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## **Strata Corporation EPS 1569**

## **Bylaws**

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## STRATA CORPORATION BYLAWS THE OWNERS, STRATA PLAN EPS1569 LINGO

#### Preamble

These bylaws bind the strata corporation and the owners, tenants and occupants to the same extent as if the bylaws had been signed by the strata corporation and each owner, tenant and occupant and contain covenants on the part of the strata corporation with each owner, tenant and occupant and on the part of each owner, tenant and occupant with every other owner, tenant and occupant and with the strata corporation to observe and perform their provisions.

Unless otherwise stated, all terms have the meanings prescribed in the Strata Property Act, S.B.C. 1998, c.43 (the "Act"). For the purposes of these bylaws, "residents" means collectively, owners, tenants and occupants and "a resident" means collectively, an owner, a tenant and an occupant. The Schedule of Standard Bylaws to the Act does not apply to the Strata Corporation, owners, tenants, occupants and visitors.

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

#### 1. Payment of strata fees and special assessments

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a) An owner must pay strata fees on or before the first day of the month to which the strata fees relate.

b) An owner must pay any special assessments within the time period specified in the associated resolution or otherwise.

c) If an owner is late in paying his or her strata fees (maintenance fees or land special assessment), 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.

d) A lien (Certificate of Default in Payment) will be registered automatically once strata fees (maintenance fees or land special assessment) are in arrears for four (4) months and "Order for Sale" proceedings will be commenced automatically once strata fees (maintenance fees or land special assessment) are in arrears six (6) months or more. The cost of filing liens and Order for Sale, including administration, land title office and legal fees, shall be added to the monthly maintenance due from the delinquent owner.

e) All monies received by the Strata Corporation from an owner shall be applied as follows:

1) Firstly, in payment of any judgments against such owner in favour of the Strata Corporation;

2) Secondly, in payment of any outstanding fines;

3) Thirdly, in payment of any outstanding interest; and

4) Fourthly, in payment of the principal balance of outstanding strata fees (maintenance fees or land special assessment).

Where an Owner fails to pay strata fees in accordance with bylaw 1. a) Outstanding strata fees will be subject to an interest charge of 10% per annum, compounded annually. In addition to interest, failure to pay strata fees on the due date will result in a fine of \$50.00 for each contravention of bylaw 1 a)

#### 2. Repair and maintenance of property by owner

- 2.1 An owner must repair and maintain the owner's strata lot, except for repair and maintenance that is the responsibility of the Strata Corporation under these bylaws.
- 2.2 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.

#### 3. 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 illegal, or

(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.

- 3.2 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.
- 3.3 An owner, tenant, occupant or visitor must ensure that all animals are leashed or otherwise secured when on the common property or on land that is a common asset.
- 3.4 An owner, tenant or occupant must not keep any pets on a strata lot other than one or more of the following:
  - (a) a reasonable number of fish or other small aquarium animals;
  - (b) a reasonable number of small caged mammals;
  - (c) up to 2 caged birds;
  - (d) one dog or one cat.
- **3.5** Residents must not store any garbage, compost or recycling items on patios or balconies. Only ornamental plants are allowed and no vegetable or edible plants can be planted on limited common property as to avoid attracting vermin in the building. (Adopted Feb 27, 2018- Registration #CA6656961)
- 3.6 All vehicle parked in the underground parkade must have a valid license plate or proof of storage insurance displayed on the car's windshield for liability purposes. (Adopted Feb 27, 2018-Reg #CA6656961)

#### 4. 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.
- 4.2 On request by the Strata Corporation, a tenant must inform the Strata Corporation of his or her name.

#### 5. 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 a building;
  - (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, on the exterior of a building, or that front on the common property;
  - (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.

- 5.2 The Strata Corporation must not unreasonably withhold its approval under subsection 5.1, 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.
- 5.3 This section does not apply to a strata lot in a bare land strata plan.

#### 6. 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.
- 6.2 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.

#### 7. 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, 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 section 149 of the Act.

7.2 The notice referred to in subsection 7.1 (b) must include the date and approximate time of entry, and the reason for entry.

## **Division 2 - Powers and Duties of Strata Corporation**

#### 8. Repair and maintenance of property by Strata Corporation

- 8.1 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) doors, windows or skylights, on the exterior of a building or that front on the common property;
      - (E) 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) doors and windows on the exterior of a building or that front on the common property, and
    - (v) fences, railings and similar structures that enclose patios, balconies and yards.

## **Division 3 - Council**

#### 9. Council size

9.1 Subject to subsection 9.2, the council must have at least 3 and not more than 7 members.

9.2 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.

#### 10. 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.
- 10.2 A person whose term as council member is ending is eligible for re-election.

#### 11. 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.
- 11.2 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.

#### 12. 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.
- 12.2 A replacement council member may be appointed from any person eligible to sit on the council.
- 12.3 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.
- 12.4 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.

#### 13. Officer

- 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.
- 13.2 A person may hold more than one office at a time, other than the offices of president and vice president.
- 13.3 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.
- 13.4 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.

#### 14. 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.

- 14.2 The notice does not have to be in writing.
- 14.3 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.
- 14.4 The council must inform owners about a council meeting as soon as feasible after the meeting has been called.

#### 15. 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.
- 15.2 If a hearing is requested under subsection 15.1, the council must hold a meeting to hear the applicant within one month of the request.
- 15.3 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.

#### 16. 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.
- 16.2 Council members must be present in person at the council meeting to be counted in establishing quorum.

#### 17. 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.
- 17.2 If a council meeting is held by electronic means, council members are deemed to be present in person.
- 17.3 Owners may attend council meetings as observers.
- 17.4 Despite subsection 17.3, 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.

