# TIMNATH LAKES METROPOLITAN DISTRICT ("TLMD") NO. 1

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# NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING AND AGENDA

Board of Directors:	Office:	Term/Expiration:
Jennifer Martin	President	2025/May 2025
Matthew Wasserman	Treasurer	2025/May 2025
Justin Guy Wright	Assistant Secretary	2027/May 2027
Vacant	Assistant Secretary	2025/May 2025
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- DATE: October 10, 2023
- TIME: 6:00 p.m.

## PLACE: VIA ZOOM MEETING

### IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND THIS MEETING, THE LINK IS BELOW.

Join Zoom Meeting https://zoom.us/j/8642498023 Meeting ID: 864 249 8023 One tap mobile: +13462487799,,8642498023# US (Houston)

## I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- A. Present disclosures of potential conflicts of interest.
- B. Approve Agenda, confirm location of the meeting and posting of meeting notices.
- C. Acknowledge the resignation of Rob Bol from the Board of Directors, effective August 24, 2023.
- D. Discuss Board vacancies. Consider the appointments of two (2) eligible electors to fill vacancies on the Board of Directors. Candidates are: Ahmed Hashem, Casey Kanode and Yuriy Zubovski. Administer Oaths of Director. NOTE: Newly-appointed directors may not take any action until their signed Oath of Director is filed with the Larimer County Clerk and Recorder.

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F. Consider appointment of Officers:

President	
Treasurer	
Secretary _	
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#### II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

A. Members of the public may express their views to the Board on matters that affect the District. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes.

# III. FINANCIAL MATTERS

A. \_\_\_\_\_

# IV. LEGAL MATTERS

A. Discuss status of RFP for legal services.

# V. CAPITAL MATTERS

- A. \_\_\_\_\_
- VI. OTHER BUSINESS
  - A. \_\_\_\_\_

# VII. ADJOURNMENT <u>THE NEXT SPECIAL MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR</u> OCTOBER 18, 2023 (BUDGET HEARING).

Additional Enclosure:

• 2024 Notice of Legal Services and Fee Summary from Altitude Community Law



## 2024 NOTICE OF LEGAL SERVICES AND FEE SUMMARY

The following is a summary of fees and charges for legal services being offered by Altitude Community Law P.C. for 2024. For more details, contact your Primary Attorney or email us today at <u>hoalaw@altitude.law</u>.

No signature is required at this time, as this is a notice only. Existing clients will be billed at our new 2024 rates effective with their January billing. Please note: We do not accept credit card payments for legal services. Clients remain on their current billing structure (retainer/non-retainer, etc.) until we are notified otherwise.

Our retainer programs reduce your association's legal expenditures and simplify the budgeting process by establishing a fixed monthly fee. This fee purchases the essential legal services your association requires, making us available to you as needed. We offer three retainer packages to better fit your needs.

### **RETAINER SERVICES AND BENEFITS**

For a monthly fee of \$250, retainer clients receive the following legal services and benefits without further charges:

<u>Phone Calls</u>. We will engage in unlimited telephone consultations with a designated board member or association manager regarding legal and other questions and status of ongoing work we are performing for you, exclusive of litigation, foreclosure, covenant enforcement, and document amendments. Written consultations/communications such as emails, written correspondence, and calls with multiple board members at the same time will be billed at our reduced hourly rates, as will our time to review governing documents, correspondence, etc., if necessary to answer a question.

<u>Reduced Hourly Rates</u>. For legal services billed hourly beyond what is included in the retainer, we will provide those services at \$20 per hour less than our non-retainer rates for attorneys, \$10 per hour less than our non-retainer rates for paralegals, and \$5 per hour less than our non-retainer rates for legal assistants.

<u>In-Office Consultation</u>. We will meet with a designated board member and/or the association's manager in our office or virtually for 30 minutes on any new matter. If the meeting extends beyond the 30 minutes, you will be billed at our reduced hourly rates.

