BYLAWS

OF

MAPLE LANE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE 1

NAME AND LOCATION

The name of the corporation is MAPLE LANE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, hereinafter referred to as the "Association." The principal office of the corporation shall be located at 112 Maple Lane, East Palo Alto, California, but meetings of members and directors may be held at such places within the State of California as may be designated by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE II

DEFINITIONS

<u>Section 1.</u> "Association" shall mean and refer to Maple Lane Homeowners Association, its successors and assigns.

<u>Section 2.</u> "Common Area" shall mean all real property consisting of Parcel A on the Map.

<u>Section 3.</u> "Declaration" shall mean and refer to the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions applicable to the Properties recorded in the Recorder's Office of San Mateo County, California.

<u>Section 4.</u> "Declarant" shall mean Weeks Street, LLC, a California limited liability company, or any successor or assign that assumes in writing all or a portion of the rights and duties of the Declarant hereunder. There may be more than one Declarant.

<u>Section 5.</u> "Development" shall mean the residential development that is constructed on the Properties and made subject to the Declaration, including the Lots, the Common Area, and all Improvements thereon.

<u>Section 6.</u> "Improvements" shall mean any fixtures affixed to any Lot or Common Area in the Development within the meaning of Civil Code section 660.

<u>Section 7.</u> "Lot" shall mean Lots 1 through 29 as shown on the Map and all Improvements thereon.

Section 8. "Map" shall mean the subdivision map entitled "1060 Weeks Street East Palo Alto, California" filed for record in San Mateo County, California, on June 24, 2004, in Book 133 of Maps at pages 13 through 15 (including the improvements thereto) owned by the Association for the common use and enjoyment of the members of the Association.

<u>Section 9.</u> "Member" shall mean and refer to every person or entity who holds a membership in the Association.

<u>Section 10.</u> "Owner" shall mean and refer to the record owner, whether one or more persons or entities, of the fee simple title to any Lot which is a part of the Properties, including contract sellers, but excluding those having such as security for the performance of an obligation.

<u>Section 11.</u> "Properties" shall mean and refer to that certain real property described in the "Declaration" and such additions thereto, which, from time to time, may be brought within the jurisdiction of the Association.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP

Every person or entity who is a record owner of a fee or undivided fee interest in any Lot which is subject by covenants of record to assessment by the Association, including contract sellers, shall be a member of the Association. The foregoing is not intended to include persons or entities who hold an interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Lot which is subject to assessment by the Association. Ownership of such Lot in possession of a Lot shall be entitled to exercise the Owner's rights in the Association with regard thereto.

ARTICLE IV

VOTING RIGHTS

The Association shall have two classes of voting membership:

<u>Class A:</u> Class A Members are all Owners except the Declarant. Class A Members shall be entitled to one vote for each Lot in which he or she owns an interest. If more than one Owner owns an interest in a Lot, only one vote may be cast with respect to that Lot.

<u>Class B:</u> The Class B Member shall be the Declarant, who shall be entitled to three votes for each Lot owned by the Declarant. Class B membership shall cease and be irreversibly converted to Class A on the first to occur of the following:

- (a) the total outstanding votes held by the Class A Members equal the total outstanding votes held by the Class B Members; or
- (b) the second anniversary of the first conveyance of a Lot in the Development. Voting rights shall vest at the time that assessments are levied against the Owner's Lot.

ARTICLE V

PROPERTY RIGHTS

Members Easements of Enjoyment. Every member shall have a right and easement of enjoyment in and to the Common Area and such easement shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the title to every assessed Lot, subject to Article IX. The Board may adopt rules regulating the use of the Common Area provided such rules are consistent with the restrictions contained in the Declaration.

ARTICLE VI

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: SELECTION: TERM OF OFFICE

<u>Section 1.</u> Number. The affairs of this Association shall be managed by a Board of at least three (3) but not more than five (5) directors, who need not be members of the Association.

