

SMITH DOUGLAS HOMES CORP.
CORPORATE GOVERNANCE GUIDELINES

(As of January 10, 2024)

The Board of Directors (the “**Board**”) of Smith Douglas Homes Corp. (the “**Company**”) has adopted the following Corporate Governance Guidelines (the “**Guidelines**”) to assist the Board in the exercise of its responsibilities and to serve the interests of the Company and its stockholders. These Guidelines should be interpreted in the context of all applicable laws and the Company’s certificate of incorporation, bylaws and other corporate governance documents. These Guidelines acknowledge the leadership exercised by the Board’s standing committees and their chairs and are intended to serve as a flexible framework within which the Board may conduct its business and not as a set of legally binding obligations. The Guidelines are subject to modification from time to time by the Board as the Board may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders or as required by applicable laws and regulations.

I. THE BOARD

A. Independence of the Board

Except as otherwise permitted by the applicable New York Stock Exchange (“**NYSE**”) rules, the Board will be comprised of a majority of directors who qualify as independent directors (the “**Independent Directors**”) as required under NYSE rules.

B. Separate Sessions of Non-Management Directors

The non-management directors will meet in executive session without management directors or other members of management present at least once per every regularly scheduled Board meeting. The Company will hold an executive session including only Independent Directors at least once per year. Each executive session of the Independent Directors or non-management directors will be presided over by the Chair of the Board, if the Chair of the Board qualifies as independent, or by the lead independent director if the Chair of the Board does not qualify as independent.

C. Lead Independent Director

If the Chair of the Board is a member of management or does not otherwise qualify as independent, the Independent Directors may elect a lead independent director. The lead independent director’s responsibilities include, but are not limited to: presiding over all meetings of the Board at which the Chair of the Board is not present, including any executive sessions of the Independent Directors; calling meetings or separate sessions of the Independent Directors; approving Board meeting schedules and agendas; approving information sent to the Board; acting as the liaison between the Independent Directors and the Chief Executive Officer and Chair of the Board; and when appropriate, meeting or otherwise communicating with major stockholders or other constituencies of the Company. At such times as the Chair of the Board is

an Independent Director, the Chair of the Board will serve as lead independent director. The Board may modify its leadership structure in the future as it deems appropriate.

D. Director Qualification Standards and Additional Selection Criteria

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board (the “*Nominating Committee*”), in recommending director candidates, and the Board, in nominating director candidates, will evaluate candidates in accordance with the qualification standards set forth in Attachment A to these Corporate Governance Guidelines. In addition, the Nominating Committee and the Board may also consider the additional selection criteria listed in Attachment A.

E. Director Orientation and Continuing Education

Management will provide an orientation process for new directors, including background material on the Company and its business. As appropriate, management will provide opportunities for additional educational sessions for directors on matters relevant to the Company and its business.

F. Other Board Service

Prior to accepting any position on the board of directors of any organization, whether for-profit or not-for-profit, current directors should notify the Chair of the Board. The Chair of the Board and the General Counsel shall review the proposed board membership to ensure compliance with applicable laws and policies, including the Company’s conflict of interest policies. Absent the prior approval of the Chair of the Board, members of the Board are not permitted to serve on the board of directors or similar governing body of other homebuilding organizations.

With respect to any board service, the Nominating Committee may take into account the nature of and time involved in a director’s service on other boards and/or committees in evaluating the suitability of individual director candidates and current directors.

G. Directors Who Resign or Materially Change Their Current Positions With Their Own Company or Become Aware of Circumstances that May Adversely Reflect upon the Director or the Company

When a director, including any director who is currently an officer or employee of the Company, resigns or materially changes his or her position with his or her employer or becomes aware of circumstances that may adversely reflect upon the director or the Company, such director should notify the Chair of the Nominating Committee and the General Counsel of such circumstances. The Nominating Committee will consider the circumstances, and may in certain cases recommend that the Board request that the director submit his or her resignation from the Board if, for example, continuing service on the Board by the individual is not consistent with the criteria deemed necessary for continuing service on the Board.

