

Piney-Z Homeowners Association, Inc.
Decision Memorandum 2022-01

Grants and Donations

Issue:

May Piney-Z HOA assessment fees be used to provide grants / donations to nonprofit or for-profit organizations?

Current Condition:

The City of Tallahassee requested \$500 to fund public art on utility boxes throughout the City.

Applicable Authority:

State Law: None found.

Articles of Incorporation: None found.

Bylaws: None found.

Covenant & Restrictions: Article III, Section Two, provides that the annual assessments be used exclusively to promote the health, safety, welfare, and recreation of the residents in the subdivision, and for the improvement and maintenance of the common areas situated within the subdivision.

Options / Discussions:

There does not appear to be any clear authority for using HOA assessment fees for purposes other than operating expenses for maintaining and enhancing the Piney-Z community. Also, such funding was not provided for in the 2021-22 Piney-Z HOA Budget.

Recommendation:

Do not approve the request from the City of Tallahassee to fund the utility box art project based on lack of specific authority for granting such funding.

HOA Board Decision:

At its October 19, 2021, meeting, the Piney-Z HOA Board voted not to approve the City of Tallahassee's request.