# BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT



## MEETING AGENDA

SEPTEMBER 3, 2024

## PREPARED BY:

JPWARD & ASSOCIATES, LLC, 2301 NORTHEAST 37<sup>th</sup> STREET, FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33308

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## BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

August 27, 2024

**Board of Supervisors** 

Belmont Lakes Community Development District

**Dear Board Members:** 

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District will be held on **Tuesday, September 3, 2024,** at **6:30 P.M.** in the Community Room at **Shenandoah Park, 14452 Shenandoah Parkway, Davie, Florida 33325**.

The following Webex link and telephone number are provided to join/watch the meeting remotely: <a href="https://districts.webex.com/districts/j.php?MTID=m6bea557308f12a3925e99c8f61c34a71">https://districts.webex.com/districts/j.php?MTID=m6bea557308f12a3925e99c8f61c34a71</a>
Access Code: 2335 163 1721, Event Password: Jpward

Phone: **408-418-9388** and enter the access code **2335 163 1721,** password: **Jpward** (**579274** from phones) to join the meeting.

The Public is provided two opportunities to speak during the meeting. The first time is on each agenda item, and the second time is at the end of the agenda, on any other matter not on the agenda. These are limited to three (3) minutes and individuals are permitted to speak on items not included in the agenda.

## **Agenda**

- 1. Call to Order & Roll Call.
- 2. Notice of Advertisement of Regular Meeting.
- 3. Consideration of **Resolution 2024-5**, a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors retaining JPWard & Associates, LLC, as the District Manager.
- 4. Consideration of Resolution 2024-6, a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Belmont Lakes Community Development District terminating the services of MUNILYTICS, INC. for services provided to Belmont Lakes Community Development District effective immediately and authorizing the transfer of the District's documents to JPWard & Associates, LLC, to be

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- accomplished by September 5, 2024.; providing for conflict; providing for severability; and providing an effective date.
- 5. Consideration of **Resolution 2024-7**, a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors designating certain officers of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District.
- Consideration of Resolution 2024-8, a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors designating the Registered Agent, designating the office of the Registered Agent, and designation of the office of record for the Belmont Lakes Community Development District.
- 7. Consideration of **Resolution 2024-9**, a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors setting forth the policy regarding the support and legal defense of the Board of Supervisors and District officers.
- 8. Consideration of **Resolution 2024-10**, a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors adopting an electronic records policy and policy on the use of electronic signatures.
- Consideration of Resolution 2024-11, a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors designating a
  Qualified Public Depository pursuant to Chapter 280 Florida Statutes, authorizing signatories on
  the account, authorizing the number of the signatories on the qualified depository account.
- 10. Consideration of **Resolution 2024-12**, a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors providing for the Public's opportunity to be heard, designating a public comment period, designating a procedure to identify individual seeking to be heard, addressing public decorum, addressing exceptions.
- 11. Consideration of **Resolution 2024-13**, a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors designating the Regular Meeting dates, time, and location for Fiscal Year 2025. The proposed meeting schedule will be for the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 P.M. in the Community Room at Shenandoah Park, 14452 Shenandoah Parkway, Davie Florida 33325.
- 12. Consideration of Resolution 2024-14, a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, designating the date, time, and location for the Landowners Meeting for Thursday, December 19, 2024, at 6:30 P.M., in the Community Room at Shenandoah Park, 14452 Shenandoah Parkway, Davie Florida 33325.
- 13. Consideration of **Resolution 2024-15**, a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors adopting the Alternative Investment Guidelines for Investing Public Funds in excess of amount needed to meet current operating expenses, in accordance with Section 218.415(17), Florida Statutes.

## FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET MATTERS

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14. Consideration of Resolution 2024-16, a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors approving the Fiscal Year 2025 Proposed Budget for and setting a Public Hearing for Thursday, October 17, 2024, at 6:30 p.m., Community Room at Shenandoah Park, 14452 Shenandoah Parkway, Davie Florida 33325.

- 15. Staff Reports.
  - I. District Manager.
    - i. Memo on Changes to Florida Law and Ethic Training.
    - ii. Important Board Meeting Dates for Balance of Fiscal Year 2024.
      - 1) Public Hearings Approval of Budget Fiscal Year 2025, October 17, 2024.
      - 2) Landowners Election December 19, 2024 (Seats 3,4, and 5).
- 16. Supervisor's Requests.
- 17. Public Comments: Public comment period is for items NOT listed on the agenda, and comments are limited to three (3) minutes per person and assignment of speaking time is not permitted; however, the Presiding Officer may extend or reduce the time for the public comment period consistent with Section 286.0114, Florida Statutes.
- 18. Adjournment

## Staff Review

The first order of business is the call to order and roll call.

The second order of business is Notice of Advertisement of the Regular Meeting.

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## ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS OF THE DISTRICT

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The third order of business is the consideration of **Resolution 2024-5**, a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors retaining JPWard & Associates, LLC, as the District Manager.

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The fourth order of business is the consideration of **Resolution 2024-6**, , a Resolution of the Board Of Supervisors of Belmont Lakes Community Development District terminating the services of MUNILYTICS, INC. for services provided to Belmont Lakes Community Development District effective immediately and authorizing the transfer of the District's documents to JPWard & Associates, LLC, to be accomplished by September 5, 2024.; providing for conflict; providing for severability; and providing an effective date.

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The fifth order of business deals with updating the officers of the District, to remove Christopher Wallace/Munilyticz from any officer position and replacing with James P. Ward. Towards this end, James P. Ward will serve as Treasurer and Secretary of the Board, the Chairman is Dominick Madeo, Vice Chairman is Carlos Benhamu, Assistant Secretaries, are Joe Capuozzo, Annette Buckley-Correa, and Tom Pacchioli.

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The sixth order of business deals with the designation of a registered agent, registered office and office of record for the District. The registered agent and registered office is recommended to be James P. Ward and the office of JPWard and Associates, LLC. Although the registered agent is for service of process in the event of litigation, the registered agent primarily fills an administrative role for routine mailings from the State and/or public records requests.

The seventh order of business is the consideration of Resolution 2024-9, which sets forth that the District will support and defend the Board and Staff of the District in the event of litigation and a Member is sued individually. This Resolution permits the District Staff to begin work on any litigation matters prior to the next Board Meetings.

The eighth order of business is the consideration of Resolution 2024-10, a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors adopting an electronic records policy and policy on the use of electronic signatures. The office of the District Manager is responsible for maintaining all public records of the District, which is accomplished through electronic retention of District Documents.

The nineth order of business consideration of Resolution 2024-11, which deals with the change is the qualified depository to hold the general funds of the District. The District Manager is recommending Truist, simply due to the fact that a majority of our CDD's bank with Truist, and this provides a more efficient operating environment for the District. This bank account will hold only the operating funds of the District.

The tenth order of business is the consideration of Resolution 2024-12, a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors providing for the Public's opportunity to be heard, designating a public comment period, designating a procedure to identify individual seeking to be heard, addressing public decorum, addressing exceptions.

Speakers shall be permitted to address any agenda item during the agenda item, but after staff presentation and board comment on the item, and on non-agenda matter(s) of personal or general concern, during the Public Comment Period. The public comment period is limited to three (3) minutes per person. In the event large groups of individuals desire to speak, the Presiding Officer may require each group to designate a representative to speak on behalf of such group, with all remarks being addressed to the Board as a body and not to any specific member or to any staff member. The Presiding Officer may extend or reduce the time for the public comment period consistent with Section 286.0114, Florida Statutes

The eleventh order of business of **Resolution 2024-13**, a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors designating the Regular Meeting dates, time, and location for Fiscal Year 2024. To the extent that the District has a regular meeting schedule, the District is required to advertise this schedule (legal advertisement) on a periodic basis at the beginning of the Fiscal Year. The proposed meeting schedule is for the Thursday of each month at 6:30 P.M. in the Community Room at Shenandoah Park, 14452 Shenandoah Parkway, Davie Florida 33325.

## The Fiscal Year 2025 schedule is as follows:

| October 17, 2024  | November 21, 2024  |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| December 19, 2024 | January 16, 2025   |
| February 20, 2025 | March 20, 2025     |
| April 17, 2025    | May 15, 2025       |
| June 19, 2025     | July 17, 2025      |
| August 21, 2025   | September 18, 2025 |

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The twelfth order of business of Resolution 2024-14, a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors designating a date, time, and location for a Landowners meeting and election; providing for publication and establishing forms for the Landowners election. The date, time and location for the Landowners election is Thursday, December 19, 2024, at 6:30 P.M., in the Community Room at Shenandoah Park, 14452 Shenandoah Parkway, Davie Florida 33325. The Statute requires the District to set the date, time and location of a Landowner's meeting 90 days in advance of the meeting, as such, in order to meet this requirement.

The thirteenth order of business order of business is the consideration of **Resolution 2024-15**, a Resolution of Board of Supervisors, adopting the Alternative Investment Guidelines for Investing Public Funds in excess of amount needed to meet current operating expenses, in accordance with Section 218.415(17), Florida Statutes.

Section 218.415, Florida Statutes requires the District to adopt investment guidelines for its general fund operations or in the alternative utilize the provisions of Section 218.415(17) for investments. The Section only relates to any general funds of the District and not to any bond funds held as a result of the issuance of Bonds. Generally, the dollar value of funds that a District would hold is relatively small enough that the alternative investment instruments outlined in the Statute are more than sufficient for the District. This selection will not affect the investment of any funds held in trust when the District issues Bonds. The Bond Indenture will outline the permitted investments for those funds only.

The fourteenth order of business is the consideration of **Resolution 2024-16**, a Resolution of Board of Supervisors, approving the Fiscal Year 2025 Proposed Budget and sets a Public Hearing for Thursday, November 21, 2024, at 6:30 p.m., Community Room at Shenandoah Park, 14452 Shenandoah Parkway, Davie Florida 33325.

The District's enabling legislation requires the District Manager to submit a Proposed Budget to the Board by June 15th of each year for your review and approval. The approval of the budget is only intended to permit the District to move through the process towards adopting the budget at a Public Hearing scheduled for Thursday, October 17, 2024, at 6:30 p.m., Community Room at Shenandoah Park, 14452 Shenandoah Parkway, Davie Florida 33325.

It will be important to note that prior to the public hearing, we will have already certified the assessment rates to the Property Appraiser/Tax Collector to insure that the CDD's assessments will be on property owner's tax bills, this November, as such, the Board must approve the Budget at this meeting. We can

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always change the line item costs, after the September meeting, but will not be able to change the assessment rate.

The fifteenth order of business are staff reports, the District Manager will report on (i) Legislative Updates, (ii) the remainder of the Fiscal Year 2024/2025 meeting schedule.

If you have any questions and/or comments before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact me directly by phoning (954) 658-4900.

Sincerely yours,

**Belmont Lakes Community Development District** 

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James P. Ward **District Manager** 

## **SUN-SENTINEL**

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Signature of Affiant

Sworn to and subscribed before me this: August 26, 2024.

Signature of Notary Public

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My Commission HH 500022
Expires 4/27/2028

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Name of Notary, Typed, Printed, or Stamped Personally Known (X) or Produced Identification ( )

Affidavit Delivery Method: E-Mail
Affidavit Email Address: coridissinger@jpwardassociates.com
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## **SUN-SENTINEL**

## NOTICE OF MEETING BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District (the "District") will hold a Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, September 3, 2024 at 6:30 P.M. in the Community Room at Shenandoah Park, 14452 Shenandoah Parkway, Davie, Florida 33325.

The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida Law for Community Development Districts. The agenda will be posted on the District's website at www.BelmontLakescdd.org.

The meeting may be cancelled or continued to a date, time and location specified on the record at the meeting.

If any person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at these board meetings, such person will need a record of the proceedings, and such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made at their own expense and which record includes the testimony and evidence on which the appeal is based.

Dominick Madeo, Chairman Belmont Lakes Community Development District

8/25/2024 7687059

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DESIGNATING THE FIRM OF JPWARD & ASSOCIATES, LLC, AS DISTRICT MANAGER AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND INVALID PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

## **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, the Belmont Lakes Community Development District ("District") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, being situated entirely within Broward County, Florida; and

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Supervisors of the District ("Board") must employ and provide compensation of a "District Manager;" and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District pursuant to Chapter 190.007, *Florida Statutes*, desires to appoint the firm of JPWard & Associates, LLC, as District Manager, and to compensate in the same manner prescribed in the management services advisory agreement, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit "A".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

- **SECTION 1. APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT MANAGER**. JPWARD & Associates, LLC, is hereby appointed District Manager.
- **SECTION 2. AUTHORIZATION OF COMPENSATION**. JPWARD & Associates, LLC, shall be compensated for their services in such capacity in the manner prescribed in the management services advisory agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit "A."
- **SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY AND INVALID PROVISIONS.** If any one of the covenants, agreements or provisions herein contained shall be held contrary to any express provision of law or contract to the policy of express law, but not expressly prohibited or against public policy, or shall for any reason whatsoever be held invalid, then such covenants, agreements or provisions shall be null and void and shall be deemed separable from the remaining covenants, agreements or provisions and shall in no way effect the validity of the other provisions hereof.
- **SECTION 4. CONFLICT.** That all Sections or parts of Sections of any Resolutions, Agreements, or actions of the Board of Supervisors in conflict are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.
- **SECTION 5. PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage.

