

Condominium Property Managers

# STRATA CORPORATION

NW 1260 (I)

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# SCHEDULE OF BYLAWS STRATA PLAN NW 1260 PHASE I

# Division 1 - Duties of Owners, Tenants, Occupants and Visitors

# Payment of strata fees

- 1 (1) An owner must pay strata fees on or before the first day of the month to which the strata fees relate.
  - (2) If an owner is late in paying his or her strata fees, the owner must pay to the strata corporation interest on the late payment in the amount of 10% per annum compounded annually, and calculated on a monthly basis commencing from the date the payment was due and continuing until the last day of the month in which it is paid.

## Repair and maintenance of property by owner

- 2 (1) An owner must repair and maintain the owner's strata lot, including but not limited to windows, skylights, and doors, and areas allocated to the owner's exclusive use, and keep them in a state of good repair, except for repair and maintenance that is the responsibility of the strata corporation under these bylaws.
  - (2) An owner who has the use of limited common property must repair and maintain it, except for repair and maintenance that is the responsibility of the strata corporation under these bylaws.

## Use of property

- 3 (1) An owner, tenant, occupant or visitor must not use a strata lot, the common
  - property or common assets in a way that
    - (a) causes a nuisance or hazard to another person,
    - (b) causes unreasonable noise,
    - (c) unreasonably interferes with the rights of other persons to use and enjoy the common property, common assets or another strata lot,
    - (d) is contrary to any of the provisions, rules or ordinances of any statute or municipal law, illegal or injurious to the reputation of the development,
    - (e) is contrary to a purpose for which the strata lot or common property is intended as shown expressly or by necessary implication on or by the strata plan.
  - (2) An owner, tenant, occupant or visitor must not cause damage, other than reasonable wear and tear, to the common property, common assets

- or those parts of a strata lot which the strata corporation must repair and maintain under these bylaws or insure under section 149 of the Act.
- (3) An owner, tenant, occupant or visitor must ensure that all dogs are leashed or otherwise secured when on the common property or on land that is a common asset
- (4) An owner, tenant, or occupant shall be entitled to keep not more than two domestic pets in a strata lot unless another pet is otherwise approved in writing by the strata council. An owner, tenant or occupant that keeps a pet must comply with these bylaws and any rules enacted by the strata council on behalf of the strata corporation pursuant to bylaw 3 with respect to the keeping of pets.
- (5) An owner, tenant or occupant that keeps a pet in a strata lot, either permanently or temporarily, shall register that pet with the strata council by providing to the strata council a written notice, signed by the owner, tenant or occupant setting out the name, breed and colour of the pet, the strata lot number of the strata lot in which the pet is kept, the name and telephone number of the owner of the pet and the license number of the pet (when the pet is required to be licensed).
- (6) An owner of a dog or cat shall attach a collar to the pet with a tag identifying the owner.
- (7) An owner of a pet shall not permit the pet to urinate or defecate on the common property and if any pet does urinate or defecate on the common property, the owner shall immediately and completely remove all of the pet's waste from the common property and dispose of it in a waste container or by some other sanitary means.
- (8) An owner, tenant or occupant whose guest or invitee brings an animal or pet onto the common property shall ensure that the guest or invitee complies with all requirements of these bylaws as they relate to animals and shall perform all of the duties and obligations with respect to that animal or pet as set out in these bylaws.
- (9) No owner, tenant or occupant shall permit its pet to interfere with any other person, pet or object, or permit its pet to disturb any other owner, tenant or occupant with uncontrolled barking or howling.
- (10) The strata council may, from time to time on behalf of the strata corporation, enact such rules with respect to the keeping of pets as the strata council, acting reasonably, deems necessary or desirable, provided that, in the event of any conflict between these bylaws and any such rule, the provisions of these bylaws will prevail.
- (11) If any owner, tenant or occupant violates any provision of these bylaws or if the strata council on reasonable grounds considers a pet to be a nuisance the strata council may, by written notice to such owner, tenant

or occupant cause such owner, tenant or occupant to have the pet removed from the strata lot within thirty days of receiving such notice.

