BYLAWS OF

PECAN BEND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.,

A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

P.O. Box 1301 Needville, Texas 77461

ARTICLE I.

PURPOSES

1.01 The corporation is organized for the purposes of transacting any and all lawful business for which non-profit corporations may be incorporated under the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act and to protect and promote the residential and recreational environment of all of Pecan Bend Subdivision through maintenance and enforcement of the property restrictions adopted for the development.

ARTICLE II.

OFFICES

- 2.01 <u>Principal Office.</u> The principal office of the corporation in the State of Texas shall be located in the City of Needville, County of Fort Bend. The corporation may have such other offices, either within or without the State of Texas, as the Board of Directors may determine or as the affairs of the corporation may require from time to time.
- 2.02 <u>Registered Office and Registered Agent.</u> The corporation shall have and continuously maintain in the State of Texas a registered office, and a registered agent whose office is identical with such registered office, as required by the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act. The registered office may be, but need not be, identical with the principal office of the corporation in the State of Texas, and the address of the registered office may be changed from time to time by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE III.

MEMBERS

- 3.01 <u>Members.</u> Membership in this organization shall be determined by the ownership of lots within Pecan Bend Subdivision as shown on the records of the Association.
- 3.02 <u>Voting Rights.</u> Each lot or tract shall be entitled to one (1) vote per acre contained within each such lot or tract; If any home site consists of less than one entire lot or

tract, then the word "lot" or "tract" as used within these bylaws and the restrictions shall mean such home site, not the entire lot or tract. Failure to report to the Board of Directors a transfer of ownership by the new owner shall cause the loss of all voting rights until reported.

- 3.03 <u>Termination of Membership</u>. Sale of any lot or tract shall terminate membership.
- 3.04 <u>Transfer of Membership</u>. Membership in this corporation is not transferable or assignable. Sale of the property to another shall however effect a transfer, provided however, such transfer of ownership is reported to the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IV.

MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

- 4.01 Regular Annual Meeting. An annual meeting of the members shall be held during the month of June each year at a date and time to be noticed by the Association, for the purpose of electing Directors and for the transaction of other business that may arise before the meeting. If the day fixed for the annual meeting shall be on a legal holiday in the State of Texas, such meeting shall be held on the next succeeding business day. If the election of Directors shall not be held on the day designated herein for any annual meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, the Board of Directors shall cause the election to be held at a special meeting of the members as soon thereafter as possible. The Secretary shall provide notice of said meeting as set forth in the Bylaws of Pecan Bend Property Owners Association, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as the "Association").
- 4.02 <u>Special Meeting</u>. Special meetings of the members may be called by the President, the Board of Directors, or not less than one-tenth of the Association members.
- 4.03 <u>Place of Meeting</u>. The Board of Directors may designate any place in Fort Bend County, Texas, or an adjacent county, as the place of meeting for any annual meeting or for any special meeting called by the Board of Directors. However, should all of the members meet at any time and place, either within the State, and consent to the holding of a meeting, such meeting shall be valid without call or notice, and at such meeting, any corporate action may be taken.
- 4.04 <u>Notice of Meetings</u>. Electronic and posted notice stating the place, day, hour, and general subject of any meeting of members, including a general description of any matter to be brought up for deliberation in executive session, shall be provided to all members not less than ten (10) nor more than fifty (50) days before the date of such meeting by or at the direction of the President, the Secretary, or the officers or persons calling the meeting. In case of a special meeting, or when required by statute or these bylaws, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called shall be stated in the notice. Said notice shall be posted at a conspicuous place in the community, to be determined by the Board of Directors. Notice will also be sent by email to Association members who have provided the Association with his or her email address.

It is an owner's duty to keep an updated email address registered with the property owner's association.