Attendance at Board Meeting. At your request, we will attend one board meeting per twelve-month period for up to one hour. While our attendance at said board

meeting is provided at no charge to retainer clients, we will bill you at our reduced hourly rates for our travel time to and from the attorney's primary office location if in-person attendance is requested instead of virtually. As a retainer client, we will prioritize attending the board meeting of your choosing. If our attendance exceeds one hour, you will be billed at our reduced hourly rates.

<u>Audit Response Letter</u>. We will prepare a letter to your financial auditor in connection with your annual audit indicating pending or threatened litigation. We will also review your annual financial audit upon completion.

<u>Periodic Report</u>. We will prepare and file your periodic report with the Secretary of State if you have designated us as your registered agent.

DORA Renewal. We will prepare and file your renewal report with DORA if requested.

<u>Credit Card Payments</u>. For Retainer clients, we will accept homeowner payments via credit card.

#### **RETAINER PLUS SERVICES AND BENEFITS**

For a monthly fee of \$320, we will provide the following legal services and benefits without further charges:

In addition to the services provided to Retainer clients, Retainer Plus clients will receive the following additional services:

<u>Email Consultations</u>. We will engage in 30 minutes of email consultations every month with a designated board member and the association's manager regarding legal and other questions and the status of ongoing work that we are performing on your behalf, exclusive of litigation, foreclosure, covenant enforcement, and document amendment matters. Additional written consultations and communications will be billed at our reduced hourly rates. If it is necessary to review governing documents, correspondence, etc. to answer a question, you will be billed at our reduced hourly rates.

#### PREMIUM RETAINER SERVICES AND BENEFITS

For a monthly fee of \$570, we will provide the following legal services and benefits without further charges:

In addition to the services provided to Retainer and Retainer Plus clients, Premium Retainer clients will receive the following additional services:

<u>Email Exchanges</u>. We will communicate with your designated board member and the association's manager via email up to 90 minutes every month which includes minor research at no additional charge exclusive of litigation, foreclosure, covenant enforcement, and document amendment matters.

Attendance at One Additional Board Meeting per Year. At your request, we will attend a total of two board meetings per twelve-month period for up to one hour each. While our attendance at said board meetings is provided at no charge to retainer clients, we will bill you at our reduced hourly rates for our travel time to

and from the attorney's primary office location if in-person attendance is requested instead of virtually. If our attendance exceeds one hour, you will be billed at our reduced hourly rates.

# RETAINER SERVICES GENERALLY

Clients on retainer will remain on their chosen level of retainer until we are notified otherwise in writing.

## FIXED FEE SERVICES

Altitude Community Law offers fixed fee services. The association will pay Altitude Community Law (the Firm) for performance of the services as outlined in a proposal for services, plus costs. The association understands that it is not entering into an hourly fee agreement for that specified service, except as otherwise set forth. This means the Firm will devote such time to the matter as is necessary, but the Firm's fee will not be increased or decreased based upon the number of hours spent.

## NON-RETAINER SERVICES AND BILLING TERMS

If you desire representation on a non-retainer basis, you will be billed hourly for all work performed unless a fixed fee (such as collection matters or amendment of documents) has been agreed to in advance. Our hourly rates for 2024 non-retainer clients are \$120 - \$160 for legal assistants/paralegals, \$330 - \$370 for attorneys. Non-retainer clients are billed hourly for all phone calls. Our attendance at meetings will be billed hourly. Our travel time to and from the attorney's primary office location will also be billed hourly if in-person attendance is requested instead of remote or virtual attendance.

# TERMINATION OF REPRESENTATION

You may terminate our representation at any time by notifying us in writing and we may resign from representation by notifying you in writing. In either case, you understand that court or administrative rules may require us to obtain a judicial or administrative order to permit our withdrawal. We agree that upon receipt of your termination notice, we will take such action as is necessary to withdraw from representing you, including requesting any necessary judicial or administrative order for withdrawal. However, whether you terminate our representation, we cease performing further work and/or withdraw from representing you, as allowed under the Colorado Rules of Professional Conduct or for your failure to comply with the terms of this Agreement, you understand and agree that you continue to be responsible to us for the payment of all fees and expenses due and owing and incurred in withdrawing from representing you, including any fees and expenses we incur to obtain, and/or during the time we are seeking to obtain, any necessary judicial or administrative order to approve our withdrawal.