# (12) An owner, tenant or occupant must not:

- (a) use a strata lot for any purpose which involves undue traffic or noise in or about the strata lot or common property between the hours of 10:30 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. or that encourages loitering by persons in or about the strata lot or common property;
- (b) make, cause or produce undue noise, smell, vibration or glare in or about any strata lot or common property or do anything which will interfere unreasonably with any other owner, tenant or occupant;
- (c) use any musical instrument, amplifier, sound reproduction equipment or other device within or about any strata lot, the common property or any limited common property such that it causes a disturbance or interferes with the comfort of any other owner, tenant or occupant;
- (d) obstruct or use the sidewalks, walkways, passages and driveways of the common property for any purpose other than ingress or egress from the strata lots or parking areas within the common property of the strata plan;
- (e) leave on the common property or any limited common property any item designated from time to time by the strata council;
- (f) use a barbecue, hibachi or other like cooking device on a balcony, deck or patio unless such barbecue, hibachi or cooking device is powered by propane, natural gas or electricity and such propane, natural gas or electricity powered barbecues, hibachis and other light cooking devices shall not be used except in accordance with rules made by the strata corporation from time to time;
- (g) do anything that will increase the risk of fire or the rate of insurance on the buildings or any part thereof;
- (h) allow a strata lot to become unsanitary or a source of odour;
- (i) install any window coverings, visible from the exterior of his strata lot, which are different in size or colour other than white or beige;
- (j) hang or display any laundry, washing, clothing, bedding or other articles from windows, balconies or other parts of the building so that they are visible from the outside of the building;
- (k) use or install in or about a strata lot any shades, awnings, window or balcony guards or screens, ventilators, supplementary heating or air conditioning devices, except those installations approved in writing by the council;

- erect on or fasten to the strata lot, the common property or any limited common property any television or radio antenna or similar structure appurtenance thereto;
- (m) place any signs, billboards, notices or other advertising matter of any kind on, or visible from, the exterior of the strata lot;
- (n) cycle on common property, excluding roadways;
- (o) use the strata lot balconies for storage purposes;
- (p) do anything on common property likely to damage the common property, plants, bushes, water courses, flowers or lawns and shall not place chairs, tables or other objects on the lawns so as to damage them or prevent their reasonable growth;
- (q) plant additional flowers, shrubs, trees or plants within common property and existing beds adjacent to their unit, except those plantings approved in writing by the council;
- (r) use the garden areas as ingress or egress from strata lots;
- (s) leave the garage doors open.
- (13) An owner, tenant, or occupant is responsible to the Strata Corporation for the conduct and actions of all occupants or guests in his Strata Lot and shall be held fully accountable for any infraction of the Strata Property Act and Regulations, Bylaws or Rules and Regulations in force committed by such occupants or guests. Acts of vandalism committed by dependent children or guests of an owner, tenant, or occupant shall be considered as actions by and on behalf of the owner, tenant, or occupant.

#### Inform strata corporation

- 4 (1) Within 2 weeks of becoming an owner, an owner must inform the strata corporation of the owner's name, strata lot number and mailing address outside the strata plan, if any.
  - (2) On request by the strata corporation, a tenant must inform the strata corporation of his or her name.

# Obtain approval before altering a strata lot

- 5 (1) An owner must obtain the written approval of the strata corporation before making an alteration to a strata lot that involves any of the following:
  - (a) the structure of the building including but not limited to the plumbing and electrical work made to the interior of any Strata Lot within any bearing or party wall;
  - (b) the exterior of a building;

- (c) chimneys, stairs, balconies or other things attached to the exterior of a building;
- (d) doors, windows or skylights (including the casings, the frames and the sills of such doors, windows and skylights) on the exterior of a building, or that front on the common property (i.e. including, for example, adding security devices to the entrance door to a strata lot);
- (e) fences, railings or similar structures that enclose a patio, balcony or yard;
- (f) common property located within the boundaries of a strata lot;
- (g) those parts of the strata lot which the strata corporation must insure under section 149 of the Act.
- (2) The strata corporation must not unreasonably withhold its approval under subsection (1), but may require as a condition of its approval that the owner agree, in writing, to take responsibility for any expenses relating to the alteration.
- (3) This section does not apply to a strata lot in a bare land strata plan.
- (4) An owner, tenant or occupant must not do any act, nor alter a strata lot, in any manner, which in the opinion of the council will alter the exterior appearance of the building.