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DESIGNATING THE FIRM OF JPWARD & ASSOCIATES, LLC, AS DISTRICT MANAGER AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND INVALID PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District, Broward County, Florida, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2024.

| ATTEST:                  | BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT |
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| James P. Ward, Secretary | Dominick Madeo, Chairperson                  |
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THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2024, by and between the Belmont Lakes Community Development District, hereinafter referred to as "DISTRICT", and the firm of *JPWARD and Associates, LLC*, hereinafter referred to as "MANAGER", whose address is 2301 N.E. 37<sup>th</sup> Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33308.

## WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the DISTRICT desires to employ the services of the MANAGER for the purpose of providing management, financial and accounting services for the Belmont Lakes Community Development District, as required to meet the needs of the District during the contract period; and

WHEREAS, the MANAGER desires to assist the DISTRICT with such matters,

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements expressed herein the parties agree as follows:

- 1. The DISTRICT hereby engages the MANAGER for the services and fees described in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.
- 2. The DISTRICT agrees to compensate the MANAGER in accordance with the fee schedule set forth in Exhibit A, which amount shall be payable in equal monthly installments at the beginning of each month and may be amended as evidenced by the budget adopted by the Board or at the issuance of Bonds. In addition, the DISTRICT agrees to compensate MANAGER for reimbursable expenses incurred during the course of performance of this contract, including, but not limited to, out-of-pocket expenses for travel, express mail, computerized research, word processing charges, long distance telephone, postage, photocopying, courier and computer services.
- 3. Subject to the provisions for termination as set forth below, the term of this Agreement shall begin on September 3, 2024 The Agreement may be terminated as follows:
  - a) upon notice by the DISTRICT for "good cause", which shall include misfeasance, malfeasance, nonfeasance or dereliction of duties by MANAGER, unless Paragraph "C" of this section applies.
  - b) upon the dissolution or court-declared invalidity of the DISTRICT; or
  - c) by either party, for any reason, upon 60 days written notice provided; however, should this Agreement be terminated, MANAGER will take all reasonable and necessary actions to transfer all the books and records of the DISTRICT in his possession in an orderly fashion to the DISTRICT or its designee.
- 4. The MANAGER shall devote such time as is necessary to complete the duties and responsibilities assigned to the MANAGER under this Agreement.

- 5. The signature on this Agreement by the MANAGER shall act as the execution of a truth-innegotiation certificate certifying that the wage rates and costs used to determine the compensation provided for in the Agreement are accurate, complete and current as of the date of this Agreement.
- 6. The MANAGER represents that it presently has no interest and shall acquire no interest, either direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner with the performance of services required hereunder, as provided for in the standard set forth in Section 112.311, Florida Statutes. The MANAGER further represents that no person having any interest shall be employed for said performance.
- 7. The MANAGER shall promptly notify the DISTRICT in writing by certified mail of all potential conflicts of interest for any prospective business association, interest or other circumstance which may influence or appear to influence the MANAGER'S judgment or quality of services being provided hereunder. Such written notification shall identify the prospective business association, interest or circumstance, the nature of work that the MANAGER may undertake and request an opinion of the DISTRICT as to whether the association, interest or circumstance would, in the opinion of the DISTRICT, constitute a conflict of interest if entered into by the MANAGER. The DISTRICT agrees to notify the MANAGER of its opinion by certified mail within thirty (30) days of receipt of notification by the MANAGER. If, in the opinion of the DISTRICT, the prospective business association, interest or circumstance would not constitute a conflict of interest by the MANAGER, the DISTRICT shall so state in its opinion and the association, interest, or circumstance shall not be deemed in conflict of interest with respect to services provided to the DISTRICT by the MANAGER under the terms of this Contract. This Agreement does not prohibit the MANAGER from performing services for any other special purpose taxing DISTRICT, and such assignment shall not constitute a conflict of interest under this Agreement.
- 8. The MANAGER warrants and represents that all of its employees are treated equally during employment without regard to race, color, physical handicap, religion, sex, age or national origin.
- 9. The MANAGER hereby represents and warrants that it has and will continue to conduct its business activities in a professional manner and that all services shall be performed by skilled and competent personnel to the highest professional standards.
- 10. The DISTRICT acknowledges that the MANAGER is not an attorney and may not render legal advice or opinions. Although the MANAGER may participate in the accumulation of information necessary for use in documents required by the DISTRICT in order to finalize any particular matters, such information shall be verified by the DISTRICT as to its correctness; provided, however, that the DISTRICT shall not be required to verify the correctness of any

information originated by the MANAGER or the correctness of any information originated by the MANAGER which the MANAGER has used to formulate its opinions and advice given to the DISTRICT.

11. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Florida. Any and all legal action necessary to enforce the Agreement will be held in Charlotte County. No remedy herein conferred upon any party is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy and each and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or by statute or otherwise. No single or partial exercise by any party of any right, power, or remedy hereunder shall preclude any other or further exercise thereof.

In any action brought by either party for the enforcement of the obligations of the other party, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorney's fees.

12. All notices required in this Agreement shall be sent by U.S. Mail, Overnight Service, such as Federal Express or such other service as may be available for overnight delivery or by electronic mail (e-mail), and if sent to the DISTRICT shall be sent to:

Belmont Lakes Community Development District
Attention: Mr. Dominick Madeo
Chairman, Board of Supervisor's
2301 Northeast 37<sup>th</sup> Street
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33308
954-658-4900

| With a copy to:  |
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| District Counsel |
| Attention:       |
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And if sent to the MANAGER: JPWard and Associates LLC

Attention: Mr. James P. Ward
2301 N.E. 37<sup>th</sup> Street

Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33308

Either party may change the address for notice purposes pursuant to this Agreement by sending notice to the address noted herein or such other address if the parties address has been changed subsequent to the date of this Agreement.

- 13. The foregoing terms and conditions constitute the entire Agreement between the parties hereto and any representation not contained herein shall be null and void and no force and effect. Further this Agreement may be amended only in writing upon mutual consent of the parties hereto.
- 14. No amendments and/or modifications of this Agreement shall be valid unless in writing and signed by each of the parties. This agreement shall be automatically renewable each Fiscal Year of the DISTRICT, unless otherwise terminated by either party. The DISTRICT will consider price adjustments each twelve (12) month period to compensate for market conditions and the anticipated type and amount of work to be performed during the next twelve (12) month period. Such evidence of price adjustments will be approved by the DISTRICT in its adopted Fiscal Year Budget.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District has made and executed this Contract on behalf of the DISTRICT and the MANAGER have each, respectively, by an authorized person or agent, hereunder set their hands and seals on the date and year first above written.

| Signed and Sealed In the presence of: | BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMEN |
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|                                       | DISTRICT  |
| James P. Ward, Secretary              | , Chairman  |

|         | JPWARD and Associates, LLC             |
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|         |  |
| Witness | James P. Ward, Chief Operating Officer |

## **Exhibit A**

## **Management and Administrative Services**

*JPWARD and Associates, LLC* will perform all required Management and Administrative functions of the District, which will include but not be limited to the following:

- Attend all meetings of the Board of Supervisors and provide the Board with meaningful dialogue of the issues before the Board for action.
- Identification of significant policies, including analysis of policy implementation with administrative and financial impact statement and effect on the District.
- Develop and train members of the Board of Supervisors in the requirements of Florida Law's, including, but not limited to, public officers and employees, and the conduct of District business.
- Implementation of Budget directives.
- Coordination for the following services:
  - o Insurance, General Liability along with Director's and Officer's Liability
  - o Independent Auditor Services
  - Such other services as may be identified from time to time
- Provide required annual disclosure information:
  - o Designation of Registered Office and Registered Agent
  - Public Meeting Schedule
- Assist in the Preparation of the Audited Financial Statements
- Provide Oath of Office and notary public for all newly elected members of the Board of Supervisors.

## **Administrative Services**

*JPWARD and Associates, LLC* will perform all required Recording Secretary functions of the District, which will include but not be limited to the following:

- Preparation of all Board Agendas and coordination of receipt of sufficient material for Board of Supervisors to make informed policy decisions.
- Prepare and advertise all notices of meetings in an authorized newspaper of circulation in the County in which the District is located.
- Record and transcribe all meetings of the Board of Supervisors including regular meetings, special meetings, workshops, and public hearing(s). The recording and verbatim transcription (edited for grammar) of meetings of the Board provide an essential link to maintaining a highly accurate public record. These minutes are maintained by JPWARD and Associates, LLC in perpetuity for the District and sent to the appropriate governmental agencies in accordance with Florida Law.
- Maintain all other District Public Records, including Agreements, Contracts,
   Resolutions in accordance with Florida Law for the District.
- Our firm utilizes a completely computerized system for Record Storage, Maintenance and Retrieval, and your records are available electronically once they have been scanned into our systems.
- Maintain District Seal.
- Satisfy Public Records Requests in a timely, professional, and efficient manner.

## **Financial Accounting Services**

*JPWARD and Associates, LLC* will perform all required financial accounting functions of the District, which will include but not be limited to the following:

- Prepare a Proposed Budget that achieves maximum cost-to-benefit equity for approval.
- Submit a Proposed Budget to Board of Supervisors in accordance with Chapter 190,
   Florida Statutes.
- Modify Proposed Budget for consideration by the Board of Supervisors at the District's advertised Public Hearing.
- Prepare Budget and Assessment Resolutions as required by Chapter 190, Florida Statutes.
- Establish Budget Public Hearing(s) and dates.
- Establish Board of Supervisors workshop dates (if required).
- Coordinate Budget preparation with District Board, Engineer, Attorney and Collection Agent.
- Prepare Budget Resolution approving the District Manager's Budget and authorization to set public hearing.
- Prepare Budget Resolution adopting the District Manager's Budget, as modified by the Board of Supervisors.
- Prepare Agendas for Budget Hearings and attend all Board of Supervisor meetings.
- Attend all workshop(s) and public hearing(s) and be available to answer questions by the Board and the Public.
- If necessary, prepare and coordinate applications for:
  - o Federal I.D. Number
  - o Tax Exemption Certificate
- Establish Government Fund Accounting System in accordance with the Uniform
   Accounting System prescribed by Department of Banking and Finance for

Government Accounting, Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

- Prepare Required Investment Policies and Procedures pursuant to Chapter 218,
   Florida Statutes.
- Preparation of Annual Financial Report
- Preparation of Public Depositor's Report
- Administer purchase order system, periodic payment of invoices.
- Coordination of tax collection and miscellaneous receivables.
- Preparation of all required schedules for yearend audit:
  - o Prepare schedule of Bank Reconciliations
  - Prepare cash and Investment Confirmations for distribution to Authorized
     Public Depositories and Trustee of District Bond Issues
  - o Prepare analysis of Accounts Receivable
  - Prepare schedule of Interfund Accounts
  - Prepare schedule of Payables from the Governments
  - Prepare schedule of all Prepaid Expenses
  - o Prepare debt Confirmation Schedules
  - Prepare schedule of Accounts Payable
  - Prepare schedule of Assessment Revenue compared to Budget
  - Prepare schedule of Investments and Accrued Interest
  - o Prepare analysis of All Other Revenue
  - Prepare schedule of Operating Transfers
  - o Prepare schedule of Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements
  - Prepare analysis of Cost of Development and Construction in Progress
  - Prepare analysis of Reserves for Encumbrances
  - Prepare Amortization and Depreciation Schedules
  - Prepare General Fixed Asset and General Long-Term Debt Account Groups
  - General Fixed Asset Accounting

- o Assets constructed by or donated to the District for maintenance
- Inventories of District property in accordance with the Rules of the Auditor
   General

## Special Assessment Services – On-going Yearly Maintenance of the District's Assessment Roll and Lien Book.

- Prepare Assessment Resolution levying the Assessments on the property in the District and preparation of Assessment Roll.
- Prepare and maintain a property database by using information obtained by local
   Property Appraisers secured roll.
- Review and compare information received from the Property Appraiser to prior years' rolls, to ensure that the District rolls are in compliance with the law and that JPWard and Associates, LLC has obtained all the pertinent information to prepare accurate assessments.
- Periodically update the database for all activity such as transfer of title, payment of annual assessment, prepayment of principal.
- Act as the primary contact to answer property owner questions regarding special assessments, tax bills, etc. Provide pay off information upon request to property owner.
- Upon adoption of the Budget and assessments, coordinate with the Office of the Property
  Appraiser and Tax Collector to insure correct application of assessments and receipt of
  District funds.
- Act as primary contact to answer property owners' questions regarding the capital assessment.

## **Assessment Methodology Services**

*JPWard and Associates, LLC* will prepare the Special Assessment Methodology necessary to assist the District in formulating its financial goals and strategies for the issuance of any proposed Debt Financings.

- Research, identify and evaluate outstanding funding issues that need to be addressed during the development of the capital improvement plan for the infrastructure for the project.
- Develop a fair and reasonable method of apportionment and accurate classification of parcels using the current ad valorem roll and development plan from the developer.
- Review the assessment methodology for legal sufficiency and compatibility with the uniform method of collection via the tax toll.
- Create a preliminary assessment roll database using the most current tax roll and apply the apportionment methodology to the database to test the validity and legal sufficiency.
- Calculate a proforma schedule of assessment rates, including par debt allocated to all properties, and estimated annual cost.
- Calculate a proforma schedule of rates based on the developed apportionment methodology and revenue requirements for the assessment program.

## **Dissemination Agent Services (IF APPLICABLE)**

*JPWard and Associates* will provide the required services to comply with the Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12 as set forth in the Dissemination Agreement and the Continuing Disclosure Agreement that were entered into for the District's Series 1999 and Series 2007 Bonds.

 Develop information collection systems to be used to comply with the requirements of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement.

- Collect all information required for the Annual Report required by the Continuing Disclosure Agreement and electronically provide to the National Repository Site.
- Work with the Trustee and report any significant events required pursuant to the Continuing Disclosure Agreement.