#### 18. 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.
- 18.2 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.
- 18.3 The results of all votes at a council meeting must be recorded in the council meeting minutes.

#### 19. Council to inform owners of minutes

19.1 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.

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

- 20.1 Subject to subsections 20.2 to 20.4, 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.
- 20.2 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 20.3.
- 20.3 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.
- 20.4 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.

#### 21. 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.
- 21.2 Despite subsection 21.1, 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.

#### 22. 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.
- 22.2 Subsection 22.1 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**

#### 23. Maximum fine

- 23.1 The Strata Corporation may fine an owner or tenant a maximum of
  - (a) \$50 for each contravention of a bylaw, and
  - (b) \$10 for each contravention of a rule.

#### 24. Continuing contravention

24.1 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**

#### 25. Person to chair meeting

- 25.1 Annual and special general meetings must be chaired by the president of the council.
- 25.2 If the president of the council is unwilling or unable to act, the meeting must be chaired by the vice president of the council.
- 25.3 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.

#### 26. 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.
- 26.2 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.
- 26.3 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.

#### 27. Voting

- 27.1 At an annual or special general meeting, voting cards must be issued to eligible voters.
- 27.2 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.
- 27.3 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.
- 27.4 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.
- 27.5 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.
- 27.6 If there are only 2 strata lots in the strata plan, subsection 27.5 does not apply.
- 27.7 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.

#### 28. Order of business

- 28.1 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 notice;
  - (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.

#### 29. Quorum of meeting

29.1 Notwithstanding section 48(3) of the Act, if within 30 minutes 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 eligible voters; but in any other case, the eligible voters present in person or by proxy shall constitute a quorum. Amended March 23, 2016- Registration #: CA5072789

## **Division 6 - Voluntary Dispute Resolution**

#### 30. Voluntary dispute resolution

- 30.1 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.
- 30.2 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.
- 30.3 The dispute resolution committee must attempt to help the disputing parties to voluntarily end the dispute.

## **Division 7 - Marketing Activities by Owner Developer**

#### 31. Display lot

- 31.1 An owner developer who has an unsold strata lot may carry on sales functions that relate to its sale, including the posting of signs.
- 31.2 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.

#### 32.0 Security

- 32.1 In this Bylaw 31.0, the following words have the following meanings:
  - (a) **"Act"** means the *Strata Property Act* [S.B.C.] c.43 as amended or replaced from time to time;

- (b) **"Monitoring Devices"** means video cameras, digital cameras, or other similar recording devices and monitors;
- (c) "Common Asset" has the meaning ascribed to it in the Act;
- (d) "Common Property" has the meaning ascribed to it in the Act;
- (e) "Invitee" means a Person who enters the Premises at the invitation of an Owner, Tenant, or Occupant;
- (f) "**Occupant**" means a Person, other than an Owner or Tenant, who occupies a Strata Lot;
- (g) "**Owner**" means the person shown in the register of a land title office as the owner of a freehold estate in a Strata Lot in the Strata Plan, whether entitled to it in the person's own right or in a representative capacity;
- (h) "Person" is to be broadly interpreted and includes without limiting the generality of the foregoing, males, females, adults, children, individuals, corporations, partnerships, and unincorporated organizations;
- (i) **"Premises"** means inclusively any and all Strata Lots, Common Property, Limited Common Property, and land that is a Common Asset;
- (j) **"Regulations"** means the *Strata Property Regulation,* B.C. Reg. 43/2000 as amended or replaced from time to time;
- (k) "Rules" has the meaning ascribed to it in the Act;
- (I) **"Strata Corporation"** means the strata corporation formed by deposit of the Strata Plan;
- (m) **"Strata Council"** means the duly elected Strata Council of the Strata Corporation;
- (n) "Strata Lot" means a lot shown on the Strata Plan; and
- (o) "Strata Plan" means Strata Plan EPS 1569.

32.2 The Strata Corporation may install and maintain Monitoring Devices on the Common Property or land that is a Common Asset for the purpose of monitoring Common Property and land that is a Common Asset, including:-

- (a) Being alerted to the presence of trespassers on the Premises; and
- (b) Preventing, recording, investigating and obtaining evidence of any theft, vandalism, nuisance, damage or injury caused by any Person on the Premises.

32.3 The Monitoring Devices will be installed in Common areas at the entrance and exit points of the complex, 15 camera's in total.

- 32.4 The data from the Monitoring Devices will be held and used as follows:
  - (a) It will be stored on a computer located securely in the Electrical Room, which computer is password protected;
  - (b) It will be held for a period of Thirty (30) days, and after such time:
    - (i) If there is no need to retain evidence for the purposes contemplated in

Bylaw 31.2, it will be overwritten; or

- (ii) If the Strata Council resolves to retain the data for a purpose contemplated in Bylaw 31.2, the Strata Council will record such resolution in the minutes of the Strata Council meeting and will retain such data for all long as is reasonably necessary.
- (c) It will be viewed by no less than two Council Members.
- 32.5 The Strata Corporation makes no representations or guarantees that any of the Monitoring Devices will be fully operational any time. The Strata Corporation is not responsible to an Owner, Tenant, Occupant, or Invitee for any cost, loss or damage whatsoever related to a failure of the Monitoring Devices to operate for any reason, including but not limited to a failure resulting from negligence or lack of maintenance or repair.
- 32.6 No Owner, Tenant, or Occupant shall do anything to damage or interfere with any Monitoring Devices on the Premises Amended March 23, 2016- Registration #: CA5072

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