# Obtain approval before altering common property

- 6 (1) An owner must obtain the written approval of the strata corporation before making an alteration to common property, including limited common property, or common assets.
  - (2) The strata corporation may require as a condition of its approval that the owner agree, in writing, to take responsibility for any expenses relating to the alteration and to provide, at the request of the strata corporation, evidence of appropriate insurance coverage relating to the alteration.

## Permit entry to strata lot

- 7 (1) An owner, tenant, occupant or visitor must allow a person authorized by the strata corporation to enter the strata lot
  - (a) in an emergency, without notice, to ensure safety or prevent significant loss or damage, and
  - (b) at a reasonable time, on 48 hours' written notice,
    - (i) to inspect, repair or maintain common property, common assets and any portions of a strata lot that are the

- responsibility of the strata corporation to repair and maintain under these bylaws or insure under the Act; and
- (ii) to ensure compliance with the Act and these bylaws.
- (2) The notice referred to in subsection (1) (b) must include the date and approximate time of entry, and the reason for entry.

# Division 2 - Powers and Duties of Strata Corporation

## Repair and maintenance of property by strata corporation

- 8 The strata corporation must repair and maintain all of the following:
  - (a) common assets of the strata corporation;
  - (b) common property that has not been designated as limited common property;
  - (c) limited common property, but the duty to repair and maintain it is restricted to
    - (i) repair and maintenance that in the ordinary course of events occurs less often than once a year, and
    - (ii) the following, no matter how often the repair or maintenance ordinarily occurs:
      - (A) the structure of a building;
      - (B) the exterior of a building;
      - (C) chimneys, stairs, balconies and other things attached to the exterior of a building;
      - (D) fences, railings and similar structures that enclose patios, balconies and yards;
  - (d) a strata lot in a strata plan that is not a bare land strata plan, but the duty to repair and maintain it is restricted to
    - (i) the structure of a building,
    - (ii) the exterior of a building,
    - (iii) chimneys, stairs, balconies and other things attached to the exterior of a building,
    - (iv) fences, railings and similar structures that enclose patios, balconies and yards.

#### Division 3 - Council

#### Council size

9 (1) Subject to subsection (2), the council must have at least 3 and not more than 7

members.

(2) If the strata plan has fewer than 4 strata lots or the strata corporation has fewer

than 4 owners, all the owners are on the council.

# Council members' terms

- 10 (1) The term of office of a council member ends at the end of the annual general meeting at which the new council is elected.
  - (2) A person whose term as council member is ending is eligible for reelection.

# Removing council member

- 11 (1) Unless all the owners are on the council, the strata corporation may, by a resolution passed by a majority vote at an annual or special general meeting, remove one or more council members.
  - (2) After removing a council member, the strata corporation must hold an election at the same annual or special general meeting to replace the council member for the remainder of the term.
  - (3) No person may stand for council or continue to be on council with respect to a strata lot if the strata corporation is entitled to register a lien against that strata lot under the Act.

#### Replacing council member

- 12 (1) If a council member resigns or is unwilling or unable to act for a period of 2 or more months, the remaining members of the council may appoint a replacement council member for the remainder of the term.
  - (2) A replacement council member may be appointed from any person eligible to sit on the council.
  - (3) The council may appoint a council member under this section even if the absence of the member being replaced leaves the council without a quorum.
  - (4) If all the members of the council resign or are unwilling or unable to act for a period of 2 or more months, persons holding at least 25% of the strata corporation's votes may hold a special general meeting to elect a new council by complying with the provisions of the Act, the

regulations and the bylaws respecting the calling and holding of meetings.

#### Officers

- 13 (1) At the first meeting of the council held after each annual general meeting of the
  - strata corporation, the council must elect, from among its members, a president, a vice president, a secretary and a treasurer.
  - (2) A person may hold more than one office at a time, other than the offices of president and vice president.
  - (3) The vice president has the powers and duties of the president
    - (a) while the president is absent or is unwilling or unable to act, or
    - (b) for the remainder of the president's term if the president ceases to hold office.
  - (4) If an officer other than the president is unwilling or unable to act for a period of
    - 2 or more months, the council members may appoint a replacement officer from among themselves for the remainder of the term.

