

EXHIBIT 1

DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, RESTRICTIONS & EASEMENTS

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THIS DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, RESTRICTIONS AND EASEMENTS ("the Declaration") is made this 29th of February, 2008 by **Eugene L. Turner & Timothy E. McShane "Developers"**

RECITALS

A. Declarant is the owner and developer of certain real property in the County of Hidalgo, State of New Mexico is more particularly described as follows:

See attached legal description Exhibit (A) for recorded final plat for Rancho Hidalgo Phase I in Hidalgo County New Mexico.

B. Declarant desires that a nonprofit corporation, Rancho Hidalgo Homeowners Association, Inc., be formed for the purpose of the efficient preservation of the values and amenities of Rancho Hidalgo (all phases) and to which will be delegated certain powers of administering and maintaining the Common Area, enforcing this Declaration, and collecting and disbursing the assessments created herein.

C. Declarant desires and intends that the Property shall be held, sold and conveyed, subject to the following easements, restrictions, covenants and conditions, which are for the purpose of protecting the value and desirability of, and which shall run with, the Property and shall be binding on and for the benefit of all parties having or acquiring any right, title or interest in the Property or any part thereof, their heirs, successors or assigns, and shall inure to the benefit of each owner thereof and their heirs, representatives, successors and assigns.

NOW, THEREFORE, DECLARANT hereby declares, covenants and agrees as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS:

Section 1.1 "Additional Property" shall mean the real property depicted on **Exhibit "B"** attached hereto as "Phase II" and "Phase III" which may be annexed pursuant to the provisions hereof, from and after the date of recording a Supplemental Declaration in the office of the Hidalgo County Recorder effecting such annexation.

Section 1.2 "Architectural Committee" shall mean the committee created pursuant to Article VII hereof.

Section 1.3 "Architectural Committee Rules" shall mean the rules, if any, adopted by the Architectural Committee.

Section 1.4 "Articles" shall mean the Articles of Incorporation of the Association, as such may be amended from time to time.

Section 1.5 "Association" shall mean and refer to Rancho Hidalgo Homeowners Association, Inc., a New Mexico non-profit corporation, its successors and assigns.

Section 1.6 "Board" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Association.

Section 1.7 "Bylaws" shall mean the Bylaws of the Association, as such may be amended from time to time.

Section 1.8 "Common Area" and "Common Areas" shall mean all areas (including the improvements thereon) owned or leased by the Association for the common use and enjoyment of Owners and/or residents of Rancho Hidalgo (all phases).

Section 1.9 "Declarant" shall mean the Declarant designated above or any person or entity who has succeeded to Declarant's rights and powers hereunder as to all or a portion of the Property and to whom Declarant's rights hereunder have been assigned by recorded instrument.

Section 1.10 "Declaration" shall mean the covenants, conditions, 3 restrictions and easements set forth in this document, as such may be amended from time to time.

Section 1.11 "Lot" shall mean any numbered parcel of real property shown upon any recorded plat of the Property together with any improvements constructed thereon, with the exception of the areas designated as lettered tracts and areas dedicated to the public. Each Lot shall be a separate freehold estate.

Section 1.12 "Member" shall mean any person, corporation, partnership, joint venture or other legal entity that is a member of the Association.

Section 1.13 "Owner(s)" shall mean the record owner, whether one or more person or entities, of equitable or beneficial title in fee simple (or legal title if same have merged) of any Lot in Rancho Hidalgo Phases I, II, III and IV per plat in Hidalgo County New Mexico "Owner" shall include the purchaser under a recorded agreement for sale of any Lot. The foregoing does not include person or entities who hold an interest in any Lot merely as security for the performance or an obligation. Except as stated otherwise herein "Owner" shall not include a lessee or tenant of a Lot. "Owner" shall include Declarant so long as Declarant owns any Lot within the Property.

Section 1.14 "Property" of "Properties" shall mean the real, personal, or mixed property described or located on Recital A above which is subject to this Declaration.

Section 1.15 "Rules" shall mean the rules and regulations adopted by the Board, if any, as such may be amended from time to time, as more further described in Section 4.4.

Section 1.16 "Visible from Neighboring Property" shall mean, with respect to any given object, visible to a person six feet tall, standing on any part of neighboring property at an elevation no greater than ground level where the object is located (assuming the ground level where the person is standing is at the same height as the ground level where the object is located).

ARTICLE II

PROPERTY RIGHTS:

Section 2.1 Owner's Easements of Enjoyment Every Owner shall have a non-exclusive right and easement of enjoyment in and to the Common Area which shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the title to every Lot, subject to the following provisions:

(a) the right of the Association to charge reasonable admission and other fees for the use of any recreational or storage facilities or areas situated upon the Common Area;

(b) the right of the Association to suspend the voting rights and right to use of the Common Area by an Owner for any period during which any assessment against his Lot remains unpaid;

(c) the right of the Association to suspend the right to use the Common Area for period not to exceed sixty (60) days for any infraction of the Association Rules and consecutive sixty (60) day periods for so long as the infraction continues;

(d) the right of the Association to limit the number of guests of members using the Common Areas;

(e) the right of the Association to change and regulate the use of the Common Areas in accordance with Section 4.6;

(f) the right of the Association to change the size, shape or location of the Common Areas, to exchange the common Areas for other property or interest which become Common Areas, and to abandon, dedicate or otherwise transfer Common Areas in accordance with Section 4.7 hereof; and

(g) the right of the Association, in accordance with its Articles and Bylaws, to borrow money for the purpose of improving the owned Common Areas and facilities, and in aid thereof, to mortgage said property in accordance with Section 8.2 (e) hereof. The rights of such mortgagee in said property shall be subordinate to the rights of the Owners hereunder.

Section 2.2 Delegation of Use Any Owner may delegate, in accordance with and subject to any restrictions contained in the Bylaws, his right of enjoyment to the Common Area and improvements thereon to his tenants, or occupants of his Lot, or guests.

Section 2.3 Owners' Easement of Enjoyment Limitations

(a) An Owner's right and easement of enjoyment in and to the Common Area shall not be conveyed, transferred, alienated or encumbered separate and apart from Owner's Lot and such right easement of enjoyment in and to the Common Area shall be deemed to be conveyed, transferred, alienated or encumbered upon the sale of any Owner's Lot, notwithstanding that the description in the instrument of conveyance, transfer, alienation or encumbrance may not refer to the Common Area.

(b) Except as authorized by Section 2.1 (f), the Common Area shall remain undivided and no action for partition or division of any part thereof shall be permitted.

(c) Each Owner, his tenant, the occupant of his Lot, and his guests may use the Common Area in common with the Owners, invitees, tenants, and occupants of the other Lots in accordance with purposes for which it is intended without hindering or encroaching upon the lawful right of such others and in accordance with the Association Rules established by the Board.

Section 2.4 Title to Owned Common Area Declarant covenants that it will convey fee simple title to the Owned Common Area to the Association, free of all encumbrances except current real and personal property taxes and other easements, conditions, reservations and restriction then of record. The conveyance shall be made to the Association prior to the conveyance of the first Lot from the Declarant to any purchaser.

