upon the Owner whose property is the subject matter of such sale, and the heirs, executors, administrators and assigns of such Owner, and that the conveyance to be made by the Association or assigns, shall be effectual to bar all equity of redemption of such Owner, or the successors in interest of such Owner, in and to said Lot or Lots, and the Association or assigns shall collect the proceeds of such sale, and after reserving therefrom the entire amount of assessment, interest, cost or other charge due, together with a all costs and expenses of sale and fifteen per cent of the aggregate amount due for attorneys' fees, shall pay any excess to Owner, or to the heirs or assigns of such Owner as provided by law. The power and agency hereby granted are coupled with an interest and are irrevocable by death or otherwise and are granted as cumulative to the remedies for collection of said indebtedness provided by law.

(c) Waiver. EACH OWNER, BY ACCEPTANCE OF A DEED CONVEYING A LOT SUBJECT TO THIS DECLARATION, WAIVES ANY OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA OR THE CONSTITUTION OR THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO NOTICE OR TO A JUDICIAL HEARING PRIOR TO THE EXERCISE OF ANY RIGHT OR REMEDY PROVIDED BY THIS DECLARATION AND OWNER WAIVES OWNER'S RIGHTS, IF ANY, TO SET ASIDE OR INVALIDATE ANY SALE DULY CONSUMMATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS DECLARATION ON THE GROUND (IF SUCH BE THE CASE) THAT THE SALE WAS CONSUMMATED WITHOUT A PRIOR JUDICIAL HEARING. ALL WAIVERS BY OWNER IN THIS PARAGRAPH HAVE BEEN MADE VOLUNTARILY, INTELLIGENTLY AND KNOWINGLY, AFTER OWNER HAS FIRST BEEN ALLOWED THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONSULT LEGAL COUNSEL WITH RESPECT TO OWNER'S POSSIBLE RIGHTS.

8.05. <u>No Waiver</u>. The failure of the Declarant, the Association, or the Owner of any Lot, his or its respective legal representative, heirs, successors and assigns, to enforce any Restrictions herein contained shall in no event be considered a waiver of the right to do so thereafter, as to the same violation or breach or as to any violation or breach occurring prior or subsequent thereto.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### **DURATION AND AMENDMENT**

#### 9.01 <u>Duration and Perpetuities</u>.

- (a) The provisions of this Declaration shall run with and bind the land for a period of twenty five (25) years from the date this Declaration is filed for record in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Anderson County, South Carolina after which time such provision shall automatically be extended, if permitted by law for successive periods of ten (10) years, unless an instrument, signed by at least seventy-five (75%) percent of the then owners of record and the holders of first mortgagees on their lots has been recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds, agreeing to terminate or change such provisions in whole or in part. Every purchaser or grantee of any interest in any portion of the Property, by acceptance of a deed or other conveyance thereof, thereby agrees that the provisions of these Covenants may be extended and renewed as provided in this Section.
- (b) If any of the covenants, conditions restrictions, easements or other provisions of this Declaration shall be unlawful, void or voidable for violation of the Rule Against Perpetuities, then such provisions shall continue only until twenty-one (21) years after the death of the survivor of those descendants of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, the Queen of England, which are living as of the date this Declaration is executed.
- 9.02. Amendment. So long as Declarant owns at least one (1) Lot held primarily for sale, or this Declaration may be amended unilaterally at any time and from time to time by Declarant (i) if such amendment is necessary to bring any provision hereof into compliance with any applicable governmental statute, rule or regulation or judicial determination which shall be in conflict there with, (ii) if such amendment is necessary to enable any reputable title insurance company to issue title insurance coverage with respect to the Lots subject to these Restriction, (iii) if such amendment is required by an institutional or governmental lender or purchaser of mortgage loans, including, for example, the Federal National Mortgage Association or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage

