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1.01.010 Authority

Pursuant to the authority of 15-1-103(a)(xxxviii) of the Wyoming Statutes, Annotated, there is hereby established the “Star Valley Ranch, Wyoming Town Code”.

1.01.020 Title—Citation—Reference

The Code shall be known as the “Town Code” or the “Star Valley Ranch Town Code” and it shall be sufficient to refer to said code in such a manner in the prosecution for the violation of any provision thereof or in any proceeding at law or equity. It shall be sufficient to designate any ordinance adding to, amending, correcting, or repealing all or any part or portion thereof as an addition to, amendment to, correction to or repeal of the “Star Valley Ranch Town Code”. Further reference may be had to the (titles), chapters, sections, subsections of the Star Valley Ranch Town Code, hereinafter referred to as the “code”, and such reference shall be applied to that numbered title, chapter, section or subsection as it appears in the code.

1.01.030 Codification authority

This code consists of all of the regulatory and penal ordinances and certain of the administrative ordinances of the Town of Star Valley Ranch, Wyoming, codified pursuant to the provisions of W.S. 15-1-103(a)(xxxviii), all to be effective within the corporate limits of the Town.

1.01.040 Ordinances passed prior to adoption of the code and future additions

The last ordinance included in the initial code was 2010-07. When constructing the Town Code, The Town Clerk is authorized to add, delete or change paragraph numbers that are in current ordinances and to add paragraph titles where none now exist to reflect Title, Chapter, Section or Subsection numbers and paragraph titles that provide logical organization to the Town Code. The Town Clerk is further authorized to change referenced Town Ordinance paragraphs, sections or appendix numbers within the Town Code to reflect proper Title, Section, Subsection or Appendix number within the Town Code. Future additions or modifications of the code will be made by ordinance and will be annotated as: (Ordinance Number; Month, Day, Year)

1.01.050 Reference applies to all amendments to Municipal Code

Whenever a reference is made to this code as the Town Code of Star Valley Ranch or the Star Valley Ranch Town Code or to any portion thereof, or to any ordinance of the Town, the reference shall apply to all amendments, corrections and additions heretofore, now or hereafter made.

1.01.060 Reference applies to all amendments to Wyoming State Statute

Whenever a reference is made to the “Wyoming State Statute” or the “Wyoming State Statutes” or any portion thereof, the reference shall apply to all amendments, corrections, and additions heretofore, now or hereafter made.

1.01.070 Title, chapter and section headings

Title, chapter and section headings contained herein shall not govern, limit, modify or in any manner affect the scope, meaning or intent of the provisions of any (title), chapter or section hereof.

1.01.075 Title, chapter and section organization (Ord. 2012-01; 2/14/2012)

The Town Code will be organized by Title which will define the major topics of the Code. Chapters will define the major divisions of a Title and Sections will define the divisions of a chapter. Each Title may contain Chapters and Sections that further divide the topics. Sections may be divided into subsections “A”, divisions “1” paragraphs “a” and subparagraphs “(1)” for example.

1.01.080 Effect of code on past actions and obligations

Neither the adoption of this code nor the repeal or amendment hereby of any ordinance or part or portion of any ordinance of the Town shall in any manner affect the prosecution for violations of ordinances, which violations were committed prior to the effective date hereof, nor be construed as a waiver of any license, fee or penalty at said effective date due and unpaid under such ordinances, nor be construed as affecting any of the provisions of such ordinances relating to the collection of any such license, fee or

penalty, or the penal provisions applicable to any violations thereof, nor to affect the validity of any bond or cash deposit in lieu thereof required to be posted, filed, or deposited pursuant to any ordinance, and all rights and obligations there under appertaining shall continue in full force and effect.

1.01.090 Constitutionality

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this code is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this code. The Town Council declares that it would have passed this code, and each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases had been declared invalid or unconstitutional, and if for any reason this code is declared invalid or unconstitutional, then the original ordinances shall be in full force and effect.

1.01.100 Distribution and sale

The Town Council may by resolution provide for the distribution and sale of copies of the code.

1.01.110 Effective date

The code shall become effective on July 1, 2010.

1.01.120 Fee schedules allowed to be changed by resolution subject to public hearing

Save those affecting water service fees or rates, or fees or rates concerning properties outside of the Town corporate boundaries, wherever in this code there exists a schedule of fees or rates which by the terms of the ordinance to which it relates may be altered, modified or amended by resolution, such resolution shall be subject to a public hearing at a regular or special meeting of the Town Council prior to the date at which the resolution is considered for passage by the Town Council. At the time the resolution is considered by the Town Council, public comment shall also be received.

1.01.130 Resolution of Conflicts Within the Town Code

The written word shall govern in case of conflicts between the written word and diagrams, figures, sketches, or tables within the Town Code. The most stringent interpretation shall govern in case of conflicts in the written words of the Town Code.

