AMENDED AND RESTATED RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE RIDGE AT SAND CREEK METROPOLITAN DISTRICT CONCERNING THE IMPOSITION OF A DISTRICT SERVICE FEE INCLUDING OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE, COVENANT ENFORCEMENT, AND ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW

THIS RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE IMPOSITION OF DISTRICT SERVICE FEES INCLUDING OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE, COVENANT ENFORCEMENT, AND ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW (the "Resolution") is made and entered into by The Ridge at Sand Creek Metropolitan District (the "District") to be effective as of the 6th day of November, 2020.

WHEREAS, The Ridge at Sand Creek Metropolitan District, County of El Paso, Colorado (the "District"), is a quasi-municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the District was formed to assist in the provision of certain public improvements within the District's Service Area as that term is defined the District's Service Plan, along with the operation and maintenance of the improvements and certain covenant enforcement responsibilities ("District Functions"); and

WHEREAS, at the organizational meeting of the Board of Directors of the District, duly held on June 30, 2020, the Board of Directors of the District approved the Resolution Concerning Imposition of Capital, Operations and Maintenance Fee Including Covenant Enforcement, Architectural Review and District Service Fees ("Original Fee Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, since the approval of the Original Fee Resolution, the Board of Directors of the District has determined that certain changes are reasonable and warranted, all as reflected in this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the District is authorized pursuant to §32-1-1001(1)(j)(I) of the Colorado Revised Statutes ("C.R.S."), to fix and impose fees, rates, tolls, charges and penalties for services, programs or facilities provided by the District which, until paid, shall constitute a perpetual lien on and against the property served; and

WHEREAS, the Service Plan for The Ridge at Sand Creek Metropolitan District (the "Service Plan") similarly empowers the District to impose fees, rates, tolls, charges and penalties for services and facilities provided by the District; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to §32-1-1004(8), C.R.S., the District is authorized and empowered to provide covenant enforcement and design review services within the District as law permits so long as the revenues used to provide such services are derived from the area in which the services are furnished; and

WHEREAS, the District has decided to authorize and implement the establishment of an annual fee that would encompass District Services including operations and administration fees,

covenant enforcement, architectural review and district maintenance fees for provision of services and handling of all costs, expenses and services as permitted by statute to be performed by the District, which would include use and service fees for facilities and amenities within the District (collectively referred to hereinafter as the "Service Fees"). The Service Fees will be calculated on an annual basis during the District's annual budget process taking into consideration those funds traditionally and reasonably assessed for operations and maintenance, capital reserves. The Service Fees may be charged on an annual basis against all residential dwelling units that have the necessary utilities in place to provide all required services to qualify for a certificate of occupancy within the boundaries of the District as reflected in the attached **Exhibit A**, which may be amended from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the Service Fees will be used to pay for the District's costs and expenses related to services and facilities provided by the District, including, but not limited to the landscaping, parks, open space, greenbelts, and recreation facilities, improvements, and services; and

WHEREAS, the District has decided to apply the District Service Fees to residential and multi-family dwelling units within the District as that revenue will be used to offset amenities, services, facilities and costs that benefit residents and property owners. The Service Fee revenue will also serve to increase the District's revenue stream at an earlier point in time to the benefit to the District's future residents, property owners and taxpayers, by using the Service Fees rather than solely mill levies to help pay for these contemplated costs in the operations and administration and provision of services within or benefiting the constituents of the District who use its facilities and services; and

WHEREAS, the District and the Developer have determined that it is economical and desirable to have the District provide management and operation services for public facilities, improvements and infrastructure provided for the community not otherwise dedicated to the City of Colorado Springs (the "City") or another public entity. The District will provide design review and covenant enforcement, and provide for recreation-related facilities, services and other amenities. Policies and procedures will be implemented on a periodic basis through public meetings held to approve any changes to guidelines, rules and regulations enacted by the District; and

WHEREAS, the District believes that imposing the Service Fees on each of the residential dwelling units and property granted a certificate of occupancy within the District, as well as the benefits and efficiencies in having the District undertake and perform operations, management, administration, accounting and covenant enforcement functions to the extent allowed by law, shall serve to reduce the number and amount of fees assessed against property owners, and shall be a benefit to the District's residents, property owners and taxpayers, and

WHEREAS, the District desires to continue to impose the Service Fees against the residential dwelling units that have pulled a certificate of occupancy within the District on an annual basis.