## Exhibit A – Fee Schedule

## **District Management and Administrative Services**

Management \$12,500 Yearly

- Twelve (12) Meetings are included
- Additional meetings
  - i. \$175.00 per hour plus travel time.
  - ii. Travel is billed at actual cost for Air travel and at the approved IRS rate for automobile.
- Scanning of Documents before the Contract Period.
  - i. We have noted that some companies have maintained the District's records in paper format and stored at various locations. We would recommend that we remove those records from storage and scan them into our computerized system for easy retrieval. Many of these documents are permanent records of the District and required to be maintained in perpetuity. Records that have met their records retention requirements of Florida Law can be disposed of accordingly. Paper records received from the prior management firm will be professionally scanned, and is included.

## Fax Services

i. With the use of our electronic systems, we do not utilize fax machines for any of our documents. All documents are electronic and sent electronically to requesting parties. For parties requesting Fax Documents the actual cost of faxing documents will be billed to the District and we will bill the requesting party for those services.

## Cassette Tape Conversion

i. We utilize a digital recorder for all Board Meetings, which are available on our Systems. We have noted that some Companies utilize cassette tapes, and these recordings are required to be maintained in perpetuity by the District. The technologies available today lend itself to the conversion of these tapes to a digital format which will protect the District and preserve the public record. As such, we will coordinate with

a firm that will convert those tapes to a digital format and bill the District only the actual cost of conversion, without any fee or markup. Once these tapes have been converted to a digital format, we will maintain these digital records on our Systems for the District.

## **Financial Accounting**

General Fund, Debt Service and Capital Projects Funds. Debt Service and Capital Projects Funds are considered one fund if within one Bond Issue. Included

Computer Services

Included

## **Dissemination Agent Services**

For each Bond Issue (Billed monthly)

N/A

## **Special Assessment Services**

On-going Yearly maintenance of District's Assessment Roll and Lien Book for each Fund

Included

i. Estoppel Letters for Assessment Liens

\$50

Billed to the Requesting Party

Preparation of Special Assessment Methodology

TBD

## **Issuance and Re-Financing of Bonds**

Management Services for Issuance of Bonds

**TBD** 

## **Expense Reimbursement Policy**

The following is **JPWard and Associates, LLC** standard expense reimbursement policy for Community Development District representation. This policy applies unless a different arrangement has been negotiated based on the unique circumstances of a particular client.

All expenses are billed monthly.

Telephone: All telephone charges are billed at an amount approximating actual cost.

Photocopying and Printing: In-house photocopying and printing is charged at \$.25 per page (black and white) and \$.50 per page (color). Outside copying, printing and binding will be billed as a pass-through of the direct vendor's charges.

Facsimile Services: With the use of our electronic systems, we do not utilize fax machines for any of our documents. All documents are electronic and sent electronically to requesting parties. For parties requesting Fax Documents the actual cost of faxing documents will be billed to the District and we will bill the requesting party for those services.

Postage: Postage is billed at actual cost.

Overnight Deliver: Overnight delivery is billed at actual cost.

Travel: Travel (including air fare, rental cars, taxicabs, hotel, meals, tips, etc.) is billed at actual cost not to exceed the charges permitted pursuant to Section 112.061 Florida Statutes, as amended.

ALL SERVICES FOR PHOTOCOPING, PRINTING, FACIMILE AND TRAVEL ARE INCLUDED IN MANAGEMENT FEE.

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT TERMINATING THE SERVICES OF MUNILYTICS, INC. FOR SERVICES PROVIDED TO BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF THE DISTRICT'S DOCUMENTS TO JPWARD & ASSOCIATES, LLC, TO BE ACCOMPLISHED BY SEPTEMBER 5, 2024.; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

### **RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, Belmont Lakes Community Development District (the "<u>District</u>") is a local unit of special purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, and situated within Collier County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 190.007(1), Florida Statutes, authorizes the District to employ, and fix the compensation of, a district manager. The district manager shall have charge and supervision of the works of the district and shall be responsible for preserving and maintaining any improvement or facility constructed or erected pursuant to the provisions of this act, for maintaining and operating the equipment owned by the district, and for performing such other duties as may be prescribed by the board; and

WHEREAS, the District and MUNILYTICS, INC. a Florida not-for-profit corporation (the "Company) are parties to an Agreement Between Belmont Lakes Community Development District and MUNILYTICS, INC. for District Management Services (the "Agreement") relating to the management of the District; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors of the District (the "Board') desires to terminate the Agreement effective immediately (the "Termination Date").

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

- **SECTION 1. INCORPORATION OF RECITALS.** The foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.
- **SECTION 2. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY.** The Board desires to terminate the Agreement as of the Termination Date. The District Manager is hereby authorized and directed to provide written notice to the MUNILYTICS, INC. of the District's termination of the Agreement as of the Termination Date and authorizing the transfer of the District's documents to JPWard & Associates, LLC, to be accomplished by September 5, 2024.
- **SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.** Should any sentence, section, clause, part or provision of this Resolution be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this Resolution as a whole, or any part thereof, other than the part declared invalid.
- **SECTION 4. CONFLICT.** All Sections or parts of Sections of any Resolutions or actions of the Board in conflict are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and shall remain in effect unless rescinded or repealed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2024.

|                          | BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT |  |
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| ATTEST:                  |  |  |
| James P. Ward, Secretary | Dominick Madeo, Chairperson                  |  |

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING CERTAIN OFFICERS OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND INVALID PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

### **RECITALS**

**WHEREAS,** the Belmont Lakes Community Development District ("**District**") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, being situated entirely within Broward County, Florida, and:

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Chapter 190.006, *Florida Statutes*, the Board of Supervisors ("**Board**") shall organize by election of its members as Chairperson and by directing a Secretary, and such other officers as the Board may deem necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District desire to appoint the below recited person(s) to the offices specified.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

**SECTION 1. DESIGNATION OF OFFICERS OF THE DISTRICT.** The following persons are appointed to the offices shown.

| OFFICE                | NAME OF OFFICE HOLDER  |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| CHAIRPERSON           | DOMINICK MADEO         |
| VICE-CHAIRPERSON      | CARLOS BENHAMU         |
| ASSISTANT SECRETARY   | JOE CAPUOZZO           |
| ASSISTANT SECRETARY   | ANNETTE BUCKLEY-CORREA |
| ASSISTANT SECRETARY   | TOM PACCHIOLI          |
| SECRETARY & TREASURER | JAMES P. WARD          |

**SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY AND INVALID PROVISIONS.** If any one of the covenants, agreements or provisions herein contained shall be held contrary to any express provision of law or contract to the policy of express law, but not expressly prohibited or against public policy, or shall for any reason whatsoever be held invalid, then such covenants, agreements or provisions shall be null and void and shall be deemed separable from the remaining covenants, agreements or provisions and shall in no way effect the validity of the other provisions hereof.

**SECTION 3. CONFLICT.** That all Sections or parts of Sections of any Resolutions, Agreements, or actions of the Board of Supervisors in conflict are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING CERTAIN OFFICERS OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND INVALID PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**SECTION 4. PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District, Broward County, Florida, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2024.

| ATTEST: | BELMONT LAKESCOMMUNITY DEVELOPMEN<br>DISTRICT |
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A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE REGISTERED AGENT; DESIGNATING THE OFFICE AND LOCATION OF THE REGISTERED OFFICE; AND PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS AND INVALID PROVISIONS AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

## **RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, Belmont Lakes Community Development District ("**District**") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, being situated entirely within Broward County, Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, the District is statutorily required to designate a registered agent and a registered office location for the purposes of accepting any process, notice, or demand required or permitting by law to be served upon the District in accordance with Section 189.014(1), *Florida Statutes*; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District desire to appoint James P. Ward as the Registered Agent and designate the offices of JPWard & Associates, LLC, 2301 Northeast 37<sup>th</sup> Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 3330, as the Registered Office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

- **SECTION 1. DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT**: James P. Ward is hereby appointed as the Registered Agent.
- **SECTION 2. DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED OFFICE.** The offices of JPWard & Associates, LLC, 2301 Northeast 37<sup>th</sup> Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florid, 33308, is hereby designated as the Registered Office.
- **SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY AND INVALID PROVISIONS.** If any one of the covenants, agreements or provisions herein contained shall be held contrary to any express provision of law or contract to the policy of express law, but not expressly prohibited or against public policy, or shall for any reason whatsoever be held invalid, then such covenants, agreements or provisions shall be null and void and shall be deemed separable from the remaining covenants, agreements or provisions and shall in no way effect the validity of the other provisions hereof.
- **SECTION 4. CONFLICT:** That all Sections or parts of Sections of any Resolutions, Agreements, or actions of the Board of Supervisors in conflict are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.
- **SECTION 5. PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage.

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE REGISTERED AGENT; DESIGNATING THE OFFICE AND LOCATION OF THE REGISTERED OFFICE; AND PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS AND INVALID PROVISIONS AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District, Broward County, Florida, this 3rd day of September 2024.

| ATTEST:                  | BELMONT LAKESCOMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT |
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| James P. Ward, Secretary | Dominick Madeo, Chairperson                 |

A RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH THE POLICY OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WITH REGARD TO THE SUPPORT AND LEGAL DEFENSE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND DISTRICT OFFICERS AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

## **RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors ("Board") and the officers and staff of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District ("District") are constantly presented with the necessity for making decisions regarding various phases of District policy and management; and

**WHEREAS**, it is absolutely essential to the effective operation of the District that such decisions be made in an environment where the threat of personal liability for the Board and its officers and staff is maintained at a minimum; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board wishes to formalize a policy with regard to the support and legal protection of the Board and its officers and staff to reduce the threat of personal liability to such individuals and allow for an effective decision-making environment.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT THAT:

**SECTION 1.** As set forth in this Resolution, the District, in accordance with Florida law, agrees that the following Board members, officers and staff (together, "Indemnitees") of the District shall be provided the benefit of the indemnification, support and legal defense provisions provided in this Resolution:

- a) All members of the Board of Supervisors; and
- b) Secretary and Assistant Secretaries, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurers, and other District officers, as well as District Staff (e.g., the District Manager, the District Engineer, and the District Counsel).

SECTION 2. As set forth in this Resolution and in accordance with Sections 111.07 and 768.28, Florida Statutes, the District hereby agrees to provide legal representation to defend any and all civil actions, including federal civil rights and other federal civil claims, arising from a complaint for damages or injuries suffered as a result of any action or omission of action of any of the Indemnitees, present or former, arising out of and in the scope of his or her employment or function, unless, in the case of a tort action, the Indemnitee acted in bad faith, with malicious purpose, or in a manner exhibiting wanton and willful disregard of human rights, safety, or property. Defense of such civil actions includes, but is not limited to, any civil rights lawsuit seeking relief personally against any Indemnitee for an act or omission under color of state law, custom or usage, wherein it is alleged that such Indemnitee has deprived another person of rights secured under the Federal Constitution or laws, including, by way of example, actions under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 or other federal statute. The District hereby further agrees to provide legal representation to defend against any other litigation arising against an Indemnitee from the performance

A RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH THE POLICY OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WITH REGARD TO THE SUPPORT AND LEGAL DEFENSE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND DISTRICT OFFICERS AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

of their official duties while serving a public purpose, including civil, administrative, or criminal actions as permitted by law. By these provisions, the District does not waive any immunity from liability or limited waiver of such immunity as granted under Florida law. Rather, the District is stating that to the extent the State does not through its laws protect the Board and its officers from liability, the District is committed to doing so to the extent described in this Resolution and as permitted by law.

- **SECTION 3.** The District may insure itself to cover all reasonable costs and fees directly arising out of or in connection with any legal claim or suit that directly results from a decision or act made by an Indemnitee while performing the duties and functions of his or her position.
- **SECTION 4.** This Resolution is intended to evidence the District's support of Indemnitees who perform acts and render decisions in the good faith performance of their duties and functions. The District will neither support nor defend those actions or omissions committed by an individual outside the scope of his or her office or committed in bad faith or with malicious purpose or in a manner exhibiting wanton and willful disregard of human rights, safety, or property. By adoption of this Resolution, the Indemnitee(s) in question are each presumed to have acted within the scope of his or her office and are presumed to be acting in good faith, without a malicious purpose and not in a manner exhibiting wanton and willful disregard of human rights, safety or property. The District's Board may overcome this presumption only by unanimous vote of those participating and voting, in accordance with Section 7 herein.
- **SECTION 5.** In the event that the District has expended funds to provide an attorney to defend a Indemnitee who is found to be personally liable by virtue of actions outside the scope of his or her employment or function, or is found to have acted in bad faith, with malicious purpose, or in a manner exhibiting wanton and willful disregard of human rights, safety, or property, the individual shall be required to reimburse the District for funds so expended. The District may recover such funds in a civil action against such individual.
- **SECTION 6.** The District agrees to pay any final judgment, including damages, fines, penalties or other damages, costs, and attorney's fees and costs, arising from any complaint for damages or injuries suffered as a result of any action or omission of action of any Indemnitee as described in Section 111.07, Florida Statutes. If the action arises under Section 768.28, Florida Statutes, as a tort claim, the limitations and provisions of that section governing payment shall apply. If the action is a civil rights action arising under 42 U.S.C. § 1983, or similar federal statutes, payment for the full amount of judgment may be made unless the individual has been determined in the final judgment to have caused the harm intentionally. The District agrees to pay any compromise or settlement of any claim or litigation described in this paragraph, provided, however, that the District determines such compromise or settlement to be in the District's best interest.
- **SECTION 7.** To rebut the presumption of the automatic payment of judgments or provision of legal representation pursuant to this Resolution, at least one of the following determinations shall be made by a unanimous decision of the District's Board participating and voting:

A RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH THE POLICY OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WITH REGARD TO THE SUPPORT AND LEGAL DEFENSE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND DISTRICT OFFICERS AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

- a) The actions of the Indemnitee were outside the scope of his or her duties and authority; or
- The acts or omissions of the Indemnitee constituted bad faith, malicious purpose, intentional infliction of harm or were done in a manner exhibiting wanton and willful disregard of human rights, safety, or property; or
- c) The Indemnitee received financial profit or advantage to which he or she was not legally entitled.