- 4.05 <u>Informal Action by Members</u>. Any action required by law to be taken at a meeting of the members or any action which may be taken at a meeting of the members may be taken without a meeting, if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by all of the members entitled to vote with respect to the subject matter thereof.
- 4.06 Quorum. The members holding ten percent (10%) of the votes which may be cast at any meeting shall constitute a quorum at such meeting. If a quorum is not present at any meeting of the members, the Board of Directors may adjourn the meeting and immediately recall the meeting without notice other than announcement at the original meeting, and the quorum requirement shall be half of the previous requirement at the reconvened meeting, until a quorum is present and represented.
- 4.07 <u>Proxies.</u> At any meeting of members, a member entitled to vote may vote by proxy executed in writing by the member or by his duly authorized attorney-in-fact. No proxy shall be valid after eleven (11) months from the date of its execution, unless otherwise provided in the proxy.
- 4.08 <u>Voting.</u> At all meetings except for the election of Officers and Directors, all votes shall be made orally. At any regular or special meeting, if a majority so requires, any question may be voted upon in the manner and style provided for election of Officers and Directors. For all votes by ballot, the chairman of such meeting shall immediately, prior to the commencement of balloting, appoint a committee of three who shall act as "Inspectors of Election" who shall, at the conclusion of such balloting, certify in writing to the Chairman the results. The certified copy shall be physically affixed in the minute book to the minutes of that meeting. No inspector of election shall be a candidate for office or shall be personally interested in the question voted upon.
- 4.09 <u>Voting by Absentee or Electronic Voting</u>. Where Directors or Officers are to be elected by members, such election may be conducted as a member present and voting by absentee ballot or electronic ballot for the purpose of establishing a quorum only for items appearing on the ballot. However, an absentee or electronic vote may not be counted on the final vote of a proposal if the motion was amended at the time of the meeting to read different from the exact wording on the absentee or electronic ballot. Further, should a member choose to thereafter attend a meeting to vote in person, any vote cast at a meeting supersedes any vote previously submitted by absentee or electronic ballot for that proposal. Absentee or electronic ballots shall contain each proposed action and must provide an opportunity to vote for or against each proposed action. Each ballot shall include instructions for delivery of the completed absentee ballot, including delivery location, and the ballot shall include the following language: "By casting your vote via absentee ballot, you will forgo the opportunity to consider and vote on any action from the floor on these proposals, if a meeting is held. This means that if there are amendments to these proposals, your votes will not be counted on the final vote on these measures. If you desire to retain this ability, please attend any meeting in person. You may

submit an absentee ballot and later choose to attend any meeting in person, in which case any inperson vote will prevail."

Any member desiring to submit his or her vote by absentee ballot shall submit a request to the Secretary of the Association no more than twenty (20) days before the date of the meeting, and no less than seven (7) days before said meeting. All absentee ballots must be received by the Secretary of the Association no later than three (3) days before the meeting to be valid.

For the purposes of this section, electronic ballot shall include ballots given by email. For the purposes of this section, absentee ballot shall include ballots given by mail in such a manner as the Board of Directors shall determine.

ARTICLE V.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

5.01	Roll Call.
5.02	Reading of the Minutes of the Preceding Meeting.
5.03	Reports of Committees.
5.04	Reports of Officers.
5.05	Old and Unfinished Business.
5.06	New Business.
5.07	Good and Welfare.
5.08	Adjournments.

ARTICLE VI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 6.01 <u>General Powers.</u> The affairs of corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors. At least one of the Directors shall be a resident of the State of Texas and a citizen of the United States.
- 6.02. <u>Functions of Board of Directors</u>. The Board of Directors shall perform the following functions: (a) act as representatives of the Association; (b) collect and expend, in the interest of the subdivision as a whole, the maintenance charges as created in the Declaration of Restrictions for Pecan Bend; (c) enforce, by appropriate legal proceedings the covenants and restrictions set out in the Declaration of Restrictions for Pecan Bend; (d) approve or reject plans

and specifications for improvements to be erected in Pecan Bend in the manner set out in the Declaration of Restrictions for Pecan Bend; (e) keep financial records with respect to maintenance charges collected, which records shall be available for inspection by any lot owner in Pecan Bend at all reasonable times; and, (f) do all other acts necessary to preserve, protect and promote the recreational and residential environment of Pecan Bend through maintenance and enforcement of the property restrictions.

