

# Office of the Secretary of State

# CERTIFICATE OF FILING OF

Willowbend Homeowners Association, Inc. File Number: 802718452

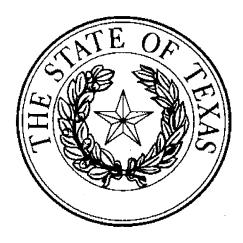
The undersigned, as Secretary of State of Texas, hereby certifies that a Certificate of Formation for the above named Domestic Nonprofit Corporation has been received in this office and has been found to conform to the applicable provisions of law.

ACCORDINGLY, the undersigned, as Secretary of State, and by virtue of the authority vested in the secretary by law, hereby issues this certificate evidencing filing effective on the date shown below.

The issuance of this certificate does not authorize the use of a name in this state in violation of the rights of another under the federal Trademark Act of 1946, the Texas trademark law, the Assumed Business or Professional Name Act, or the common law.

Dated: 05/09/2017

Effective: 05/09/2017



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Rolando B. Pablos Secretary of State

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# CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION

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# Corporations Section

# WILLOWBEND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

The undersigned natural person, being of the age of eighteen (18) years or more, a citizen of the State of Texas, acting as incorporator of a nonprofit corporation under the Texas Business Organizations Code, does hereby adopt the following Certificate of Formation for such corporation:

# **ARTICLE I**

#### NAME

The name of the corporation is Willowbend Homeowners Association, Inc. (hereinafter called the "Association").

#### ARTICLE II

# NONPROFIT CORPORATION

The Association is a nonprofit corporation.

# **ARTICLE III**

#### **DURATION**

The Association shall exist perpetually.

#### ARTICLE IV

# PURPOSE AND POWERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

The Association is organized in accordance with, and shall operate for nonprofit purposes pursuant to, the Texas Business Organizations Code, and does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to its members. In furtherance of its purposes, the Association shall have the following powers which, unless indicated otherwise by this Certificate of Formation, that certain <u>Declaration of Covenants</u>, <u>Conditions</u>, and <u>Restrictions for Willowbend</u>, recorded in the Official Public Records of Harris County, Texas, as the same may be amended from time to time (the "Declaration"), the Bylaws, or Applicable Law, may be exercised by the Board of Directors:

- (a) all rights and powers conferred upon nonprofit corporations by Applicable Law;
- (b) all rights and powers conferred upon property associations by Applicable Law, in effect from time to time, provided, however, that the Association shall not have the power to institute, defend, intervene in, settle or compromise proceedings in the name of any Member or Lot Owner (whether one or more); or (ii) pertaining to a Claim, as defined in *Section 15.1.1* of the Declaration, relating to the design or construction of Improvements on a Lot (whether one or more); and

(c) all powers necessary, appropriate, or advisable to perform any purpose or duty of the Association as set out in this Certificate of Formation, the Bylaws, the Declaration, or Applicable Law.

Notwithstanding any provision in *Article XIV* to the contrary, any proposed amendment to the provisions of this *Article IV* shall be adopted only upon an affirmative vote of Members holding one-hundred percent (100%) of the total number of votes of the Association and the Declarant.

Terms used but not defined in this Certificate of Formation, shall have the meaning subscribed to such terms in the Declaration.

# ARTICLE V

# REGISTERED OFFICE; REGISTERED AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of the Association is 17049 El Camino Real, Suite 100, Houston, Texas 77058. The name of its initial registered agent at such address is Leslie Baldwin.

# ARTICLE VI

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Membership in the Association shall be dependent upon ownership of a qualifying property interest as defined and set forth in the Declaration. Any person or entity acquiring such a qualifying property interest shall automatically become a member of the Association, and such membership shall be appurtenant to, and shall run with, the property interest. The foregoing shall not be deemed or construed to include persons or entities holding an interest merely as security for performance of an obligation. Membership may not be severed from or in any way transferred, pledged, mortgaged, or alienated except together with the title to the qualifying property interest, and then only to the transferee of title to said property interest. Any attempt to make a prohibited severance, transfer, pledge, mortgage, or alienation shall be void.

#### ARTICLE VII

#### **VOTING RIGHTS**

Voting rights of the members of the Association shall be determined as set forth in the Declaration.

# ARTICLE VIII

#### **INCORPORATOR**

The name and street address of the incorporator is:

NAME

**ADDRESS** 

Robert D. Burton

401 Congress Avenue, Suite 2100

Austin, Texas 78701

#### **ARTICLE IX**

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The affairs of the Association shall be managed by an initial Board of Directors consisting of three (3) individuals, who need not be members of the Association. The Board shall fulfill all of the functions of, and possess all powers granted to, Boards of Directors of nonprofit corporations pursuant to the Texas Business Organizations Code. The number of Directors of the Association may be changed by amendment of the Bylaws of the Association. The names and addresses of the persons who are to act in the capacity of initial Directors until the selection of their successors are:

NAME	ADDRESS
Allyson Tauch	1520 Oliver Street Houston, Texas 77007
Steve Mann	1520 Oliver Street Houston, Texas 77007
Wil Schultz	1520 Oliver Street Houston, Texas 77007

All of the powers and prerogatives of the Association shall be exercised by the Board of Directors named above until their successors are elected or appointed in accordance with the Declaration.