**SECTION 8.** To ensure the provision of legal representation pursuant to this Resolution, the following must be present.

- a) A copy of the summons, complaint, notice, demand letter or other document or pleading in the action, or a letter setting forth the substance of any claim or complaint, must be delivered to the District Chairman, Vice Chairman, District Manager or District Counsel within thirty (30) calendar days after actual receipt of any such document together with a specific request in writing that the District defend or provide representation for the Indemnitee; and
- The Indemnitee must cooperate continuously and fully with the District in the defense of the action.

**SECTION 9.** Any indemnification, legal defense or other protection provided pursuant to this representation shall not extend to:

- a) Consulting or other outside professional or business activities for which the Indemnitee received financial or other material compensation, which are outside the scope of his or her District duties and authority; and
- b) Any independent contractor for whom defense or indemnification is not authorized pursuant to Section 1(b) of this Resolution, unless the Board votes to authorize such indemnification, legal defense, or other protection; and
- c) Any fine, penalty or other punishment imposed as a result of conviction for a criminal offense, and any legal fees and costs incurred to defend criminal prosecution in which a conviction is obtained; and
- d) Claims brought against the Indemnitee by the District's Board; and

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e) Any indemnification or defense prohibited by law

**SECTION 10.** In the event legal representation or defense is provided pursuant to this Resolution, the Indemnitee may either:

- a) Retain legal counsel appointed by the District, in which case legal counsel shall be paid directly by the District; or
- b) Retain legal counsel chosen by the Indemnitee, in which case the District shall have the right to:
- i. Approve, in advance, any agreement for reasonable legal fees or disbursements; and
- ii. Pay all or part of the legal fees, costs, and other disbursements and to set a maximum for reasonable legal fees, costs, and other disbursements; and
- iii. Direct the defense and settle or compromise the action or claim; and
- iv. Reduce or offset any monies that may be payable by the District by any court costs or attorney's fees awarded to the Indemnitee.

**SECTION 11.** The benefits of the policy adopted in this Resolution shall not enlarge the rights that would have been available to any third-party plaintiff or claimant in the absence of this policy.

- **SECTION 12.** To the extent permitted by law, this policy shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, personal representatives, and estate of the Board member and/or officer.
- **SECTION 13.** The District reserves the right to change, modify or withdraw this Resolution in its sole discretion, except as to actions, demand or other claims based on acts or omissions that occurred before the effective change, modification, or withdrawal of this Resolution.
- **SECTION 14.** If any one of the covenants, agreements or provisions herein contained shall be held contrary to any express provision of law or contract to the policy of express law, but not expressly prohibited or against public policy, or shall for any reason whatsoever be held invalid, then such covenants, agreements or provisions shall be null and void and shall be deemed separable from the remaining covenants, agreements or provisions and shall in no way effect the validity of the other provisions hereof.
- **SECTION 15.** That all Sections or parts of Sections of any Resolutions, Agreements, or actions of the Board of Supervisors in conflict are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

A RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH THE POLICY OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WITH REGARD TO THE SUPPORT AND LEGAL DEFENSE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND DISTRICT OFFICERS AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**SECTION 16.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District, Broward County, Florida, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2024.

| ATTEST:                  | BELMONT LAKESCOMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT |  |  |
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| James P. Ward, Secretary | Dominick Madeo, Chairperson                 |  |  |

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ADOPTING AN ELECTRONIC RECORDS POLICY AND A POLICY ON THE USE OF ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES; ADDRESSING SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

#### RECITALS

**WHEREAS,** Belmont Lakes Community Development District ("**District**") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, being situated in Broward County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, authorizes the District to adopt rules to govern the administration of the District and to adopt resolutions as may be necessary for the conduct of district business; and

**WHEREAS,** the District has appointed the Secretary of the District as the District's records custodian; and

**WHEREAS**, the District maintains an active and continuing program for the economical and efficient management of records and provides for the appointment of a records management liaison officer as required by Section 257.36(5), *Florida Statutes*; and

**WHEREAS**, the District previously adopted Resolution 2024-7 and thereby appointed the Secretary of the District as the records management liaison officer and both Resolution 2024-7 and 2024-9 adopted a records retention policy; and

**WHEREAS,** Rule 1B-26.003, *Florida Administrative Code*, allows the District's records custodian to designate an electronic copy of an original paper record as the record (master) copy and designate the original paper copy as a duplicate; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to authorize the District's records custodian to adopt an electronic records policy as described more fully in Exhibit A (the "Electronic Records Policy"), as such policy may be amended from time to time, for creating electronic copies of original paper records, designating such electronic copies as the record (master) copy, designating such original paper copies as duplicates and destroying, or otherwise disposing of, such originals in accordance with the applicable general schedule once such originals are obsolete, superseded or the administrative value is lost; and

**WHEREAS,** consistent with Rule 1B-26.003, *Florida Administrative Code*, the District has undertaken a cost- benefit analysis to determine that the adoption of the Electronic Records Policy would be cost-effective by, among other things, obviating the need to store paper records; and

**WHEREAS,** the District's Board of Supervisors ("Board") finds that it is in the best interests of the District, and most cost-effective, to adopt by resolution the Electronic Records Policy for immediate use and application; and

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ADOPTING AN ELECTRONIC RECORDS POLICY AND A POLICY ON THE USE OF ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES; ADDRESSING SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, in connection with the adoption of the Electronic Records Policy, the District finds that is important to simultaneously adopt a policy regarding the District's use of electronic signatures in connection with the conduct of the District's business.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

- **SECTION 1. RECITALS.** The foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein as findings of the District's Board of Supervisors.
- **SECTION 2. ADOPTION OF ELECTRONIC RECORDS POLICY.** The District hereby authorizes the District's records custodian to implement the Electronic Records Policy substantially in the form of **Exhibit A** attached hereto and by reference incorporated herein.
- SECTION 3. ADOPTION OF ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES POLICY. The District hereby authorizes the use of electronic signatures in connection with the conduct of the District's business and the execution of writings by the District consistent with, and to the extent permitted under, Chapter 668, Florida Statutes, as may be amended from time to time (the "Electronic Signatures Act"). All use of electronic signatures shall be in compliance with the Electronic Signatures Act. Pursuant to Section 668.004 of the Electronic Signatures Act, unless otherwise provided by law, an electronic signature may be used by the District to sign a writing and shall have the same force and effect as a written signature. The District Manager is authorized to implement control processes and procedures pursuant to the Electronic Signatures Act including, without limitation, Section 668.006, relating to the District's use of electronic signatures to ensure adequate integrity, security, and auditability.
- **SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.** If any provision of this resolution is held to be illegal or invalid, the other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.
- **SECTION 5. CONFLICTS.** Upon its passage, this resolution is intended to supplement the District's prior rules and policies regarding records management, including but not limited to Resolutions 2024-7 and 2024-9 referenced above, and, accordingly, all such prior rules and policies remain in full force and effect, except to the extent modified by this resolution.
- **SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This resolution shall become effective upon its passage and shall remain in effect unless rescinded or repealed.

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ADOPTING AN ELECTRONIC RECORDS POLICY AND A POLICY ON THE USE OF ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES; ADDRESSING SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District, Broward County, Florida, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2024.

| ATTEST:                              | BELMONT LAKESCOMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT |  |  |
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| James P Ward, Secretary              | Dominick Madeo, Chairperson                 |  |  |
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Exhibit A: Electronic Records Policy

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ADOPTING AN ELECTRONIC RECORDS POLICY AND A POLICY ON THE USE OF ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES; ADDRESSING SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

#### **EXHIBIT A**

# ELECTRONIC RECORDS POLICY FOR THE BELMONT LAKESCOMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

- 1. PURPOSE OF ELECTRONIC RECORDS POLICY. The purpose of this Electronic Records Policy ("Policy") is to create a more efficient and cost-effective means for retaining and managing District records by authorizing the District to designate electronic copies of original paper records as record, "master" copies, and to dispose of the duplicate original paper records.
- 2. **DESIGNATION OF ELECTRONIC COPIES AS MASTER COPIES.** It is the policy of the District to retain and manage records in accordance with, and pursuant to, Rule 1B-26.003, *Florida Administrative Code*, and, more specifically, to: (i) create electronic copies of original paper records, (ii) designate all such electronic copies as the record (master) copies; and (iii) destroy, or otherwise dispose of, such originals in accordance with the applicable general schedule once such originals are obsolete, superseded or the administrative value is lost. The District records custodian in his or her sole discretion may select which original paper records, if any, shall be subject to the implementation of this Policy.

All District Supervisors, officers, managers, staff, employees, and other personnel and contractors (where applicable) shall manage, protect, and maintain all records in accordance with the applicable retention schedule approved by the Division of Library and Information Services, the District's applicable records retention rules and policies, Rule 1B-26.003, *Florida Administrative Code*, a copy of which is attached hereto, and this Policy.

- 3. **DISTRICT DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.** The District and the District's record custodian shall develop and implement this Policy, all in compliance with Rule 1B-26.003(6), *Florida Administrative Code*, the terms of which are incorporated herein. Among other things, the District shall ensure that all records are included within records retention schedules, integrate the management of electronic records with other records and information resources management programs, incorporate electronic records management objectives, responsibilities, and authorities in pertinent District directives, establish procedures for addressing records management requirements, provide training as appropriate, etc.
- **4. PUBLIC RECORDS.** The District shall ensure that the electronic recordkeeping systems meet all requirements for public access to records in accordance with Chapter 119, *Florida Statutes*. Toward that end, the District shall provide copies of electronic records to any person making a public records request, shall ensure that all District contracts do not impair the right of the public to access District records, shall maintain the confidentiality of records exempt from disclosure, and otherwise shall satisfy the requirements of Chapter 119, *Florida Statutes*, and Rule 1B-26.003(6)(g), *Florida Administrative Code*, the terms of which are incorporated herein.

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- 5. **DOCUMENTATION STANDARDS.** The District shall develop and maintain adequate and up-to-date technical and descriptive documentation for each electronic recordkeeping system in compliance with Rule 1B-26.003(7), *Florida Administrative Code*, the terms of which are incorporated herein. Among other things, and without intending to limit the requirements of Rule 1B-26.003(7), *Florida Administrative Code*, the documentation shall include a narrative description of the system, the physical and technical characteristics of the system, and any other technical information needed to read or process the records.
- 6. CREATION AND USE OF ELECTRONIC RECORDS. The District shall comply with Rule 1B-26.003(8), Florida Administrative Code, the terms of which are incorporated herein, with respect to the creation and use of electronic records. Among other things, the District shall provide a method for authorized users to retrieve desired records, shall provide an appropriate level of security in order to maintain the integrity of the records, shall identify the open format or standard interchange format when necessary to permit the exchange of records on electronic media, and shall provide for the disposition of the records, including, when appropriate, transfer to the Florida State Archives. Before a record (master) copy is created on an electronic recordkeeping system, the record shall be uniquely identified to enable authorized personnel to retrieve, protect, and carry out the disposition of records in the system.
- **7. LEGAL AUTHENTICATION.** Pursuant to Rule 1B-26.003(9), *Florida Administrative Code*, the terms of which are incorporated herein, the District shall implement the following procedures to enhance the legal admissibility of electronic records:
  - a. Document that similar kinds of records generated and stored electronically are created by the same processes each time and have a standardized retrieval approach.
  - Substantiate that security procedures prevent unauthorized addition, modification, or deletion of a record and ensure systems are protected against such problems as power interruptions.
  - c. Identify the electronic media on which records are stored throughout their life cycle, the maximum time span that records remain on each storage media, and the official retention requirements as approved by the Division of Library and Information Services.
- **8. SELECTION OF ELECTRONIC RECORDS STORAGE MEDIA.** The District shall select appropriate media and systems for the storage of electronic records throughout their life cycle pursuant to Rule 1B-26.003(10), *Florida Administrative Code*, the terms of which are incorporated herein. Among other things, such media and systems shall permit easy and accurate retrieval, shall retain the records in a usable format, and shall meet the standards, and be selected based on the factors, set forth in Rule 1B-26.003(10), *Florida Administrative Code*.
- **9. MAINTENANCE OF ELECTRONIC RECORDS.** The District shall maintain electronic records in a manner consistent with the standards set forth in Rule 1B-26.003(11), *Florida Administrative Code*, the terms of which are incorporated herein.

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- 10. RETENTION OF ELECTRONIC RECORDS. The District shall ensure that all electronic records are retained and accessible for as long as required by law and pursuant to Rule 1B-26.003(12), Florida Administrative Code, the terms of which are incorporated herein. Specifically, the District records custodian shall schedule the retention and disposition of all electronic documents, shall establish a process for recopying, reformatting and other necessary maintenance to ensure the retention and usability of electronic records throughout their authorized life cycle, and shall transfer a copy of the electronic records to the Florida State Archives at the time specified in the record retention schedule, if applicable.
- 11. **DESTRUCTION OF ELECTRONIC RECORDS.** The District shall destroy electronic records only in a manner consistent with the standards set forth in Rule 1B-26.003(13), *Florida Administrative Code*, the terms of which are incorporated herein. At a minimum, the District shall destroy electronic records in a manner such that any confidential or exempt information cannot practicably be read or reconstructed, and shall ensure that recording media previously used for electronic records containing confidential or exempt information are not reused if the previously recorded information can be comprised in any way by reuse.