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Corporation, to enable such lender or purchaser to make or purchase mortgage loans on the Lots subject to these Restrictions, or (iv) if such amendment is necessary to enable any governmental agency, such as the Veterans Administration, or reputable private mortgage insurance company to insure mortgage loans on the Lots subject to these Restriction; provided any such amendment shall not adversely affect the title to any Owner's Lot, unless any such Owner so affected thereby shall consent thereto in writing. Declaration may be amended at any time and from time to time by an agreement signed by at least eighty (80%) percent of the Owners; provided, however, such amendment by the Owners shall not be effective unless also signed by the Declarant, if the Declarant is the owner of any real property subject to this Declaration; and provided further, however, no amendment affecting the Declarant's right to add additional property shall be effective unless also signed by Declarant. No amendment to the provisions of this Declaration shall alter, modify, change or rescind any right, title, interest or privilege herein granted or accorded to the holder of any mortgage encumbering any Lot affected thereby unless such holder shall consent in writing hereto. Any such amendment shall not become effective until the instrument evidencing such change has been filed for record in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Anderson County, South Carolina. The written consent thereto of any mortgage holder affected thereby shall also be filed with such amendment. Every purchaser or grantee of any interest in any real property now or hereafter subject to this Declaration, by acceptance of a deed or other conveyance therefor, thereby agrees that these Restrictions may be amended as provided in this Section.

#### ARTICLE X

#### **LEASES**

- 10.01. <u>Application</u>. In order to assure a community of congenial Owners and thus protect the value of Lots within the Development, the leasing of a Lot, or any portion thereof, by any Owner (other than as provided herein for certain mortgagees and Declarant) shall be subject to the provisions contained in this Article so long as the Property is subject to the Restrictions.
- 10.02. Required Lease Provisions. All leases and lessees are subject to the provisions of the Declaration and Bylaws. No dwelling situated upon the Property shall be leased for transient or hotel purposes or in any event for a period less than two (2) months. The Owner must make available to the tenant a copy of this Declaration. Any leases of a Lot, or a portion thereof, shall be deemed to contain the provisions of this Article whether or not said provisions are expressly stated therein, and each Owner covenants and agrees that any lease of his Lot shall contain the language of said provisions, and further, that if

such language is not expressly contained therein, then such language shall be incorporated into the lease by existence of this covenant on the Lot. Any lessee, by occupancy of a Lot, agrees to the applicability of this covenant and its incorporation as part of the lease along with the following provisions:

- (a) In order to enforce those provisions made for the benefit of the Association, the Association may bring an action against Lessee for recovery of damages or for injunctive relief, or may impose any other sanctions authorized by the Declaration and Bylaws, as they may be amended from time to time, or which may be available at law or equity, including but not limited to, all remedies available to a landlord upon breach or default of a lease agreement by a lessee. Failure by the Association to enforce any of its rights shall in no event be deemed a waiver of the right to do so thereafter.
- (b) Lessee shall comply strictly with all provisions of the Declaration, Bylaws, and with the administrative rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto, as any of the foregoing may be lawfully amended from time to time. Lessee shall control the conduct of his or her family and guests in order to assure compliance with the foregoing and shall indemnify and hold Lessor and the Association harmless for any such person's failure to comply. Lessee acknowledges that the violation by Lessee or any occupant or person living with Lessee of any provisions of the Declaration, Bylaws, or rules and regulations adopted thereunder shall constitute a default under the lease. Lessee further acknowledges that the Association has the right to act on its own behalf, or where necessary on behalf of Lessor, as Lessor's attorney-in-fact, to seek any remedies which are available to a landlord upon breach or default of a lease agreement by Lessee.

#### ARTICLE XI

#### **INSURANCE**

11.01. <u>Insurance Policies</u>. At all times during the term of this Declaration, the Association, its successors and assigns, shall be required to keep any and all improvements located on the Common Property fully insured by a reputable insurance company authorized to transact business in the State of South Carolina with (i) fire, vandalism, malicious mischief and extended coverage insurance in an amount adequate to cover the cost or replacement of such improvements in the event of loss of any and/or all of such improvements, fixtures and contents thereof; and (ii) public liability insurance in such amounts as shall be determined by the Board of Directors as appropriate for the type of

activities which shall be allowed on the Common Property. Any such policies of insurance shall require that the certificate holders and insured be given thirty (30) days prior written notice of any cancellation of such policies.

