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Tallavana HOA Records Retention and Request Policy # 400

Purpose

- Defines the number of years the HOA retains specific types of documents and records.
- Defines the records' request process for Tallavana Homeowner's Association (HOA) members and the public in accordance with Chapter 720, F.S.

Administration

The HOA currently contracts with a community association manager (Executive Management Services) to manage and maintain its official records. The board oversees this contract and coordinates with the association manager to ensure the documents posted online are current and in compliance with the law. The attached table (Exhibit A) lists the document name and number of years it is required to be **retained by law or best practice if not specified in law**. The last column of the table contains hyperlinks from the mainpage of the current HOA website to many of the listed documents

Records Requests

Chapter 720, F.S. outlines the procedures and timeline for the public to access HOA records for inspection and obtain copies. EMS is our record repository and thus should be given final records and copies of our records. These records are identified in Exhibit A. Any HOA Record requests may be submitted by certified mail to our community association manager as outlined in law; however, our HOA responds to emailed requests as well. We must respond within 10 business days of request as required by Chapter 720, F.S. if the request is sent certified. The HOA or EMS may charge up to 25 cents per page. Some records are not accessible as defined in law as explained below.

Records Request Exclusion Clause

Chapter 720, F.S. also defines records and information not shared with the public, members or parcel owners. These include, but are not limited to, records protected by the lawyer-client privilege, personnel records, records with social security numbers, driver's license numbers, etc. This policy incorporates these exclusions by reference in Chapter 720, F.S.

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Exhibit A Records List and Retention Schedule For

Lake Tallavana Official Records Schedule

Document or Record Name	Number of Years	On HOA Website		
	Retained			
Governing Documents				
Articles of Incorporation	In perpetuity	<u>Yes</u>		
Covenants	In perpetuity	<u>Yes</u>		
By Laws	In perpetuity	<u>Yes</u>		
Current Policies and Rules	In perpetuity until updated	<u>Yes</u>		
ACC procedures for review of application, denial, and fining	Current Only	In revision		
Easements, court cases, etc.	In perpetuity	<u>Yes</u>		
Important Legal Interpretations	In perpetuity	Yes		
Administrative Documents				
Meeting Minutes	7 years	Yes		
Meeting Agendas	7years	Yes		
Roster of all members with addresses	7 years	Yes- electronic access limited to just HOA members as required by Chapter 720, F.S.		
Administrative Documents - Continued				
Insurance Policies	7 years	Yes		
Board Member Certifications	5 years	<u>Yes</u>		
Record Retention Policy	In perpetuity until updated	Yes		
Notice of Meetings	Current and immediate future meetings	<u>Yes</u>		
Contracts				
Contract with Community Association Manager-EMS	1 year ⁱ	Yes		
Water Testing Results (Lake Doctor)	1 year ⁱⁱ	Yes		
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Document or Record Name	Number of Years	On HOA Website		
	Retained			
Financial Records				
Detailed records of all receipts and expenditures	7 years	No		
Current account and periodic states of account for each member	7 years	No		
Federal Tax returns and supporting documentation. (EMS contract)	7 years	No		
Disclosure Summary	7 years	Yes		
Annual Budget	7 years	Yes		
Proposed Budget	7 years	Yes		
Certificates of Deposit/Investments	7 years	No		
Financial Audits	7 years	No		
Financial Statements and supporting accounting information. (EMS contract)	7 years	Yes		
Voting				
Ballots voting proxies	1 year after election	N/A		
ACC				
ACC Approval Requests	7 years	No		
Letters of Approval Issued	7 years	No		
Letters of Denial Issued	7 years	No		
Current Enforcement Fine Policy	Current Only	<u>Yes</u>		

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Document or Record Name	Number of Years Retained	On HOA Website	
Studies			
Fish Studies	In perpetuity	Yes	
Communications			
None currently			
Other			
Copies Easements	In Perpetuity	See Mason Drive Ruling Others pending	

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ⁱ As required by Chapter 720, F.S.

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