- 6.03 Number, Tenure, and Qualifications. The number of Directors shall be five (5). Each Director shall hold office until the next annual meeting of members and until his successor shall have been elected and qualified.
- 6.04 <u>Regular Meetings</u>. A regular annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held without other notice than this bylaw, immediately after, and at the same place as, the annual meeting of members. The Board of Directors may provide by resolution the time and place, in Fort Bend County, Texas, or an adjacent county, for the holding of additional regular meetings of the Board without other notice than such resolution.
- 6.05 <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by or at the request of the President or any two Directors. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings of the Board may fix any place, in Fort Bend County, Texas, or an adjacent county, as the place for holding any special meetings of the Board called by them.
- 6.06 <u>Notice.</u> Notice of any special meeting of the Board of Directors shall be given at least five days previously thereto by electronic notice to each Director to the email address provided to the Association by the Directors. Notice of special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be provided to members of the Association by posting the meeting details at a conspicuous place in the community, to be determined by the Board of Directors no later than seventy-two (72) hours before the meeting is scheduled to begin.

Any Director may waive notice of any meeting. The attendance of a Director at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a Director attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any regular or special meeting of the Board need be specified in the notice or waiver of notice of such meeting, unless specifically required by law or by these bylaws.

Regular and special board meetings shall be open to all owners, subject to the right of the board to adjourn and reconvene the board meeting in closed executive session to consider actions involving personnel, pending or threatened litigation, contract negotiations, enforcement actions, confidential communications with the property owners' association's attorney, matters involving the invasion of privacy of individual owners, or matters that are to remain confidential by request of the affected parties and agreement of the board. Any decision made in an executive session shall be summarized orally and placed in the minutes, in general terms, without breaching the

privacy of individual owners, violating any privilege, or disclosing information that was to remain confidential at the request of affected parties. The oral summary shall include a general explanation of expenditures approved in the executive session.

- 6.07 Quorum. A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board; but if less than a majority of the Directors are present at said meeting, a majority of the Directors present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice.
- 6.08 <u>Manner of Acting</u>. The act of a majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors, unless the act of a greater number is required by law or by these bylaws. Each Director shall have one vote.
- 6.09 <u>Vacancies</u>. Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors and any directorship to be filled by reason of an increase in the number of Directors, shall be filled by the Board of Directors. A Director elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office.
- 6.10 <u>Compensation</u>. Directors as such shall not receive any stated salaries for their services, but by resolution of the Board of Directors a fixed sum and expenses of attendance, if any, may be allowed for attendance at each regular or special meeting of the Board; but nothing herein contained shall be construed to preclude any Director from serving the corporation in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefore.
- 6.11 <u>Informal Action by Directors</u>. Any action required by law to be taken at a meeting of Directors, or any action which may be taken at a meeting of Directors, may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing setting forth the action so taken shall be signed by all of the Directors.
- Removal of a Director. A Director may be removed when sufficient cause exists for such removal. The Board of Directors may entertain charges against any director. A director may be represented by counsel upon any removal hearing. The Board of Directors shall adopt such rules as it may in its discretion consider necessary for the best interests of the organization, for this hearing. However, should the board be presented with written, documented evidence from a database or other record maintained by a governmental law enforcement authority that a board member has been convicted or placed on deferred adjudication for a felony or crime involving moral turpitude, the board member is immediately ineligible to serve on the board of the property owners association, automatically considered removed from the board without a removal hearing, and prohibited from future service on the board.

ARTICLE VII.

SALARIES

7.01 The Board of Directors shall hire and fix the compensation of any and all employees which they in their discretion may determine to be necessary in the conduct of the business of this organization.

ARTICLE VIII.

