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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF COMMONS ON THE AVENUE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

(A corporation not-for-profit organized under the laws of the State of Florida)

The undersigned incorporator, desiring to form a corporation not for profit under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, as amended, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I NAME PRIMARY ADDRESS

The name of the corporation shall be the COMMONS ON THE AVENUE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC., which is hereinafter referred to as "the Association". The primary address of the Association shall be c/o Lang Management Company, 790 Park of Commerce Boulevard, Suite 200, Boca Raton, FL 33487.

ARTICLE II PURPOSES AND POWERS

The objects and purposes of the Association are those objects and purposes as are authorized by the Declaration of Covenants for Commons on the Avenue recorded (or to be recorded) in the Public Records of Palm Beach County, Florida, as hereafter amended and/or supplemented from time to time (the "Declaration"). The further objects and purposes of the Association are to preserve the values and amenities in The Properties and to maintain the Common Areas for the benefit of the Members of the Association. The definitions set forth in the Declaration are incorporated herein by this reference.

The Association is not organized for profit and no part of the net earnings, if any, shall inure to the benefit of any Member or individual person, firm or corporation.

The Association shall have all of the powers and duties of a corporation not for profit and as set forth in the Act, except as limited by these Articles, the By-Laws and the Declaration (to the extent that they are not in conflict with the Act), and all of the powers and duties reasonably necessary to operate the Association pursuant to the Declaration and to provide for the general health and welfare of its membership, and as more particularly described in the By-Laws, as they may be amended from time to time, including, but not limited to, the following:

(a) To make and collect Assessments and other charges against Members as Owners (whether or not such sums are due and payable to the Association), and to use the proceeds thereof in the exercise of its powers and duties.

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- (b) To buy, accept, own, operate, lease, sell, trade and mortgage both real and personal property in accordance with the provisions of the Declaration.
- (c) To maintain, repair, replace, reconstruct, add to and operate the Property, and other property acquired or leased by the Association.
- (d) To purchase insurance upon the Property and insurance for the protection of the Association, its officers, directors and Owners.
- (e) To make and amend reasonable rules and regulations for the maintenance, conservation and use of the Property, including the Lots and Homes.
- (f) To approve or disapprove the leasing, transfer, ownership and possession of Units as may be provided by the Declaration.
- (g) To enforce by legal means the provisions of the Act, the Declaration, these Articles, the By-Laws, and the rules and regulations for the use of the Homes, Lots and Property.
- (h) To contract for the management and maintenance of the Association and Property and to authorize a management agent to assist the Association in carrying out its powers and duties by performing such functions as the submission of proposals, collection of Assessments, preparation of records, enforcement of rules and maintenance, repair and replacement of the Common Areas and Association Property with such funds as shall be made available by the Association for such purposes. The Association and its officers shall, however, retain at all times the powers and duties granted by the Act, including, but not limited to, the making of Assessments, promulgation of rules and execution of contracts on behalf of the Association.
- (i) To employ personnel to perform the services required for the proper operation of the Association and Property.
- (j) To execute all documents or consents, on behalf of all Unit Owners (and their mortgagees), required by all governmental and/or quasi-governmental agencies in connection with land use and development matters (including, without limitation, plats, waivers of plat, unities of title, covenants in lieu thereof, etc.), and in that regard, each Owner, by acceptance of the deed to such Owner's Lot, and each mortgagee of a Lot Owner by acceptance of a lien on said Lot, appoints and designates the President of the Association as such Lot Owner's and mortgagees agent and attorney-in-fact to execute, any and all such documents or consents.

(k) To operate, maintain, repair and replace the Surface Water Management System in accordance with the Permit(s) therefor and all laws, rules and regulations governing same.

ARTICLE III MEMBERS

- Section 1. <u>Membership</u>. Every person or entity who is a record Owner of a fee or undivided fee interest in any Lot shall be a Member of the Association, provided that any such person or entity who holds such interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation shall not be a Member.
- Section 2. <u>Voting Rights</u>. The Members of the Association shall be all Owners as defined in Section 1. Members shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Lot in which they hold the interests required for membership by Section 1. When more than one person holds such interest or interests in any Lot, all such persons shall be Members, and the vote for such Lot shall be exercised as they among themselves determine, but in no event shall more than one vote be cast with respect to any such Lot.
- Section 3. <u>Meetings of Members</u>. The By-Laws of the Association shall provide for an annual meeting of Members, and may make provisions for regular and special meetings of Members other than the annual meeting. A quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Members shall exist if thirty percent (30%) of the total number of Members in good standing shall be present or represented by proxy at the meeting.
- Section 4. <u>General Matters</u>. When reference is made herein, or in the Declaration, By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, management contracts or otherwise, to a majority or specific percentage of Members, such reference shall be deemed to be reference to a majority or specific percentage of the votes of Members and not of the Members themselves.

ARTICLE IV CORPORATE EXISTENCE

The Association shall commence its existence with the filing of these Articles of Incorporation with the Florida Secretary of State and shall have perpetual existence; provided that if it is ever dissolved, its assets (including the Surface Water Management System) shall be conveyed to another association or public agency having a similar purpose which complies with the requirements of Section 40C — 42.027, Florida Administrative Code and is approved by the SFWMD.

ARTICLE V BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. <u>Management by Directors</u>. The property, business and affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Board of Directors, which shall consist of five (5) per-

sons. A majority of the directors in office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The By-Laws shall provide for meetings of directors.