#### 11.02. Insurance Proceeds.

- (a) Immediately after the damage or destruction by fire or other casualty to all or any portion of any improvement covered by insurance written in the name of the Association, the Board or its duly authorized agent shall proceed with the filing and adjustment of all claims arising under such insurance and obtain reliable and detailed estimates of the cost of repair or reconstruction of the damaged or destroyed cost of repair or reconstruction of the damaged or destroyed property. Repair or construction, as used in this paragraph, means repairing or restoring the property to substantially the same condition and location that existed prior to the fire or other casualty.
- (b) Any damage or destruction shall be repaired or reconstructed unless, within sixty (60) days after the casualty, at least seventy-five (75%) percent of the total Association vote entitled to vote thereon, and, so long as the Declarant has the right to appoint and remove directors, the Declarant, otherwise agree. If for any reason either the amount of the insurance proceeds to be paid as a result of such damage or destruction, or reliable and detailed estimates of the cost of repair or reconstruction, or both, are not make available to the Association within such period, then the period shall be extended until such information shall be made available; provided, however, such extension shall not exceed one hundred twenty (120) days. No Mortgagee shall have the right to participate in the determination of whether damage or destruction shall be repaired or reconstructed.
- (c) If the damage or destruction for which the insurance proceeds are paid is to be repaired or reconstructed and such proceeds are not sufficient to defray the cost thereof, the Board shall, without the necessity of a vote of the Association's Members, levy a special assessment. Additional assessments may be made in a like manner at any time during or following the completion of any repair or reconstruction. If the funds available from insurance exceed the costs of repair or reconstruction or if the improvements are not repaired or reconstructed, such excess shall be deposited for the benefit of the Association.
- (d) In the event that it should be determined by the Association in the manner described above that the damage or destruction shall not be repaired or reconstructed and no alternative improvements are authorized, then in that event the property shall be restored to its natural state and maintained as an undeveloped portion of the Community in a neat and attractive condition.

- (e) The deductible for any casualty insurance policy carried by the Association shall, in the event of damage or destruction, be allocated among the persons who are responsible hereunder for maintenance of the damaged or destroyed property.
- 11.03. Other Insurance. In addition to the coverage described hereinabove, the Association shall obtain such additional amounts and types of insurance as may be required from time to time, by either the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Veterans, Administration or Federal Housing Administration, their successors and assigns, for similar type residential subdivision communities.

## **ARTICLE XII**

# **MISCELLANEOUS**

- 12.01. Other Changes. Notwithstanding any other provisions herein which may be construed to the contrary, unless at least four-fifths (4/5ths) of the first mortgagees (based upon one vote for each first mortgage owned) or Owners (other than the Declarant) of the individual Lots in the Development have given their prior written approval, the Association shall not be entitled to:
- (a) by act or omission seek to abandon, partition, subdivide, encumber, sell or transfer the Common Property owned, directly or indirectly, by such Association (the granting of easements for public utilities or for other public purposes consistent with the intended use of such common area or property by the Association shall not be deemed a transfer within the meaning of this clause);
- (b) change the method of determining the obligations, assessments, dues or other charges which may be levied against an Owner;
- (c) fail to maintain fire and extended coverage on insurable Association Common Property, if any, on a current replacement cost basis in an amount not less than one hundred (100%) percent of the insurance value (based on current replacement cost);
- (d) use hazard insurance proceeds for losses to any Association Common Property for other than the repair, replacement or reconstruction of such property.

