

CHAPTER 438

AN ACT

HB 3301

Relating to electric vehicle charging stations; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 94.550, 94.572 and 100.005.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 94.550 is amended to read: 94.550. As used in ORS 94.550 to 94.783:

(1) "Assessment" means any charge imposed or levied by a homeowners association on or against an owner or lot pursuant to the provisions of the declaration or the bylaws of the planned community or provisions of ORS 94.550 to 94.783.

(2) "Blanket encumbrance" means a trust deed or mortgage or any other lien or encumbrance, mechanic's lien or otherwise, securing or evidencing the payment of money and affecting more than one lot in a planned community, or an agreement affecting more than one lot by which the developer holds such planned community under an option, contract to sell or trust agreement.

(3) "Class I planned community" means a planned community that:

(a) Contains at least 13 lots or in which the declarant has reserved the right to increase the total number of lots beyond 12; and

(b) Has an estimated annual assessment, including an amount required for reserves under ORS 94.595, exceeding \$10,000 for all lots or \$100 per lot, whichever is greater, based on:

(A) For a planned community created on or after January 1, 2002, the initial estimated annual assessment, including a constructive assessment based on a subsidy of the association through a contribution of funds, goods or services by the declarant; or

(B) For a planned community created before January 1, 2002, a reasonable estimate of the cost of fulfilling existing obligations imposed by the declaration, bylaws or other governing document as of January 1, 2002.

(4) "Class II planned community" means a planned community that:

(a) Is not a Class I planned community;

(b) Contains at least five lots; and

(c) Has an estimated annual assessment exceeding \$1,000 for all lots based on:

(A) For a planned community created on or after January 1, 2002, the initial estimated annual assessment, including a constructive assessment based on a subsidy of the association through a contribution of funds, goods or services by the declarant; or

(B) For a planned community created before January 1, 2002, a reasonable estimate of the cost of fulfilling existing obligations imposed by the declaration, bylaws or other governing document as of January 1, 2002.

(5) "Class III planned community" means a planned community that is not a Class I or II planned community.

(6) "Common expenses" means expenditures made by or financial liabilities incurred by the homeowners association and includes any allocations to the reserve account under ORS 94.595.

(7) "Common property" means any real property or interest in real property within a planned community which is owned, held or leased by the homeowners association or owned as tenants in common by the lot owners, or designated in the declaration or the plat for transfer to the association.

(8) "Condominium" means property submitted to the provisions of ORS chapter 100.

(9) "Declarant" means any person who creates a planned community under ORS 94.550 to 94.785.

(10) "Declarant control" means any special declarant right relating to administrative control of a homeowners association, including but not limited to:

(a) The right of the declarant or person designated by the declarant to appoint or remove an officer or a member of the board of directors;

(b) Any weighted vote or special voting right granted to a declarant or to units owned by the declarant so that the declarant will hold a majority of the voting rights in the association by virtue of such weighted vote or special voting right; and

(c) The right of the declarant to exercise powers and responsibilities otherwise assigned by the declaration or bylaws or by the provisions of ORS 94.550 to 94.783 to the association, officers of the association or board of directors of the association.

(11) "Declaration" means the instrument described in ORS 94.580 which establishes a planned community, and any amendments to the instrument.

(12) "Electric vehicle charging station" or "charging station" means a facility designed to deliver electrical current for the purpose of charging one or more electric motor vehicles.

[(12)] (13) "Governing document" means an instrument or plat relating to common ownership or common maintenance of a portion of a planned community and that is binding upon lots within the planned community.

[(13)] (14) "Homeowners association" or "association" means the organization of owners of lots in a planned community, created under ORS 94.625, required by a governing document or formed under ORS 94.572.

[(14)] (15) "Majority" or "majority of votes" or "majority of owners" means more than 50 percent of the votes in the planned community.

[(15)] (16) "Mortgagee" means any person who is:

(a) A mortgagee under a mortgage;

(b) A beneficiary under a trust deed; or

(c) The vendor under a land sale contract.

[(16)] (17) "Owner" means the owner of any lot in a planned community, unless otherwise specified, but does not include a person holding only a security interest in a lot.

[(17)] (18) "Percent of owners" or "percentage of owners" means the owners representing the specified voting rights as determined under ORS 94.658.

