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Dated: _	October	20	, 2021
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Certified to be the initial Rules adopted by the Executive Board on its date of organization

WILLOW BROOK ESTATES OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

By: Anthony M. Valenti, its President

# WARRANTY DEED

KNOW YE, THAT NEWPORT WILLOW BROOK PARTNERS LLC a limited

liability company organized and existing under the laws of the State of Connecticut with a place of business in the Town of Southington, County of Hartford and State of
Connecticut
for the consideration of (\$) dollars received to its full satisfaction of
of the Town of, County of
and State of does give,
grant, bargain, sell and confirm unto the said
, and his heirs and assigns forever
that certain piece or parcel of real property with all the appurtenances thereto located in
the Town of Plainville/Farmington, County of Hartford and State of Connecticut,
known as UNIT NO as described in the Declaration of Planned Community for
WILLOW BROOK ESTATES, A PLANNED COMMUNITY by Newport Willow Brook
Partners LLC dated, 2021 and recorded, 2021 in the
Plainville and Farmington Land Records, as amended from time to time.
The location of said Unit and the premises upon which it is located are more
particularly shown and described on a certain map entitled "Schedule A-3 AS-BUILT
MAP FOR DECLARATION OF UNITWILLOW BROOK ESTATES, A PLANNED
COMMUNITY Sheet 1 of 2 and Sheet 2 of 2 for (Newport Willow Brook Partners LLC
265 Unionville Avenue Plainville, CT & 8677 Plainville Avenue Farmington, CT, CT
Scale: 1" = 40' Date: October 8, 2021Revised to: KJA file No.:220-076 Drawing
No.: A-3.2" by Kratzert, Jones & Associates, Inc. civil engineers land surveyors site
planners building engineers P.O. Box 337 1755 Meriden-Waterbury Rd. Milldale, CT
06467-0337", which map is to be recorded in the Plainville and Farmington Land
Records.

The premises are also hereby conveyed together with the subject to the terms, conditions, agreements, obligations, and easements contained in the Declaration as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time. By acceptance of this deed, the Grantee(s), his heirs, administrators, successors and assigns also hereby expressly assume and agree to be bound by and to comply with all of the terms, conditions agreements, obligations and easements as set forth in the Declaration, Bylaws, and Rules of Muirfield Estates Homeowners Association, Inc. and Exhibits thereto as they

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### SAID PREMISES ARE CONVEYED SUBJECT TO:

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- 3. The Declaration, as amended from time to time; and
- 4. Easements, restrictions, notes, rights and agreements which appear in the Declaration and/or as shown on the aforementioned Map, as amended.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above granted and bargained premises, with the appurtenances thereof, unto her the said Grantee and his heirs and assigns forever; and to their own proper use and behoof. And also, it, the said Grantor, does for itself, its successors and assigns, covenant with the said Grantee, and his heirs and assigns, that at and until the ensealing of these presents, it is well seized of the premises, as a good indefeasible estate in FEE SIMPLE; and has good right to bargain and sell same in manner and form as is above written and that the same is free from all encumbrances whatsoever, except as hereinbefore mentioned.

AND FURTHERMORE, it, the said Grantor, does by these presents bind itself and its successors and assigns forever to **WARRANT AND DEFEND** the above granted and bargained premises to them, the said Grantee and her heirs and assigns, against all claims and demands whatsoever, except as hereinbefore mentioned.

	OF, Newport Willow Brook Partners LLC has caused this Mark Lovley, Managing Member, duly authorized, this 2022.
Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of:	NEWPORT WILLOW BROOK PARTNERS LLC
Richard M. Bailey	By: Mark Lovley, its Member-Manager, duly authorized

STATE OF CONNECTICUT }	
} ss. Southington	, 202_
COUNTY OF HARTFORD }	
Personally appeared Mark Lovley, Mer Partners LLC, as aforesaid, signer and se acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed of said limited liability company, before	deed as such officer and the free act and
	Richard M. Bailey
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	Commissioner of the Superior Court

# Willow Brook Estates A PLANNED COMMUNITY

# 265 Unionville Avenue-Plainville and 8677 Plainville Avenue-Farmington Initial Annual Operating Budget

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REVENUE:	<u>N</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Annual</u>
Common Charges per Unit	\$	198.50	\$ 2,382.00
TOTAL REVENUE (20 UNITS)			\$ 47,640.00
EXPENSES:			
Liability / Hazard / HOA Insurance	\$	55.58	\$ 667.00
Director & Officer Insurance	\$	27.75	\$ 333.00
Association-Crime Coverage	\$	13.92	\$ 167.00
Electricity - Lighting	\$	66.67	\$ 800.00
Water and Fire Hydrant	\$	70.83	\$ 850.00
Trash and Recycling	\$	540.58	\$ 6,487.00
Asphalt, Curbs and Sidewalk Repairs	\$	125.00	\$ 1,500.00
Snow and Ice Management	\$	1,166.67	\$ 14,000.00
Landscape - Ongoing Maintenance	\$	1,250.00	\$ 15,000.00
Clerical Services Fee	\$	500.00	\$ 6,000.00
Accounting	\$	123.75	\$ 1,485.00
Annual Tax Preparation	\$	29.17	\$ 350.00
TOTAL COMMON EXPENSES	\$	3,969.92	\$ 47,639.00
COMMON CHARGES PER UNIT	\$	198.50	\$ 2,382.00

