## DAVIS MOUNTAINS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

## **Code of Conduct for Meetings**

## Approved 3/11/17

WHEREAS, Texas Business Organizations Code Section 2.101 among others provides the Davis Mountains Property Owners Association, Inc. with broad power to "(12) conduct its business, locate it's offices, and exercise the powers granted by this code to further it's purposes, in or out of this state," and "(17) adopt and amend governing documents for managing the affairs of the entity subject to applicable law" and "(22) take other action necessary or appropriate to further the purposes of the entity."

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Directors has the authority and responsibility to govern the operations of the Association; and

**WHEREAS,** Article V of the Bylaws provides the Board of Directors with all the powers, duties and authority vested in or delegated to the Association as are not by the Articles of Incorporation, Declaration or the Bylaws directed to be exercised or done by the Members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the Association have a fiduciary duty and responsibility to set a standard and level of behavior that is conducive to the best interest of the entire community:

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Directors of Davis Mountains Property Owners Association. Inc. hereby adopts the following code of conduct for it's meetings:

- 1. Meetings will begin promptly as set forth in the meeting notice.
- 2. Language at the meeting will be kept professional. It is understood that differences of opinion will exist. They should be expressed in a clear and business like fashion.
- 3. Verbal or physical attacks against owners, residents, officers, directors and managers are prohibited at any DMPOA. Inc. meeting including committee meetings.
- 4. Except for public hearings duly designated as such by action of the Board of Directors, public participation at meetings of the Board of Directors shall be limited to the Open Comments segment of the Agenda, or at the discretion of the presiding officer.
- 5. Public comment, whether during the public participation segment of the Board of Director's meeting or during a duly designated public hearing, shall be limited to 3 minutes per person or at the discretion of the presiding officer. An individual's time may not be given or traded to other speakers or reserved for other portions of the meeting. No one may speak a second time until everyone has had an opportunity to speak once.
- 6. Comments must relate to the purpose of the public hearing or to legitimate association business.

- 7. The presiding officer shall act as timekeeper or shall designate another elected official as timekeeper.
- 8. It is inappropriate to utilize a public meeting for the purpose of making political speeches, including threats of political action and the same will not be allowed. Discussion between speakers and attendees of the public meeting or hearing are prohibited. A speaker may disagree with or support prior speakers in comments directed to the Board of Directors.
- 9. Political banners, flyers, or other signs are not permitted in the meeting room; distribution of flyers in the meeting room is also not permitted.
- 10. If the presiding officer fails to enforce the rules set forth above, any member of the Board may move to require him or her to do so, and an affirmative vote of a majority of the Board shall require him or her to do so. Any decision relating to enforcement of the rules set forth above may be appealed and overturned by a vote of a majority of the Board members.
- 11. If a speaker who has violated these rules refuses to step down, the presiding officer may ask for the individual to be removed from the meeting room and charged with disorderly conduct as per the Penal Law.
- 12. If any attendee does not abide by these rules they will be asked to leave. If they refuse to leave immediately, the police will be summoned and the attendee will be charged accordingly.
- 13. In the event of disrespectful or disruptive behavior, the Board of Directors present may adjourn the meeting upon an affirmative majority vote until such time as members are again able to conduct themselves in a dignified, civil and respectful manner.
- 14. Comments by speakers must be addressed to the Board. Attendees may not address the Board unless recognized by the presiding officer.
- 15. Please remember all board members are volunteers and are donating this time to the POA. Please treat us with respect.

The Policy is ratified and adopted this 11th day of March, 2017 at an open Board meeting where a quorum of the Board was present, and a majority of the Board voted in favor of the Resolution. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.