~~[(18)(a)]~~ **(19)(a)** “Planned community” means any subdivision under ORS 92.010 to 92.192 that results in a pattern of ownership of real property and all the buildings, improvements and rights located on or belonging to the real property, in which the owners collectively are responsible for the maintenance, operation, insurance or other expenses relating to any property within the planned community, including common property, if any, or for the exterior maintenance of any property that is individually owned.

(b) “Planned community” does not mean:

(A) A condominium under ORS chapter 100;

(B) A planned community that is exclusively commercial or industrial; or

(C) A timeshare plan under ORS 94.803 to 94.945.

~~[(19)]~~ **(20)** “Purchaser” means any person other than a declarant who, by means of a voluntary transfer, acquires a legal or equitable interest in a lot, other than as security for an obligation.

~~[(20)]~~ **(21)** “Purchaser for resale” means any person who purchases from the declarant more than two lots for the purpose of resale whether or not the purchaser for resale makes improvements to the lots before reselling them.

~~[(21)]~~ **(22)** “Special declarant rights” means any rights, in addition to the rights of the declarant as a lot owner, reserved for the benefit of the declarant under the declaration or ORS 94.550 to 94.783, including but not limited to:

(a) Constructing or completing construction of improvements in the planned community which are described in the declaration;

(b) Expanding the planned community or withdrawing property from the planned community under ORS 94.580 (3) and (4);

(c) Converting lots into common property;

(d) Making the planned community subject to a master association under ORS 94.695; or

(e) Exercising any right of declarant control reserved under ORS 94.600.

~~[(22)]~~ **(23)** “Successor declarant” means the transferee of any special declarant right.

~~[(23)]~~ **(24)** “Turn over” means the act of turning over administrative responsibility pursuant to ORS 94.609 and 94.616.

~~[(24)]~~ **(25)** “Unit” means a building or portion of a building located upon a lot in a planned community and designated for separate occupancy or ownership, but does not include any building or portion of a building located on common property.

~~[(25)]~~ **(26)** “Votes” means the votes allocated to lots in the declaration under ORS 94.580 (2).

SECTION 2. Section 3 of this 2013 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 94.550 to 94.783.

SECTION 3. (1) Notwithstanding contrary provisions of a declaration or bylaws of a planned community:

(a) An owner may submit an application to install an electric vehicle charging station for the personal, noncommercial use of the owner,

in compliance with the requirements of this section, in a parking space, on a lot or in any other area subject to the exclusive use of the owner.

(b) A homeowners association may not prohibit installation or use of a charging station installed and used in compliance with the requirements of this section.

(2) When the owner complies or agrees to comply with the requirements of this section, a homeowners association, or a declarant in lieu of the association, shall approve a completed application within 60 days after the owner submits the application unless the delay in approving the application is based on a reasonable request for additional information.

(3) A homeowners association:

(a) May require an owner to submit an application before installing a charging station.

(b) May require the charging station to meet the architectural standards of the planned community.

(c) May impose reasonable charges to recover costs of the review and permitting of a charging station.

(d) May impose reasonable restrictions on the installation and use of the charging station that do not significantly increase the cost of the charging station or significantly decrease the efficiency or performance of the charging station.

(4) Notwithstanding ORS 479.540, the charging station must be installed by a person that holds a license, as defined in ORS 479.530, to act as a journeyman electrician.

(5) The owner is responsible for:

(a) All costs associated with installation and use of the charging station, including:

(A) The cost of electricity associated with the charging station; and

(B) The cost of damage to common property and to areas subject to the exclusive use of other owners that results from the installation, use, maintenance, repair, removal or replacement of the charging station.

(b) Disclosure to a prospective buyer of the lot of the existence of the charging station and the related responsibilities of the owner under this section.

(6) If the homeowners association reasonably determines that the cumulative use of electricity in the planned community attributable to the installation and use of charging stations requires the installation of additional infrastructure improvements to provide the planned community with a sufficient supply of electricity, the association may assess the cost of the additional improvements against the lot of each owner that has, or will, install a charging station.

(7)(a) A pedestal, or similar, charging station that is hard-wired into the electrical system

must be a certified electrical product, as defined in ORS 479.530.

(b) If a charging station, other than one described in paragraph (a) of this subsection, is not a certified electrical product, the owner shall:

(A) Maintain a homeowner liability insurance policy in an amount not less than \$1 million that includes coverage of the charging station; and

(B) Name the homeowners association as a named additional insured under the policy with a right to notice of cancellation of the policy.