#### 12.02. Rights of First Mortgagees.

- (a) First mortgagees of Lots in the Development may, jointly or singly, pay taxes or other charges which are in default and which may or have become a charge against the Association's Common Property and may pay overdue premiums on hazard insurance policies or secure new hazard insurance coverage on the lapse of a policy, for such Common Property and first mortgagees making such payments shall be owed immediate reimbursement therefor from the Association. Despite any other provision of this Declaration which may be interpreted otherwise, it is expressly intended that no Owner or any other party have priority over any rights of the first mortgagee of a Lot pursuant to its mortgage or security deed in the case of a distribution to such Owner of insurance proceeds or condemnation awards for losses to or a taking of Association Common Property.
- (b) In addition to the rights of mortgagees elsewhere provided, each first mortgagee of a Lot, upon request, shall (i) be entitled to written notice from the Association of any default in the performance of his obligations under the Development documents of an Owner which is not cured within sixty (60) days; (ii) be entitled to attend and observe all meetings of Owners, but not meetings of the Board; (iii) be furnished copies of annual financial reports made to the Owners; (iv) be entitled to inspect the financial books and records of the Association during reasonable business hours; and (v) be entitled to timely written notice of any proposed action which would require the consent of a specified percentage of eligible mortgagees.
- 12.03. <u>Professional Management</u>. Any agreement for professional management of the Association, or any other contract providing for services of the Declarant, may not exceed one (1) years. Any such agreement must provide for termination by either party without cause and without payment of a termination fee on ninety (90) days written notice.
- 12.04. No Reverter. No restriction herein is intended to be, or shall be construed as, a condition subsequent or as creating a possibility of reverter.
- 12.05. Severability. A determination by a court that any provision hereof is invalid for any reason shall not affect the validity of any other provision hereof.
- 12.06. <u>Headings</u>. The headings of the Articles and Sections hereof are for convenience only and shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of the contents of this Declaration.

- 12.07. Gender. Throughout this Declaration, the masculine gender shall be deemed to include the feminine and neuter, and the singular, the plural, and vice versa.
- 12.08. <u>Notices</u>. All notices, requests, objections, waivers, rejections, agreements, approvals, disclosures or consent of any kind made pursuant to this Declaration, whether made by the Declarant, the Association, the ACC, the Owner, or any other person, shall be in writing. All such writings shall be deposited in the United States Mail, with sufficient postage, and sent to the following addresses:

#### (a) Declarant:

- (b) Each Owner's address as registered with the Association in accordance with the Bylaws. Any written communication transmitted in accordance with this Section 12.08 shall be deemed received on the third (3rd) day following the day such written notice is deposited in the United States Mail.
- 12.09. No Liability. Declarant has, using best efforts and all due diligence, prepared and recorded this Declaration so that each and every Owner shall have the right and the power to enforce the terms and provisions of this Declaration against every other Owner. However, in the event that this Declaration is, for any reason whatsoever, unenforceable by an Owner (or any other person) in a court of law or otherwise, Declarant shall have no liability of any kind as a result of such unenforceability, and each and every Owner, by acceptance of a deed conveying a Lot, acknowledges that Declarant shall have no such liability.
- 12.10. Amendment by Board. Should the Veterans Administration, Federal Housing Authority, the Federal National Mortgage Association, or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation subsequently delete any of their respective requirements which necessitate the provisions of this Article or make any such requirements less stringent, the Board, without approval of the Owners, may cause an amendment to this Article to be recorded to reflect such changes.
- 12.11. <u>Failure of Mortgagee to Respond</u>. Any mortgagee who receives a written request from the Board to respond to or consent to any action shall be deemed to have approved such action if the Association does not receive a written response from the Mortgagee within thirty (30) days of the date of the Association's request.
  - 12.12 Courtesy Dock Usage. Use of courtesy dock is for LakeRidge

property owners only. It is designed for loading/unloading of passengers and recreational usage such as swimming and fishing and usage should be limited to a reasonable time frame. During peak usage, boaters shall use discretion so as to be respectful of others' ability to access dock. No overnight storage of boats or personal belongings allowed. An attempt to notify violators will be made prior to towing boat at owner's expense. All users are subject to compliance of US Army Corps of Engineers rules and regulations.