#### ARTICLE X

# LIMITATION OF DIRECTOR LIABILITY

A member of the Board of Directors of the Association shall not be personally liable to the Association for monetary damages for any act or omission in his capacity as a board member, except to the extent otherwise expressly provided by Applicable Law. Any repeal or modification of this *Article X* shall be prospective only, and shall not adversely affect any limitation of the personal liability of a member of the Board of Directors existing at the time of the repeal or modification.

# **ARTICLE XI**

# INDEMNIFICATION

Each person who acts as a member of the Board of Directors, officer or committee member of the Association shall be indemnified by the Association against any costs, expenses and liabilities which may be imposed upon or reasonably incurred by him in connection with any civil or criminal action, suit or proceeding in which he may be named as a party defendant or in which he may be a witness by reason of his or her being or having been a member of the Board of Directors, officer, or committee member of the Association, or by reason of any action alleged to have been taken or omitted by him or her in either such capacity. Such indemnification shall be provided in the manner and under the terms, conditions and limitations set forth in *Section 5.7* of the Declaration.

#### **ARTICLE XII**

#### DISSOLUTION

The Association may be dissolved with the written and signed assent of not less than ninety percent (90%) of the total number of votes of the Association, as determined under the Declaration. Upon dissolution of the Association, other than incident to a merger or consolidation, the assets of the Association shall be dedicated to an appropriate public agency to be used for purposes similar to those for which this Association was created. In the event that such dedication is refused acceptance, such assets shall be granted, conveyed, and assigned to any nonprofit corporation, association, trust, or other organization to be devoted to such similar purposes.

#### ARTICLE XIII

# **ACTION WITHOUT MEETING**

Any action required or permitted by Applicable Law to be taken at a meeting of the Members may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice, and without a vote if written consent specifically authorizing the proposed action is signed by the Members holding at least the minimum number of votes necessary to authorize such action at a meeting if all the Members entitled to vote thereon were present. If the action is proposed by the Association, the Board of Directors shall provide each Member, as applicable, written notice at least ten (10) days in advance of the date the Board proposes to initiate securing consent as contemplated by this *Article XIII*. Consents obtained pursuant to this *Article XIII* shall be dated and signed within sixty (60) days after receipt of the earliest dated consent and delivered to the Association at its principal place of business in Texas. Such consents shall be filed with the minutes of the Association and shall have the same force and effect as a vote of the Members at a meeting. Within ten (10) days after receiving authorization for any action by written consent, the Secretary shall give written notice to all Members entitled to vote who did not give their written consent, fairly summarizing the material features of the authorized action.

# **ARTICLE XIV**

#### AMENDMENT

Except as otherwise provided by the terms and provisions of *Article IV* of this Certificate of Formation, this Certificate of Formation may be amended by the Declarant during the Development Period or by a Majority of the Board of Directors; provided, however, that any amendment to this Certificate of Formation by a Majority of the Board of Directors must be approved in advance and in writing by the Declarant during the Development Period.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his hand, this 9th day of May, 2017.

Robert D. Burton, Incorporator



# Office of the Secretary of State

May 10, 2017

WINSTEAD PC 2728 N. Harwood Street, 500 Winstead Building Dallas, TX 75201 USA

RE: Willowbend Homeowners Association, Inc.

File Number: 802718452

It has been our pleasure to file the certificate of formation and issue the enclosed certificate of filing evidencing the existence of the newly created nonprofit corporation.

Nonprofit corporations do not automatically qualify for an exemption from federal and state taxes. Shortly, the Comptroller of Public Accounts will be contacting the corporation at its registered office for information that will assist the Comptroller in setting up the franchise tax account for the corporation. Information about franchise tax, and contact information for the Comptroller's office, is available on their web site at <a href="http://window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/franchise/index.html">http://window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/franchise/index.html</a>. For information on state tax exemption, including applications and publications, visit the Comptroller's Exempt Organizations web site at <a href="http://window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/exempt/index.html">http://window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/exempt/index.html</a>. Information on exemption from federal taxes is available from the Internal Revenue Service web site at <a href="http://www.irs.gov">www.irs.gov</a>.

Nonprofit corporations do not file annual reports with the Secretary of State, but do file a report not more often than once every four years as requested by the Secretary. It is important for the corporation to continuously maintain a registered agent and office in Texas as this is the address to which the Secretary of State will send a request to file a periodic report. Failure to maintain a registered agent or office in Texas, failure to file a change to the agent or office information, or failure to file a report when requested may result in the involuntary termination of the corporation. Additionally, a nonprofit corporation will file documents with the Secretary of State if the corporation needs to amend one of the provisions in its certificate of formation. If we can be of further service at any time, please let us know.

Sincerely,

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