(8) In any action between an owner and a homeowners association to enforce compliance with this section, the prevailing party is entitled to an award of attorney fees and costs.

SECTION 4. ORS 94.572 is amended to read:

94.572. (1)(a) A Class I or Class II planned community created before January 1, 2002, that was not created under ORS 94.550 to 94.783 is subject to this section and ORS 94.550, 94.590, 94.595 (5) to (9), 94.625, 94.626, 94.630 (1), (3) and (4), 94.639, 94.640, 94.641, 94.642, 94.645, 94.647, 94.650, 94.652, 94.655, 94.657, 94.658, 94.660, 94.661, 94.662, 94.665, 94.670, 94.675, 94.676, 94.680, 94.690, 94.695, 94.704, 94.709, 94.712, 94.716, 94.719, 94.723, 94.728, 94.733, 94.770, 94.775, 94.777 and 94.780 **and section 3 of this 2013 Act** to the extent that those statutes are consistent with any governing documents. If the governing documents do not provide for the formation of an association, the requirements of this subsection are not effective until the formation of an association in accordance with paragraph (b) of this subsection. If a provision of the governing documents is inconsistent with this subsection, the owners may amend the governing documents using the procedures in this subsection:

(A) In accordance with the procedures for the adoption of amendments in the governing documents and subject to any limitations in the governing documents, the owners may amend the inconsistent provisions of the governing documents to conform to the extent feasible with this section and ORS 94.550, 94.590, 94.595 (5) to (9), 94.625, 94.626, 94.630 (1), (3) and (4), 94.639, 94.640, 94.641, 94.642, 94.645, 94.647, 94.650, 94.652, 94.655, 94.657, 94.658, 94.660, 94.661, 94.662, 94.665, 94.670, 94.675, 94.676, 94.680, 94.690, 94.695, 94.704, 94.709, 94.712, 94.716, 94.719, 94.723, 94.728, 94.733, 94.770, 94.775, 94.777 and 94.780 **and section 3 of this 2013 Act**. Nothing in this paragraph requires the owners to amend a declaration or bylaws to include the information required by ORS 94.580 or 94.635.

(B) If there are no procedures for amendment in the governing documents:

(i) For an amendment to a recorded governing document other than bylaws, the owners may amend the inconsistent provisions of the document to conform to this section and ORS 94.550, 94.590, 94.595 (5) to (9), 94.625, 94.626, 94.630 (1), (3) and (4), 94.639, 94.640, 94.641, 94.642, 94.645, 94.647, 94.650, 94.652,

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(ii) For an amendment to the bylaws, the owners may amend the inconsistent provisions of the bylaws to conform to this section and ORS 94.550, 94.590, 94.595 (5) to (9), 94.625, 94.626, 94.630 (1), (3) and (4), 94.639, 94.640, 94.641, 94.642, 94.645, 94.647, 94.650, 94.652, 94.655, 94.657, 94.658, 94.660, 94.661, 94.662, 94.665, 94.670, 94.675, 94.676, 94.680, 94.690, 94.695, 94.704, 94.709, 94.712, 94.716, 94.719, 94.723, 94.728, 94.733, 94.770, 94.775, 94.777 and 94.780 **and section 3 of this 2013 Act** by a vote of at least a majority of the owners in the planned community.

(iii) An amendment may be adopted at a meeting held in accordance with the governing documents or by another procedure permitted by the governing documents following the procedures prescribed in ORS 94.647, 94.650 or 94.660.

(iv) An amendment to a recorded declaration shall be executed, certified and recorded as provided in ORS 94.590 (2) and (3) and shall be subject to ORS 94.590 (5). An amendment to the bylaws and any other governing document shall be executed and certified as provided in ORS 94.590 (3) and shall be recorded in the office of the recording officer of every county in which the planned community is located if the bylaws or other governing document to which the amendment relates were recorded.

(C) An amendment adopted pursuant to this paragraph shall include:

(i) A reference to the recording index numbers and date of recording of the declaration or other governing document, if recorded, to which the amendment relates; and

(ii) A statement that the amendment is adopted pursuant to the applicable subparagraph of this paragraph.