12.13 Golf Cart Requirements Declarant will deliver free golf cart within 30 days of house completion. Owners are responsible for the safe operation and hold no liability to the Association for the use or misuse that may result in injury. Parking in common areas shall be limited to designated areas only.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Declarant has caused this Declaration to be duly executed and sealed this /7 day of // (Linkly, 2004.	
In the Presence of:  State of South Carolina )  COUNTY OF ANDERSON )	Plus One, LLC WILLIAMS  By: MIKE ROSS  Its: MEMBER  BATE  the undersigned and made oath that ROSS as Member of Plus
and deed deliver the within Declarat	ion of Covenants, Conditions and
Restrictions for Lakeridge for the uses and purposes therein mentioned, and that (s)he with the other witness witnessed the execution thereof.	
(-) William Williams Williams	
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Sworn to before me this the	
/7 day of December, A.D., 2004.	
Margaret A. Later	
Notary Public for South Carolina	
My commission expires: $9-9-20/3$	

# EXHIBIT "A"

# LakeRidge Subdivision Design / Architectural Standards

The Architectural Guidelines and Rules shall be a LakeRidge document and shall not be inconsistent with the Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions, but shall more specifically define and describe the design standards for LakeRidge community. The Architectural Guidelines may be modified or amended from time to time by the Architectural Review Board (ARB), referred to as the Architectural Control Committee (ACC) in the adopted covenants. Further, the ARB, in its sole discretion, may excuse compliance in specific situations and may permit compliance with different or alternative requirements.

#### 1. Architectural Review Requirements

Prior to the commencement of any construction, each property owner or owner agent (Builder/Contractor) shall submit to the ARB two (2) complete copies of building plans, site plan, specifications, and exterior building materials. One approved copy will be retained by the ARB and the second copy returned to the applicant, with the ARB approval or disapproval clearly noted. The following minimum requirements must be submitted to the ARB:

- Site Plan 1/16" = 1'-0" scale minimum (do not submit reduced scale drawings drawings must clearly indicate the scale at which they were drawn showing all building setbacks, service easements, dimensions clearly locating the proposed residence, driveways, sidewalks, mailbox location, patios, decks, swimming pools, spas/hot tubs, fences, arbors, gazebos, and proposed play structures (if known).
- Floor Plans for each floor including basement and attic space. Provide a square footage summary indicating the total finished/heated area to be constructed. Floor plans will be reviewed primarily to verify exterior elevation features.
- Landscape Plan 1/16" = 1'0" scale minimum, must clearly show and located all proposed plant material (size, type & quantity), trees (size & species), berms, areas to be sodden or seeded, sprinkler proposal to include the rear yard. (Landscape plans are not required at time of application, but must be submitted for approval prior to installation.)
- Front Elevation 1/4" = 1'-0" scale drawing clearly showing all materials, window and door openings, dormers, roof lines & roof pitches.
- Right, Left & Rear Elevations 1/8" = 1'-0" scale drawing clearly showing all roof lines, dormers, windows, doors, decks, screen porches and sun rooms.
- Exterior Finish Schedule indicating all exterior materials (brick, stone & roof shingles), clad window color (if applies, boxing (fascia & soffit) and a color sample of accent colors to be used on shutters, railings, entry, service and garage doors. Provide the name of the manufacturer and the product color or name. In some cases the ARB will require an actual sample of the material to be used.
- Changes & Conditions:

Owners & Builders will be accountable for all exterior architectural features specified on plans submitted to the ARB. This includes roof lines, roof pitches,

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exterior materials, finishes, details, boxing/eave details, window configurations, dormers, chimneys, entry doors and garage doors.

In the event that changes will be made to submitted plans that affect the site planning, landscaping, exterior elevations or exterior finishes, a builder must submit one of the following prior to the final approval of plans and specifications:

- A. A correct set of plans showing the revisions.
- B. A complete written description or sketch outlining the changes to be made.

