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BEFORE THE COMMISSION FOR COMMON-INTEREST COMMUNITIES AND CONDOMINIUM HOTELS STATE OF NEVADA

SHARATH CHANDRA, Administrator, REAL ESTATE DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY, STATE OF NEVADA,

Petitioner,

VS.

MONTARA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, (Entity Number C23190-2004)

Respondent.

Case No.: 2023-169

ANSWER TO COMPLAINT FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION AND NOTICE OF HEARING

The Respondent, MONTARA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION ("Respondent"), submits this Answer to the Real Estate Division of the Department of Business and Industry, State of Nevada ("Division") Complaint for Disciplinary Action and Notice of Hearing ("Complaint").

JURISDICTION AND NOTICE

 Respondent acknowledges that the Division and the Commission for Common-Interest Communities and Condominium Hotels ("Commission") have jurisdiction over this matter.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

2. Respondent generally acknowledges and admits the factual allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 7, inclusive, of the Complaint.

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- 3. The Board acknowledges that by not having three (3) Board members and, therefore there was a technical violation of NRS 116.31034(1). However, the fact that it did not elect a minimum of three (3) members was a function of a lack of candidates to run for the Board. On August 29, 2024, the Board filled the vacancy on the Board by appointing Floresita Yazmin Roman to serve on the Board until the next election. The action was taken by unanimous consent of the Board outside a meeting. A copy of the Unanimous Consent is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.
- 4. Respondent acknowledges that it has failed to hold a sufficient number of Board meetings. As is more fully set forth below, the Association has noticed a Board meeting scheduled for September 9, 2024 and a membership meeting scheduled for September 23, 2024.
- 5. Respondent acknowledges that it failed to hold an annual meeting in 2023. The election, which is the most important part of the annual meeting, was completed by acclimation because there were not enough candidates. Respondent originally noticed a membership meeting to be held on September 9, 2023. However, Respondent discovered that the agenda for the membership meeting was not included with the Notice, as required by NRS 116.3108(3). Attached hereto as Exhibit 2 is a copy of the revised Notice and agenda for the membership meeting scheduled for September 23, 2024.
- The Board acknowledges that it has not held a Board meeting for an extended 6. period of time. Attached hereto as Exhibit 3 is a copy of the Notice of the Board meeting scheduled for September 9, 2024.
- 7. Respondent acknowledges its failure to timely inform the Division of the identity of its new community manager. Attached hereto as Exhibit 4 is a copy of the 623 Forn that was filed with the NRED identifying the new community manager.

DISCIPLINE AUTHORIZED

8. Concerning the "Discipline Authorized," the Respondent acknowledges that the Commission has the authority to impose the sanctions set forth therein.

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION/SETTLEMENT

The Respondent believes that it has addressed each of the alleged violations identified in the Complaint. The Respondent has filled the vacancy on the Board by taking action outside of a meeting. <u>See</u> Exhibit 1.

The Respondent has scheduled a Board meeting for September 9, 2024, and will, thereafter, hold regular Board meetings consistent with NRS 116.31083. See Exhibit 3.

The Respondent has scheduled a membership meeting for September 23, 2024. <u>See</u> Exhibit 2.

The Respondent has filed Form 623 disclosing the identity of its new community manager. See Exhibit 4.

Based on the foregoing, the Respondent respectfully requests that the Commission not impose monetary sanctions on the Association.

SCHEDULED HEARING

1. Respondent understands that this matter is placed on a stacked calendar to be heard on September 10-12, 2024. The Respondent's legal counsel is also representing several other associations that have hearings scheduled for the same stacked calendar. Counsel for the Respondent respectfully requests that those matters be held consecutively.

DATED this <u>3</u> day of September 2024.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

2	Pursuant to NRCP 5(b), the undersigned, an employee of LEACH KERN GRUCHOW	
3	SONG, hereby certified that on the 3rd day of September, 2024, she served a true and correct	
4	copy of the foregoing, ANSWER TO COMPLAINT FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION AND	
5	NOTICE OF HEARING, by:	
6	Depositing for mailing, in a sealed envelope, U.S. postage prepaid, at Las Vegas, Nevada	
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13	addressed as follows:	
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