If you so request, we will send to you your files in an electronic format as soon as a particular matter is concluded. If you do not request your files, the firm will keep the files for a minimum of 10 years, after which it may retain, destroy or otherwise dispose of them.

### PRIVACY POLICY

Attorneys, like other professionals who provide certain financial services, are now required by federal and state laws to inform their clients of their policies regarding privacy of client information. Attorneys have been and continue to be bound by professional standards of

confidentiality that are even more stringent than those required by this new law. Thus, we have always protected the privacy of your confidential information.

In the course of providing legal services, we sometimes receive significant nonpublic personal information from our clients. As a client of Altitude Community Law, you should know that all such information we receive from you is held in confidence. We do not disclose such information to anyone outside the firm except when required or authorized by applicable law or the applicable rules of professional conduct governing lawyers, or when authorized by you in writing.

We retain records relating to professional services that we provide so that we are better able to assist you with your professional needs and, in some cases, to comply with professional guidelines. In order to guard your nonpublic personal information, we maintain, physical, electronic and procedural safeguards that comply with our professional standards.

If you have any questions or would like more information about our privacy policies and practices, please let us know.

## GENERAL TERMS FOR ALL CLIENTS

We represent the association as a corporate entity. We will take our direction for work as instructed by the board or by the manager on behalf of the board. We do not represent any individual board members or homeowners.

Clients are required to reimburse us for cost advances and other out-of-pocket expenses. Reimbursement is made at actual cost for outside charges such as court recording fees, filing fees, service of process charges, computerized legal research, expert witness fees, title searches, deposition reporting and transcription fees, outside photocopying, etc. Typically, we do not charge for internal photocopies, faxes, postage and long-distance telephone calls unless these charges are extraordinary. We provide monthly statements for services and expenses incurred. Unless other arrangements are made and agreed upon in writing, all charges are due and payable upon your receipt of the statement. A finance charge of 12% per annum may be imposed upon any amount not paid within 30 days of becoming due. Fees may be modified upon 30 days prior written notice. If it becomes necessary to file suit to recover unpaid attorney fees, the prevailing party shall be entitled to receive its attorney fees.

In the event we have not been provided with, or our files do not contain, all of the recorded documents of the association, we retain the right to obtain any such recorded documents to supplement our file without association approval and at the association's cost. The association's cost will include, but not be limited to, hourly charges for procuring the documents and copying or downloading costs. In order to provide you with the most efficient and effective service we will unless otherwise directed, work through your manager if appropriate.

Please see Exhibit A to Legal Services and Fee Summary Agreement for 2024 Legal Collection Services.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call any of our attorneys. We are happy to answer any of your questions or meet with you at no charge to discuss our services and fees in greater detail.

# EXHIBIT A TO LEGAL SERVICES AND FEE SUMMARY AGREEMENT FOR 2024 LEGAL COLLECTION SERVICES

### Fee Structure

This is a flat fee agreement for collection services. The Association will pay Altitude Community Law (the Firm) for performance of the services described below, plus costs. The Association understands that it is not entering into an hourly fee agreement for collection services, except as otherwise set forth below. This means the Firm will devote such time to the representation as is necessary, but the Firm's fee will not be increased or decreased based upon the number of hours spent.

The Association has the right to terminate the representation at any time and for any reason, and the Firm may terminate the representation in accordance with Rule 1.16 of the Colorado Rules of Professional Conduct. In the event that the Association terminates the representation without wrongful conduct by the Firm that would cause the Firm to forfeit any fee, or the Firm justifiably withdraws in accordance with Rule 1.16 from representing the Association, the Association shall pay, and the Firm shall be entitled to, the fee or part of the fee earned by the Firm as described in paragraph 1 above, up to the time of termination. If the representation is terminated between the completion of increments (if any), the Association shall pay a fee based on our standard hourly rate set forth in our standard fee agreement. However, such fees shall not exceed the amount that would have been earned had the representation continued until the completion of the increment, and in any event all fees shall be reasonable. Once the work is performed, the Fee will be deemed earned and is due upon receipt of an invoice.