## Calling council meetings

- 14 (1) Any council member may call a council meeting by giving the other council
  - members at least one week's notice of the meeting, specifying the reason for
    - calling the meeting.
  - (2) The notice does not have to be in writing.
  - (3) A council meeting may be held on less than one week's notice if
    - (a) all council members consent in advance of the meeting, or
    - (b) the meeting is required to deal with an emergency situation, and all council members either
      - (i) consent in advance of the meeting, or
      - (ii) are unavailable to provide consent after reasonable attempts to contact them.
  - (4) The council must inform owners about a council meeting as soon as feasible after the meeting has been called.

#### Requisition of council hearing

- 15 (1) By application in writing, stating the reason for the request, an owner or tenant may request a hearing at a council meeting.
  - (2) If a hearing is requested under subsection (1), the council must hold a meeting to hear the applicant within one month of the request.
  - (3) If the purpose of the hearing is to seek a decision of the council, the council must give the applicant a written decision within one week of the hearing.

#### Quorum of council

- 16 (1) A quorum of the council is
  - (a) 1, if the council consists of one member,
  - (b) 2, if the council consists of 2, 3 or 4 members,
  - (c) 3, if the council consists of 5 or 6 members, and
  - (d) 4, if the council consists of 7 members.
  - (2) Council members must be present in person at the council meeting to be counted in establishing quorum.

# Council meetings

- 17 (1) At the option of the council, council meetings may be held by electronic means, so long as all council members and other participants can communicate with each other.
  - (2) If a council meeting is held by electronic means, council members are deemed to be present in person.
  - (3) Owners may attend council meetings as observers.
  - (4) Despite subsection (3), no observers may attend those portions of council meetings that deal with any of the following:
    - (a) bylaw contravention hearings under section 135 of the Act;
    - (b) rental restriction bylaw exemption hearings under section 144 of the Act;
    - (c) any other matters if the presence of observers would, in the council's opinion, unreasonably interfere with an individual's privacy.

#### Voting at council meetings

18 (1) At council meetings, decisions must be made by a majority of council members present in person at the meeting.

- (2) Unless there are only 2 strata lots in the strata plan, if there is a tie vote at a council meeting, the president may break the tie by casting a second, deciding vote.
- (3) The results of all votes at a council meeting must be recorded in the council meeting minutes.

#### Council to inform owners of minutes

The council must inform owners of the minutes of all council meetings within 2 weeks of the meeting, whether or not the minutes have been approved.

#### Delegation of council's powers and duties

- 20 (1) Subject to subsections (2) to (4), the council may delegate some or all of its powers and duties to one or more council members or persons who are not members of the council, and may revoke the delegation.
  - (2) The council may delegate its spending powers or duties, but only by a resolution that
    - (a) delegates the authority to make an expenditure of a specific amount for a specific purpose, or
    - (b) delegates the general authority to make expenditures in accordance with subsection (3).
  - (3) A delegation of a general authority to make expenditures must
    - (a) set a maximum amount that may be spent, and
    - (b) indicate the purposes for which, or the conditions under which, the money may be spent.
  - (4) The council may not delegate its powers to determine, based on the facts of a particular case,
    - (a) whether a person has contravened a bylaw or rule,
    - (b) whether a person should be fined, and the amount of the fine, or
    - (c) whether a person should be denied access to a recreational facility.

#### Spending restrictions

- 21 (1) A person may not spend the strata corporation's money unless the person has been delegated the power to do so in accordance with these bylaws.
  - (2) Despite subsection (1), a council member may spend the strata corporation's money to repair or replace common property or common assets if the repair or replacement is immediately required to ensure safety or prevent significant loss or damage.

## Limitation on liability of council member

- 22 (1) A council member who acts honestly and in good faith is not personally liable because of anything done or omitted in the exercise or intended exercise of any power or the performance or intended performance of any duty of the council.
  - (2) Subsection (1) does not affect a council member's liability, as an owner, for a judgment against the strata corporation.