ARTICLE III

PROPERTY SUBJECT TO THIS DECLARATION:

Section 3.1 General Description Because it is intended that the Property as presently subdivided shall be sold and conveyed to purchasers subject to this Declaration, Declarant hereby declares that the Property is and shall be held, conveyed, hypothecated, encumbered, leased, occupied, built upon or otherwise used, improved or transferred in whole or in part, subject to this Declaration, as amended from time to time; provided, however, property which is not part of a Lot and which is dedicated or transferred to a public authority or utility pursuant to Section 4.7 shall not be subject to this Declaration while owner by the public authority or utility. This Declaration is declared and agreed to be in furtherance of a general plan for the subdivision, improvement and sale of the Property and is established for the purpose of enhancing and perfecting the value, desirability and attractiveness of the Property. This Declaration shall run with run with all of the Property for all purposes and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of Declarant, the Association, all Owners, Members and their respective successors in interest.

Section 3.2 Annexation of Additional Property The Property defined in Recital A and hereby subject to the Declaration constitutes only a portion of the real property owned by Declarant and intended to be developed by Declarant as Rancho Hidalgo. Declarant intends (without obligation to do so) to add the Additional Property as defined herein to the Property and subject it to this Declaration. Therefore, Declarant may, without obligation to do so, annex the Additional Property into Rancho Hidalgo Phase II, Rancho Hidalgo Phase III and Rancho Hidalgo Phase IV and subject them to the terms and conditions of this Declaration, by recording one or more Supplemental Declarations which may incorporate this Declaration and establish such additional covenants, conditions, restrictions, assessments, charges, servitudes, liens, reservations and easement with respect to such real property as Declarant may from time to time deem appropriate.

ARTICLE IV

THE ASSOCIATION:

Section 4.1 The Association The Association is a New Mexico non-profit corporation charged with the duties and invested with the powers prescribed by law and set forth in the Articles, bylaws, and this Declaration. Neither the Articles nor Bylaws shall, for any reason, be amended or otherwise modified or interpreted so as to be inconsistent with this Declaration.

Section 4.2 The Board of Directors and Officers The affairs of the Association shall be conducted by a Board of Directors and such officers as the Board may elect or appoint, in accordance with Articles and the Bylaws.

Section 4.3 Powers and Duties of the Association The Association shall have such have such rights, duties and powers as set forth herein and in the Articles and Bylaws.

Section 4.4 Rules By action of the Board, the Association may, from time to time and subject to the provisions of this Declaration, adopt, amend, and repeal rules and regulations to be known as the "Rules".

The Rules may restrict and govern the use of the Property provided, however, that the Rules may not discriminate among Owners and shall not be inconsistent with this Declaration, the Articles or Bylaws. A copy of the Rules, as they may from time to time be adopted, amended or repealed, shall be mailed or otherwise delivered to each Owner. The Rules shall have the same force and effect as if they were set forth herein and were a part of the Declaration and may be recorded.

Section 4.5 Personal Liability The Articles shall specify such limitations on the personal liability of members of the Board as shall be applicable.

Section 4.6 Procedure for Change of Use of Common Area Upon (a) adoption of a resolution by the Board stating that the then current use of specified part of the Common Area is no longer in the best interest of the Owners and Members, and (b) the approval of such resolution by a majority of the votes of each class of Members who are voting in person or by proxy at a meeting duly called for such purpose, the Board shall have the power and right to change the use thereof (and in connection therewith to take whatever actions are required to accommodate the new use), provided such new: (i) also shall be for common benefit of the Owners and Members, and (ii) shall be consistent with any regulations. Alternatively, the Board upon satisfaction of Subsection (a) above may, in lieu of calling a meeting, notify in writing all Members of the Proposed transaction and of their right to object thereto and, if no more than ten percent (10%) of the Class A Memberships eligible to vote object in writing within thirty (3) days after receipt of such notice, the proposed transaction shall be deemed approved by the Members and a meeting of the Members shall not be necessary.

Section 4.7 Procedure for Transfers of Owned Common Area The Association shall have the right to dedicate or transfer all or any part of the Owned Common Area to any public authority or utility (i) if the transfer or dedication does not have substantial adverse effect on the enjoyment of the Common Areas by the Members or the Residents, or (ii) if required by a recorded subdivision plat, a zoning stipulation or an agreement with Hidalgo County, effective prior to the date hereof. Except as authorized in (i) or (ii) above, no such dedication or transfer shall be effective without the approval of a majority of the vote of each class of Members, voting in person or by proxy at a meeting called for such purpose. The Association shall have the right to change the size, shape or location of the Owned Common Areas, to exchange the Owned Common Areas for other property or interests which become Owned Common Areas, and to abandon or otherwise transfer Owned Common Areas (to a non-public authority) upon (x) the adoption of a resolution by the Board stating that ownership and/or use of the relevant Common Area is no longer in the best interests of the Owner and Members, and that the change desired shall be for their benefit and shall not substantially adversely affect them, and (y) the approval of such resolution by a majority of the votes of each class of members, voting in person or by proxy, at a meeting called for such purpose. Alternatively, the Board upon satisfaction of Subsection (x) above may, in lieu of calling a meeting pursuant to Subsection (y) above, notify in writing all Members of the proposed transaction and of their right to object thereto and, if no more than ten percent (10%) of the Class A Members eligible to vote object in writing within thirty (30) days after receipt of such notice, the proposed transaction shall be deemed approved by the Members and a meeting of the Members shall not be necessary.

ARTICLE V:

MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING RIGHTS:

Section 5.1 Membership Every Owner of a Lot which is subject to assessment shall be a Member of the Association. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Lot which is subject to assessment.

Section 5.2 Voting Rights The Association shall have two (2) classes of voting membership:

Class A Class A Members shall be all Owners in Rancho Hidalgo (entirety) per plat, with the exception of the Declarant. Each such Owner shall be entitled to one vote for each Lot owned. When more than one

person holds an interest in any Lot, all such persons shall be Members. The vote for such Lot Shall be exercised as such Owners among themselves determine, but in no event shall more than one vote be cast with respect to any Lot.

Class B The Class B Member shall be the Declarant and shall be entitled to three (3) votes for each Lot owned. The Class B membership shall cease and converted to Class A on the happening of either the following events, whichever first occurs:

- (a) When the total votes outstanding in the Class A membership equal the total votes outstanding in the Class B membership, or
- (b) The 31st day December, 2015.

ARTICLE VI

COVENANT FOR MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENTS:

Section 6.1 Creation of the Lien and Personal Obligation of Assessments. The Declarant covenants for each Lot, and each Owner of any Lot by acceptance of a deed therefore (whether or not it shall be so expressed in such deed) is deemed to covenant and agree to pay to the Association: (1) annual assessments and (2) special assessments for capital improvements, such assessments to be established and collected as hereinafter provided. A Lot owned by the Association, pursuant to Section 6.8 or otherwise, shall not be subject to assessment.

The annual and special assessments, together with interest costs and reasonable attorney's fees, shall be a charge on the Lot and shall be a continuing lien thereon as well as the personal obligation of the person who was the Lot Owner at the time when the assessment fell due. The personal obligation for delinquent assessments shall not pass to the Lot Owner's successors in title, unless expressly assumed.

Section 6.2 Purpose of Assessments. In order to promote civic and social betterment for the common good of the Members of the Association, the assessments levied by the Association shall be used exclusively to promote the recreation, health, safety and welfare of the residents and Owners of the Property and for the improvement and maintenance of the Common Area.