### Case Intake, Review and Assessment - No charge

We do not charge you to review new collection cases and make recommendations. However, if we receive open collection files from another attorney, there will be a \$100 set-up and review fee per file

At the rates set here in, upon receiving a new turnover, we will perform the following work for due diligence and to put the Association in the best possible collection position: Assessment Lien Package (if a lien has not already been recorded), Demand Letter, Public Trustee Search, and Bankruptcy Search. Next steps after this work depends on the homeowner's response, balance due, history, information acquired, and other factors.

### Demand Letter - \$195

Preparation of a demand letter includes reviewing the ledger or equivalent record to ascertain the amounts owed including interest, late charges, fines and charge backs, if relevant, and review prior notice given to owner to meet statutory requirements; drafting and mailing the demand letter to the homeowner; follow-up, including telephone calls with the management company and homeowner, negotiation of an acceptable payment plan; follow up letter (as needed) to confirm payment arrangements. All correspondence other than the initial demand and payment plan letter is \$50 per letter (e.g., follow up demand letter, breach of payment plan letter).

### Super Lien Demand Letter - \$110

Preparation of a demand letter post foreclosure includes reviewing ledger to ascertain amounts owed; verifying party to whom demand should be sent; drafting and mailing demand letter: or if request is received from a lender for the super lien amount, drafting a response. All discussions with the owner or lender after the letter are billed hourly.

#### Assessment Lien Package - \$110

This charge includes preparing both the lien and the lien release. It also includes verification of ownership with either the assessor's office or title company.

#### Lien Review - \$70

If your management company prepares and files liens, we will, on your behalf, review the lien to verify validity, compliance with law, and handle the recording and release of the lien in order to protect your association from liability.

#### Lawsuit: - \$455 plus costs

This charge includes preparing the summons and complaint, filing these papers with the court, appearing at the return date and obtaining default judgment. It also includes all negotiations and telephone conferences with the owners prior to an answer being filed with the court.

#### Lawsuit: Trial - Hourly rates apply

All preparation for trial and appearances in court are billed on an hourly basis. If the association prevails at trial, it can recover its attorney fees and costs from the delinquent owner.

#### Interrogatories - \$130

We prepare and file a motion with the court to request the court to order an owner to answer a series of questions from us about the owner's assets. We will use the answer to help satisfy any judgment obtained by the association. We will also arrange for service of the order on the client and monitor and evaluate answers received from the owner.

#### Contempt Citation - \$155

If an owner fails to answer the interrogatories as ordered by the court, we will prepare and file all the necessary paperwork to require the owner to appear before the judge to explain why the questions were not answered. Appearances at court, including the Contempt Citation hearing and any continuances thereof, as well as bond return hearings will be billed on an hourly basis.

#### Garnishments - \$155 (each)

We will identify entities (usually banks, employers or tenants) which owe or have money of the owner and prepare documentation to be filed with the court to order the entity to release all or a portion of the money they hold for or are obligated to pay the owner to the association. We will arrange for service of the necessary documentation and will monitor for responses. Appearances at Court, including any hearings regarding the garnishment, will be billed on an hourly basis.

#### Payment Plans - \$135 - \$225 (each)

We will charge a fee depending upon the length of the payment plan to prepare the necessary documentation, monitor and process payments and close the file. Unless we are instructed

otherwise, we may agree to payment plans of up to 24 months with any homeowner. We request that interest and late fees not be added to the ledger during payment plans, as long as the homeowner pays as agreed. Monthly payments amounts are calculated based on no additional interest or late fees being incurred during the payment plan.