# Division 4 - Enforcement of Bylaws and Rules

#### Maximum fine

- 23 (1) The strata corporation may fine an owner or tenant a maximum of
  - (a) \$200 for each contravention of a bylaw, and
  - (b) \$50 for each contravention of a rule.
  - (2) Each owner and tenant is responsible for payment, without invoice, of any money (other than strata fees, but including special levies) owing to the strata corporation as provided for in the Act or these bylaws, and if the owner or tenant fails to pay any money so owing within 15 days after the date such money becomes due, the owner or tenant will, after having been given written notice of the default and been provided with a reasonable opportunity to answer the complaint (including a hearing if requested, be assessed and pay a fine of \$10.00, and if such default continues for a further 15 days, an additional fine of \$25.00 will be levied against and paid by the owner or tenant, as the case may be, and for each additional month such default continues, an additional fine of \$25.00 will be levied against and paid by the owner or tenant.
  - (3) Additional assessments, fines authorized by these bylaws, banking charges, filing costs, legal expenses, interest charges and any other expenses incurred by either the strata corporation to enforce these bylaws, as they may be amended from time to time, or any rule which may be established from time to time by the council pursuant to the Act or these bylaws, shall become part of the assessment of the owner responsible and shall become due and payable on the first day of the month next following, except that any amount owing in respect of a fine or the cost of remedying the contravention of a bylaw will be calculated as a separate component of such assessment and the strata corporation may not register a lien against such separate component.

#### Continuing contravention

24 If an activity or lack of activity that constitutes a contravention of a bylaw or rule continues, without interruption, for longer than 7 days, a fine may be imposed every 7 days.

# Division 5 - Annual and Special General Meetings

# Person to chair meeting

- 25 (1) Annual and special general meetings must be chaired by the president of the council.
- (2) If the president of the council is unwilling or unable to act, the meeting must be chaired by the vice president of the council.
  - (3) If neither the president nor the vice president of the council chairs the meeting, a chair must be elected by the eligible voters present in person or by proxy from among those persons who are present at the meeting.

# Participation by other than eligible voters

- 26 (1) Tenants and occupants may attend annual and special general meetings, whether or not they are eligible to vote.
  - (2) Persons who are not eligible to vote, including tenants and occupants, may participate in the discussion at the meeting, but only if permitted to do so by the chair of the meeting.
  - (3) Persons who are not eligible to vote, including tenants and occupants, must leave the meeting if requested to do so by a resolution passed by a majority vote at the meeting.

# Voting

- 27 (1) At an annual or special general meeting, voting cards must be issued to eligible voters.
  - (2) At an annual or special general meeting a vote is decided on a show of voting cards, unless an eligible voter requests a precise count.
  - (3) If a precise count is requested, the chair must decide whether it will be by show of voting cards or by roll call, secret ballot or some other method.
  - (4) The outcome of each vote, including the number of votes for and against the resolution if a precise count is requested, must be announced by the chair and recorded in the minutes of the meeting.
  - (5) If there is a tie vote at an annual or special general meeting, the president, or, if the president is absent or unable or unwilling to vote, the vice president, may break the tie by casting a second, deciding vote.
- (6) If there are only 2 strata lots in the strata plan, subsection (5) does not apply.

- (7) Despite anything in this section, an election of council or any other vote must be held by secret ballot, if the secret ballot is requested by an eligible voter.
- (8) An owner who is otherwise an eligible voter may not exercise his or her vote for a strata lot, except on matters requiring an unanimous vote, if the strata corporation is entitled to register a lien against that strata lot.

#### Order of business

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- 28 The order of business at annual and special general meetings is as follows:
- (a) certify proxies and corporate representatives and issue voting cards;
  - (b) determine that there is a quorum;
  - (c) elect a person to chair the meeting, if necessary;
  - (d) present to the meeting proof of notice of meeting or waiver of
  - (e) approve the agenda;
    - (f) approve minutes from the last annual or special general meeting;
    - (g) deal with unfinished business;
    - (h) receive reports of council activities and decisions since the previous annual general meeting, including reports of committees, if the meeting is an annual general meeting;
    - (i) ratify any new rules made by the strata corporation under section 125 of the Act;
    - (j) report on insurance coverage in accordance with section 154 of the Act, if the meeting is an annual general meeting;
    - (k) approve the budget for the coming year in accordance with section 103 of the Act, if the meeting is an annual general meeting;
    - deal with new business, including any matters about which notice has been given under section 45 of the Act;
    - (m) elect a council, if the meeting is an annual general meeting;
    - (n) terminate the meeting.