WHEREAS, the District desires to adopt this Resolution to assure that home builders and future property owners within the District are required to pay the Fees necessary to assist with the

funding of the District Functions and to otherwise clarify procedures for the calculation and payment of Fees.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the District hereby RESOLVES as follows:

- 1. The Service Fees shall be authorized up to Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) per year, contingent upon the availability of other District operating revenue, and shall be due and payable in one (1) lump sum payment on January 1, and shall be assessed against all residential dwelling units that have a certificate of occupancy at the time of issuance of a certificate of occupancy or at the closing of a sale of a residential dwelling unit to a third party within the District and shall be assessed residential dwelling units on an annual basis on January 1 of each year. The District Fee Schedule shall be attached hereto as Exhibit B, and shall be reviewed and updated on a periodic basis based upon budget needs of the District. Service Fees will be due and owing from the owner of a residential dwelling unit beginning at the time of closing with a third party owner and shall be prorated for that calendar year from the date of the closing, if needed. The Service Fees may be adjusted in the future based upon the District's annual budget and operational needs of the District.
- 2. The Service Fees on a commercial lot which has been granted a certificate of occupancy for a building are due and payable when the owner receives a certificate of occupancy or upon closing and transfer to a new owner. The Fee will be assessed from the date of that certificate of occupancy issuance or closing on the property. The Service Fees on a commercial lot will be at a minimum the same rate as a residential unit, but may be adjusted due to added landscape or other conditions. Service Fees on commercial lots will be reviewed when the architectural design application is submitted with the site plans to the District and collected at the time of certificate of occupancy or closing. The Service Fees shall be due and payable in one (1) lump sum payment on January 1, and shall be prorated for the portion of the year in which Service Fees take effect.
- 3. The Service Fees shall primarily be used for District facilities, services and other legally permissible functions provided by the District for improvements, facilities owned, operated and maintained by the District, and applicable services provided, including but not limited to covenant enforcement, district administrative and maintenance service expenses in conjunction with services for the users, etc. Those costs of the District include, but are not limited to, operations and maintenance of landscaping and common areas, operations and maintenance of the park and recreation facilities and improvements, and other district operations and maintenance costs associated with maintaining the amenities, public improvements and the costs associated with the District assuming the ownership and operation of all facilities, improvements and services not otherwise dedicated to the City, water district, sewer district or owners association as permitted by Colorado law. The primary purpose of the Service Fees allocate the cost of services to those benefitted. The Service Fees shall be due and owing to The Ridge at Sand Creek Metropolitan District.
- 4. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Resolution to the contrary, no Service Fees shall be due from, or with respect to, any real property within the District for: (a) any school site dedicated to a school district, provided that the acreage of said site does not exceed eleven (11)

acres; (b) any property dedicated or conveyed to a homeowners association serving property within the Districts, which does not exceed ten (10) acres; and/or (c) any property required by the City to be dedicated to the City, the public, or any other governmental entity for public rights-of-way, or that is required to be conveyed to another special district for the operation of public facilities including, but not limited to, streets, trails, sidewalks, landscape areas and similar facilities.

- 5. In addition, the District shall be entitled to impose an administrative fee as necessary to cover additional expenses associated with the design review and covenant enforcement services assumed by the District to ensure that such costs are the responsibility of the benefitted District residents. All such fees shall be based upon the District's determination that such fees do not exceed reasonable annual market fee for users of such facilities.
- 6. <u>Delinquent Charges and Collections</u>. Delinquent account procedures and collection activities associated with District Fees are governed by the District's then-existing Fee Resolution and Collection Policy.
- 7. <u>Deviations</u>. The Board may deviate from the procedures set forth in this Policy if in its sole discretion such deviation is reasonable under the circumstances.
- 8. <u>Late Fees and Interest</u>. Any District Fees assessed by the District which are not paid in full within fifteen (15) days after the scheduled due date shall be assessed a late fee of fifteen dollars (\$15.00), per §29-1-1102(3), C.R.S. Pursuant to §29-1-1102(7), C.R.S., interest will also accrue on any outstanding Service Fees, exclusive of assessed late fees, at the rate of eighteen percent (18%) per annum.
- 9. All Service Fees shall be due, owing and payable to the District, in cash or an equivalent form made payable to "The Ridge at Sand Creek Metropolitan District." In the event that any Service Fees established hereunder remains unpaid thirty-one (31) days after its respective due date, the District's General Counsel may undertake collection efforts for any and all outstanding amounts. All collections efforts shall be made pursuant to, and in accordance with, applicable state and federal laws. The District's General Counsel shall be entitled to assess reasonable legal fees and any related costs and expenses to the owners of any such real property for said collection efforts.
- 10. Perpetual Lien. All Service Fees and all other fees, rates, tolls, charges and penalties contemplated herein shall, until paid, constitute a perpetual lien on and against the property served or to be served by any improvements provided by the District or to be provided by the District within a reasonable amount of time. All such liens shall be in a senior position as against all other liens of record affecting the property served or benefited, or to be served or benefited by improvements of the District and shall run with the Property for the Sorrento Estates Subdivision and The Ridge at Sand Creek Metropolitan District and remain in effect as to any portion of such property on which the appropriate fee has not been paid. All liens contemplated herein may be foreclosed in any manner authorized by law at such time as the District may determine that fees hereunder have not been paid as required.
 - 11. Amendment. The District expressly reserve the right to amend, revise, redact, waive

and/or repeal this Resolution in whole or in part, from time to time in order to further the purposes of carrying on the business and services of the District. The foregoing shall specifically include, but not be limited to the right to adopt new policies as may be deemed necessary in the District's sole discretion.