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Election.</u> At the first annual meeting the members shall elect one director for a term of one year, one director for a term of two years and one director for a term of three years; and as the term of such directors expires new directors shall be elected for terms of three years.

<u>Section 3.</u> Removal. Any directors may be removed from the Board, with or without cause, by a majority vote of the members of the Association. In the event of death, resignation or removal of a director his successor shall be selected by the remaining members of the Board and shall serve for the unexpired term of his predecessor.

<u>Section 4.</u> Compensation. No director shall receive compensation for any service he may render to the Association in his capacity as a director. However, any director may be reimbursed for his actual reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of his duties as a director.

<u>Section 5.</u> <u>Action Taken Without a Meeting.</u> The directors shall have the right to take any action in the absence of a meeting which they could take at a meeting by obtaining the written approval of all the directors. Any action so approved shall have the same effect as though taken at a meeting of the directors.

Section 6. Indemnification. Each director of the Association, in consideration of his services as such, shall be indemnified by the Association to the extent permitted by law against expenses and liabilities reasonably incurred by him in connection with the defense of any action, suit or proceeding, civil or criminal, to which he may be a party by reason of his past or present role in the Association unless such action was a result of gross neglect or willful misconduct.

ARTICLE VI

MEETINGS OF DIRECTORS

<u>Section 1.</u> Regular Meeting. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at least once per calendar year at such place and hour as may be fixed from time to time by resolution of the Board. Should said meeting fall upon a legal holiday, then that meeting shall be held at the same time on the next day which is not a legal holiday.

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Special Meetings.</u> Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held when called by the President of the Association, or by any two directors, after not less than three (3) days notice to each director.

<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Quorum.</u> A majority of the number of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Every act or decision done or made by a majority of the directors present at a duly held meeting at which a quorum is present shall be regarded as the act of the Board.

ARTICLE VIII

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Nomination. Nomination for election to the Board of Directors shall be made by a Nominating Committee. Nominations may also be made from the floor at the annual meeting. The Nominating Committee shall consist of a Chairman, who shall be a member of the Board of Directors, and two (2) or more members of the Association. The Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the Board of Directors sixty (60) to ninety (90) days prior to each annual meeting of the members, to serve until the close of such annual meeting. The Nominating Committee shall make as many nominations for election to the Board of Directors as it shall in its discretion determine, but not less than

the number of vacancies that are to be filled. Such nominations may be made from among members or non-members.

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Election.</u> Election to the Board of Directors shall be by secret written ballot. At such election the members or their proxies may cast, in respect to each vacancy, as many votes as they are entitled to exercise under the provisions of the Declaration. The persons receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected. Cumulative voting is not permitted.

ARTICLE IX

POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Powers. The Board of Directors shall have power:

- (a) To adopt and publish rules and regulations governing the use of the Common Area and facilities, and the personal conduct of the members and their guests thereon, and to establish penalties for the infraction thereof;
- (b) To suspend the voting rights and right to the use of the Common Area during any period in which such member shall be in default in the payment of any assessment levied by the Association. Such rights may also be suspended after notice and hearing, for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days for infraction of published rules and regulations;
- (c) To exercise for the Association all powers, duties end authority vested in or delegated to this Association not reserved to the membership by other provisions of these Bylaws, the Articles of Incorporation, or the Declaration;
- (d) To declare the office of a member of the Board of Directors to be vacant in the event such member shall be absent from three (3) consecutive regular meetings of the Board of Directors;
- (e) To employ a manager, an independent such other employees as they deem necessary, their duties; and
- (f) To amend these Bylaws in accordance with Article XVI.