Section 6.3 Maximum Annual Assessment. Until December 31, 2009 the maximum annual assessment shall be Two Hundred Forty-four Dollars and No/100 (\$) per Lot. The annual assessment shall be payable quarterly in advance.

(a) From and after December 31, 2009, the maximum annual assessment shall automatically increase effective January 1 of each year without a vote of the members by an amount which is equal to the greater of: (i) five percent (5%) of the maximum assessment for the previous year; or (ii) a percentage equal to the average rate of change of the Consumer Price Index (the "CPI") for the most recent past twelve (12) months. For the purposes hereof CPI shall mean the Monthly Labor Review by the United States Department of Labor Statistics, designated "Consumer Price indexes. City Average for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, 1982-84 Equals 100, All Items." The maximum annual assessment automatically increases each year even if the actual assessment does not increase.

(b) In Addition to Section 6.3(a) above, the maximum annual assessment during each fiscal year of the Association shall be automatically increased by the amounts of any increases in water or other utility charges or any increases to insurance rates charged to the Association; and

(c) From and after December 31, 2009, the maximum annual assessment may be increased above the amount indicated in (a) above by a vote of two-thirds of each class of Members who are voting in person or by proxy at a meeting duly called for this purpose.

(d) The Board of Directors may fix the annual assessment at an amount not in excess of the maximum.

Section 6.4 Special Assessment for Capital Improvements. In addition to the annual assessments authorized above, the Association may levy in any assessment year a special assessment applicable to that year for the exclusive purpose of defraying, in whole or in part, the cost of any construction, reconstruction, repair or replacement of a capital improvement upon the Common Area, including fixtures and personal property related thereto; provided, however, that any such assessment shall have the assent of two-thirds (2/3) of the votes of each class of Members who are voting in person or by proxy at a meeting duly called for such purpose.

Section 6.5 Notice and Quorum for any Action Authorized Under Sections 6.3 and 6.4. Written notice of any meeting called for the purpose of taking any action authorized under Sections 6.3 and 6.4 shall be sent to all Members not less than fifteen (15) days nor more than sixty (60) days in advance of the meeting. At the first such meeting called, the presence of Members or of proxies entitled to cast thirty percent (30%) of all the votes of each class of membership shall constitute a quorum. If the required quorum is not present, another meeting may be called subject to the same notice requirement, and the required quorum at the subsequent meeting shall be one half (1/2) of the required quorum at the preceding meeting. No such subsequent meeting shall be held more than sixty (60) days following the preceding meeting.

Section 6.6 Uniform Rate of Assessment. Except as provided herein, the annual assessments must be fixed at a uniform rate for all Lots and may be collected on a quarterly basis, as designated by the Board. Declarant shall pay 25% of the annual assessments for each Lot which Declarant owns in four (4) equal quarterly installments in the same manner established for payment of the annual assessment amount by other Lot Owners, except that Declarant shall pay and be liable for the full assessment amount for any Lots owned by Declarant which are being used by Declarant as Model Homes or otherwise being used and occupied for residential purposes (but not sooner than the closing of the first Lot to a residential home buyer). Notwithstanding of the above, any home builder in the business of constructing residential improvements on Lots and who buys Lots from Declarant for such purpose shall pay in four (4) equal quarterly installments 100% of the annual assessments for each Lot which such builder owns or leases and which is not being occupied for residential purposes. Any owner renting or leasing a Lot to Declarant which is not being occupied for residential purposes shall pay 100% of the annual assessment for such Lot.

Section 6.7 Date of Commencement of Annual Assessments: Due Date The annual assessments provided for herein shall commence as of the date of conveyance of the first Lot. The first annual assessment shall be adjusted according to the number of months remaining in the calendar year. The Board of Directors shall fix the amount of the annual assessment against each Lot at least thirty (30) days in advance of each annual assessment period. Written notice of the annual assessment shall be established by the Board of Directors. The Association shall, upon demand, and for a reasonable charge, furnish a certificate signed by an officer of specified Lot have been paid. A properly executed certificate of the Association as to the status of assessments on a Lot is binding upon the Association as to the matters described therein.

Section 6.8 Effect of Non-Payment of Assessments: Remedies of the Association. Any assessment not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date shall bear interest from the due date at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum or such lower rate that is equivalent to the maximum rate allowed by law. No Owner may waive or otherwise escape liability for the assessments provided for herein by non-use of the Common area or abandonment of his Lot.

(a) Enforcement by Suit. The Board may cause a suit at law to be commenced and maintained in the name of the Association against an Owner to enforce each such assessment obligation. Any judgment rendered in any such action shall include the amount of the delinquency together with interest thereon at the rate of twelve (12%) per annum or such lower rate the date of delinquency, court costs, and reasonable attorneys' fees in such amount as the court may adjudge against the delinquent Owner.

(b) Enforcement by Lien. There is hereby created a claim of lien on each and every Lot within the Property to secure payment to the Association of any and all assessments levied against any and all Owners of Lots covered by the Declaration, together with interest thereon at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum or such lower rate that is equivalent to the maximum rate allowed by law, and all costs of collection which may be paid or incurred by the Association in connection therewith, including reasonable attorney's fees. At any time after the occurrence of any default in the payment of any such assessment, the Association, or any authorized representative may, but shall not be required to, make written demand for payment to the defaulting Owner on behalf of the Association. Said demand shall state the date and amount of the delinquency. Each default shall constitute a separate basis for a demand or claim of lien or a lien, but any number of defaults may be included within a single demand or claim of lien. If such delinquency is not paid within ten (10) days after delivery of such demand, or even without such a written demand being made, the Association may elect to file such claim of lien on behalf of the Association against the Lot of the defaulting Owner. Such claim of lien shall contain substantially the following information: (1) the name of the delinquent Owner; (2) the legal description and street address of the Lot against which the claim of lien is made; (3) the total interest thereon, collection costs, and reasonable attorneys' fees (with any proper offset allowed); (4) a statement that the claim of lien is made by the Association pursuant to the Declaration, and (5) a statement that a lien is claimed against such Lot in an amount equal to the amount stated.

Upon recordation of a duly executed original or copy of such claim of lien, and mailing a copy thereof the defaulting Owner, the lien claimed shall immediately attach and become effective in favor of the Association as a lien upon the Lot against which such assessment was levied. Such lien shall have priority over all liens or claims created subsequent to the recordation of the claim which is specifically described in Section 6.9. Any such lien may be foreclosed by appropriated action in court in the manner provided by law for the foreclosure of a realty mortgage or by the exercise deed, as set forth by the laws of the State of New Mexico, as the same may be changed or amended. The lien provided for herein shall be in favor of the Association and shall be for the benefit of all other Lot Owners. The Association shall have the power to bid in at any foreclosure or trustee's sale, reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs, trustee's fees, title search fees, interest and all other costs and expenses shall be allowed to the extent permitted by law. Each Owner, by becoming an Owner of a Lot, hereby expressly waives any objection to the enforcement and foreclosure of this lien in this manner.