Chapter 4 – Definitions and Interpretations

(Ord. 2010-07; 6/8/2010)

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1.04.010 Definitions

The following words and phrases whenever used in the ordinances of the Town of Star Valley Ranch, Wyoming, shall be construed as defined in this section unless from the context a different meaning is intended or unless different meaning is specifically defined and more particularly directed to the use of such words or phrases:

- A. "Town" means the Town of Star Valley Ranch, Wyoming, or the area within the territorial limits of the Town of Star Valley Ranch, Wyoming, and such territory outside of the Town over which the Town has jurisdiction or control by virtue of any constitutional or statutory provision.
- B. "Computation of time" means the time within which an act is to be done. It shall be computed by excluding the first day and including the last day; and if the last day be Sunday or a legal holiday, that day shall be excluded.
- C. "Council" means the Town Council of the Town of Star Valley Ranch, Wyoming. "All its members" or "all councilmen" mean the total number of councilmen provided by the general laws of the State of Wyoming.
- D. "County" means the county of Lincoln, Wyoming.
- E. "Law" denotes applicable federal law, the constitution and statutes of the State of Wyoming, the ordinances of the Town of Star Valley Ranch, and when appropriate, any and all rules and regulations which may be promulgated there under.
- F. "May" is permissive.
- G. "Month" means a calendar month.
- H. "Must" and "shall," each is mandatory.
- I. "Oath" shall be construed to include an affirmation or declaration in all cases in which, by law, an affirmation may be substituted for an oath, and in such cases the words "swear" and "sworn" shall be equivalent to the words "affirm" and "affirmed."

- J. "Ordinance" means a law of the Town; provided that a temporary or special law, administrative action, order or directive, may be in the form of a resolution.
- K. "Owner" applied to a building or land includes any part owner, joint owner, tenant in common, joint tenant or tenant by the entirety, of the whole or a part of such building or land.
- L. "Person" means natural person, joint venture, joint stock company, partnership, association, club, company, corporation, business, trust, organization, or the manager, lessee, agent, servant, officer of employee of any of them.
- M. "Personal property" includes money, goods, chattels, things in action and evidences of debt.
- N. "Preceding" and "following" mean next before and next after, respectively.
- O. "Property" includes real and personal property.
- P. "Real property" includes lands.
- Q. "State" means the State of Wyoming.
- R. "Street" includes all streets, highways, avenues, lanes, alleys, courts, places, squares, curbs, or other public ways in this Town which have been or may hereafter be designated in any law of this state.
- S. "Tenant" and "occupant," applied to a building or land, includes any person who occupies whole or a part of such building or land, whether alone or with others.
- T. "Title of office." Use of the title of any officer, employee, board or commission means that officer, employee, department, board or commission of the Town.
- U. "Written" includes printed and typewritten.
- V. "Year" means a calendar year.
- W. All words and phrases shall be construed and understood according to the common and approved usage of the language; but technical words and phrases and such others as may have acquired a peculiar and appropriate meaning in the law shall be construed and understood according to such peculiar and appropriate meaning.
- X. When an act is required by an ordinance the same being such that it may be done as well by an agent as by the principal, such requirement shall be construed as to include all such acts performed by an authorized agent.

Y. "Town Administrator" means the person appointed Town Administrator or Town Manager.

1.04.020 Grammatical interpretation

The following grammatical rules shall apply in the Titles of the Town of Star Valley Ranch, Wyoming:

- A. Gender. The masculine gender includes the feminine and neuter genders.
- B. Singular and Plural. The singular number includes the plural and the plural includes the singular.
- C. Tenses. Words used in the present tense include the past and the future tenses and vice versa, unless manifestly inapplicable.
- D. Use of Words and Phrases. Words and phrases not specifically defined shall be construed according to the context.

1.04.030 Prohibited acts include causing and permitting

Whenever in the ordinances of the Town of Star Valley Ranch, any act or omission is made unlawful; it shall include causing, allowing, permitting, aiding, abetting, suffering, or concealing the fact of such act or omission.

1.04.040 Construction

The provisions of the ordinances of the Town of Star Valley Ranch, and all proceedings under them are to be construed with a view to affect their objectives and to promote justice.

Chapter 8 – Right of Entry for Inspection

(Ord. 2010-07; 6/8/2010)

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Whenever necessary to make an inspection to enforce any ordinance or resolution, or whenever there is reasonable cause to believe there exists an ordinance or resolution violation in any building or upon any premises within the jurisdiction of the Town, any authorized officials of the Town may, upon presentation of proper credentials, enter such building or premises at all reasonable times to inspect the same or to perform any duty imposed upon him by ordinance; provided, that except in emergency situations or when consent of the owner and/or occupant to the inspection has been otherwise obtained, he shall give the owner and/or occupant, if they can be located after reasonable effort, twenty-four hours written notice of the authorized official's intention to inspect. The notice transmitted to the owner and/or occupant shall state that the property owner has the right to refuse entry and that in the event such entry is refused, inspection may be made only upon issuance of a search warrant by a duly authorized magistrate. In the event the owner and/or occupant refuses entry after such request has been made, the official is empowered to seek assistance from any court of competent jurisdiction in obtaining such entry.