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#### Rule 1B-26.003, Florida Administrative Code

#### 1B-26.003 Electronic Recordkeeping.

- (1) Purpose. These rules provide standards for record (master) copies of public records which reside in electronic recordkeeping systems. Recordkeeping requirements must be incorporated in the system design and implementation of new systems and enhancements to existing systems. Public records are those as defined by section 119.011(11), F.S.
  - (2) Authority. The authority for the establishment of this rule is sections 257.14 and 257.36(1) and (6), F.S.
  - (3) Scope.
  - (a)1. These rules are applicable to all agencies as defined by section 119.011(2), F.S.
- 2. These rules establish minimum requirements for the creation, utilization, maintenance, retention, preservation, storage and disposition of electronic record (master) copies, regardless of the media.
- 3. Electronic records include numeric, graphic, audio, video, and textual information which is recorded or transmitted in analog or digital form.
- 4. These rules apply to all electronic recordkeeping systems, including, but not limited to, microcomputers, minicomputers, main-frame computers, and image recording systems (regardless of storage media) in network or stand-alone configurations.
- (b) Before existing records are committed to an electronic recordkeeping system, the agency shall conduct a cost benefit analysis to insure that the project or system contemplated is cost effective.
- (4) Intent. Electronic recordkeeping systems in use at the effective date of this rule, that are not in compliance with the requirements of this rule, may be used until the systems are replaced or upgraded. New and upgraded electronic recordkeeping systems created after the effective date of this rule shall comply with the requirements contained herein. The Department is aware that it may not be possible to implement this rule in its entirety immediately upon its enactment, and it is not the intent by this rule to disrupt existing recordkeeping practices provided that agencies make no further disposition of public records without approval of the Division of Library and Information Services of the Department of State.
  - (5) Definitions. For the purpose of these rules:
- (a) "ASCII" means the American Standard Code for Information Interchange, a 7-bit coded character set for information interchange which was formerly ANSI (American National Standards Institute) Standard X3.4 and has since been incorporated into the Unicode standard as the first 128 Unicode characters.
  - (b) "Database" means an organized collection of automated information.
- (c) "Database management system" means a set of software programs that controls the organization, storage and retrieval of data (fields, records and files) in a database. It also controls the security and integrity of the database.
- (d) "Digital signature" means a type of electronic signature (any letters, characters, or symbols executed with an intent to authenticate) that can be used to authenticate the identity of the sender of a message or the signer of a document and to ensure that the original content of the message or document that has been sent is unchanged. Digital signatures can be created through hashing algorithms.
  - (e) "Electronic record" means any information that is recorded in machine readable form.
- (f) "Electronic recordkeeping system" means an automated information system for the organized collection, processing, transmission, and dissemination of information in accordance with defined procedures.
- (g) "Hashing algorithm" (hash function, checksum) means a formula or procedure for checking that electronically transmitted messages or documents have not been altered by transforming a string of characters into a usually

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shorter fixed-length "hash value" or key that represents the original string. The receiver of the message can execute the same hashing algorithm as the sender and compare the resulting hash values; any difference in the hash values indicates an alteration of the message or document sent. Hashing algorithms can be used to create digital signatures.

- (h) "System design" means the design of the nature and content of input, files, procedures, and output and their interrelationships.
- (i) "Permanent or long-term records" means any public records as defined by section 119.011(11), F.S., which have an established retention period of more than 10 years.
  - (j) "Record (master) copy" means public records specifically designated by the custodian as the official record.
- (k) "Geographic information system" means a computer system for capturing, storing, checking, integrating, manipulating, analyzing and displaying data related to positions on the Earth's surface.
- (I) "Open format" means a data format that is defined in complete detail, allows transformation of the data to other formats without loss of information, and is open and available to the public free of legal restrictions on use. An open format may be either standards-based or proprietary.
- (m) "Unicode" means the universal character encoding standard maintained by the Unicode Consortium, providing the basis for processing, storage, and interchange of text data in any language in all modern software and information technology protocols.
  - (6) Agency duties and responsibilities. Each agency shall:
  - (a) Develop and implement a program for the management of electronic records.
- (b) Ensure that all records are included within records retention schedules, either by being included within an applicable General Records Schedule, or by developing and obtaining approval for an individual agency-specific records retention schedule in accordance with Rule 1B-24.003, F.A.C., Records Retention Scheduling and Dispositioning.
- (c) Integrate the management of electronic records with other records and information resources management programs of the agency.
- (d) Incorporate electronic records management objectives, responsibilities, and authorities in pertinent agency directives, or rules, as applicable.
- (e) Establish procedures for addressing records management requirements, including recordkeeping requirements and disposition, before approving, recommending, adopting, or implementing new electronic recordkeeping systems or enhancements to existing systems.
- (f) Provide training for users of electronic recordkeeping systems in the operation, care, and handling of the equipment, software, and media used in the system.
- (g) Ensure that agency electronic recordkeeping systems meet state requirements for public access to records in accordance with chapter 119, F.S.
- 1. Standard. Each agency which maintains public records in an electronic recordkeeping system shall provide, to any person making a public records request pursuant to chapter 119, F.S., a copy of any data in such records which is not exempt from disclosure by statute. Said copy shall be on paper, disk, tape, optical disk, or any other electronic storage device or media requested by the person, if the agency currently maintains the record in that form, or as otherwise required by chapter 119, F.S. Except as otherwise provided by state statute, the cost for providing a copy of such data shall be in accordance with the provisions of sections 119.07(4), F.S.
- 2. Standard. Except as otherwise provided by law, no agency shall enter into a contract with, or otherwise obligate itself to, any person or entity for electronic recordkeeping hardware, software, systems, or services if such contract or obligation impairs the right of the public under state law to inspect or copy the agency's nonexempt public records, or impairs the agency's ability to retain the records in accordance with established records retention

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schedules.

- 3. Standard. In providing access to electronic records, agencies shall ensure that procedures and controls are in place to maintain confidentiality for information which is exempt from public disclosure.
  - (7) Documentation standards.
- Standard. Agencies shall develop and maintain adequate and up-to-date technical and descriptive documentation for each electronic recordkeeping system to specify characteristics necessary for reading or processing the records. Documentation for electronic records systems shall be maintained in electronic or printed form as necessary to ensure access to the records. The minimum documentation required is:
- (a) A narrative description of the system, including all inputs and outputs of the system; the organization and contents of the files and records; policies on access and use; security controls; purpose and function of the system; update cycles or conditions and rules for adding information to the system, changing information in it, or deleting information; and the location and media in which electronic records are maintained and their retention requirements to ensure appropriate disposition of records in accordance with Chapter 1B-24, F.A.C.
- (b) The physical and technical characteristics of the records, including a record layout or markup language that describes each file or field including its name, size, starting or relative position, and description of the form of the data (such as alphabetic, decimal, or numeric), or a data dictionary or the equivalent information associated with a database management system including a description of the relationship between data elements in databases;
- (c) For information coming from geographic information systems, the physical and technical characteristics of the records must be described including a data dictionary, a quality and accuracy report and a description of the graphic data structure, such as recommended by the federal Spatial Data Transfer Standards; and,
  - (d) Any other technical information needed to read or process the records.
- (8) Creation and use of electronic records. Electronic recordkeeping systems that maintain record (master) copies of public records on electronic media shall meet the following minimum requirements:
  - (a)1. Provide a method for all authorized users of the system to retrieve desired records;
- 2. Provide an appropriate level of security to ensure the integrity of the records, in accordance with the requirements of chapter 282, F.S. Security controls should include, at a minimum, physical and logical access controls, backup and recovery procedures, and training for custodians and users. Automated methods for integrity checking should be incorporated in all systems that generate and use official file copies of records. Hashing algorithms and digital signatures should be considered for all official file copies of electronic records. The use of automated integrity controls, such as hashing algorithms and digital signatures, can reduce the need for other security controls. Hashing algorithms used to protect the integrity of official file copies of records should meet the requirements of US Federal Information Processing Standard Publication 180-2 (FIPS-PUB 180-2) (August 1, 2002) entitled "Secure Hash Standard," (or "Secure Hash Signature Standard") which is hereby incorporated by reference, and made a part of this rule. This publication is available from the National Technical Information Service (NTIS), 5285 Port Royal Road, U.S. Department of Commerce, Springfield, VA 22161, and at the Internet Uniform Resource Locator: http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/fips/fips180-2/fips180-2.pdf. Agencies utilizing hashing algorithms shall only use validated implementations of hashing algorithms.
- 3. Identify the open format or standard interchange format when necessary to permit the exchange of records on electronic media between agency electronic recordkeeping systems using different software/operating systems and the conversion or migration of records on electronic media from one system to another. For text records in the absence of other conversion capabilities, the word processing or text creation system should be able to import and export files in the ASCII or Unicode format as prescribed by the Unicode 5.0 Standard (or successor Unicode Standard), which is hereby incorporated by reference, and made a part of this rule. This publication is available from

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the Unicode Consortium, P.O. Box 391476, Mountain View, CA 94039-1476, and at the Internet Uniform Resource Locator: http://www.unicode.org/book/bookform.html; and

- 4. Provide for the disposition of the records including, when appropriate, transfer to the Florida State Archives.
- (b) Standard. Before a record (master) copy is created on an electronic recordkeeping system, the record shall be uniquely identified to enable authorized personnel to retrieve, protect, and carry out the disposition of records in the system. Agencies shall ensure that records maintained in such systems can be correlated with any existing related records on paper, microfilm, or other media.
- (9) Legal authentication. Agencies shall implement the following procedures to enhance the legal admissibility of electronic records:
- (a) Document that similar kinds of records generated and stored electronically are created by the same processes each time and have a standardized retrieval approach.
- (b) Substantiate that security procedures prevent unauthorized addition, modification, or deletion of a record and ensure systems are protected against such problems as power interruptions.
- (c) Identify the electronic media on which records are stored throughout their life cycle, the maximum time span that records remain on each storage media, and the official retention requirements as approved by the Division of Library and Information Services.
- (d) State agencies shall, and other agencies are encouraged to, establish and maintain integrity controls for record (master) copies of electronic records in accordance with the requirements of chapter 282, F.S.
- (10) Selection of electronic records storage media. For storing record (master) copies of electronic public records throughout their life cycle, agencies shall select appropriate media and systems which meet the following requirements:
  - (a) Permit easy and accurate retrieval in a timely fashion;
- (b) Retain the records in a usable format until their authorized disposition and, when appropriate, meet the requirements necessary for transfer to the Florida State Archives.
- (c) Standard. Agencies shall not use floppy disks, audio cassettes, or VHS-format video cassettes for the storage of record (master) copies of permanent or long-term records. Permanent or long-term records on magnetic tape shall be stored on polyester-based media. Agencies shall use only previously unrecorded audio or video tape for record (master) copies of permanent or long-term audio or video recordings.
- (d) Standard. A scanning density with a minimum of 300 dots per inch is required for scanned images created by the agency from hard copy permanent or long-term records.
- (e) Standard. Record (master) copies of scanned images created by the agency from hard copy permanent or long-term records must be stored in accordance with a published International Organization for Standardization (ISO) open standard image format.
- (f) The following factors are to be considered before selecting a storage media or converting from one media to another:
  - 1. The authorized retention of the records as determined during the scheduling process;
  - 2. The maintenance necessary to retain the records;
  - 3. The cost of storing and retrieving the records;
  - 4. The access time to retrieve stored records;
- 5. The portability of the medium (that is, selecting a medium that can be read by equipment offered by multipe manufacturers); and,
- 6. The ability to transfer the information from one medium to another, such as from optical disk to magnetic tape.

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- (11) Maintenance of electronic records.
- (a) Standard. Agencies shall back up electronic records on a regular basis to safeguard against the loss of information due to equipment malfunctions, human error, or other disaster. Agencies shall maintain backup electronic recording media created for disaster recovery purposes, and all preservation duplicates of permanent or long-term records, in an off-site storage facility, with constant temperature (below 68 degrees Fahrenheit) and relative humidity (20 to 30 percent) controls. Storage and handling of permanent or long-term records on magnetic tape shall conform to the standards contained in Standard AES22-1997 (r2003) "AES recommended practice for audio preservation and restoration – Storage and handling – Storage of polyester-base magnetic tape" (published 1997, reaffirmed 2003) which is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this rule. This publication is available from the Audio Engineering Society, Incorporated, 60 East 42nd Street, Room 2520, New York, New York 10165-2520, at the Internet Uniform Resource http://www.aes.org/publications/standards/search.cfm. If an agency cannot practicably maintain backups and preservation duplicates as required in this section, the agency shall document the reasons why it cannot do so. Other electronic records media should be stored in a cool, dry, dark environment when possible (maximum temperature 73 degrees Fahrenheit, relative humidity 20-50 percent).
- (b) Standard. Agencies shall annually read a statistical sample of all electronic media containing permanent or long-term records to identify any loss of information and to discover and correct the cause of data loss.
- (c) Standard. Agencies shall test all permanent or long-term electronic records at least every 10 years and verify that the media are free of permanent errors. More frequent testing (e.g. at least every 5 years) is highly recommended.
- (d) Standard. Agencies shall only rewind tapes immediately before use to restore proper tension. When tapes with extreme cases of degradation are discovered, they should be rewound to avoid more permanent damage and copied to new media as soon as possible. Tapes shall be played continuously from end to end to ensure even packing. Tapes shall be stored so that the tape is all on one reel or hub.
- (e) Standard. Agencies shall prohibit smoking, eating, and drinking in areas where electronic records are created, stored, used, or tested.
- (f) Standard. External labels (or the equivalent automated management system) for electronic recording media used to store permanent or long term records shall provide unique identification for each storage media, including:
  - 1. The name of the organizational unit responsible for the data;
  - 2. System title, including the version number of the application;
  - 3. Special security requirements or restrictions on access, if any; and,
  - 4. Software in use at the time of creation.
- (g) Standard. For all media used to store permanent or long-term electronic records, agencies shall maintain human readable information specifying recording methods, formats, languages, dependencies, and schema sufficient to ensure continued access to, and intellectual control over, the records. Additionally, the following information shall be maintained for each media used to store permanent or long-term electronic records:
  - 1. File title;
  - 2. Dates of creation;
  - 3. Dates of coverage; and,
  - 4. Character code/software dependency.
- (h) Standard. Electronic records shall not be stored closer than 2 meters (about 6 feet, 7 inches) from sources of magnetic fields, including generators, elevators, transformers, loudspeakers, microphones, headphones, magnetic cabinet latches and magnetized tools.