Section 6.9 Subordination of the Lien to First Mortgages. The lien of the assessments provided for herein shall be subordinate to the lien of any first mortgage. Sale or transfer of any Lot shall not affect the assessment lien. However, the sale or transfer of any Lot pursuant to mortgage foreclosure, foreclosure or trustee's sale, or any proceeding in lieu thereof, shall extinguish the lien of such assessments as to payments which become due prior to such sale or transfer. No sale or transfer shall relieve such Lot from liability or any assessments thereafter becoming due or from the lien thereof.

ARTICLE VII

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL:

Section 7.1 Organization, Power of Appointment and Removal of Members. There shall be an Architectural Committee, organized as follows:

(a) Committee Composition. The Architectural Committee shall consist of five (5) or three (3) regular members (in any case, an odd number), the Board so elects, and two (2) alternate members. None of such members shall be required to be an architect or to meet any other particular qualifications for membership. A member need not be, but may be a member of the Board or an officer of the Association.

(b) Alternate Members. In the event of the absence or disability of one (1) or two (2) regular members of said though less than quorum, may designate either or both of the alternate members, if any, to act as substitutes for the absent or disabled regular member or members for the duration of such absence or disability, who shall thereupon become "regular" members during such term of designation.

(c) Terms of Office. Members of the Architectural Committee shall serve until they resign, are removed, or are replaced.

(d) Appointment and Removal. The right to appoint and remove all regular and alternate members of the Architectural Committee at any time is hereby vested solely in the Board; provided however, that no member may be removed from the Architectural Committee by the Board except by the vote or written consent of fifty-one percent (51%) of all regular (or alternated sitting as regular) Board members.

(e) Vacancies. Vacancies on the Architectural Committee, however caused, shall be filled by the Board.

Section 7.2 Duties. It shall be the duty of the Architectural Committee to consider and act upon any and all proposals or plans submitted to it by owners pursuant to the terms hereof, to adopt Architectural Committee Rules and procedures for appeal to the Board of Directors, and to carry out all other duties imposed upon it by this Declaration. In doing so, the Committee may appoint and designate, by a majority vote of the Committee, a representative (who need not be a Lot Owner) who shall have the authority to exercise those rights and powers and who shall have those duties and liabilities, on behalf of the Architectural Committee, until the Architectural Committee, by a majority vote, shall revoke his appointment and designation.

Section 7.3 Meetings and Compensation. The Architectural Committee shall meet from time to time as necessary to perform its duties hereunder. Subject to Section 7.1(b), the vote or written consent of any two (2) regular members, at a meeting or otherwise, shall constitute the act of the Committee, unless the unanimous decision of the Committee is otherwise required by the Declaration. The Committee shall keep and maintain a written record of all actions taken by it at such meetings or otherwise. Members of the Architectural Committee shall not be entitled to compensation for the services.

Section 7.4 Architectural Committee Rules. The Architectural Committee may, from time to time and in its sole and absolute discretion, adopt, amend and repeal, by unanimous vote or written consent, rules and regulations, to be known as "Architectural Committee Rules". Such Rules shall interpret and implement this Declaration by setting forth the standards and procedures for Architectural Committee review and the guidelines for architectural design, placement of buildings landscaping, color schemes, exterior finishes and materials and similar features which are recommended for use within the Property.

Section 7.5 Waiver The approval by the Architectural Committee of any plans, drawings or specifications for any work done or proposed, or for any other matter requiring the approval of the Architectural Committee under this Declaration, shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver of any right to withhold approval of any similar plan, drawing specification or matter subsequently submitted for approval.

Section 7.6 Time for Approval. In the event the Architectural Committee fails to approve or disapprove the plans and specifications, such will be deemed approved within thirty (30) days after their submission.

Section 7.7 Liability. Neither the Architectural Committee nor any member thereof shall be liable to the Association, any Owner, or to any other party, and the Association hereby indemnifies and holds harmless the Architectural Committee and all members thereof, for from and against any and all damage, loss or prejudice suffered or claimed on account of (a) the approval or disapproval of any plans, drawings, or specifications, or similar documents whether or not defective, (b) the construction or performance of any work, whether or not pursuant to approved plans, drawings and specifications, (c) the overall development of the Property, or (d) the execution and filing of any estoppels certificate, whether or not the facts therein are correct; provided, however, that with respect to the liability of a member, such member has acted in good faith on the basis of such information as may be possessed by such member, and without willful or intentional misconduct, as would be applicable under local law, and except for those circumstances under which a member of the Board would have liability under Section 4.5. Without in any way limiting the generality of any of the foregoing provisions of this Section, the Architectural Committee, or any member thereof, may but is not required to, consult with or listen to the view of the Association or any Owner with respect to any proposal submitted to the Architectural Committee.

ARTICLE VIII

USE RESTRICTIONS:

Section 8.1 Permitted Uses and Restrictions - Residential. The permitted uses, easements, and restrictions for all Property covered by the this Declaration shall be as follows:

(a) Single Family and Interval Ownership Residential Use. All Lots shall be used, improved and devoted exclusively to single family and interval ownership residential use. No gainful occupation, profession, trade or other non-residential use shall be conducted thereon. Nothing herein shall be deemed to prevent the leasing of any Lot with improvements thereon to a single family from time to time by the Owner thereof, subject to all of the provisions of the Declaration. No structure whatever shall erected, place or permitted to remain on any Lot without the express written approval of the Architectural Committee, provided, however, the Architectural Committee will consider requests for construction of a detached garage, gazebo, guest quarters and other such structures. However, written approval by the Architectural Committee of such structures is essential to construction of such structures and such structures must either comply with the guidelines established for such structures either in the Declaration or in any rules established by the Architectural Committee. Lots owned by Declarant or its designee or assignee may be used as model homes and for sales and construction offices for the purpose of enabling Declarant or its designee or assignee to sell Lots within the Property or any and all business operations until such time as all of the Lots owned by Declarant or its designee or assignee have been sold to purchasers. Declarant or its designee or assignee may lease owned property to the "Association" to be used as "Common Area".

(b) Antennas. No antenna or other device for the transmission or reception of television or radio signals or any other form of electromagnetic radiation shall be erected, used or maintained so as to be Visible from Neighboring Property, unless approved by the Architectural Committee.

(c) Utility Service. All lines, wires, or other devices for the communication or transmission of electric current or power, including telephone, television, and radio signals, shall be contained in conduits or cables installed and maintained underground or concealed in, under, or on buildings or other structures approved by the Architectural Committee. Temporary power or telephone structures incident to construction activities approved by the Architectural Committee are permitted.

(d) Improvements and Alterations. No improvements, alterations, repairs, excavation or other work which in any way alters the exterior appearance of the Property or the improvements located thereon from its natural or improved state existing on the date such Property was first conveyed by Declarant to a

home buyer shall be made without the prior approval of the Architectural Committee, except as otherwise expressly provided in the Declaration. No building, fence, wall or other structure shall be erected, maintained, improved, altered, made or done (including choice of exterior color scheme and building materials) without the prior written approval of the Architectural Committee or any subcommittee thereof. Pursuant to its rule making power, the Architectural Committee shall establish a procedure for the preparation, submission and determination of applications for any such alteration or improvement. The Architectural Committee shall have right, in its sole discretion, to refuse to approve any plans, specifications or grading plans, which are not suitable or desirable, for aesthetic or other reasons, and in so passing upon such plans, specifications and grading plans, and without any limitation of the foregoing, it shall have right to take into consideration the suitability of the proposed building or other structure, and of the materials of which it is to be built, the site upon which it is proposed to erect the same, the harmony thereof with the surroundings and the effect of the building or other structure as planned, on the outlook from adjacent or neighboring Property. No changes or deviations in or from such plans and specifications once approved shall be made without the prior written approval of the Architectural Committee.