Section 2. <u>Original Board of Directors</u>. The names and addresses of the first Board of Directors of the Association, who shall hold office until the first annual meeting of Members and thereafter until qualified successors are duly elected and have taken office, shall be as follows:

Name

Address (Same for All Directors)

Danielle Dworkowitz Mari Pumphrey Maria Shanahan Katherine Warrick Dave Verardo c/o Lang Management Company 790 Park of Commerce Boulevard Suite 200, Boca Raton, FL 33487

- Section 3. <u>Election of Members of Board of Directors</u>. Except as otherwise provided herein and for the first Board of Directors, directors shall be elected by a plurality vote of the Members of the Association at the annual meeting of the membership as provided by the By-Laws of the Association, and the By-Laws may provide for the method of voting in the election and for removal from office of directors. All directors shall be Members of the Association or shall be authorized representatives, officers, or employees of corporate Members of the Association.
- Section 4. <u>Duration of Office</u>. Members elected to the Board of Directors shall hold office until the next succeeding annual meeting of Members, and thereafter until qualified successors are duly elected and have taken office.
- Section 5. <u>Vacancies</u>. If a director elected by the general membership shall for any reason cease to be a director, the remaining directors so elected may elect a successor to fill the vacancy for the balance of the term.

ARTICLE VI OFFICERS

- Section 1. Officers Provided For. The Association shall have a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, and such other officers as the Board of Directors may from time to time elect. All officers must also be Members of the Association.
- Section 2. <u>Election and Appointment of Officers</u>. The officers of the Association, in accordance with any applicable provision of the By-Laws, shall be elected by the Board of Directors for terms of one (1) year and thereafter until qualified successors are duly elected and have taken office. The By-Laws may provide for the method of voting in the election, for the removal from office of officers, for filling vacancies and for the duties of the officers. The President shall be a director; other officers may or may not be directors of the Association. If the office of President shall become vacant for any reason, or if the

President shall be unable or unavailable to act, the Vice President shall automatically succeed to the office or perform its duties and exercise its powers. If any office shall become vacant for any reason, the Board of Directors may elect or appoint an individual to fill such vacancy. The officers shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors and may be replaced by the Board of Directors at any time.

Section 3. <u>First Officers</u>. The first Officers of the Association shall be elected pursuant to the Bylaws and shall hold office thereafter until successors are duly elected and have taken office.

ARTICLE VII BY-LAWS

The Board of Directors shall adopt By-Laws consistent with these Articles of Incorporation. Such By-Laws may be altered, amended or repealed in the manner set forth in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS AND PRIORITIES

Section 1. Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation shall be proposed and approved by the Board of Directors and thereafter submitted to a meeting of the membership of the Association for adoption or rejection by affirmative vote of not less than sixty six and two-thirds (66 2/3%) percent of the Members of the Association voting at a meeting at which a quorum has been attained, and by not less than 66-2/3% of the entire Board of Directors, all in the manner provided in, and in accordance with the notice provisions of, Florida Statute 617.017.

Section 2. In case of any conflict between these Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws, these Articles shall control; and in case of any conflict between these Articles of Incorporation and the Declaration, the Declaration shall control.

ARTICLE IX INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator of this Corporation is:

<u>Address</u>

Ryan D. Poliakoff

Backer Aboud Poliakoff & Foelster, LLP 400 South Dixie Highway, Suite 420 Boce Raton, FL 33432

ARTICLE X INDEMNIFICATION

Section 1. The Association shall indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or contemplated action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director, employee, officer or agent of the Association, against all expenses (including attorneys' fees and appellate attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him or her in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, unless (i) it is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction, after all available appeals have been exhausted or not pursued by the proposed indemnitee, that he or she did not act in good faith or that he or she acted in a manner he or she believed to be not in or opposed to the best interest of the Association. and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, that he or she had reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful, and (ii) such court further determines specifically that indemnification should be denied. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith or did act in a manner which he or she believed to be not in or opposed to the best interest of the Association, and with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, that he or she had reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was unlawful.

Section 2. To the extent that a director, officer, employee or agent of the Association has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any action, suit or proceeding referred to in Section 1 above or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, he or she shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' fees and appellate attorneys' fees) actually incurred by him in connection therewith.

Section 3. The indemnification provided by this Article shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which those seeking indemnification may be entitled under any by-law, agreement, vote of Members or otherwise, both as to action in his or her official capacity while holding such office or otherwise, and shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be director, officer, employee or agent and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of such person.

Section 4. The Association shall have the power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Association, or is or was serving at the request of the Association as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise. Such insurance shall cover any liability asserted against him and incurred by him in any such capacity, or arising out of his or her status as such, whether or not the Association would have the power to indemnify him against such liability under the provisions of this Article.

Section 5. The provisions of this Article X shall not be amended.

ARTICLE XI REGISTERED AGENT

Until changed, RYAN D. POLIAKOFF, ESQ., shall be the registered agent of the Association and the registered office shall be at 400 S. Dixie Highway, Suite 420, Boca Raton, FL 33432.

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CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

In compliance with the laws of Florida, the following is submitted:

That desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office, as indicated in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, at the City of Boca Raton, County of Palm Beach, State of Florida, the corporation named in said Articles has named Ryan D. Poliakoff, Esq. located at Backer Aboud Poliakoff & Foelster, LLP, 400 S. Dixie Highway, Suite 420, Boca Raton, FL 33432, as its statutory registered agent.

Having been named the statutory agent of the above corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the same and agree to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of Florida law relative to keeping the registered office open.

REGISTERED AGENT

Dated this day of July, 2017.