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- (i) Standard. Electronic records on magnetic tape or disk shall not be stored in metal containers unless the metal is non-magnetic. Storage containers shall be resistant to impact, dust intrusion and moisture. Compact disks shall be stored in hard cases, and not in cardboard, paper or flimsy sManateeves.
- (j) Standard. Agencies shall ensure that record (master) copies of electronic records are maintained by personnel properly trained in the use and handling of the records and associated equipment.
- (k) Agencies shall establish and adopt procedures for external labeling of the contents of diskettes, disks, tapes, or optical disks so that all authorized users can identify and retrieve the stored information.
- (I) Agencies shall convert storage media to provide compatibility with the agency's current hardware and software to ensure that information is not lost due to changing technology or deterioration of storage media. Before conversion of information to different media, agencies must determine that authorized disposition of the electronic records can be implemented after conversion. Permanent or long-term electronic records stored on magnetic tape shall be transferred to new media as needed to prevent loss of information due to changing technology or deterioration of storage media.
- (12) Retention of electronic records. Each agency is responsible for ensuring the continued accessibility and readability of public records throughout the entire life cycle regardless of the format or media in which the records are maintained.

Agencies shall establish policies and procedures to ensure that electronic records and their documentation are retained and accessible as long as needed. These procedures shall include provisions for:

- (a) Standard. Scheduling the retention and disposition of all electronic records, as well as related access documentation and indexes, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 1B-24, F.A.C.
- (b) Standard. Establishing procedures for regular recopying, reformatting, and other necessary maintenance to ensure the retention and usability of the electronic records throughout their authorized life cycle.
- (c) Standard. Transferring a copy of the electronic records and any related documentation and indexes to the Florida State Archives at the time specified in the records retention schedule, if applicable. Transfer may take place at an earlier date if convenient for both the agency and the Archives.
- (13) Destruction of electronic records. Electronic records may be destroyed only in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 1B-24, F.A.C. At a minimum each agency shall ensure that:
- (a) Electronic records scheduled for destruction are disposed of in a manner that ensures that any information that is confidential or exempt from disclosure, including proprietary or security information, cannot practicably be read or reconstructed; and,
- (b) Recording media previously used for electronic records containing information that is confidential or exempt from disclosure, including proprietary or security information are not reused if the previously recorded information can be compromised in any way by reuse.

Rulemaking Authority 257.14, 257.36(1), 257.36(6) FS. Law Implemented 257.36(1)(a) FS. History–New 8-16-92, Amended 5-13-03, 5-21-08.

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, DESIGNATING A QUALIFIED PUBLIC DEPOSITORY PURSUANT TO THE PROVISION OF CHAPTER 280, FLORIDA STATUTES, AS AMENDED; AUTHORIZING SIGNATORS OF THE ACCOUNT(S); AUTHORIZING THE NUMBER OF SIGNATORS ON BANK DOCUMENTS; AUTHORIZATION OF TRUIST BANK DEPOSIT ACCOUNT RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND INVALID PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

#### **RECITALS**

**WHEREAS,** Belmont Lakes Community Development District ("**District**") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, being situated entirely within Broward County, Florida; and

**WHEREAS,** the District's Board of Supervisors ("**Board**") is statutorily authorized to select a depository as defined in Section 280.02, Florida Statutes, which meets all the requirements of Chapter 280 and has been designated by the State Treasurer as a qualified public depository; and

**WHEREAS,** the District has heretofore delegated to a Treasurer the responsibility for handling public deposits; and

**WHEREAS**, the District, prior to making any public deposit, is required to furnish to the State Treasurer its official name, address, federal employer identification number, and the name of the person or persons responsible for establishing accounts; and

**WHEREAS,** the Board, having appointed a new Treasurer and other officers, is now in a position to select a public depository and to comply with the requirements for public depositors; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to designate a public depository for District funds; and

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Supervisors of the District is desirous to select Truist Bank to serve as the depositories of public funds for the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BELMONT LAKESCOMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

- **SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF ACCOUNT**. The District Manager is hereby authorized to establish an account with Truist Bank to serve as depository of public funds for the District, pursuant to public law and regulations under Section 280.17, Florida Statutes.
- **SECTION 2. AUTHORIZATION OF SIGNATORIES.** The Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Treasurer shall be the signators on the District's Truist bank account.

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- **SECTION 3. AUTHORIZATION OF NUMBER OF SIGNATORS ON BANK DOCUMENTS**. The District requires one signatory on all checks.
- **SECTION 4. AUTHORIZATION OF TRUIST BANK DEPOSIT ACCOUNT RESOLUTION.** The District hereby authorizes the execution by the appropriate District officers to execute any Truist Bank required deposit account Resolutions, signature cards and other documents necessary to implement the provisions of this Resolution.
- **SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY AND INVALID PROVISIONS.** If any one of the covenants, agreements or provisions herein contained shall be held contrary to any express provision of law or contract to the policy of express law, but not expressly prohibited or against public policy, or shall for any reason whatsoever be held invalid, then such covenants, agreements or provisions shall be null and void and shall be deemed separable from the remaining covenants, agreements or provisions and shall in no way affect the validity of the other provisions hereof.
- **SECTION 6. CONFLICT.** That all Sections or parts of Sections of any Resolutions, Agreements, or actions of the Board of Supervisors in conflict are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.
- **SECTION 7. PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District, Broward County, Florida, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2024.

| ATTEST:                  | DISTRICT                    |
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|                          |                             |
| James P. Ward, Secretary | Dominick Madeo, Chairperson |

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLIC'S OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD; DESIGNATING PUBLIC COMMENT PERIODS; DESIGNATING A PROCEDURE TO IDENTIFY INDIVIDUALS SEEKING TO BE HEARD; ADDRESSING PUBLIC DECORUM; ADDRESSING EXCEPTIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Belmont Lakes Community Development District ("District") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, being situated entirely within Broward County, Florida; and

**WHEREAS,** Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, authorizes the District to adopt resolutions as may be necessary for the conduct of District business; and

**WHEREAS,** Section 286.0114, *Florida Statutes*, requires that members of the public be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard on a proposition before a board or commission; and

**WHEREAS,** Section 286.0114, *Florida Statutes*, sets forth guidelines for rules and policies that govern the public's opportunity to be heard at a public meeting; and

**WHEREAS,** the District's Board of Supervisors ("Board") finds that it is in the best interests of the District to adopt by resolution a policy ("Public Comment Policy") for immediate use and application.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

- **Section 1. DESIGNATING PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD.** The District's Chair, his or her designee, or such other person conducting a District meeting ("**Presiding Officer**"), shall ensure that there is at least one period of time ("**Public Comment Period**") in the District's meeting agenda whereby the public has an opportunity to be heard on propositions before the Board, as follows:
  - a) A Public Comment Period shall be provided at the end of each Board meeting just prior to the adjournment of the meeting.
  - b) Speakers shall be permitted to address any agenda item during the agenda item, but after staff presentation and board comment on the item, and on non-agenda matter(s) of personal or general concern, during the Public Comment Period.
  - c) Individuals wishing to make a public comment are limited to three (3) minutes per person. Potential speakers may not assign his/her three (3) minutes to extend another speaker's time.
  - d) The Presiding Officer may extend or reduce the time periods set forth herein in order to facilitate orderly and efficient District business, provided however that a reasonable opportunity for public comment shall be provided consistent with the requirements of

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLIC'S OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD; DESIGNATING PUBLIC COMMENT PERIODS; DESIGNATING A PROCEDURE TO IDENTIFY INDIVIDUALS SEEKING TO BE HEARD; ADDRESSING PUBLIC DECORUM; ADDRESSING EXCEPTIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 286.0114, *Florida Statutes*. The Presiding Officer may also elect to set and announce additional Public Comment Periods if he or she deems it appropriate.

Unless otherwise directed and declared by the Presiding Officer, individuals seeking to be heard shall be at the Public Comment Period on the Agenda. Additionally, after each item is presented to the Board, the Presiding Officer may permit a Public Comment period after Board Discussion, The Presiding Officer may require individuals to complete speaker cards that include the individual's name, address, on which they wish to be heard, the individual's position on the item on the Agenda (i.e., "for," "against," or "undecided"), and if appropriate, to indicate the designation of a representative to speak for the individual or the individual's group. In the event large groups of individuals desire to speak, the Presiding Officer may require each group to designate a representative to speak on behalf of such group. Any attorney hired to represent an individual or company's interests before the Board shall notify the Board of such representation prior to proving any public comment.

Sections 1 and 2 herein shall be deemed to apply only to District Board meetings, but the Presiding Officer of a District workshop in his or her discretion may elect to apply such Sections to District workshops.

**Section 3. PUBLIC DECORUM.** The following policies govern public decorum at public meetings and workshops:

- a) Each person addressing the Board shall proceed to the place assigned for speaking and should state his or her name and address in an audible tone of voice for the public record.
- b) All remarks shall be addressed to the Board as a body and not to any member thereof or to any staff member. No person other than a Board Supervisor or District staff member shall be permitted to enter into any discussion with an individual speaker while he or she has the floor, without the permission of the Presiding Officer.
- c) Nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit the Presiding Officer from maintaining orderly conduct and proper decorum in a public meeting. Speakers shall refrain from disruptive behavior, and from making vulgar or threatening remarks. Speakers shall refrain from launching personal attacks against any Board Supervisor, District staff member, or member of the public. The Presiding Officer shall have the discretion to remove any speaker who disregards these policies from the meeting.

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- d) In the case that any person is declared out of order by the Presiding Officer and ordered expelled, and does not immediately leave the meeting facilities, the following steps may be taken:
  - i. The Presiding Officer may declare a recess.
  - ii. The Presiding Officer may contact the local law enforcement authority.
  - iii. In case the person does not remove himself or herself from the meeting, the Presiding Officer may request that he or she be placed under arrest by local law enforcement authorities for violation of Section 871.01, *Florida Statutes*, or other applicable law.

**Section 4. EXCEPTIONS.** The Board recognizes and may apply all applicable exceptions to Section 286.0114, *Florida Statutes*, including those set forth in Section 286.0114(3), *Florida Statutes*, and other applicable law. Additionally, the Presiding Officer may alter the procedures set forth in this Public Comment Policy for public hearings and other special proceedings that may require a different procedure under Florida law.

**Section 5. SEVERABILITY AND INVALID PROVISIONS.** If any one of the covenants, agreements or provisions herein contained shall be held contrary to any express provision of law or contract to the policy of express law, but not expressly prohibited or against public policy, or shall for any reason whatsoever be held invalid, then such covenants, agreements or provisions shall be null and void and shall be deemed separable from the remaining covenants, agreements or provisions and shall in no way affect the validity of the other provisions hereof.

**Section 6. CONFLICT.** That all Sections or parts of Sections of any Resolutions, Agreements, or actions of the Board of Supervisors in conflict are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**Section 7. PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage.

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLIC'S OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD; DESIGNATING PUBLIC COMMENT PERIODS; DESIGNATING A PROCEDURE TO IDENTIFY INDIVIDUALS SEEKING TO BE HEARD; ADDRESSING PUBLIC DECORUM; ADDRESSING EXCEPTIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District, Broward County, Florida, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2024.

| ATTEST:                  | BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT |
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| James P. Ward, Secretary | Dominick Madeo, Chairperson                  |

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DESIGNATING DATES, TIME, AND LOCATION FOR REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

#### **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, the Belmont Lakes Community Development District (the "District") is a local unit of special-purpose government established pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes for the purpose of providing, operating and maintaining infrastructure improvements, facilities and services to the lands within the District; and

**WHEREAS,** in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 189.415, Florida Statutes, the District is required to file quarterly, semiannually, or annually a schedule of its regular meetings with the local governing authority or authorities; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the above referenced Statute, the District shall also publish quarterly, semiannually, or annually its regular meeting schedule in a newspaper of general paid circulation in the County in which the District is located and shall appear in the legal notices section of the classified advertisements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

#### SECTION 1. Designation of Dates, Time, and Location of Regular Meetings.

1. **Date:** The third Thursday of each month during Fiscal Year 2024/2025, which covers the period October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025.