Prepared by: Anthony M. Valenti, Member - Newport Willow Brook Partners LLC

# WILLOW BROOK ESTATES OWNERS ASSOCIATION INC. WILLOWBROOK ESTATES, A PLANNED COMMUNITY STATUTORY PROVISIONS – COMMON INTEREST OWNERSHIP ACT

#### **COLLECTION POLICY**

The Connecticut Common Interest Ownership Act ("The Act"), codified at C.G.S. Section 47-258, provides for a Statutory Limited Lien for unpaid common expenses. The lien is prior in right to a first mortgage and a second mortgage for only nine (9) months of common charges. In all other respects the lien is a priority lien against all other liens or monetary encumbrances against a unit. The priority lien also includes court costs, title search costs and attorney's fees. The priority lien does not include special assessments.

Both the Connecticut Law and the Documents provide that each unit owner is responsible for all costs and expenses incurred by the association in collecting unpaid common charges including reasonable attorney's fees, sheriff's fees, title search fees, appraisal fees and court fees which are typically incurred in situations where a foreclosure action is initiated in order to collect such unpaid common charges.

The major concern with the statutory lien is that the Association is protected by this priority for only nine (9) months of common expenses if there is a mortgage on the Unit.

The relatively short nine (9) month priority period means that the Association should refer an unpaid Unit Account to an Attorney for collection when more than two (2) months of unpaid common expenses have accrued on the Unit Account. A typical collection proceeding, including a court foreclosure of the Association's lien when necessary, typically takes five to seven months or more to complete. There exists a likelihood of a loss to the Association in every situation where a foreclosure action is required in order to recover common expenses. Many foreclosures are not typical and can take far more time if a unit owner or lien holders can not be located or if a bankruptcy petition is filed. It is critical to begin collection proceedings not later than the third month of default on payment of common charges.

Section 47-258 of the Act empowers the Association to foreclose its lien on a unit in order to collect unpaid assessments. The amendments add a new Subsection 47-258(m) to the Act. Subsection 47-258(m) sets out the following new requirements that must be met before the Association can begin a foreclosure action:

- A. The outstanding balance owed by the unit owner must equal at least two months of common expense assessments under the current annual budget;
- B. The Association must make a written demand for payment, either by hard copy or electronically; and
- C. The board must specifically vote to begin a foreclosure against the unit, or adopt a standard policy that provides for foreclosure against the unit.

# STANDARD COLLECTION POLICY INCLUDING WHEN FORECLOSURE IS AUTHORIZED

- 1. It is the responsibility of each unit owner to pay all common charges, assessments, fines and other charges imposed on the Unit Account when such payments are due. There is no legal requirement that the Association send a monthly statement or any other notice when charges are due except in situations where there is a change in the amount of the monthly common charges or in similar situations. The Association mailings of statements, overdue statements or final warning letters are a matter of convenience only. There is no legal requirement to send such notices and the failure of the Association to send such notices and/or the non-receipt of such notices by a unit owner does not constitute a legal excuse to not pay such charges when due. It is the responsibility of each unit owner to contact the Association with any questions as to the amount owed on a Unit Account.
- 2. All amounts received from a unit owner shall be applied to the oldest unpaid amount as shown on the Unit Account Statement. There shall be a late charge in the amount of \$25.00 per month. The late charge will be imposed on the fifteenth (15th) calendar day of each month if there is any amount unpaid on the Unit Account as of the fifteenth (15th) day of each calendar month, provided, however, no late charge shall be imposed for any month in which the unit owner makes a payment of not less than the amount due for said month and said payment is made on or before the fifteenth (15th) day of the month.
- 3. The property manager shall refer a Unit Account to the Association's attorney for legal collection proceedings when the amount unpaid on a Unit Account is greater than two (2) months of monthly common charges and/or two (2) months have passed without receipt of a payment from the unit owner.
- 4. The attorney for the Association is required to make a written demand for payment, either by hard copy or electronically prior to beginning a foreclosure. The

said written demand shall include a proposed payment plan that the Association will accept. A foreclosure action may not be commenced unless the unit owner fails to accept the payment plan or the unit owner does accept the payment plan but fails to make payments in accordance with the payment plan. The attorney notice will include notice required by the Fair Debt Collection Act and request that the unit owner pay the Unit Account in full or the unit owner may accept a payment plan as proposed the Association.