#### Motions and Responses - Hourly rates apply

Occasionally, certain motions may be necessary in a case in order to get the court to issue a ruling without further legal action. These will be prepared, filed, monitored and argued before the court, if necessary.

### Outbound Phone Calls - \$55

Once we obtain a phone number for an owner, we will make up to 3 outbound calls to an owner to secure payment. All other calls with an owner will be at no charge.

#### Payoff Calculations - \$130

It is important for your management company or treasurer to confirm all payoff amounts with us prior to issuing status letters or advising owners of balances so that all legal costs and fees can be included. We will also insure that all fees necessary to close or dismiss a file are included. Rush charges do apply.

#### Monitoring Lender Foreclosure - \$220 (one-time charge)

It is important to monitor lender foreclosure through the sale and redemption period. We obtain periodic ownership and encumbrance reports, if needed, and routinely verify the status of the foreclosure action. We advise you of the association's rights and options throughout the process. Once a sale is completed, we advise the association of the new owner and the association's rights.

### Monitoring Bankruptcy - \$230 Chapter 7; \$495 Chapter 13 (one-time charge)

We prepare and file a Proof of Claim, if necessary, monitoring the bankruptcy through discharge. Our services include reviewing the plan (if Chapter 13) to make sure it includes provisions for payment of pre- and post-petition assessments, and checking with the trustee and debtor's attorney to determine if property has been abandoned. If it becomes necessary to file any motion with the court, we charge fixed fees as follows:

Additional Proof of Claim: \$160 Motion to Dismiss: \$595 Motion for Relief from Stay: \$795 Objection to Plan: \$395 Objections to Confirmation: \$205 for Motion, then hourly if we proceed to an evidentiary hearing Post-Petition Demand Letters to the bankruptcy attorney and owners: \$50 Motion for Late Filed Claim: \$395 Post-Petition Fees Notice: \$395 All preparation for and appearances in court are charged on an hourly basis.

### Assessment Increase Notice - \$395

We prepare notice to bankruptcy court of any increase in ongoing debt owed to the association upon receipt of notice from you, including filing proof of claim and letter to bankruptcy attorney or debtor.

#### Public Trustee/Bankruptcy Search - \$30 (each)

Verifying whether a property is in foreclosure or subject to a bankruptcy before filing a lawsuit can save the association hundreds of dollars. So, we will search both the public trustee and bankruptcy records and then advise the association if different action is necessary.

#### Receiverships (County Court) - \$450 initial, then hourly. Costs are approximately \$250

We will prepare pleadings and appear in court to obtain appointment of a receiver to collect rents where the property is abandoned or being rented by the owner. Once appointed, we supervise disbursement of the monies collected by the receiver at an hourly rate.

#### Lien/Judicial Foreclosures (District Court) - Hourly rates apply

We recommend foreclosure be considered a viable collection remedy in all problem cases. Our fee is based on complexity of circumstances and should reflect value you will receive from monetary results of the foreclosure.

#### Lien Sales - \$1,000

We list all liens that are potentially available for sale on our website at <u>https://Altitude.Law/general-topics/liens-for-sale/</u> at no cost. In the event a lien is sold we collect our fee from the purchaser of the lien. In order to handle quickly, within the legal time limits, we reserve the right to sell liens, without prior approval if the purchase price is equal to or more than the balance due.

#### Intent to Redeem - \$1,500 plus costs

We prepare all documents necessary to file and execute an Intent to Redeem with Public Trustee.

### Status Report - \$75/month (if not accessed electronically)

We provide online access to each association's collection status report. For more information please contact us. If your association chooses to have us prepare your status report, there will be a monthly fee.

#### Asset/Person Locations - \$25 - \$100

From time to time we must locate debtors and/or their assets in order to secure payment for you. We will use various databases for which there is a cost to us, to secure possible leads. This information is then reviewed and analyzed to develop the best strategy for quickly and efficiently securing payments.

#### Entry of Judgment - \$150 each

We will prepare Motion and Affidavit to obtain judgment on a stipulation if owner fails to complete it successfully.