#### The Fiscal Year 2025 schedule is as follows:

| October 17, 2024  | November 21, 2024  |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| December 19, 2024 | January 16, 2025   |
| February 20, 2025 | March 20, 2025     |
| April 17, 2025    | May 15, 2025       |
| June 19, 2025     | July 17, 2025      |
| August 21, 2025   | September 18, 2025 |

2. **Time:** 6:30 P.M. (Eastern Standard Time)

3. Location: Shenandoah Park, Community Room

14452 Shenandoah Parkway

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- **SECTION 2.** Sunshine Law and Meeting Cancelations and Continuations. The meetings of the Board of Supervisors are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida Law for Community Development Districts. The District by and through its District Manager may cancel any meeting of the Board of Supervisors and all meetings may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the hearings or meeting.
- **SECTION 3. Conflict.** That all Sections or parts of Sections of any Resolutions, Agreements, or actions of the Board of Supervisors in conflict are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.
- **SECTION 4. Severability.** The invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions of this Resolution shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Resolution, or any part thereof.
- **SECTION 5. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect upon the passage and adoption of this Resolution by the Board of Supervisors of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District.
- **PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District, Broward County, Florida, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2024.

| ATTEST:                  | BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT |   |
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| James P. Ward, Secretary | Dominick Madeo, Chairperson                  |   |

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DESIGNATING A DATE, TIME AND LOCATION FOR A LANDOWNERS' MEETING AND ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; ESTABLISHING FORMS FOR THE LANDOWNER ELECTION; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

#### **RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, Belmont Lakes Community Development District ("**District**") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, being situated entirely within Broward County, Florida; and

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to Section 190.006(1), *Florida Statutes*, the District's Board of Supervisors ("Board") "shall exercise the powers granted to the district pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*," and the Board shall consist of five members; and

WHEREAS, the District was established on November 6, 1996, and as of April 15, 2024, has \_\_\_\_\_ qualified electors, the District does not satisfy both the six-year since establishment requirement and 250 qualified electors' requirement of Section 190.006(3)(a)(2)(b), Florida Statutes, necessary to statutorily require the District to hold a qualified electors' election; and

**WHEREAS**, the District is statutorily required to hold a meeting of the landowners of the District for the purpose of electing Board Supervisors for the District on a date in November established by the Board, which shall be noticed pursuant to Section 190.006(2), *Florida Statutes*.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

**SECTION 1. EXISTING BOARD SUPERVISORS; SEATS SUBJECT TO ELECTIONS.** The Board is currently made up of the following individuals:

| Seat Number | <u>Supervisor</u>      | <b>Term Expiration Date</b> |
|-------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1           | Dominick Madeo         | 2026                        |
| 2           | Joseph (Joe) Capuozzo  | 2026                        |
| 3           | Carlos Benhamu         | 2024                        |
| 4           | Annette Buckley-Correa | 2024                        |
| 5           | Thomas (Tom) Pacchioli | 2024                        |

This year, Seat 3, currently held by Carlos Benhamu, Seat 4, currently held by Annette Buckley-Correa and Seat 5, currently held by Thomas (Tom) Pacchioli are subject to election by landowners in November 2024. The two (2) candidates who receive the highest number of votes shall be elected for a term of four (4) years. The candidate receiving the next highest number of votes shall be elected for a term of two (2) years. The term of office for each successful candidate shall commence upon election.

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BELMONT LAKESCOMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DESIGNATING A DATE, TIME AND LOCATION FOR A LANDOWNERS' MEETING AND ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; ESTABLISHING FORMS FOR THE LANDOWNER ELECTION; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**SECTION 2. LANDOWNER'S ELECTION.** In accordance with Section 190.006(2), *Florida Statutes*, the meeting of the landowners to elect Board Supervisor(s) of the District shall be held on the 19th day of December 2024, at 6:30 p.m. and located in the Community Room at Shenandoah Park, 14452 Shenandoah Parkway, Davie, Florida 33325.

**SECTION 3. PUBLICATION.** The District's Secretary is hereby directed to publish notice of the landowners' meeting and election in accordance with the requirements of Section 190.006(2), *Florida Statutes*.

**SECTION 4. FORMS.** Pursuant to Section 190.006(2)(b), *Florida Statutes*, the landowners' meeting and election have been announced by the Board at its September 3, 2024, meeting. A sample notice of landowners' meeting and election, proxy, ballot form and instructions were presented at such meeting and are attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. Such documents are available for review and copying during normal business hours at the District's Local Records Office, located at the office of the District Manager, c/o JPWard and Associates, LLC, 2301 NE 37<sup>th</sup> Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33308, Phone 954-658-4900, E-Mail: JimWard@JPWardAssociates.com.

**SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY.** The invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions of this Resolution shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Resolution, or any part thereof.

**SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall become effective upon its passage.

 $\textbf{PASSED AND ADOPTED} \text{ by the Board of Supervisors of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District this $3^{rd}$ day of September 2024. }$ 

| ATTEST:               | BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT |  |  |
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| James Ward, Secretary | Dominick Madeo, Chairperson                  |  |  |

#### **EXHIBIT A**

# NOTICE OF LANDOWNERS' MEETING AND ELECTION AND MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given to the public and all landowners within Belmont Lakes Community Development District ("District") the location of which is generally described as comprising approximately 36.12 acres lying in Section 16, Township 50 South, Range 40 East, in Broward County, Florida, advising that a meeting of landowners will be held for the purpose of electing three (3) people to the District's Board of Supervisors ("Board", and individually, "Supervisor"). Immediately following the landowners' meeting there will be convened a meeting of the Board for the purpose of considering certain matters of the Board to include election of certain District officers, and other such business which may properly come before the Board.

DATE: December 19, 2024

TIME: 6:30 PM

PLACE: Shenandoah Park, Community Room

14452 Shenandoah Parkway

Davie, FL 33325

Each landowner may vote in person or by written proxy. Proxy forms may be obtained upon request at the office of the District Manager, c/o JPWard and Associates, LLC, 2301 NE 37<sup>th</sup> Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33308, Phone 954-658-4900, E-Mail: <a href="mailto:JimWard@JPWardAssociates.com">JimWard@JPWardAssociates.com</a> ("District Manager's Office"). At said meeting each landowner or his or her proxy shall be entitled to nominate persons for the position of Supervisor and cast one vote per acre of land, or fractional portion thereof, owned by him or her and located within the District for each person to be elected to the position of Supervisor. A fraction of an acre shall be treated as one acre, entitling the landowner to one vote with respect thereto. Platted lots shall be counted individually and rounded up to the nearest whole acre. The acreage of platted lots shall not be aggregated for determining the number of voting units held by a landowner or a landowner's proxy. At the landowners' meeting the landowners shall select a person to serve as the meeting chair and who shall conduct the meeting.

The landowners' meeting and the Board meeting are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. One or both meetings may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at such meeting. A copy of the agenda for these meetings may be obtained from the District Manager's Office. There may be an occasion where one or more supervisors will participate by telephone.

Any person requiring special accommodation to participate in these meetings is asked to contact the District Manager's Office, at least 48 hours before the hearing. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1, or 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) / 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), for aid in contacting the District Manager's Office.

A person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting is advised that such person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

James P. Ward

District Manager

Run Date(s): November 24, 2024 & December 1, 2024

PUBLISH: ONCE A WEEK FOR 2 CONSECUTIVE WEEKS, THE LAST DAY OF PUBLICATION TO BE NOT FEWER THAN 14 DAYS OR MORE THAN 28 DAYS BEFORE THE DATE OF ELECTION, IN A NEWSPAPER WHICH IS IN GENERAL CIRCULATION IN THE AREA OF THE DISTRICT

# INSTRUCTIONS RELATING TO LANDOWNERS' MEETING OF BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FOR THE ELECTION OF SUPERVISORS

DATE OF LANDOWNERS' MEETING: Thursday, December 19, 2024

TIME: **6:30 P.M.** 

LOCATION: Shenandoah Park, Community Room

14452 Shenandoah Parkway

Davie, FL 33325

Pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, and after a Community Development District ("District") has been established and the landowners have held their initial election, there shall be a subsequent landowners' meeting for the purpose of electing members of the Board of Supervisors ("Board") every two years until the District qualifies to have its board members elected by the qualified electors of the District. The following instructions on how all landowners may participate in the election are intended to comply with Section 190.006(2)(b), Florida Statutes.

A landowner may vote in person at the landowners' meeting, or the landowner may nominate a proxy holder to vote at the meeting in place of the landowner. Whether in person or by proxy, each landowner shall be entitled to cast one vote per acre of land owned by him or her and located within the District, for each position on the Board that is open for election for the upcoming term. A fraction of an acre shall be treated as one (1) acre, entitling the landowner to one vote with respect thereto. For purposes of determining voting interests, platted lots shall be counted individually and rounded up to the nearest whole acre. Moreover, please note that a particular parcel of real property is entitled to only one vote for each eligible acre of land or fraction thereof; therefore, two or more people who own real property in common, that is one acre or less, are together entitled to only one vote for that real property.

At the landowners' meeting, the first step is to elect a chair for the meeting, who may be any person present at the meeting. The landowners shall also elect a secretary for the meeting who may be any person present at the meeting. The secretary shall be responsible for the minutes of the meeting. The chair shall conduct the nominations and the voting. If the chair is a landowner or proxy holder of a landowner, he or she may nominate candidates and make and second motions. Candidates must be nominated and then shall be elected by a vote of the landowners. Nominees may be elected only to a position on the Board that is open for election for the upcoming term.

This year, three (3) seats on the Board will be up for election by landowners. The two candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected for a term of four (4) years. The candidate receiving the next highest number of votes shall be elected for a term of two (2) years. The term of office for each successful candidate shall commence upon election.

A proxy is available upon request. To be valid, each proxy must be signed by <u>one</u> of the legal owners of the property for which the vote is cast and must contain the typed or printed name of the individual who signed the proxy; the street address, legal description of the property or tax parcel identification number; and the number of authorized votes. If the proxy authorizes more than one vote, each property must be listed and the number of acres of each property must be included. The signature on a proxy does not need to be notarized.

#### **LANDOWNER PROXY**

## BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA LANDOWNERS' MEETING – DECEMBER 19, 2024

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| described herein, hereby constitutes and apper Holder") for and on behalf of the undersigned, the Belmont Lakes Community Development District Shenandoah Parkway, Davie, FL 33325, on December according to the number of acres of unplatted land that the undersigned would be entitled to vote if the tresolution or any other matter or thing that may be the election of members of the Board of Supervisor discretion on all matters not known or determined be considered at said meeting. | to vote as proxy<br>to be held at Shoer 19, 2024, at 6:<br>d and/or platted<br>then personally p<br>be considered at<br>rs. Said Proxy Hol | enandoah Pa<br>30 p.m., and<br>lots owned b<br>resent, upon<br>said meeting<br>der may vote | ng of the landowners of the rk, Community Room, 14452 at any adjournments thereof, y the undersigned landowner any question, proposition, or including, but not limited to, in accordance with his or her |
| Any proxy heretofore given by the under continue in full force and effect from the date here adjournment or adjournments thereof but may be presented at the landowners' meeting prior to the   | eof until the conc<br>e revoked at any   | lusion of the l   | andowners' meeting and any en notice of such revocation   |
| Printed Name of Legal Owner   |  |   |   |
| Signature of Legal Owner  |  | Date  |   |
| Parcel Description  |  | Acreage   | Authorized Votes  |
| [Insert above the street address of each parcel, the number of each parcel. If more space is needed reference to an attachment hereto.]   | -  | •   |   |
| Total Number of Authorized Votes:   |  |   |   |

NOTES: Pursuant to Section 190.006(2)(b), *Florida Statutes* (2021), a fraction of an acre is treated as one (1) acre entitling the landowner to one vote with respect thereto. For purposes of determining voting interests, platted lots shall be counted individually and rounded up to the nearest whole acre. Moreover, two (2) or more persons who own real property in common that is one acre or less are together entitled to only one vote for that real property.

If the fee simple landowner is not an individual, and is instead a corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership or other entity, evidence that the individual signing on behalf of the entity has the authority to do so should be attached hereto (e.g., bylaws, corporate resolution, etc.).

#### **OFFICIAL BALLOT**

## **BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA**

LANDOWNERS' MEETING - DECEMBER 19, 2024

For Election (3 Supervisors): The two (2) candidates receiving the highest number of votes will each receive a four (4) year term, and the one (1) candidate receiving the next highest number of votes will receive a two (2) year term, with the term of office for the successful candidates commencing upon election.

The undersigned certifies that he/she/it is the fee simple owner of land, or the proxy holder for the fee

| simple owner of la  | nd, located within the Belmont Lakes Community   | Development District and described                             |
|---------------------|--|--|
| <u>Description</u>  |  | <u>Acreage</u>   |
|                     |  | <del></del>  |
|                     |  |  |
| identification numl | street address of each parcel, the legal describer of each parcel.] [If more space is needed, identified ference to an attachment hereto.] | •  |
| or                  |  |  |
| Attach Proxy.       |  |  |
|                     | , as Landowner,<br>(Landowner) pursuant to the Landowner's   | or as the proxy holder of<br>Proxy attached hereto, do cast my |
| votes as follows:   |  |  |
| SEAT#               | NAME OF CANDIDATE  | NUMBER OF VOTES  |
| 3                   |  |  |
| 4                   |  |  |
| 5                   |  |  |
|                     |  |  |
| Date:               | Signed:  |  |
|                     | Printed Name:  |  |
|                     |  |  |

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, ADOPTING THE ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT GUIDELINES FOR INVESTING PUBLIC FUNDS IN EXCESS OF AMOUNT NEEDED TO MEET CURRENT OPERATING EXPENSES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 218.415(17), FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND INVALID PROVISIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

#### RECITALS

**WHEREAS,** the Belmont Lakes Community Development District ("**District**") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, being situated entirely within Broward County, Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of supervisors, hereinafter referred to as the "**Board**" of the District is required to adopt an investment policy in accordance with Section 218.415, *Florida Statutes*, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to adopt the alternative investment guidelines for the investment of public funds in excess of amounts needed to meet current operating expenses, in accordance with Section 218.415, *Florida Statutes*.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

**SECTION 1. ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT GUIDELINES.** The District hereby adopts the alternative investment guidelines for the investment of public funds in excess of the amounts needed to meet current operating expenses, in accordance with Section 218.415(17), Florida Statutes.