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Duties.</u> It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors:

(a) To cause to be kept a complete record of all its acts and corporate affairs and to present a statement thereof to the members at the annual meeting of the members or at

any special meeting, when such statement is requested in writing by one-fourth (1/4) of the Class A members who are entitled to vote;

- (b) To supervise all officers, agents and employees of this Association, and to see that their duties are properly performed;
- (c) As more fully provided herein and in the Declaration:
- (1) to fix the amount of the annual assessments against each Lot at least thirty (30) days in advance of annual assessment period, as hereinafter provided in Article XIII; and
- (2) to send written notice of the assessment amount to every Owner subject thereto at least thirty (30) days in advance of each annual assessment period, if required by the Declaration;
- (d) To issue, or cause an appropriate officer to issue, upon demand by any person, a certificate setting forth whether any assessment has been paid. A reasonable charge may be made by the Board for the issuance of these certificates. Such certificate shall be conclusive evidence of any assessment therein stated to have been paid;
- (e) To procure and maintain adequate insurance, as provided in the Declaration;
- (f) To cause all officers or employees having fiscal responsibilities to be bonded, as it may deem appropriate; and
- (g) To cause the Common Area and all Improvements and landscaping thereon, including, but not limited to, private street, irrigation systems, fences, lighting fixtures and utilities serving the Common Area, storm drainage systems, and sanitary sewer systems not maintained by a government agency or public or private utility company to be maintained in accordance with the standards adopted by the Board.

ARTICLE X

COMMITTEES

The Association may appoint an Architectural Committee as provided in the Declaration and a Nominating Committee as provided in these Bylaws. In addition, the Board of Directors may appoint other committees as deemed appropriate in carrying out its purposes. It shall be the duty of each committee to receive complaints from members on any matter involving Association functions, duties, and activities within its field of responsibility. It shall dispose of such complaints as it deems appropriate or refer them to such other committee, director or officer of the Association as is further concerned with the matter presented.

ARTICLE XI

MEETING OF MEMBERS

Section 1. Annual Meetings. The first annual meeting of the members shall be held within one (1) year from the date of incorporation of the Association, and each subsequent regular annual meeting of the members shall be held within ten (10) to fourteen (14) months but at least once in each calendar year, at such day and time as set by the Board of Directors. If the day for the annual meeting of the members is a legal holiday, the meeting will be held at the same hour on the first day following which is not a legal holiday.

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Special Meetings.</u> Special meetings of the members may be called at any time by the president or by the Board of Directors, or upon written request of the members who are entitled to vote one-fourth (1/4) of all of the votes of the Class A membership.

Section 3. Notice of Meetings. Written notice of each meeting of the members shall be given by, or at the direction of, the secretary or person authorized to call the meeting by mailing a copy of such notice, postage prepaid, at least fifteen (15) days before such meeting to each member entitled to vote thereat, addressed to the member's address last appearing on the books of the Association, or supplied by such member to the Association for the purpose of notice. Such notice shall specify the place, day and hour of the meeting and, in the case of the meeting. Nothing in this section prevents the Association from using alternative means of notice, such as electronic mail, as long as the alternative means is reasonably calculated to apprise the members of the meeting.

Section 4. Quorum. The presence at the meeting of members entitled to cast, or of proxies entitled to cast, twenty-five percent (25%) of all of the votes of each class of membership shall constitute a quorum for any action except as otherwise provided in the Articles of Incorporation, the Declaration, or these Bylaws. If, however, such quorum shall not be present or represented at any meeting, the members entitled to vote thereat shall have the power to adjourn the meeting from time to time, without notice other than announcement at the meeting, until a quorum as aforesaid shall be present or be represented.

<u>Section 5. Proxies.</u> At all meetings of members, each member may vote in person or by proxy. All proxies shall be in writing and filed with the secretary. Every proxy shall be revocable and .shall automatically by the member of his Lot.

ARTICLE XII

OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

<u>Section 1.</u> Enumeration of Officers. The officers of this Association shall be a president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer, who shall at all times be members of the Board of Directors, and such other officers as the Board may from time to time by resolution create.

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Election of Officers.</u> The election of officers shall take place at the first meeting of the Board of Directors following each annual meeting of the members.

<u>Section 3. Term.</u> The officers of this Association shall be elected annually by the Board and each shall hold office for one (1) year unless he shall sooner resign, or shall be removed, or otherwise disqualified to serve.