# Division 6 - Voluntary Dispute Resolution

## Voluntary dispute resolution

- 29 (1) A dispute among owners, tenants, the strata corporation or any combination of them may be referred to a dispute resolution committee by a party to the dispute if
  - (a) all the parties to the dispute consent, and

- (b) the dispute involves the Act, the regulations, the bylaws or the rules.
  - (2) A dispute resolution committee consists of
    - (a) one owner or tenant of the strata corporation nominated by each of the disputing parties and one owner or tenant chosen to chair the committee by the persons nominated by the disputing parties, or
    - (b) any number of persons consented to, or chosen by a method that is consented to, by all the disputing parties.
  - (3) The dispute resolution committee must attempt to help the disputing parties to voluntarily end the dispute.

# Division 7 - Marketing Activities by Owner Developer

# Display lot

- 30 (1) An owner developer who has an unsold strata lot may carry on sales functions that relate to its sale, including the posting of signs.
  - (2) An owner developer may use a strata lot that the owner developer owns or rents, as a display lot for the sale of other strata lots in the strata plan.

#### Division 8 - Miscellaneous Matters

#### **Small Claims Action**

31 Notwithstanding any provision of the Act, the strata corporation may proceed under the Small Claims Act (British Columbia) against any owner or other person to collect money owing to the strata corporation, including money owing as a fine, without requiring authorization by a resolution passed by a ¾ vote.

#### Garbage Disposal

- 32 An owner, tenant or occupant shall:
  - (a) remove ordinary household refuse and garbage from his strata lot and deposit it in suitable closed containers;
  - (b) place the garbage outside the Strata Lot only on the day of municipal garbage pickup and containers (if any) removed from public view the same day
  - (c) remove any materials other than ordinary household refuse and garbage from the Strata Corporation property at their own expense.

## Vehicles, Storage and Parking

- 33 (1) Any owner, tenant or occupant that leaves any item anywhere on or in the common property or on any limited common property does so at his own risk, subject to any claim that may properly be made under any insurance policy maintained by the strata corporation by anyone that is an insured under that policy.
  - (2) An owner, tenant or occupant must use designated parking areas only for the parking of licensed and insured private motor vehicles, and not for the parking of any other type of vehicle or the storage of any other item. Private vehicle denotes vehicles which are not used for commercial purposes and do not display any advertising signage. No motor vehicle, trailer, boat or equipment of any kind shall be stored on any common property.
  - (3) Parking on Mayview Circle shall be in accordance with posted signs.
  - (4) Residents' garages must be used on a regular basis for the parking of their vehicles.
  - (5) Vehicles shall not be parked in any driveway or laneway used as an approach to garages except for the four Chelsea units with the civic address of 5827, 5829, 5831, and 5833 which are for the owners' exclusive use.
  - (6) An owner, tenant or occupant shall not:
    - (a) carry out any oil changes, major repairs or adjustments to motor vehicles or other mechanical equipment on common property or on any limited common property,
    - (b) park any vehicle in a manner which will reduce the width of the roadway on the common property or on any limited common property; and
    - (c) use any part of the common property (other than established storage areas) for storage, without the written consent of the council.
  - (7) An owner, tenant, or occupant must promptly and at its own expense clean up any oil or other substance which spills or leaks onto the common property.

#### Selling of Strata Lots

An owner of a strata lot, when selling his strata lot, will not permit "For Sale" signs to be placed on or about the common property except on the signage board located at the entrance to the strata complex which is designated for such purpose.

