

## The Meadows

At World Golf Village

Saint Augustine, FL 32092

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Dear Neighbors,

## **Election Rules Adopted for Our Community - Guide to Our Voting Process**

We are pleased to announce that the Board of Directors has approved new Election Rules for our Homeowners Association. These rules will directly impact how we elect our community leaders and ensure your voice is heard in our decision-making processes.

Approved at the Special Board Meeting on Thursday, June 20, 2024, these rules ensure a fair, impartial, and transparent process for electing directors to our Association's Board. They align with our Association's Bylaws and Florida Statutes, particularly Section 720.306, covering all essential aspects of the election process.

Key highlights of the adopted Election Rules include:

- 1. Clear eligibility requirements for Board candidates
- 2. Secret written ballots and prohibition of proxy voting
- 3. Independent Inspector(s) of Election to oversee the process
- 4. Procedures for obtaining and using blank ballots at the Annual Meeting
- 5. Guidelines for reporting results and addressing challenges

These rules, developed with stakeholder input, promote transparency, fairness, and best practices in HOA elections. They represent our commitment to operating with integrity and will enhance our community's governance, fostering trust and participation among residents.

We encourage all residents to familiarize themselves with these new Election Rules. The full document is available on our community website: <u>https://themeadowswgv.com/download</u>

Understanding these guidelines is crucial for potential Board candidates and valuable for all members participating in our community's democratic processes.

Thank you for your continued support in making our community a great place to live.

Sincerely,

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