(e) Maintenance of Lawns and Plantings. All yards visible from the street shall have acceptable landscaping installed within a reasonable period of time not to exceed 180 days from the close-of-escrow to the first home buyer as to a specific Lot. Lots shall be maintained by their Owners consistent with the indigenous natural desert environment as determined by the rules set forth by the Architectural Review Committee.

(f) Repair of Buildings. No improvement upon any Property shall be permitted fall into disrepair, and each such improvement shall at all times be kept in good condition and repair and adequately painted or otherwise finished.

(g) Trash Containers and Collection. No garbage or trash shall be placed or kept on any Property except in covered sanitary containers. In no event shall such containers be maintained so as to be Visible From Neighboring Property except to make same available for collection and, then, only the shortest time reasonably necessary to effect such collection. All rubbish, trash, or garbage shall be removed from the Lots and shall not be allowed to accumulate thereon. No incinerators shall be kept or maintained on any Lot.

(h) Overhangs. No tree, shrub, or planting of any kind on any Property shall be allowed to overhang or otherwise to encroach upon any Common Area from ground level to a height of twelve (12) feet, without the prior approval of the Architectural Committee.

(i) Machinery and Equipment. No machinery or equipment of any kind shall be placed, operated or maintained upon the Property except usual and customary equipment and machinery used in connection with use, maintenance or construction of permitted improvements, and except that which Declarant or the Association may require for the operation and maintenance of the Common Area. Slides, playground equipment, basketball poles and hoops, outdoor decks, gazebos and other such equipment or structures shall be allowed provided they are approved by the Architectural Committee.

(j) Restriction on Further Subdivision. No Lot shall be further subdivided or separated into smaller Lots or parcels by any Owner, and no portion less than all of any such Lot, shall be conveyed or transferred by any Owner, without the prior written approval of the Board. No Lot may be converted into a condominium or cooperative or other similar type of entity without the prior written approval of the Board. No further covenants, conditions, restrictions or easements shall be recorded against any Lot without the written consent of the Board being evidenced on the recorded instrument containing such restrictions and without such approval such restrictions shall be null and void. No applications for rezoning, variances, or use permits shall be filed without the written approval of the Board and then only if such proposed use is in compliance with this Declaration.

(k) Signs. No sign of any nature (other than a name and address sign, not exceeding 9" x 30" in size) shall be permitted on any Lot; provided, however, that one sign of not more than five square feet may be temporarily erected or placed on a Lot for the purpose of advertising the Lot for sale or rent; and provided further the Declarant or its designee or assignee may erect any signs during construction. These restrictions shall not apply to the Association in furtherance of its powers and purposes herein set forth.

(l) Utility Easements. There is hereby created a blanket easement upon, across, over and under the Common Area for ingress, egress, installation, replacing, repairing and maintaining all utility and service lines and systems, including, but not limited to, water, sewer, gas, telephone, electricity, television cable or communication lines and systems, etc. By virtue of this easement, it shall be expressly permissible for the providing utility or service company to install and maintain facilities and equipment, and to affix and maintain wires, circuits and conduits on, in and under roofs and exterior walls. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this paragraph, no sewers, electrical lines, water lines, or other utilities or service lines may be installed or relocated except as initially developed and approved by the Declarant or thereafter approved by the Board. This easement shall in no way affect any other recorded easements. This easement shall be limited to improvements as originally constructed and no common utility shall be permitted to pass over any improvements on the Lots and connection line shall be permitted to pass over any improvement on the Lot other than the one serves.

(m) Animals. No animal or fowl, other than reasonable number of generally recognized house or yard pets and horses, mules and donkeys in fenced enclosures shall be (i) maintained on any Lot covered by this Declaration. or (ii) be permitted to make an unreasonable amount of noise, or create a nuisance.

(n) Temporary Occupancy. No temporary building, structure or vehicle or any kind shall be used as a residence, either temporary or permanent. Temporary buildings, structures or vehicles used during construction periods shall be removed immediately after completion of such construction.

(o) Trailers, Boats, Aircraft, and Motor Vehicles. No motor vehicle classified by manufacturer rating as exceeding one (1) ton, mobile home, trailer, camper shell, boat trailer or hang glider or other similar equipment or vehicle may be parked, stored, maintained, constructed, reconstructed, or repaired on any Lot, street, or Common Area, Visible From Neighboring Property within the Property, provided, however, the provisions of this section do not preclude the parking in garages or on driveways of (i) pickup trucks of not more than one (1) ton capacity (with or without camper shells) providing the height of such pickup truck and camper shall not exceed seven (7) feet, or (ii) motor homes or other recreation vehicles which do not exceed twelve (12) feet in height or fifty (50) feet in length, if those vehicles described in (i) and (ii) are used on a regular and recurring basis for basic transportation. No automobile, motorcycle, motor bike, motorized hang glider, or other motor vehicle shall be constructed, reconstructed or repaired on any Lot, street, or Common Area within the Property and no inoperable vehicle may be stored or parked so as to be Visible From Neighboring Property, except in the event of an emergency.

(p) Nuisances/Construction Activities. No rubbish or debris of any kind shall be placed or permitted to accumulate upon or adjacent to a Lot and no odors or loud noises shall be permitted to arise or emit therefrom, so as to create a nuisance, render any such Property or any portion thereof or activity thereon unsanitary, unsightly, offensive or detrimental to the Lot or person in the vicinity thereof. Without limiting the generality of any of the foregoing devices, except security devices used exclusively for security purposes, shall be located, used, or placed on any such Property. No motorcycles or motor driven vehicles (except lawn maintenance equipment) shall be operated on any walkways within the Property. The Board in its sole discretion shall have the right to determine the existence of any violation of this Section and its determination shall be final and enforceable as provided herein. Normal construction activities shall not be considered a nuisance or otherwise neat tidy condition during construction periods. Supplies or building materials and construction equipment shall be stored only in such areas and in such manner as may be approved by the Architectural Committee or the Declarant.

(q) Clothes Drying Facilities. Outside clotheslines or other outside facilities for drying or airing clothes shall not be erected, placed or maintained on any Property unless they are erected, placed and maintained exclusively within a fenced service yard or otherwise not Visible From Neighboring Property.

(r) Mineral Exploration. No Property shall be used in any manner to explore for or to remove any oil or other hydrocarbons, minerals of any kind, gravel, earth, any earth substance of any kind or water except as provided by domestic wells approved by Hidalgo County and the Architectural Review Committee.

(s) Diseases and Insects. No Owner or resident shall permit any thing or condition to exist upon the Property which shall induce, breed or harbor infectious plant diseases or noxious insects.

(t) Party Walls and Fences. The rights and duties of Owners with respect to party walls or party fences shall be as follows:

(1) Owners of contiguous Lots who have a party wall or party fence shall both equally have the right to use such wall or fence, provided that such use does not interfere with the use and enjoyment thereof by the other Owner.