#### **Rental Restrictions**

- Subject to the provisions of this bylaw, strata lots shall be owner-occupied only as a single family residence in principle with the following considerations and exceptions:
  - (a) at any given time up to 8 strata lots, or any part thereof, may be rented or leased for terms of not less than one year, and the procedure to be followed by the strata corporation in administering this limit will be as follows:
    - (i) any owner wishing to rent a strata lot or any portion thereof, must have owned and occupied their strata lot as a single family residence in principle for a minimum of 2 consecutive years before any consideration will be given to any application in writing to the council;
    - (ii) any owner wishing to rent a strata lot or any portion thereof, must make an application in writing to the council;
    - (iii) approvals will be granted by the council on a first come basis in the order of the date such applications are received by the council;
    - (iv) the council will not screen tenants, establish screening criteria, require the approval of tenants, require the insertion of terms in tenancy agreements or otherwise restrict the rental of a strata lot except as set out in this bylaw;
    - (v) the council will consider each application upon receipt and will respond to each application in writing within three weeks of receipt;
    - (vi) the council will keep a list of owners who wish to rent their strata lot, or any portion thereof, and the priority of their application, and will advise each owner as soon as their application can be accepted;
    - (vii) upon acceptance of an application to rent, an owner must enter into a lease or rental agreement of a strata lot, or any portion thereof, within six months (6) from acceptance by the council of such owner's application or the acceptance will be automatically revoked and the council will be entitled to advise the owner next following on the list that its application to rent a strata lot has been approved; and
    - (viii) an owner may continue to lease or rent his or her strata lot or any portion thereof, until the earlier of the date such owner moves into the strata lot to take occupancy and the date the strata lot is sold by the owner to a third party.
  - (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), where cases of undue physical or financial hardship of a personal nature arise, the owner may make

a written request to the council for permission to rent a strata lot, or any portion thereof, for a limited period of time, and where the council has been provided with evidence that undue hardship will result if limited rental approval is not given, the council shall not unreasonably withhold permission for limited rental;

- (c) This bylaw does not apply to prevent the rental of a strata lot to a member of the "family" of an owner, meaning:
  - (i) the spouse of the owner,
  - (ii) a parent or child of the owner; or a parent or child of the spouse of the owner,

where "spouse of the owner" includes an individual who has lived and cohabited with the owner, for a period of at least two years at the relevant time, in a marriage-like relationship, including a marriage-like relationship between persons of the same gender;

- (d) where an owner has leased a strata lot, or a portion thereof, to a tenant pursuant to a tenancy or rental agreement entered into before this bylaw was passed, this bylaw does not apply to such strata lot until the later of:
  - (i) one year after the tenant who is occupying the strata lot at the time the bylaw is passed ceases to occupy the strata lot as a tenant; and
  - (ii) one year after the bylaw has been passed; and
- (e) the strata corporation is entitled to impose a fine of up to \$500 for a contravention of this bylaw, and may impose such fine for a continuing contravention every seven days.

## **Quorum for Adjourned Meetings**

Notwithstanding section 48(3) of the Act, if within ½ hour from the time appointed for an annual or special general meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting shall be terminated if the meeting was convened upon the requisition of members; but in any other case, the meeting shall stand adjourned for a further ½ hour from the time appointed and, if within one hour from the time appointed a quorum is not present for the meeting, the eligible voters present in person or by proxy shall constitute a quorum.

#### Persons Permitted on Council

- As permitted by section 28(2) of the Act, a person other than an owner, an individual representing a corporate owner and a tenant may be a member of the council provided such person falls within one of the following classes of persons:
  - (a) a spouse, including a common law spouse, of an owner; and

(b) a professional advisor of an owner.

# **Limiting Expenditures of Council**

- 38 (1) Subject to subsection (3) below, if a proposed expenditure has not been approved in the budget or at an annual or special general meeting, the strata corporation may only make such expenditure out of the operating fund if the expenditure, together with a ll other unapproved expenditures, whether of the same type or not, that were made pursuant to this subsection (1) in the same fiscal year, is less than:
  - (a) \$5,000, or
  - (b) 5% of the total contribution to the operating fund for the current

year;

whichever is less.

- (2) If the strata corporation makes an expenditure under subsection (1) above, the strata corporation must inform owners as soon as feasible about any expenditure of more than \$2,000 on any single item.
- (3) Notwithstanding subsection (1) above, the strata corporation can make an expenditure out of either the operating fund or the contingency reserve fund if there are reasonable grounds to believe that an immediate expenditure is necessary to ensure safety or to prevent significant loss or damage, whether physical, financial or otherwise.

#### **Recreation Centre**

39 The recreational facilities such as the swimming pool, saunas and recreation room shall be used only in accordance with the Rules and Regulations which the Council may make for their use and which are posted on the notice board at the poolside or by the cabana entranceway.

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