H. Term Limits

As each director is periodically subject to election by stockholders, the Board does not believe it is in the best interests of the Company to establish term limits at this time. Additionally, such term limits may cause the Company to lose the contribution of directors who have been able to develop, over a period of time, increasing insight into the Company's business and therefore can provide an increasingly significant contribution to the Board.

I. Director Responsibilities

The business and affairs of the Company will be managed by or under the direction of the Board, including through one or more of its committees as set forth in the bylaws and committee charters. Each director is expected to spend the time and effort necessary to properly discharge his or her responsibilities. These include:

- exercising their business judgment in good faith;
- acting in what they reasonably believe to be the best interest of all stockholders;
- becoming and remaining well-informed about the Company's business and operations and general business and economic trends affecting the Company; and
- ensuring that the business of the Company is conducted so as to further the long-term interests of its stockholders.

J. Compensation

The Board believes that director compensation should fairly pay directors for work required in a business of the Company's size and scope, and that compensation should align directors' interests with the long-term interests of stockholders. The Compensation Committee of the Board (the "**Compensation Committee**") will review and make recommendations to the Board regarding the cash and equity compensation of directors. The Company's executive officers shall not receive additional compensation for their service as directors.

Except as otherwise permitted by the applicable NYSE rules, members of the Audit Committee of the Board (the "**Audit Committee**") and Compensation Committee may not directly or indirectly receive any compensation from the Company other than their directors' compensation, including any compensation for service on and/or chairing committees of the Board and the receipt of equity incentive awards.

K. Stock Ownership

The Company encourages directors to own shares of the Company's stock to align their interests with the interests of our stockholders. However, the number of shares of the Company's stock owned by any director is a personal decision and, at this time, the Board has chosen not to adopt a policy requiring ownership by directors of a minimum number of shares.

L. Interaction with Institutional Investors, the Press and Customers

The Board believes that management speaks for the Company. Each director should refer all inquiries from institutional investors, the press or customers regarding the Company's operations to management. Individual Board members may, from time to time at the request of management, meet or otherwise communicate with various constituencies that are involved with the Company. If comments from the Board are appropriate, they should, in most circumstances, come from the Chief Executive Officer or another authorized spokesperson of the Company. For more information, see the Company's "Guidelines for Corporate Disclosure."

M. Board Access to Senior Management

The Board will have complete access to Company management in order to ensure that directors can ask any questions and receive all information necessary to perform their duties. Directors should exercise judgment to ensure that their contact with management does not distract managers from their jobs or disturb the business operations of the Company. Any meetings or contacts that a director wishes to initiate may be arranged through the Chief Financial Officer, the Chair of the Board or lead director (if applicable), or if none is available or none is appropriate, directly by the director. To the extent appropriate, such contact, if in writing, should be copied to the Chief Executive Officer.

N. Board Access to Independent Advisors

The Board committees may hire independent advisors as set forth in their applicable charters. The Board as a whole shall have access to such advisors, whether retained by the Company, or directly by the Board, that the Board considers necessary to discharge its responsibilities.

O. Board and Committee Self-Evaluation

The Nominating Committee will oversee an annual assessment of the Board and its committees.

II. BOARD MEETINGS

A. Frequency of Meetings

The Board will meet at least four times annually. In addition, special meetings may be called from time to time as determined by the needs of the business.

B. Director Attendance

A director is expected to spend the time and effort necessary to properly discharge his or her responsibilities. Accordingly, a director is expected to regularly prepare for and attend meetings of the Board and all committees on which the director sits (including separate meetings of the Independent Directors), with the understanding that, on occasion, a director may be unable

to attend a meeting. A director who is unable to attend a meeting is expected to notify the Chair of the Board or the Chair of the appropriate committee in advance of such meeting, and, whenever possible, participate in such meeting via teleconference.