# 2. Fees, Deposits & Penalties

- Plans must be submitted within 30 days of planned construction to avoid a \$100 filing fee. If collected, this non-refundable money will be credited to the Home Owner's Association account.
- A Compliance Deposit will be required to be posted by each Property
  Owner or Owner Agent in the amount of \$250.00. This will be refunded
  upon the successful completions and final compliance approval by the
  ARR
  - Any damage to the streets, curbs, drainage, inlets, street lights, street markers, mail boxes, etc., is the responsibility of the contractor. If the damage is not repaired within 10 days of notice, or sooner if deemed necessary by the ARB, it will be repaired by LakeRidge Subdivision. The cost for the repair will be deducted from the compliance deposit and the balance billed to the responsible contractor at the cost plus 20%.
- Penalties: In the event of a violation of ARB guidelines or non-compliance with such guidelines by an Owner or Owner Agent, the ARB may seek any and all legal or equitable remedies available. The ARB can assess a fine of \$50.00 per day against the Owner of Owner Agent for each event of non-compliance or violations.

#### 3. ARB Inspections

- To insure the intent of the ARB, we will conduct no less three (3) site inspections to verify the construction of each project with the approved plans and specifications.
  - a. Site Location prior to pouring of the footings verify building configuration & location on site with plans submitted.
  - b. Framing inspection prior to the start of the application of any exterior finish material (brick, stone, siding and roof shingles) the ARB will verify the exterior details, roof lines and finish materials with plans & schedules submitted.
  - c. Landscape Inspection upon completion of final landscaping the ARB will verify compliance with plans submitted.

#### 4. Building Setbacks

- Building setback lines shall be as follows, unless specifically approved by the ARB:
  - o Interior Lots

Front Setback – Thirty (30' - 0") feet from lot line Side Setback – Ten (10') feet from the side lot lines

Rear Setback - Sixty (60') feet from lot line

Lake front Lots

Front Setback – One hundred & twenty-five (125') feet from front lot line

Side Setback – Ten (10') feet from the side lot lines Rear Setback – Zero (0') feet from rear lot line

- Cul-de-sac, lake front, and corner lot set back lines will be reviewed individually by the ARB.
- All decks, porches, screen enclosures, chimneys, patios, swimming pools, arbors, gazeboes and proposed play structures shall adhere to the building setbacks, unless noted otherwise in their respective sections.

#### 5. Building Requirements

- The main building constructed on each lot shall have an area of not less than 2,400 square feet of heated space for single story dwellings and 2,800 square feet for two-story dwellings, exclusive of one story open porches, garages, and basements.
- In order to prevent the duplication of buildings, the ARB will disapprove plans for construction of any building with its major exterior features so similar to an existing building as to be construed as a practical duplication.
- Completion of construction of any residence must be within one (1) year from the date of commencement of construction.

#### 6. Exterior Materials

- Exterior building material shall include brick or stone veneer.
- Hardy Board in general is permitted, but its use shall be limited to dormers and decorative accents.
- Screen porches, exterior wood railings and lattice work will be required to be stained or painted.
- Duplication of exterior color combination of brick and stone and roof materials shall not be permitted within a minimum of three (3) lots.

#### 7. Roof Pitches & Materials

- Minimum primary roof pitch shall be at least 9/12 (exceptions will be granted for porches & dormers).
- All roofs will be required to use architectural (dimensional) roof shingles.

#### 8. Driveways

- All driveways shall be paved with concrete unless otherwise approved by the ARB.
- No paving shall be permitted within five (5) feet of any side property line without the prior written approval of the ARB.

## 9. Garage

- All houses shall include an enclosed three (3) car garage (minimum), which shall not face the street unless specifically approved by the ARB because of the size, shape or topography of the lot.
- A two (2) car garage shall be permitted with an additional 150 square feet of storage.
- Houses located on corner lots cannot strictly comply with the orientation provision, therefore the ARB will require garages no to face the primary road or street.