<u>Section 4. Special Appointments.</u> The Board may elect such other officers as the affairs of the Association may require, each of whom shall hold office for such period, have such authority, and perform such duties as the Board may, from time to time, determine.

Section 5. Resignation and Removal. Any officer may be removed from office with or without cause by the Board. Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the board, the president or the secretary. Such resignation shall take effect on the date of receipt of such notice or at any later time specified therein, and unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

<u>Section 6.</u> Vacancies. A vacancy in any office may be filled in the manner prescribed for regular election. The officer elected to such vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term of the officer he replaces.

<u>Section 7.</u> <u>Multiple Offices.</u> The offices of secretary and treasurer may be held by the same person. No person shall simultaneously hold more than one of any of the other offices except in the case of special offices created pursuant to Section 4 of this Article.

Section 8. Duties. The duties of the officers are as follows:

- (a) <u>President.</u> The president shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors, shall see that orders and resolutions of the Board are carried out, and shall sign all leases, mortgages, deeds and other written instruments;
- (b) <u>Vice-President</u>. The vice-president shall act in the place and stead of the president in the event of his absence, inability or refusal to act, and shall exercise and discharge such other duties as may be required of him by the Board;

- (c) <u>Secretary</u>. The secretary shall record the votes and keep the minutes of all meetings and proceedings of the Board and of the members, keep the corporate seal of the Association and affix it on all papers requiring said seal, serve notice of meetings of the Board and of the members, keep appropriate current records showing the members of the Association together with their addresses, and shall perform such other duties as required by the Board; and
- (d) <u>Treasurer.</u> The treasurer shall receive and deposit in appropriate bank accounts all monies of the Association and shall disburse such funds as directed by resolution of. the Board of Directors, shall sign all checks and promissory notes of the Association, keep proper books of account, cause an annual audit of the Association books to be made by a public accountant at the completion of each fiscal year, and shall prepare an annual budget and a statement of income and expenditures to be presented to the membership at its regular annual meeting, and deliver a copy of each to the members.

ARTICLE XIII

COVENANT FOR MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENTS

<u>Section 1.</u> <u>Creation of the Lien and Personal Obligation of Assessments.</u> The Declarant, for each Lot owned within the Properties, hereby covenants, and each Owner of any Lot by acceptance of a deed therefore, whether or not it shall be so expressed in any such deed or other conveyance, is deemed to covenant and agree to pay to the Association:

- (a) Annual assessments or charges, and
- (b) Special assessments for capital improvements, or other specified items, such assessments to be fixed, established and collected from time to time as hereinafter provided. The annual and special assessments, together with such interest thereon and costs of collections thereof, as hereinafter provided, shall be a charge on the land and shall be a continuing lien upon the Lot against which each such assessment is made. Each such assessment together with such interest, costs and reasonable attorney's fees, shall also be the personal obligation of the person who was the Owner of such Lot at the time when the assessment fell due and shall not pass to his successors in title unless expressly assumed by them.

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Purpose of Assessments.</u> The assessments levied by the Association shall be used exclusively for the purpose of promoting the recreation, health, safety and welfare of the residents in the Properties and in particular for the payment of taxes and improvements and maintenance of services and facilities devoted to this purpose and related to the use and enjoyment of the Common Area.

ARTICLE XIV

BOOKS AND RECORDS

The books, records and papers of the Association shall at all times, during reasonable business hours, be subject to inspection by any member. The Declaration, the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the Association shall be available for inspection by any member at the principal office of the Association, where copies may be purchased at reasonable cost.

ARTICLE XV

CORPORATE SEAL

The Association shall have a seal in circular form having within its circumference the words: MAPLE LANE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, a California nonprofit mutual benefit corporation.

ARTICLE XVI

AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be amended by the Board or by a vote of the majority of a quorum of members present in person or by proxy at a regular or special meeting of the members.

ARTICLE XVII

MISCELLANEOUS

In the case of any conflict between the Articles of Incorporation and these Bylaws, the Articles shall control; and in the case of any conflict between the Declaration and these Bylaws, the Declaration shall control.

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