C. Attendance of Non-Directors

The Board encourages the Chair of the Board or of any committee to invite Company management and outside advisors or consultants from time to time to participate in Board and/or committee meetings to (i) provide insight into items being discussed by the Board that involve the manager, advisor or consultant, (ii) make presentations to the Board on matters that involve the manager, advisor or consultant, and (iii) bring managers with high potential into contact with the Board. Attendance of non-directors at Board meetings is at the discretion of the Board.

D. Advance Receipt of Meeting Materials

Information regarding the topics to be considered at a meeting is essential to the Board's understanding of the business and the preparation of the directors for a productive meeting. To the extent feasible, the meeting agenda and any written materials relating to each Board meeting will be distributed to the directors sufficiently in advance of each meeting to allow for meaningful review of such agenda and materials by the directors. Directors are expected to have reviewed and be prepared to discuss all materials distributed in advance of any meeting.

III. COMMITTEE MATTERS

The Board currently has three committees: (i) the Audit Committee, (ii) the Compensation Committee and (iii) the Nominating Committee. From time to time, the Board may form a new committee or disband a current committee. Each committee will perform its duties as assigned by the Board in compliance with the Company's bylaws and the committee's charter. It is the responsibility of the directors to attend the meetings of the committees on which they serve.

IV. SUCCESSION PLANNING

The Board will work on a periodic basis with the Chief Executive Officer to evaluate the Company's succession plans for the Chief Executive Officer and other executive officers, including an emergency succession plan for the Chief Executive Officer.

V. RISK MANAGEMENT

As provided in the Audit Committee Charter, the Audit Committee is responsible for discussing the Company's policies with respect to risk assessment and risk management, including guidelines and policies to govern the process by which the Company's exposure to risk is handled. In accordance with those policies, the Board and the Board committees shall have an active role in overseeing management of the Company's risks. The Board shall regularly review information regarding the Company's credit, liquidity and operations, as well as the risks associated with each. The Company's Compensation Committee shall be responsible for

overseeing the management of risks relating to the Company's compensation plans, equity incentive plans and other compensatory arrangements. The Company's Audit Committee shall oversee management of financial and cybersecurity risks and potential conflicts of interest. The Nominating Committee shall manage risks associated with the Company's corporate governance framework. While each committee shall be responsible for evaluating certain risks and overseeing the management of such risks, the entire Board shall have an active role in overseeing management of the Company's risks and will be regularly informed through committee reports about such risks.

Attachment A

Director Qualification Standards and Additional Selection Criteria

Director Qualification Standards

The Nominating Committee, in recommending director candidates for election to the Board, and the Board, in nominating director candidates, will consider candidates who have a high level of personal and professional integrity, strong ethics and values and the ability to make mature business judgments. The Board believes that the Board membership should reflect a diversity of experience, qualifications, and skills in order to ensure the Board, as a whole, has the necessary tools to perform its oversight function effectively in light of the Company's business and structure.

Additional Selection Criteria

In evaluating director candidates, the Nominating Committee and the Board may also consider the following criteria as well as any other factor they deem to be relevant:

- A. The candidate's experience in corporate management, such as serving as an officer or former officer of a publicly held company;
- B. The candidate's experience as a board member of another publicly held company;
- C. The candidate's professional and academic experience relevant to the Company's industry, operations, and target markets;
- D. The candidate's ability to exercise mature business judgment, including, but not limited to, the ability to make independent analytical inquiries;
- E. The strength of the candidate's leadership skills;
- F. The candidate's experience in finance and accounting and/or executive compensation practices;
- G. Whether the candidate has the time required for preparation, participation and attendance at Board meetings and committee meetings, if applicable; and
- H. The candidate's diversity of background and perspective, as well as expertise and experience in substantive matters pertaining to the Company's business relative to other board members.

In addition, the Board will consider whether there are potential conflicts of interest with the candidate's other personal and professional pursuits.