- 5. The first attorney letter shall contain a thirty (30) day notice period before a foreclosure may be commenced. If the unit owner contacts the attorney and requests verification of the amount of unpaid common expenses every reasonable effort is made to research the account and provide written verification of the amount of unpaid common expenses without additional charge to the unit owner. Once the debt is verified, the unit owner is provided an opportunity to present a payment plan if the unit owner is not able to pay that account in full at one time. The policy of the Association is to accept a payment plan provided that the payment plan (1) is in writing; (2) requires payment of the current monthly common expenses and assessments, if any that are due; and (3) an additional monthly payment towards the arrearage in an amount sufficient to satisfy the Unit Account arrearage and bring the Unit Account current within six (6) month time period. For example, the minimum payment in any payment plan will be the amount due for the current month and an equal amount towards the arrearage or a double payment for each month of the plan. In addition the payment plan must be completed within six (6) months of the date of the first written demand for payment to the unit owner. The date of written demand is the date that the letter is sent to the unit owner. All such notices or letters concerning payment shall be deemed received two (2) business days from the date sent. In extreme situations the payment plan may be modified provided the payment plan is in writing and there is no dispute as to the amount owed. In all cases, the payment plan includes a provision that the unit owner will be responsible for all common charges, late charges, assessments, attorney's fees and costs of collection.
- 6. Once an account is referred to an attorney for collection, the Association requires the unit owner to deal directly with the attorney's office until the account is paid current. Any checks or payments received by the Association directly from a unit owner will be delivered to the attorney's office. The attorney's office will decide on a case by case basis whether to accept the check on account or return the check to the unit owner. If a check is accepted on account the check is delivered to the Association and a new letter is sent to the unit owner with an updated unit account statement itemizing the amounts paid and unpaid and again requesting that the unit owner pay the account in full or contact the attorney's office and propose a payment plan acceptable to the

Association. The property manager shall not communicate with unit owner(s) concerning unit accounts that have been referred to an attorney for collection, but shall refer all unit owner contact to the attorney for review and response until the account is current and the attorney's file is closed.

7. STANDARD POLICY WHEN FORECLOSURE IS AUTHORIZED. In situations where the unit owner does not contact the attorney and/or the unit owner fails to sign a payment plan and/or a payment plan is accepted by the unit owner but the unit owner fails to make payments in accordance with the payment plan, a foreclosure action will be commenced. Every record owner of the condominium unit and any party owning a record interest in the unit (examples: holders or mortgages and/or judgment liens) is required to be named as a defendant and served a copy of the foreclosure complaint.

In situations where a foreclosure has been commenced, a unit owner may propose a payment plan but any such payment plan will be subject to approval of the Association. There is not a standard payment plan and there is no guaranty that any payment plan will be accepted once a foreclosure has been commenced.

It is the policy of the Association to aggressively pursue foreclosure actions once commenced and make every effort to complete a foreclosure action within five or seven months. If this time period is achieved, there is minimal risk that the Association will lose common charges. The Association will not recover the common charges for time periods exceeding a nine (9) month priority period.

In many situations, it is not possible to complete a foreclosure in the seven (7) month time period because one or more defendants may file bankruptcy and/or one or more defendants cannot be located, or a number of other reasons.

8. In some situations there may be a second foreclosure against the same unit commenced by a Bank or other party such as the owner of Municipal Tax Liens. In such cases, the Association must participate and defend the position of the Association throughout the case. In bank foreclosure situations, the Association will send a letter to the bank requesting a nine (9) month priority payment of common expenses together with all costs incurred by the Association in connection with the unit account. Said letter includes a notice that the foreclosing party is responsible for payment of common expenses for time periods following the date that the title vests in the foreclosing bank.

In situations where the Condominium foreclosure is completed, a notice is sent to the owner of the first priority mortgage. Said notice contains an itemization of all

amounts required to be paid by the mortgage holder in order to redeem the unit on its law day and said notice also contains a statement that current condominium charges must be paid from the date that the title vests in the redeeming party.

- 9. Once a unit Account is collected in full or is collected to the fullest extent possible under Connecticut law, the Unit Account is deemed Paid Current and returned to the Management Company-Association.
- 10. In situations where an account is in collection and a check/payment is received from the unit owner, the attorney for the Association may endorse the check as agent for the Association for purposes of depositing the check into the attorney's client's trustee account and making disbursements in accordance with this Collection Policy and in accordance with the retainer agreement between the Association and the attorney.
- 11. All amounts paid by a unit owner shall be applied in the oldest amounts shown on the unit account statement. Generally, the following order shall be used, but the Association and/or the attorney for the Association shall have discretion to apply unit owner payments other than the general order.
- i. Payment of the oldest amount of unpaid common expenses and/or assessments on the unit account;
  - ii. Payment of late charges and/or interest;
  - iii. Payment of other amounts due the Association;
- iv. Payment of legal fees and disbursements incurred in connection with the collection and/or foreclosure;
  - v. Payment of fines.

In situations where the only amount outstanding on the Unit Account statement are fines, the Association shall not begin a foreclosure unless as a pre-condition the Association first obtains a civil judgment against the unit owner and then files a judgment lien against the unit on the land records.

In situations where the unit owner account includes amounts owed to the Association for damages to Association property and/or required maintenance pursuant to the Condominium Documents, all such amounts shall be the same as common charges.

This Collection Policy shall be a standard policy and the Association hereby authorizes commencement of foreclosure against unit provided that all provisions of this Collection Policy have been followed before commencement of a foreclosure.

WILLOWBROOK ESTATES OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Approved by the Board of Directors on this 2011.

By: Anthony M. Valenti, its President