## RIVER'S RUN AT THE BRAZOS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. GUIDELINES FOR SOLAR ENERGY DEVICES

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF FORT BEND §

WHEREAS, River's Run at the Brazos Owners Association, Inc. (the "Association") is charged with administering and enforcing those certain covenants, conditions and restrictions contained in the recorded Deed Restrictions for the River's Run Subdivision (hereafter collectively referred to as the "Deed Restrictions"); and

WHEREAS, Section 202.010 of the Texas Property Code allows a property owners' association to adopt enforceable reasonable rules and regulations regarding use of solar energy devices; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Association (the "Board") has determined that in connection with maintaining the aesthetics and architectural harmony of the subdivision, and to provide clear and definitive guidance regarding solar energy devices therein, it is appropriate for the Association to adopt guidelines regarding solar energy devices within the subdivision.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board has duly adopted the following *Guidelines for Solar Energy Devices* within the subdivision.

- 1. These guidelines apply to solar energy devices ("Devices") as defined in Section 171.107(a) of the Texas Tax Code. A solar energy device means a system or series of mechanisms designed primarily to provide heating or cooling or to produce electrical or mechanical power by collecting and transferring solar-generated energy. The term includes a mechanical or chemical device that has the ability to store solar-generated energy for use in heating or cooling or in the production of power.
- 2. Such Devices may only be installed with advance written approval of the Architectural Control Committee subject to these guidelines.
- 3. Any such Device must be installed on land or structures owned by the property owner. No portion of the Devices may encroach on adjacent properties or common areas.
- 4. Such Devices may only be installed in the following locations:
  - a. on the roof of the main residential dwelling; or
  - b. on the roof of any other approved structure; or
  - within a fenced yard or patio.
- 5. For Devices mounted on a roof, the Device must:
  - have no portion of the Device higher that the roof section to which it is attached;
     and
  - b. have no portion of the Device extend beyond the perimeter boundary of the roof section to which it is attached; and
  - c. conform to the slope of the roof; and
  - d. be aligned so the top edge of the Device is parallel to the roof ridge line for the roof section to which it is attached; and

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- have a frame, brackets and visible piping or wiring that is a color to match the roof shingles or a silver, bronze or black tone commonly available in the marketplace; and
- f. be located in a position on the roof which is least visible from any street or common area, so long as such location does not reduce estimated annual energy production more than 10% over alternative roof locations (as determined by a publically available modeling tool provided by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory [www.nrel.gov] or equivalent entity).
- 6. For Devices located in a fenced yard or patio, no portion of the Device may extend above the top of the fence. If the fence is not a solid fence which blocks view of the Device, the Association may require the Device be placed in a location behind a structure or otherwise require visual screening. The Association may consider installation of Devices on properties without a fenced yard if there is adequate screening from public view from any street or common area.
- 7. All Devices must be installed in compliance with manufacturer's instruction and in a manner which does not void material warranties. Licensed craftsmen must be used where required by law. Permits must be obtained where required by law.
- 8. Installed Devices may not:
  - a. threaten public health or safety; or
  - b. violate any law; or
  - c. substantially interfere with the use and enjoyment of land by causing unreasonable discomfort or annoyance to any adjoining property owner.
- 9. All Devices must be maintained in good repair. Unused or inoperable Devices must be removed.

The guidelines are effective upon recordation in the Public Records of Fort Bend County and supersede any guidelines for solar energy devices which may have previously been in effect. Except as affected by Section 202.010 and/or by these guidelines, all other provisions contained in the Deed Restrictions or any other dedicatory instruments of the Association shall remain in full force and effect.

## CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, being the Vice President of the River's Run at the Brazos Owners Association, Inc., hereby certify that the foregoing guidelines were adopted by at least a majority of the River's Run at the Brazos Owners Association, Inc.'s Board of Directors.

Approved and adopted by the Board of Directors on the  $\frac{1}{2}$  day of February, 2018.

Lippmann, Vice President of River's Run at

the Brazos Owners Association, Inc.

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Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Greg Lippmann. Vice President of River's Run at the Brazos Owners Association, Inc., a Texas corporation, known to me to be the person and officer whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he had executed the same as the act of said corporation for the purpose and consideration therein expressed, and in the capacity therein stated.

Given under my hand and seal of office this \_\_\_\_\_day of February, 2018.

Notary Public, State of Texas

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