- 12. <u>Validity</u>. If any clause or provision of this Resolution is found to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction or by operation of any applicable law, such invalid or unenforceable clause or provision shall not affect the validity of the Resolution as a whole but shall be severed here from, leaving the remaining clauses or provisions in full force and effect.
- 13. <u>Effective Date</u>. This Resolution shall be immediately effective as of the date reflected below.
- 14. This Resolution supersedes any and all prior Resolutions approved and adopted by the District concerning Service Fees. All such prior Resolutions are hereby null and void, being superseded in their entirety by this Resolution.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED to be effective as of the 6th day of November, 2020.

THE RIDGE AT SAND CREEK METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

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	President	
ATTEST:		
S. Alan Vancil		
Secretary		

EXHIBIT A

Description of Property Subject to District Service Fees Including Covenant Enforcement, Administration, Operations and Maintenance Fees

(The Ridge at Sand Creek Metropolitan District)

EXHIBIT B

Fine and Enforcement Policies of The Ridge at Sand Creek Metropolitan District

(effective as of November 6, 2020) (to be updated on a periodic basis)

FINE POLICY and SCHEDULE

Section 1. INTENT

- A. In accordance with the Declaration of Covenants, the Board of Directors (the "Board") has adopted Rules to promote the health, safety, and welfare of the Members and the maintenance and aesthetic appearance of the community for the preservation of property values and the assets of the District.
- B. While many violations are resolved through a courtesy/warning notice (see below), there are instances when further action is required. Fines are intended to bring properties into conformance with the Declaration of Covenants, Architectural Guidelines, and other rules and regulations set forth by the District (collectively, the "Governing Documents") in a timely manner while providing due notice and appeal rights to property owners, as described in Exhibit "A" Violation and Fine Appeal Process attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.
- C. In order to gain compliance, the Board intends to impose and collect monetary penalties and reserves the right to enforce the community's restrictions in any other legal manner.

Section 2. NOTICE OF VIOLATION

- A. Notice Required: Upon a unit/lot owner's first violation of any provision of the Governing Documents, the District shall provide a written Courtesy/Warning Notice to the unit/lot owner to allow the unit/lot owner the right to cure said violation as stated in the Notice.
- B. Courtesy/Warning Notice: A Courtesy/Warning Notice of the first violation shall be mailed via certified mail to the unit/lot owner and contain, at a minimum, the following information:
 - 1. The alleged violation of the Governing Documents;
 - 2. The date of the violation or the date the violation was observed;
 - 3. The first and last name of the person who observed the violation or the name of the management person confirming the violation;
 - 4. A statement that the violation must be cured within ten (10) days of the date of the Notice, and failure by the unit/lot owner to cure the violation within ten (10) shall result in a fine in accordance with the Fine Policy and Schedule of Fines in effect at the time of the violation; and
 - 5. The unit/lot owner's right to appeal the violation.
- C. Right of Appeal: A unit/lot owner who receives a Courtesy/Warning Notice regarding a violation may appeal the violation by sending a written notice via certified mail to the District's address (as listed on the notice of contact form recorded with the county recorder) within ten (10) days of the date of the Courtesy/Warning Notice. The process for appealing the violation is set forth in Exhibit "A".

Section 3. NOTICE AND IMPOSITION OF FINES

- A. Notice of Imposition of Fine: If the unit/lot owner fails to cure the violation with ten (10) days of the date of the Courtesy/Warning Notice, the District shall send the unit/lot owner a Notice of Imposition of Fine via certified mail, which Notice shall state that the unit/lot owner has been assessed a fine for the violation in accordance with the Schedule of Fines attached hereto, as amended from time to time, and that failure by unit/lot owner to cure the violation within the period stated in the Notice of Imposition of Fine shall result in additional fines to the unit/lot owner.
- B. Further Failure to Comply: Additional Notices of fines citing unit/lot owner's failure to cure the violation shall be mailed to the unit/lot owner at the frequency and fine rate stated in the Schedule of Fines attached hereto, as amended from time to time. Each Notice shall indicate the current fine, pass due fines and late fees, if any, the date that the violation must be cured to avoid additional fines, and unit/lot owner's right to appeal.