OFFICERS

- 8.01 Officers. The Officers of the corporation shall be a President, one or more Vice Presidents (the number thereof to be determined by the Board of Directors), a Secretary, a Treasurer, and such other Officers as may be elected in accordance with the provisions of this Article. The Board of Directors may elect or appoint such other Officers, including one or more Assistant Secretaries and one or more Assistant Treasurers, as it shall deem desirable; such Officers to have the authority and perform the duties prescribed, from time to time, by the Board of Directors. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person, except the offices of President and Secretary. The President of the organization by virtue of his office shall be Chairman of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall select from one of their number a Secretary. Officers shall by virtue of their office be members of the Board of Directors. No officer shall for reason of his office be entitled to receive any salary or compensation, but nothing herein shall be construed to prevent an officer or director from receiving any compensation from the organization for duties other than as a director or officer.
- 8.02 <u>Election and Term of Office</u>. The Officers of the corporation shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors. If the election of Officers shall not be held at such meeting, such election shall be held as soon thereafter as conveniently may be. New offices may be created and filled at any meeting of the Board of Directors. Each officer shall hold office until his successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified.
- 8.03 Removal. Any officer elected or appointed by the Board of Directors may be removed by the Board of Directors whenever in its judgment the best interests of the corporation would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the officer so removed. Should the board be presented with written, documented evidence from a database or other record maintained by a governmental law enforcement authority that an officer or board member has been convicted or placed on deferred adjudication for a felony or crime involving moral turpitude, the board member shall be automatically considered removed from the board, and prohibited from future service on the board.
- 8.04 <u>Vacancies.</u> A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, disqualification or otherwise, may be filled by the Board of Directors for the unexpired portion of the term.

- 8.05 <u>President.</u> The President shall be the principal executive officer of the corporation and shall in general supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the corporation. He shall preside at all meetings of the members and of the Board of Directors. He may sign, with the Secretary or any other proper officer of the corporation authorized by the Board of Directors, any instruments which the Board of Directors have authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors, by these bylaws, or by statute to some other officer or agent of the corporation; and in general he shall perform all duties incident to the office of President and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.
- 8.06 <u>Vice President.</u> In the absence of the President, or in the event of his inability or refusal to act, the vice President (or in the event there be more than one Vice President, the Vice Presidents in order of their election) shall perform the duties of the President, and when so acting shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. Any Vice President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or Board of Directors.
- 8.07 Treasurer. If required by the Board of Directors, the Treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of his duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the Board of Directors shall determine. He shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the corporation; receive and give receipts for moneys due and payable to the corporation from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such moneys in the name of the corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as shall be selected in accordance with the provisions of Article VII of these bylaws; and in general perform all the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or by the Board of Directors.
- 8.08 Secretary. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the members and of the Board of Directors in one or more books provided for that purpose; give all notices in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws or as required by law; be custodian of the corporate records and of the seal of the corporation, and affix the seal of the corporation to all documents, the execution of which on behalf of the corporation under its seal is duly authorized in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws; keep a register of the post-office address of each member which shall be furnished to the Secretary by each member; and, in general, perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or by the Board of Directors.
- 8.09 <u>Assistant Treasurers and Assistant Secretaries.</u> If required by the Board of Directors, the Assistant Treasurers shall give bonds for the faithful discharge of their duties in such sums and with such sureties as the Board of Directors shall determine. The Assistant Treasurers and Assistant Secretaries in general shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to them by the Treasurer or the Secretary or by the President or the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX.

COMMITTEES

- 9.01 Committees of Directors. The Board of Directors, by resolution adopted by a majority of the Directors in office, may designate and appoint one or more committees, each of which shall consist of two or more Directors, which committees, to the extent provided in said resolution shall have and exercise the authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the corporation. However, no such committee shall have the authority of the Board of Directors in reference to amending, altering, or repealing the bylaws; electing, appointing, or removing any member of any such committee or any Director or officer of the corporation; amending the articles of incorporation; adopting a plan of merger or adopting a plan of consolidation with another corporation; authorizing the sale, lease, exchange, or mortgage of all or substantially all of the property and assets of the corporation; authorizing the voluntary dissolution of the corporation or revoking proceedings therefore; adopting a plan for the distribution of the assets of the corporation; or amending, altering, or repealing any resolution of the Board of Directors which by its terms provides that it shall not be amended, altered, or repealed by such committee. The designation and appointment of any such committee and the delegation thereto of authority shall not operate to relieve the Board of Directors, or any individual Director, of any responsibility imposed on it or him by law.
- 9.02 Other Committees. Other committees not having and exercising the authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the corporation may be designated by a resolution adopted by a majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present. Except as otherwise provided in such resolution, members of each such committee shall be members of the corporation, and the President of the corporation shall appoint the members thereof. Any members thereof may be removed by the person or persons authorized to appoint such member whenever in their judgment the best interests of the corporation shall be served by such removal.
- 9.03 Term of Office. Each member of a committee shall continue as such until the annual meeting of the members of the corporation and until his successor is appointed, unless the committee shall be sooner terminated, or unless such member be removed from such committee, or unless such member shall cease to qualify as a member thereof.
- 9.04 <u>Chairman</u>. One member of each committee shall be appointed chairman by the person or persons authorized to appoint the members thereof.
- 9.05 <u>Vacancies</u>. Vacancies in the membership of any committee may be filled by appointments made in the same manner as provided in the case of the original appointments.
- 9.06 Quorum. Unless otherwise provided in the resolution of the Board of Directors designating a committee, a majority of the whole committee shall constitute a quorum and the act of a majority of the members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the committee.