(2) In the event that any party wall or party fence is damaged or destroyed through the act of an Owner, his agents, guests, or family members, it shall be the obligation of such Owner to rebuild and repair the party wall or party fence without cost to the other adjoining Lot Owner or Owners. Any dispute over an Owner's liability shall be resolved as provided in subsection (5) below.

(3) In the event any party wall or party fence is destroyed or damaged (including deterioration from ordinary wear and tear and lapse of time), other than by the act of an adjoining Owner, his agents, guest or family members, it shall be the joint obligation of all Owners whose Lots adjoin such wall or fence to rebuild and repair such wall or fence, such expense to be divided among the Owners in accordance with frontage of their Lot on the party wall or party fence.

(4) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained, there shall be no impairment of the structural integrity of any party wall or party wall or party fence without the prior written consent of the Board.

(5) In the event of a dispute between Owners with respect to the construction, repair or rebuilding of a party wall or party fence or the sharing of the cost thereof, such adjoining Owners shall submit the dispute to the Board, the decision of which shall be final and enforceable.

(6) Each Owner shall permit the Owners of adjoining Lots, or their representatives, when reasonable required, to enter his Lot for the purpose of repairing or maintaining a party wall or fence or for the purpose of performing installations, alterations or repairs to the Property of such adjoining Owners, provided that request for entry are made in advance and that such entry is at a time reasonably convenient to the Owner. In case of an emergency, such right of entry shall be immediate. An adjoining Owner making entry pursuant to the terms of this paragraph shall not be deemed guilty of trespass by reason of such entry.

(7) Surfaces of party walls or party fences which are generally accessible or viewable from only the adjoining Property may be planted against, painted, maintained and used by the adjoining Owners. If such surfaces are viewable from public streets or the Common Area, the color scheme shall not be changed without the written consent of the Architectural Committee.

(8) Any Lot which has a wall adjacent to the Common area and which wall separates the Lot from the Common Area shall be considered to have a party wall with the Association and the provisions of the Section 8.1 (t) apply as though the Common Area were an adjacent Lot.

(9) The Owners of Lots with a wall adjacent to a street, or adjoining property, other than Lots or Common Area within the Property, shall be solely responsible for repair and maintenance of such walls, and if repair is necessary, the repaired wall must match the size, color, and texture of the existing adjacent walls within the Property.

(u) Drainage Easement. There is hereby created a blanket easement for drainage of groundwater on, over and across the Common Area. No Owner shall obstruct, divert, alter or interfere with any portion of the Property. Each Owner shall at his own expense maintain the drainage ways and channels on his Lot in proper condition free from obstruction.

(v) Parking. It is the intent of the Declarant to eliminate on-street parking as much as possible. Vehicles of all Owners, residents, guests and invitees are to be kept in garages, carports, residential driveways and other parking areas designated by the Association.

(w) Right of Entry. During reasonable hours and upon reasonable notice to the Owner or resident of a Lot, any Member or authorized representative of the Architectural Committee or Board shall have the right to enter upon and inspect any Lot or improvements thereon, except for the interior portions of any completed improvements, to determine if the improvements are in compliance with this Declaration. Any such persons shall not be deemed guilty of trespass by reason of such entry.

(x) Health, Safety and Welfare. In the event uses, activities and facilities are deemed by the Board to be a nuisance or to adversely affect the health, safety or welfare of Owners or residents, the Board may make rules restricting or regulating their presence as part of the Association Rules or may direct the Architectural Committee to make rules governing their presence on Lots as part of the Architectural Committee Rules.

(y) Declarant's Exemption. Nothing contained in this Declaration shall be construed to prevent the erection or maintenance by Declarant, or its duly authorized agents, of improvements or signs necessary or convenient to the development or sale of Lots within the Property.

(z) Light Pollution Code.

Rancho Hidalgo Light Pollution Code
(Internal Light Source and Outdoors Light Fixtures)

Article 1. Administration

1.01 Purpose

This code is intended to restrict the permitted use of internal and outdoor artificial illuminating devices emitting undesirable rays into the night sky which have a detrimental effect on astronomical observations.

1.02 Conformance with Applicable Codes

All outdoor artificial illuminating devices shall be installed in conformance with the provisions of the Code, the Hidalgo County Zoning Regulations, Hidalgo County Subdivisions Regulations, and any building codes, including Architectural Review Committee "Rules" from the "Association" which may hereafter be enacted, as applicable.

Where any provisions of any of the New Mexico State statutes, or any of the Federal law, or any companion Hidalgo County code comparatively conflicts with the requirements of this Light Pollution Code, the most restrictive shall govern.

1.03 Approved Material and Methods of Installation

The provisions of this Code are not intended to prevent the use of any material or method of installation not specifically prescribed by this Code, provided any such alternate has been approved. The County Zoning Inspector may approve any such alternate provided he finds that the proposed design, material or method:

- a. Provides approximate equivalence to those specific requirements of this Code, or
- b. Is otherwise satisfactory and complies with the intent of the Code.

Article 2. Definitions

2.01 Outdoor Light Fixtures

Outdoor artificial illuminating devices, outdoor fixtures, lamps and other devices, permanent or portable, used for illumination or advertisement. Such devices shall include, but are not limited to search, spot, or flood lights for:

- a. Building and structures.
- b. Recreational areas.
- c. Parking lot lighting.
- d. Landscape lighting.

2.02 Individual

Shall mean any private individual, tenant, lessee, owner, or any commercial entity including but not limited to companies, partnerships, joint ventures or corporations.

2.03 Installed

Shall mean the initial installation of outdoor light fixtures defined herein.

2.04 Internal light

Shall mean the light from any source emanating from inside any building and structure.

Article 3. General Requirements

3.01 Shielding

All exterior illuminating devices shall be fully shielded as required in Section 3.03.

"Fully Shielded" shall mean that those fixtures shall be shielded in such a manner that light rays emitted by the fixture, either directly from the lamp or indirectly from the fixture, are projected below a horizontal plane running through the lowest point on the fixture where light is emitted.

3.01 Shielding – illustrations:

Internal lighting will be shielded from visibility on the outside of buildings and structures by the application of internal window and door coverings as approved by the Architectural Review Committee.

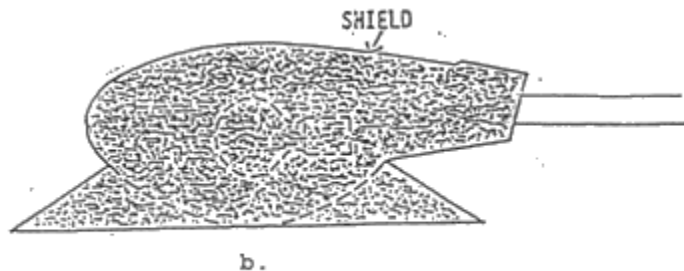


Figure 3.01 Fully Shielded Exterior Fixture

3.02 Filtration

Those outdoor light fixtures requiring a filter in Section 3.03 shall be equipped with a red filter as approved by Architectural Review Committee.