Section 4. CONTINUING VIOLATIONS

- A. In the case of repeat and persistent violations, this system of fines may ultimately lead to prosecution of non-responsive violators. Fines will not take the place of legal action but will be used as an additional remedy. Fines shall not exceed the level, if any, established by state law.
- B. In addition, the Board shall have the right to remedy the violation and seek reimbursement from the unit/lot owner for collection costs and reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred as a result of such failure to comply with the Governing Documents without the necessity of legal proceedings.
- C. The Board may take legal action against the unit/lot owner at anytime after a fourth Notice of Imposition of Fine has been sent to the unit/lot owner, when accrued fines equal or exceed \$250, or if the Board determines, in its sole discretion, that immediate legal action is necessary to preserve the health, safety, and welfare of its Members. Pursuant to State law, in any legal action pursued hereunder, the court shall award reasonable attorney fees, costs, and costs of collection to the prevailing party.
- D. To ensure that the Board is aware of continuing violations, the Management Company shall list the violating unit/lot owner on the Executive Session agenda when a fourth Notice of Imposition of Fine has been sent to the unit/lot owner, when accrued fines equal or exceed \$250, or when the Management Company believes immediate action by the Board is necessary to preserve the health, safety and welfare of its Members. At such time, the Board shall deliberate as to whether the Board should take other appropriate action against the unit/lot owner as provided herein.

Section 5. RECURRENCE OF VIOLATION

Any recurrence of the same violation within six (6) months of the original violation, as noted in the Courtesy/Warning Violation, shall make the unit/lot owner subject to the imposition of a fine. Such fine shall be levied at the current rate of a 2nd violation in accordance with the "Schedule of Violations and Fines" then in effect. Such violations shall be considered a continuing violation and no Courtesy/Warning Notice shall be provided to the unit/lot owner.

Section 6. FAILURE TO PAY

- A. Fines shall be due and payable within 30 days of the notice. Fines not paid within 30 days shall be charged a late fee.
- B. All rights and remedies of the District are cumulative and not exclusive, and the District shall have all rights and remedies to levy and collect fines which may be available to it under the Governing Documents and applicable law.
- C. Until paid by the unit/lot owner, all fines, fees, and charges assessed against the unit/lot owner pursuant to the Fine Policy and Schedule, as amended from time to time, including, but not limited to, the cost of collecting fines, fees, and charges such as collection agents and attorney fees, shall constitute a lien on and against the property in accordance with the Declaration of Covenants.

D. Fee Schedule:

- 1. Late Fee Charge: A late fee of \$15.00 will be assessed on every account that is not paid in full within the 30 days reference above. The late fee charge may be amended from time to time by resolution of the Board.
- 2. Bad Check Charge: For each check that for any reason is returned to the District unpaid, the unit/lot owner shall owe the District a "bad check" charge of \$20.00. The bad check charge may be amended from time to time by resolution of the Board.
- 3. Collection Fees: The unit/lot owner shall be responsible for all collection costs incurred by the District as part of the collection process, including, but not limited to, attorney fees, collection agent fees, and court costs.

Section 7. APPEAL PROCESS

Violations and fines may be appealed to the Board in accordance with the procedures set forth in Exhibit A, which procedures may be amended from time to time by a majority vote of the Board.

Section 8. SCHEDULE OF FINES

Fines may be levied as shown below. The Board may amend the Schedule of Fines from time to time as it deems necessary by a majority vote of the Board.

SCHEDULE OF FINES:

Violation	Amount of Fine				Assess
	1st	2nd	3rd	Thereafter	
Architectural Committee Review and Approval Required	Warning	\$50	\$100	\$200	Bi-weekly
Architectural Review, Improvement not Conforming to Request/Approval	Warning	\$50	\$100	\$200	Bi-weekly
Residential Use: Professional or Home Occupation	Warning	\$50	\$100	\$200	Bi-weekly
Declaration of Covenants, Other Not Listed	Warning	\$50	\$100	\$200	Bi-weekly
Drainage & Irrigation	Warning	\$50	\$100	\$200	Bi-weekly
Household Pets	Warning	\$50	\$100	\$200	Bi-weekly
Leases	Warning	\$50	\$100	\$200	Bi-weekly
Vehicle Parking, Storage and Repairs	Warning	\$50	\$100	\$200	Bi-weekly
Light, sound and Orders	Warning	\$50	\$100	\$200	Bi-weekly
Nuisances	Warning	\$50	\$100	\$200	Bi-weekly
Hazardous Activities	Warning	\$50	\$100	\$200	Bi-weekly
Completion of Landscape	Warning	\$50	\$100	\$200	Bi-weekly
Lot Maintenance	Warning	\$50	\$100	\$200	Bi-weekly
Miscellaneous Requirement & Improvements including signage	Warning	\$50	\$100	\$200	Bi-weekly
Temporary Structures	Warning	\$50	\$100	\$200	Bi-weekly
Trash and Materials	Warning	\$50	\$100	\$200	Bi-weekly