The District may invest in the following instruments and may divest itself of investments, at prevailing prices or rates:

- a) The Local Government Surplus Trust Fund, or any intergovernmental investment pool authorized pursuant to the Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act of 1969, as provided in Section 163.01, Florida Statutes.
- b) Securities and Exchange Commission registered money market funds with the highest credit quality rating from a nationally recognized rating agency.
- c) Interest-bearing time deposits or savings accounts in qualified public depositories, as defined in Section 280.02, *Florida Statutes*.
- d) Direct obligations of the U. S. Treasury.

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, ADOPTING THE ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT GUIDELINES FOR INVESTING PUBLIC FUNDS IN EXCESS OF AMOUNT NEEDED TO MEET CURRENT OPERATING EXPENSES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 218.415(17), FLORIDA STATUTES.; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND INVALID PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

To the extent that the above referenced instruments are amended in Section 218.415(17), the prevailing investments outlined in Section 418.415(17) shall govern.

**SECTION 2. LIQUIDITY PROVISONS.** Securities listed in paragraphs c and d shall be invested to provide sufficient liquidity to pay obligations as they come due.

**SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY AND INVALID PROVISIONS.** If any one of the covenants, agreements or provisions herein contained shall be held contrary to any express provision of law or contract to the policy of express law, but not expressly prohibited or against public policy, or shall for any reason whatsoever be held invalid, then such covenants, agreements or provisions shall be null and void and shall be deemed separable from the remaining covenants, agreements or provisions and shall in no way effect the validity of the other provisions hereof the invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions of this Resolution shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Resolution, or any part thereof.

**SECTION 4. CONFLICT.** That all Sections or parts of Sections of any Resolutions, Agreements or actions of the Board of Supervisors in conflict are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District, Broward County, Florida, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2024.

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| ATTEST:                  | DISTRICT                    |
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| James P. Ward, Secretary | Dominick Madeo, Chairperson |

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT APPROVING A PROPOSED BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2025 AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON PURSUANT TO FLORIDA LAW; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the District Manager has heretofore prepared and submitted to the Board of Supervisors of the Belmont Lakes Community Development District (the "Board"), a proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has considered the proposed Budget and desires to set the required public hearing thereon.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BELMONT LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

**SECTION 1. INCORPORATION OF WHEREAS CLAUSES**. That the foregoing "Whereas" clauses are true and correct and incorporated herein as if written into this Section.

**SECTION 2. APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET**. The proposed Budgets submitted by the District Manager for Fiscal Year 2025 and attached hereto as **Exhibit A** is hereby approved as the basis for conducting a public hearing to adopt said budget.

**SECTION 3.** A public hearing on said approved budget is hereby declared and set for the following date, hour, and location:

DATE: Thursday, October 17, 2024

HOUR: 6:30 P.M.

LOCATION: Shenandoah Park, Community Room

14452 Shenandoah Parkway

Davie, Florida 33325

**SECTION 4. SUBMITTAL OF BUDGET TO BROWARD COUNTY**. The District Manager has previously sent the proposed budget to Broward County at least 60 days prior to the hearing set above. In accordance with Section 189.016, Florida Statutes, the District's Secretary is further directed to post the proposed budget on the District's website at least two days before the budget hearing date.

**SECTION 5. NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING.** Notice of this public hearing on the budget shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the area of the district once a week for two (2) consecutive weeks, except that the first publication shall not be fewer than 15 days prior to the date of the hearing. The notice shall further contain a designation of the day, time, and place of the public hearing. At the time and place designated in the notice, the Board shall hear all objections to the budget as proposed and may make such changes as the board deems necessary.

**SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY AND INVALID PROVISIONS**. If any one of the covenants, agreements or provisions herein contained shall be held contrary to any express provision of law or contract to the policy of express law, but not expressly prohibited or against public policy, or shall for any reason whatsoever be held invalid, then such covenants, agreements or provisions shall be null and void and shall be deemed separable from the remaining covenants, agreements or provisions and shall in no way effect the validity of the other provisions hereof., That all Sections or parts of Sections of any Resolutions, Agreements or actions of the Board of Supervisors in conflict are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE**. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the Timber Creek Community Development District, Broward County, Florida, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2024.

| ATTEST:                  | BELMONT LAKESCOMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT |
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|                          |   |
| James P. Ward, Secretary | Dominick Madeo, Chairperson                 |

Exhibit A: Fiscal Year 2025 Proposed Budget

#### Belmont Lakes Community Development District Proposed Budget Fiscal Year 2025

| Revenue | riscai Tear                                |            | FY25 Proposed |
|---------|--|------------|---------------|
| 363.100 | Administrative and Maintenance Assessments | 227,651.34 | 227,651.34    |
| 363.810 | Debt Assessment                            | -          | -             |
| 363.831 | Assessment Discounts                       | (9,106.05) | (9,106.05)    |
|         | Net Assessment Revenue                     | 218,545.29 | 218,545.29    |
| 369.400 | Other Income                               | 500.00     | 500.00        |
| 369.401 | Interest Income                            | 200.00     | 200.00        |
|         | <b>Total Revenue</b>                       | 219,245.29 | 219,245.29    |
| Expendi | tures:                                     |            |               |
| 511.513 | Postage                                    | 200.00     | 200.00        |
| 512.121 | Management Fees                            | 15,500.00  | 15,500.00     |
| 512.211 | Legal                                      | -          | -             |
| 512.315 | Legal Advertising                          | 650.00     | 650.00        |
| 512.320 | Audit                                      | 4,750.00   | 4,750.00      |
| 512.355 | Meeting Room and Misc.                     | 100.00     | 100.00        |
| 512.356 | Misc. Maintenance                          | 750.00     | 750.00        |
| 512.654 | Dues, Licenses, and Subscriptions          | 175.00     | 175.00        |
| 513.000 | Properter Appraiser and Tax Collector Fees | 4,300.00   | 4,300.00      |
| 517.100 | Debt Service- Principal                    | -          | -             |
| 517.200 | Debt Service - Interest                    | -          | -             |
| 530.410 | Telephone/Cable                            | 1,740.00   | 1,740.00      |
| 530.431 | Electric                                   | 7,527.23   | 7,527.23      |
| 530.450 | Insurance                                  | 11,000.00  | 11,500.00     |
| 530.461 | Cleaning Guardhouse                        | 450.00     | 450.00        |
| 530.462 | Irrigation Maintenance                     | 1,200.00   | 1,200.00      |
| 530.463 | Lake Maintenance                           | 3,588.00   | 3,588.00      |
| 530.464 | Landscaping                                | 78,000.00  | 80,340.00     |
| 530.496 | Landscaping Replacement                    | 30,902.00  | 30,902.00     |
| 530.465 | Holiday Lights                             | 4,000.00   | 4,500.00      |
| 530.466 | Mainteance, Gate and Guardhouse            | 1,500.00   | 1,500.00      |
| 530.467 | Gate Repairs                               |            |               |
| 530.491 | Street Cleaning                            | -          | -             |
| 530.492 | Lights-Entry Gates and Guardhouse          | 250.00     | 250.00        |
| 530.493 | Fence Repairs                              | 20,000.00  | 20,000.00     |
| 530.497 | Virtual Guard Monitoring Service           | 22,726.95  | 22,726.95     |
| 530.511 | Bank Fee                                   | 75.00      | 75.00         |
| 530.702 | Street Maintenance and Repairs             | 500.00     | 500.00        |
| 530.744 | Stormwater Maintenance                     | 3,000.00   | -             |
| 530.745 | Pressure Cleaning                          | 4,469.00   | 4,469.00      |
| 590.000 | Contingency/Operating Reserve              | 1,892.11   | 1,552.11      |
|         | Total Expenditures                         | 219,245.29 | 219,245.29    |
|         | Revenues Less Expenditures                 | 0.00       | 0.00          |
|         | Use Of Reserves                            |            |               |
|         | Net of Reserves                            |            |               |
|         | Gross Assessments                          | 227,651.34 | 227,651.34    |
|         | Less: Discounts Taken                      | (9,106.05) | (9,106.05)    |
|         | Net Assessments                            | 218,545.29 | 218,545.29    |
|         | Gross Assessment                           | 227,651.34 | 227,651.34    |
|         | Number of Units                            | 42         | 42            |
|         | Gross Assessment Per Unit                  | 5,420.27   | 5,420.27      |
|         | Estimated Net Assessment After Discount    | 5,203.46   | 5,203.46      |
|         |  | *          | *             |



To: Board of Supervisors

From: James P. Ward

Date: September 3, 2024

Re: Commission on Ethics newly established Electronic Financial Disclosure

Management System ("EFDMS") website registration, Financial Disclosure Forms,

Required Ethics Training, and Legislative Updates from 2024 Session

## Form 1 Reporting Requirements:

Beginning January 1, 2024, the Florida Commission on Ethics has enacted new procedures for electronic filing of Financial Disclosure forms for Public Officials, as a means of submitting Forms and updating your Filer contact information.

To access the newly established Electronic Financial Disclosure Management System ("EFDMS"), visit the login page (<a href="https://disclosure.floridaethics.gov/Account/Login">https://disclosure.floridaethics.gov/Account/Login</a>) and watch the instructional video for directions on how to register/confirm registration.

If you have filed a Form 1 before, click "I am a Filer" and follow the prompts.

Instructions, FAQs, and tutorials are available from the dashboard within EFDMS. Additional assistance can be obtained Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. by contacting the Commission directly.

Financial disclosure forms are due on or before July 1, 2024 for the preceding calendar year. A grace period is in effect until September 1. If the disclosure is not filed or postmarked by September 1, an automatic fine of \$25 per day will begin to accrue and will continue to build until the disclosure is filed, or the fine reaches \$1,500.

If the annual form is not submitted via the electronic filing system created and maintained by the Florida Commission on Ethics by September 3, 2024, an automatic fine of \$25 for each day late will be imposed, up to a maximum penalty of \$1,500. Failure to file also can result in removal from public office [s. 112.3145, F.S.].

In addition, failure to make any required disclosure constitutes grounds for and may be punished by one or more of the following: disqualification from being on the ballot, impeachment, removal or suspension from office, or a civil penalty not exceeding \$10,000. [s. 112.317, F.S.].

## **Ethics Training Requirements:**

Beginning January 1, 2024, all elected local officers of independent special districts, including any person appointed to fill a vacancy on an elected special district board, whose service began on or before March 31st of the year for which you are filing, are now required to complete <u>four (4) hours of Ethics Training each calendar year</u>. The four (4) hours of Ethics Training shall be allocated amongst the following categories:

- two (2) hours of ethics law,
- one (1) hour of Sunshine Law; and
- one (1) hour of Public Records law.

Please note that the four (4) hours of the Ethics Training do not have to be completed all at once. Supervisors will report their 2024 training when they fill out their Form 1 (Statement of Financial Interests) for the 2025 year by checking a box confirming that they have completed the annual Ethics Training. ETHICS TRAINING IS REQUIED TO BE COMPLETED BY DECEMBER 31, 2024 FOR THE FORM 1 THAT IS FILED IN 2025.

It is highly recommended that you keep a record of all ethics training used to satisfy the Ethics Training requirements. At present, there is no need to submit a certificate or letter of completion of the Ethics Training. However, the Florida Commission on Ethics ("COE") advises that Supervisors maintain a record in the event they are asked to provide proof of completion of all Ethics Training.

Additionally, you may be solicited by a private organization (Florida Association of Special Districts) – to take their Ethics Training Course on their platform for which there is a fee. You are NOT required to use their services nor pay the fees they charge. There are several free online resources and links to resources that Supervisors might find helpful, including free training for the two (2) hour ethics portion and links to outside trainings which can be used to satisfy the other categories of the Ethics Training. You may take training from any source you choose.

State Ethics Laws for Constitutional Officers & Elected Municipal Officers (Video Tutorial): <a href="https://youtu.be/U8JktlMKzyl">https://youtu.be/U8JktlMKzyl</a>

Office of the Attorney General offers training on Sunshine Law and Public Records Law (22-page presentation):

https://www.myfloridalegal.com/sites/default/files/2023-05/opengovernmentoverview.pdf

Office of the Attorney General 2-hour Audio Presentation regarding Public Meetings and Public Records Law:

https://www.myfloridalegal.com/sites/default/files/Full%2520audio%25202018%5B2%5D.mp3

## Florida Law Changes from the 2024 Legislative Session:

#### Chapter 2024-136 - Performance Measures and Standards

The Iggislation mandates special districts to establish goals, objectives, performance measures, and standars for each program and activity they undertake by October 1, 2024 and to report annually on their achievements and performance. Further, by December 1st of each year, the District must produce an annual report detailing the goals and objectives it has accomplished, the performance measures and standards used for evaluation, and any goals or objectives there were not met. The annual report must be posted on the District's web site. B

The District Manager will prepare and these goals and objectives for the Board to review and approve in September, 2024.

#### Chapter 2024-184 - Non Coercion Certificate

This legislation, among other things, amends Section 787.06, F.S. to require non governmental entities, when a contract is executed, renewed, or extended, with a governmental entity, to provide an affidavit, signed by an officer or a representative of the non-governmental entity under penalty of perjury, attesting that the non-governmental entity does not use coercion for labor or services.