3.03 Requirements for Shielding and Filtering

The requirements for shielding and filtering light emissions from outdoor and internal light fixtures and sources shall be as set forth in the following table:

TABLE 3.03

REQUIREMENTS FOR SHIELDING AND FILTERING		
<i>Fixture Lamp or Light Source Type</i>	<i>SHIELDED</i>	<i>FILTERED (4)</i>
Low Pressure Sodium Prohibited	N/A	N/A
High Pressure Sodium Prohibited	N/A	N/A
Metal Halide Prohibited	N/A	N/A
Fluorescent	Fully	Yes
Quartz Prohibited	N/A	N/A
Exterior Incandescent Greater than 60 W Prohibited	N/A	N/A
Exterior Incandescent (1) 60 W or Less	Fully	Yes
Mercury Vapor Prohibited	N/A	N/A
Fossil Fuel Prohibited	N/A	N/A
Glass Tubes filled with Neon, Argon, Krypton Prohibited	N/A	N/A
Ground level LED lighting for exterior pathways. Internal lighting from any source will be fully shielded from exterior visibility.	As approved by Architectural Review Committee	
<i>Footnotes:</i>		
(1) This is the preferred light source to minimize undesirable light into the night sky affecting astronomical observations.		
(2) Warm red and Natural Lamps are preferred to minimize detrimental effects.		
(3) For the purposes of this Code, quartz lamps shall not be considered an incandescent light source.		
(4) Most glass, acrylic, or translucent enclosures satisfy these filter requirements.		

Article 4. Prohibitions

4.01 Searchlights

The operation of search lights for any purposes prohibited.

4.02 Outdoor Building or Landscaping Illumination

The unshielded outdoor illumination of any building, landscaping or other purpose, is prohibited except with fully shielded and filtered incandescent fixtures equal to or less than 60 watts.

4.03 All light sources as stated Prohibited above in Table 3.03

Article 5. Exemptions

5.01 Special Exemption

The Architectural Review Committee may grant a special exemption to the requirements of Section 3.03 only upon a written finding that there are extreme personal health and safety, geographic or geometric conditions warranting the exemption and that there are no conforming fixtures that would suffice.

Section 8.2 Permitted Uses and Restrictions - Common Area. The permitted uses and restrictions for the Common Area shall be as follows:

(a) Permitted Uses.

(1) Except as otherwise provided herein, the Common Area shall be used in general for the exclusive benefit of the Owners, for the furnishing of services and facilities for which the same are reasonably intended and for the enjoyment to be derived from such reasonable and proper use, without hindering the exercise of or encroaching upon the right of any other Owner to utilize the Common Area, provided that no unlawful use shall be permitted.

(b) Restricted Uses.

(1) The Common Area shall not be used by Owners for storage of supplies, material or personal property of any kind.

(2) Except as otherwise provided herein, no activity shall be carried on nor condition maintained by any Owner upon the Common Area which spoils the appearance of the Property or hinders or encroaches upon the right of any other Owner to utilize the Common Area as reasonably intended.

(c) Maintenance by Association. The Association has the right and may, at any time, as to any Common Area conveyed, leased, or transferred to it, or otherwise placed under its jurisdiction, in the discretion of the Board, without any approval of the Owners being required:

(1) Maintain the plantings on all Common Areas. For this purpose, Declarant and the Association shall have right, at any time, to plant, replace, maintain and cultivate landscaping, shrubs, trees, and plantings on any Common Area and on such easements over an Owner's Lot as may have been granted to Declarant or the Association, regardless of whether any Owner or the Association is responsible hereunder for maintenance of such areas. No Owner shall remove, alter, injure or interfere in any way with any landscaping, shrubs, trees, grass or plantings placed upon any Common Area without the prior written consent of Declarant or the Association. Declarant and the Association shall have the right to enter upon or cross over any Lot, at any reasonable time, for the purpose of planting, replacing, maintaining or cultivating such landscaping, shrubs, trees, grass or plantings and shall not be liable for trespass for so doing.

(2) Reconstruct, repair, replace or refinish any improvement or portion thereof upon the Common Area or the above described easement areas (to the extent that such work is not the responsibility of any governmental entity or utility);

(3) Construct, reconstruct, repair, replace or refinish any road improvement or surface upon any portion of such area used as a road, street, walk, and parking area (to the extent that such work is not done by governmental entity or utility, if any such entity is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of such area);

(4) Replace injured and diseased trees or other vegetation in any such area, and plant trees, shrubs and ground cover to the extent that the Board deems necessary or advisable;

(5) Place and maintain upon the Common Area such signs, markers and lights as the Board may deem appropriate for the proper identification, use and regulation thereof, subject to the approval of the Architectural Committee;

(6) Remove all papers, debris, filth and refuse from the Common Area and wash or sweep paved areas as required; clean and re-lamp lighting fixtures as needed;

(7) Repaint striping, markers, directional signs, and similar identification or safety devices as necessary;

(8) Pay all real and personal taxes and assessments on the Common Area;

(9) Pay all electrical, water, gas and other utility charges or fees for services furnished to the Common Area;

(10) Pay for and keep in force at the Association's expense, adequate insurance against liability incurred as a result of death or injury to persons or damage to property on the Common Area. Such insurance shall be with companies acceptable to the Association in amounts and with adequate limits of liability desired by the Owners or required of the Owners pursuant to any other recorded document affecting the Property, such insurance to name the Association or the Owners or both as named insured's;

(11) Do all such other and further acts which the Board deems necessary to preserve and protect the Common Area and the beauty thereof, in accordance with the general purposes specified in the Declaration;

(12) The Board shall be the sole judge as to the appropriate maintenance within the Common Area; and,

(13) Nothing herein shall be constructed so as to preclude the Association from delegating its powers set forth above to a project manager or agent or to other persons, firms or corporations.

(d) Damage or Destruction of Common Area by Owners. In the event any Common Area is damaged or destroyed by an Owner or any of his guests, tenants, licensees, or agents, such Owner does hereby authorize the Association to repair said damaged area, and the Association shall so repair said damaged area in a good workmanlike manner in conformance with the original plans and specifications of the area involved, or as the area may have been modified or altered subsequently by the Association, in the discretion of the Association. The amount necessary for such repairs shall, to the extent required under local law, be paid by said Owner, to the Association and the Association may enforce collection of same in the same manner as provided elsewhere in this Declaration for collection and enforcement of assessments, including Section 9.3 hereof.

(e) Mortgage or Conveyance of Common Area. The Owned Common Area shall not be mortgaged or conveyed without the prior consent of Owners representing not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the authorized votes of each class of Members.

ARTICLE IX

INSURANCE:

Section 9.1 Scope of Coverage. Commencing not later than the time of the first conveyance of a Lot to a person other than the Declarant, the Association shall maintain adequate insurance for the Common Areas, including liability in an amount no less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000), as well as directors and officer's liability. Each Owner shall be responsible for coverage on his Lot and any improvements thereon.

Section 9.2 Certificates of Insurance. An insurer that has issued an insurance policy under this Article shall issue certificates or a memorandum of insurance to the Association and, upon request, to any Owner, mortgagee or beneficiary under a deed of trust. Any insurance obtained pursuant to this Article may not be canceled until thirty (30) days after notice of the proposed cancellation has been mailed to the Association, each Owner, and each mortgagee or beneficiary under deed of trust to whom certificates of insurance have been issued.