#### 10. Detached Buildings & Structures

• No detached accessory buildings, garages or utility buildings shall be allowed on any lot.

#### 11. Chimneys

- All chimneys shall be finished with brick or stone veneer.
- Vent-less or direct vent fireplaces, located on exterior walls with firebox chases, will require approval of the termination detail.

#### 12. Decks & Patios

- Elevated decks or patios shall not encroach rear or side building setbacks.
- On grade patios, pool decks and built-in or portable outdoor spas & decks shall be allowed a twenty-five (25'-0") rear setback and maintain ten-foot (10'0") side setbacks. Lake lot setback 0'.

#### 13. Mechanical Systems

 All exterior components of the heating and air conditions systems shall be landscaped, fenced or screened to conceal them from surrounding roads and adjacent properties.

#### 14. Landscaping

- Tree removal Trees larger than 4 inches in diameter may not be cleared without ARB approval.
- No substantial changes in the elevation of the land shall be made without ARB approval.
- Silt fences & barrier will be required to avoid sediment fun-off onto street and adjacent properties.
- The street facing of all lots shall be sodded and irrigated with under ground sprinkler system.
- Grading of lots or changing of existing contours shall not interfere with the drainage pattern of the Property.
- A ninety (90) day time limit for the complete implementation of landscaping from the date of closing, completion of construction or moving in of homeowner.
- All changes in planting from the approved plans must be resubmitted prior to installation.

- Vegetable gardens will not be allowed.
- Property owner must clear land within 6 months of purchase, if building has not begun. Clearing includes, but is not limited to, trees less than 4 inches in diameter, vines, kudzu, underbrush, branch removal, clearing up to 1/3 tree height. Grass (including centipede, Bermuda, or zoysia) must be planted after clearing. Regular maintenance thereafter if required.
- Lakefront property owners are required to clear Corps of Engineers
  property the entire allowable one hundred (100') feet within 6 months of
  property purchase. Clearing is the same as described above for property
  owners, but must be done in accordance with US Army Corps of
  Engineers guidelines.

# 15. Playground Equipment & Play Structures

- All playground equipment and play structures must be approved by the ARB and be hidden from front facing street view.
- Play structures must be located within the rear & side setbacks.
- Play structures must be painted or stained. ARB encourages the use of earth tones or muted colors.
- Play structures are required to be hidden from front facing street view.

#### 16. Swimming Pools

- Swimming pools and outdoor spas shall be submitted to the ARB for review and approval.
- Swimming pools will be required to meet all building setbacks.
- No above ground pools will be permitted.

#### 17. Wall & Fences

- No fence or wall shall be constructed without the prior approval of the ARB.
- Privacy wall & fences (masonry or metal) may not be erected within seventy-five (75') feet of any street and may not be greater than six feet (6'-0") in height measured from the final grade at wall. The ARB shall approve of disapprove perimeter fencing based on its impact to adjacent properties.
- No footing or any part of a fence or wall assembly shall encroach an adjacent property.
- Chain link fences are not permitted.

#### 18. Animal Shelters & Pens

- Animal shelters must be screened from surrounding roads and adjacent properties. Design and location approved by ARB.
- No dog pens or runs shall be allowed on any lot.

#### 19. Mailboxes

Each lot upon which a residence has been constructed shall have a
mailbox of a uniform design as specified by Declarant or the ARB. Such
mailbox is included in the purchase of a home and hall be properly
maintained at all times by the owner and shall not be altered or replaced
except by a new mailbox identical to the one originally installed.

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- Bridge adjoining property to lake access path must be approved by the ARB. Ravine is not allowed to be filled in.
- Fifteen (15') feet natural buffer to remain to protect common area nature trail.

#### 21. Changes Made to Approved Plans

 Any modifications or approved plans which change the site planning, landscaping, exterior elevations or exterior colors and materials must be resubmitted and re-approved prior to commencement of work.

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