9.07 <u>Rules</u>. Each committee may adopt rules for its own government not inconsistent with these bylaws or with rules adopted by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE X.

CONTRACTS, CHECKS, DEPOSITS, AND FUNDS

- 10.01 <u>Contracts</u>. The Board of Directors may authorize any officer or Officers, agent or agents of the corporation, in addition to the Officers so authorized by these bylaws, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the corporation. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.
- 10.02 <u>Checks and Drafts</u>. All checks, drafts, or orders for the payment of money, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the corporation shall be signed by such officer or Officers, or agent or agents of the corporation, and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Board of Directors. In the absence of such determination by the Board of Directors, such instruments shall be signed by the Treasurer or an Assistant Treasurer and countersigned by the President or a Vice President of the corporation.
- 10.03 <u>Deposits</u>. All funds of the corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositaries as the Board of Directors may select.
- 10.04 <u>Gifts</u>. The Board of Directors may accept on behalf of the corporation any contribution, gift, bequest, or devise for the general purposes or for any special purpose of the corporation.

ARTICLE XI.

BOOKS AND RECORDS

11.01 The corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of account and shall also keep minutes of the proceedings of its members, Board of Directors, and committees having any of the authority of the Board of Directors, and shall keep at the registered or principal office a record giving the names and addresses of the Association members. All books and records of the corporation may be inspected by any member or his agent or attorney for any proper purpose at any reasonable time in accordance with the Association's Open Records Policy.

ARTICLE X.

FISCAL YEAR

12.01 The fiscal year of the corporation shall begin on the first day of January and end on the last day in December in each year.

ARTICLE XIII.

MAINTENANCE FEES

- 13.01 <u>Monthly Maintenance Fee</u>. The Board of Directors may determine from time to time the monthly fees payable to the Association by the members.
- 13.02 <u>Payment of Fees</u>. Fees shall be payable as set out in the restrictions filed under Volume 785, Page 230 (for Section I), and filed under Volume 794, Page 472, (for Section II), of the Deed Records of Fort Bend County, Texas, incorporated herein by reference for all purposes, copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibits A and B respectively, or as determined by the Association.

ARTICLE XIV.

<u>SEAL</u>

14.01 The Board of Directors shall provide a corporate seal, which shall be in the form of a circle and shall have inscribed thereon the name of the corporation and the words "PECAN BEND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.".

ARTICLE XV.

WAIVER OF NOTICE

15.01 Whenever any notice is required to be given under the provisions of the Texas non-Profit Corporation Act or under the provisions of the articles of incorporation or the bylaws of the corporation, a waiver thereof in writing, signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.

ARTICLE XVI.

AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS

16.01 These bylaws may be altered, amended, or repealed and new bylaws may be adopted by a majority of the Directors present at any regular meeting or at any special meeting. Notice of an intention to alter, amend, or repeal these bylaws or adopt new bylaws at

any regular or special meeting of the board of directors shall be provided by electronic notice at least five (5) days prior to said meeting. Within seventy-two (72) hours of the meeting, notice shall be posted at a conspicuous place within the community, to be determined by the board of directors.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is the form of Bylaws adopted by unanimous written consent of the Directors of the Corporation on May 18, 2015.

CAROLYN JONES, SECRETARY