Section 9.3 Repair and Replacement of Damaged or Destroyed Property. Any portion of the Common Area damaged or destroyed shall be repaired or replaced promptly by the Association unless (a) repair or replacement would be illegal under any state or local health or safety statute or ordinance, or (b) Owners owning at least eighty percent (80%) of the Lots vote not to rebuild. The cost of repair or replacement in excess of insurance proceeds and reserves shall be paid by the Association. If the proceeds attributable to the damaged Common Area shall be used to restore the damaged area to a condition which is not in violation of any state or local health or safety statute or ordinance and the remainder of the proceeds shall be distributed to the Owners on the basis of an equal share for each Lot.

ARTICLE X

GENERAL PROVISIONS:

Section 10.1 The Declaration. By acceptance of a deed or by acquiring any ownership interest in any portion of the Property, each Owner, his heirs, representatives, successors, transferees and assigns, binds himself, his heirs, representatives, successors, transferees and assigns, to restrictions, covenants, conditions, rules and regulations now or hereafter imposed by this Declaration and any amendments thereof. In addition, each such Owner by so doing hereby acknowledges that this Declaration sets forth a general scheme for the improvement and development of the Property and thereby evidences his interest that all the restrictions, conditions, covenants, rules and regulations contained herein shall run with the land and be binding on all subsequent and future Owners, grantees, purchasers, assignees, and transferees thereof. Furthermore, each such Owner fully understands and acknowledges that this Declaration shall be mutually beneficial, prohibitive and enforceable by the various future Owners.

Section 10.2 Enforcement. The Association, or any Owner, shall have the right to enforce, by any proceeding at law or in equity, the provisions of this Declaration. Failure by the Association or by any Owner to enforce any covenant or restriction herein contained shall in no event be deemed a waiver of the right to do so thereafter.

In the event any portion of any Lot is maintained so as to present a public or private nuisance, or substantially detract from or affect the appearance or quality of any surrounding Lot, or is used in manner which violates this Declaration or in the event the Owner or resident of any Lot is failing to perform its obligation under this Declaration or the Architectural Committee Rules, the Association or any Owner(s) may give notice to the Owner of such Lot that unless corrective action is taken within fourteen (14) days, the Association or such Owner may take, at such Owner's cost, whatever action is appropriate to complete compliance including, without limitation, appropriate legal action. Charges incurred by the

Association or such Owner(s) in making any repairs or maintenance shall be borne by the violating Owner and shall be paid to the Association or such Owner(s), as appropriate, on demand with interest at twelve (12%) per annum accruing from the date said charges are incurred until paid in full. Any sum not paid hereunder by the violating Owner shall be treated as an assessment and collected in accordance with the procedures provided in Article VI.

Section 10.3 Sever ability. Invalidation of any one of these covenants or restrictions by judgment or court order shall in no way affect any other provisions which shall remain in full force and effort.

Section 10.4 Amendment. The covenants and restrictions of this Declaration shall run with and bind the land, for a term of thirty (30) years from the date this Declaration is recorded, after which time they shall be extended for successive periods of ten (10) years. This Declaration may be amended during the first thirty (30) year period by and instrument signed by Owners not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the authorized votes of each class of Membership, and thereafter by an instrument signed by Owners representing not less than two-thirds the Declarant may amend the Declaration as may be requested by the FHA, VA, FHLMC or FNMA, or any government agency which requests such amendment as a condition of approving the Declaration or any federally chartered lending institution which requests such amendment as a condition to lending funds upon the security of any Lot, or as may be appropriate in the event of any such requested amendment that deletes, diminishes or alters Declarant's control of the Association and its activities, to permit the Declarant to adopt other and different control provisions. Any amendment must be recorded.

Section 10.5 Notices. Notices provided for in these Restrictions shall be in writing and shall be addressed to the last known address of the Lot Owner in the files of the Rancho Hidalgo Homeowners Association, Inc. Notices shall be deemed delivered when mailed by United States First Class, Registered or Certified Mail addresses to the Lot Owner at such address or when delivered in person to such Owner.

Section 10.6 Condemnation. Upon receipt of notice of intention or notice of proceedings whereby all or any part of the Property is to be taken by any governmental body by exercise of the power of condemnation or eminent domain, all Owners and first mortgagees shall be immediately notified by the Association thereof. The Association shall represent the Owners in any condemnation or eminent domain proceeding authority for acquisition of any part of the Owned Common Area of the Property, and every Owner appoints the Association his/her attorney-in-fact for this purpose. The entire award made as compensation for such taking of Owned Common Area, including but not limited to any amount awarded as severance damages, or the entire amount received and paid in anticipation and settlement for such taking, after deducting there from, in each case, reasonable and necessary costs and expenses, including but not limited to attorneys' fees, appraisers' fees and court costs (which net amount shall hereinafter be referred to as the "Award"), shall be paid to the Association as trustee for the use and benefit of any Owners and their first mortgagees as their interests may appear. The Association shall, as it is practicable, cause the Award to be utilized for the purpose of repairing and restoring the Property, including, if the Association deems it necessary or desirable, the replacement of any improvements so taken or conveyed.

In the event of any taking of any Lot in the Property by eminent domain, the Owner of such Lot shall be entitled to receive the award for such taking, and after acceptance thereof Lot Owner and all of Lot Owners' mortgagees shall be divested of all interest in the Property if such Owner shall vacate Lot Owners' Lot as a result of such taking. The remaining Owners shall decide by majority vote whether to rebuild or repair the Property or take other action. The remaining portion of the Property shall be resurveyed, if necessary, and the Declaration shall be amended to more than one Lot at the same time, the Association shall participate in the negotiations and shall propose the method of division of the proceeds of condemnation where Lots are not valued separately by the condemning authority or by the court. The Association should give careful consideration of the allocation of Common Interests in the Owned Common Area in determining how to divide lump sum proceeds of condemnation. In the event any Lot Owner disagrees with the proposed allocation, Lot Owner may have the matter submitted to arbitration under the rules of the American Arbitration Association.

Section 10.7 Waiver; Remedies Cumulative. No failure or delay on the part of any person in exercising any right, power or privilege hereunder and no course of dealing between or among the Person subject hereto shall operate as a waiver of any provision hereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, power or privilege hereunder preclude any other right, power or privilege. The rights and remedies herein expressly provided are cumulative and not exclusive of any rights or remedies which any person subject hereto would otherwise have. No notice to or demand upon any person in any case shall entitle such person to any other or further notice or demand in similar or other circumstances or constitute a waiver of rights to any other or further action in any circumstances.

Section 10.8 Topical Heading. The marginal or topical headings of the paragraphs contained in this Declaration are for convenience only and do not define, limit or construe the contents of the paragraphs of this Declaration.

Section 10.9 Prior Approval. As long as there is a Class B membership, then if this Declaration has previously been approved by the Federal Housing Administration or the Veterans Administration, the following actions will require the prior approval of the Federal Housing Administration or the Veterans Administration: annexation of additional properties, dedication of Common Area, and the amendment of this Declaration.

In WITNESS WHEREOF, Developers, as Declarant, to be signed there unto duly authorized this ___ day of _____, 2008.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)

) s.s.

County of Hidalgo)

On this ___ day of _____, 2008 before me, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared _____, who acknowledged himself to the _____ of _____, an New Mexico corporation and that as such officer being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained, by signing the name of the corporation.

Notary Public Signature _____