

**CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION  
OF  
SOLAR ENERGY DEVICES GUIDELINES  
OF  
WALNUT CREEK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.**

14729-FD-260

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Walnut Creek Community Association, Inc., a Texas non-profit corporation (the "Association") is charged with administering and enforcing those certain covenants, conditions, and restrictions contained in that certain Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions recorded in the office of the County Clerk of Fort Bend County, Texas under Clerk's File No. 2007020558, as said instrument has been amended or supplemented from time to time, encumbering the Walnut Creek Community; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 202 of the Texas Property Code was amended effective September 1, 2011, to add Section 202.010 ("Section 202.010") thereto; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 202.010 allows a property owners' association to adopt and enforce rules and regulations regarding solar energy devices; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has determined that in connection with providing rules and regulations regarding solar energy devices, it is appropriate for the Association to adopt solar energy devices guidelines; and

**WHEREAS**, the By-Laws of the Association provides that a majority of the number of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and that the action of a majority of the Directors at a meeting at which a quorum is present is the action of the Board; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board, by unanimous written consent, duly passed the solar energy devices guidelines described herein below (the "Solar Energy Devices Guidelines").

**NOW, THEREFORE**, to give notice of the matters set forth herein, the undersigned, being the President of the Association, does hereby certify that the Board, by unanimous written consent, duly adopted the Solar Energy Devices Guidelines. The Solar Energy Devices Guidelines are effective upon recordation of this Certificate in the Official Public Records of Fort Bend County, Texas, and supersede any guidelines regarding solar energy devices which may have previously been in effect for the Walnut Creek Community. The Solar Energy Devices Guidelines are as follows:

As used herein, "Solar Energy Device" or "Solar Energy Devices" 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 and 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.

**CATEGORY 1**  
***(ROOF MOUNTED SOLAR ENERGY DEVICE)***

The following conditions (as well as the Minimum Conditions set forth below) apply to a Solar Energy Device mounted to the roof of the home or other structure:

- a. The Solar Energy Device and any related mast, frame, brackets, support structure, piping and wiring must be located to the rear one-half (1/2) of the lot, must not be visible from the frontage street or adjoining streets and must serve only improvements on the particular lot in which it is located unless an alternate location on the roof increases the estimated annual energy production of the Solar Energy Device, as determined by using a publicly available modeling tool provided by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory, by more than ten (10%) percent. In such instance, the Solar Energy Device and any mast shall be placed in the least visible location where an acceptable level of annual energy production is still possible.
- b. The Solar Energy Device and any related mast, frame, brackets, support structure, piping and wiring shall not extend above the roofline of the house or other structure upon which the Solar Energy Device is located.
- c. The slope of the Solar Energy Device and any brackets must conform to the slope of the roof and must have a top edge that is parallel to the roofline.

**CATEGORY 2**  
***(NON-ROOF MOUNTED SOLAR ENERGY DEVICE)***

The following conditions (as well as the Minimum Conditions set forth below) apply to a Solar Energy Device not mounted to the roof of the home or other structure:

- a. The Solar Energy Device and any related mast, frame, brackets, support structure, piping and wiring may not extend above the fence line.
- b. The Solar Energy Device and any related mast, frame, brackets, support structure, piping and wiring may only be located in a fenced yard or patio owned and maintained by the owner.

**MINIMUM CONDITIONS**


In addition to the foregoing requirements, no Solar Energy Device and any related mast, frame, brackets, support structure, piping and wiring shall be erected, constructed, placed, or permitted to remain on any lot unless such installation strictly complies with the following minimum conditions:

- a. The proposed location of the Solar Energy Device and any related mast, frame, brackets, support structure, piping and wiring must be submitted to the Association's Architectural Control Committee for prior written approval. The Association's Architectural Control Committee reserves the right to withhold approval of the Solar Energy Device and any related mast, frame, brackets, support structure, piping and wiring, even if it complies with the Guidelines herein, if the placement constitutes a condition that substantially interferes with the use and enjoyment of land by causing an unreasonable discomfort or annoyance to persons of ordinary sensibilities.

- b. The Solar Energy Device and any related mast, frame, brackets, support structure, piping and wiring must not threaten the public health or safety as adjudicated by a court or violate the law as adjudicated by a court.
- c. The Solar Energy Device and any related mast, frame, brackets, support structure, piping and wiring must be silver, bronze or black tone commonly available in the market place and no advertising slogan, log, print or illustration shall be permitted upon the Solar Energy Device or any related mast, frame, brackets, support structure, piping and wiring mast, other than the standard logo, printing or illustration which may be included by the applicable manufacturer for the Solar Energy Device or any related mast, frame, brackets, support structure, piping and wiring mast.
- d. The Solar Energy Device and any related mast, frame, brackets, support structure, piping and wiring shall not be constructed or placed or permitted to remain on any property owned or maintained by the Association.
- e. The Solar Energy Device and any related mast, frame, brackets, support structure, piping and wiring installed hereunder shall be installed in a manner that complies with all applicable laws and regulations and manufacturer's instructions and as installed, must not void the manufacturer's warranty.

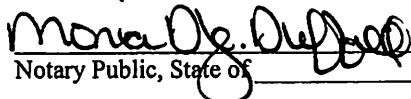
**EXECUTED** on the date of the acknowledgement set forth herein below, to be effective as set forth above.

**WALNUT CREEK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.,** a  
Texas non-profit corporation

By:   
Brian Gibson, President

THE STATE OF TEXAS     §  
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COUNTY OF FORT BEND     §

This instrument was acknowledged before me on December 28, 2011, by Brian Gibson, President of Walnut Creek Community Association, Inc., a Texas non-profit corporation, on behalf of said corporation.

  
Notary Public, State of \_\_\_\_\_

**WHEN RECORDED, RETURN TO:**  
Friendswood Development Company  
550 Greens Parkway, Suite 100  
Houston, TX 77007  
Attn: Monica Vega-Duffield