(b)(A) If the governing documents do not provide for the formation of an association of owners, at least 10 percent of the owners in the planned community or any governing entity may initiate the formation of an association as provided in this paragraph. The owners or the governing entity initiating the association formation shall call an organizational meeting for the purpose of voting whether to form an association described in ORS 94.625. The notice of the meeting shall:

(i) Name the initiating owners or governing entity;

(ii) State that the organizational meeting is for the purpose of voting whether to form an association in accordance with the proposed articles of incorporation;

(iii) State that if the owners vote to form an association, the owners may elect the initial board of directors provided for in the articles of incorporation and may adopt the initial bylaws;

(iv) State that to form an association requires an affirmative vote of at least a majority of the owners

in the planned community, or, if a larger percentage is specified in the applicable governing document, the larger percentage;

(v) State that to adopt articles of incorporation, to elect the initial board of directors pursuant to the articles of incorporation or to adopt the initial bylaws requires an affirmative vote of at least a majority of the owners present;

(vi) State that if the initial board of directors is not elected, an interim board of directors shall be elected pursuant to bylaws adopted as provided in subparagraph (C) of this paragraph;

(vii) State that a copy of the proposed articles of incorporation and bylaws will be available at least five business days before the meeting and state the method of requesting a copy; and

(viii) Be delivered in accordance with the declaration and bylaws. If there is no governing document or the document does not include applicable provisions, the owners or governing entity shall follow the procedures prescribed in ORS 94.650 (4).

(B) At least five business days before the organizational meeting, the initiating owners or governing entity shall cause articles of incorporation and bylaws to be drafted. The bylaws shall include, to the extent applicable, the information required by ORS 94.635.

(C) At the organizational meeting:

(i) Representatives of the initiating owners or governing entity shall, to the extent not inconsistent with the governing documents, conduct the meeting according to Robert's Rules of Order as provided in ORS 94.657.

(ii) The initiating owners or governing entity shall make available copies of the proposed articles of incorporation and the proposed bylaws.

(iii) The affirmative vote of at least a majority of the owners of a planned community, or, if a larger percentage is specified in the applicable governing document, the larger percentage, is required to form an association under this paragraph.

(iv) If the owners vote to form an association, the owners shall adopt articles of incorporation and may elect the initial board of directors as provided in the articles of incorporation, adopt bylaws and conduct any other authorized business by an affirmative vote of at least a majority of the owners present. If the owners do not elect the initial board of directors, owners shall elect an interim board of directors by an affirmative vote of at least a majority of the owners present to serve until the initial board of directors is elected.

(v) An owner may vote by proxy, or by written ballot, if approved, in the discretion of a majority of the initiating owners or governing entity.

(D) Not later than 10 business days after the organizational meeting, the board of directors shall:

(i) Cause the articles of incorporation to be filed with the Secretary of State under ORS chapter 65;

(ii) Cause the notice of planned community described in subsection (4) of this section to be prepared, executed and recorded in accordance with subsection (4) of this section;

(iii) Provide a copy of the notice of planned community to each owner, together with a copy of the adopted articles of incorporation and bylaws, if any, or a statement of the procedure and method for adoption of bylaws described in subparagraph (C) of this paragraph. The copies and any statement shall be delivered to each lot, mailed to the mailing address of each lot or mailed to the mailing addresses designated by the owners in writing; and

(iv) Cause a statement of association information to be prepared, executed and recorded in accordance with ORS 94.667.

(E) If the owners vote to form an association, all costs incurred under this paragraph, including but not limited to the preparation and filing of the articles of incorporation, drafting of bylaws, preparation of notice of meeting and the drafting, delivery and recording of all notices and statements shall be a common expense of the owners and shall be allocated as provided in the appropriate governing document or any amendment thereto.

(2)(a) The owners of lots in a Class I or Class II planned community that are subject to the provisions of ORS chapter 94 specified in subsection (1) of this section may elect to be subject to any other provisions of ORS 94.550 to 94.783 upon compliance with the procedures prescribed in subsection (1) of this section.

(b) If the owners of lots in a Class I or Class II planned community elect to be subject to additional provisions of ORS 94.550 to 94.783, unless the notice of planned community otherwise required or permitted under subsection (4) of this section includes a statement of the election pursuant to this paragraph, the board of directors of the association shall cause the notice of planned community described in subsection (4) of this section to be prepared, executed and recorded in accordance with subsection (4) of this section.

(3)(a) The owners of lots in a Class III planned community created before January 1, 2002, may elect to be subject to provisions of ORS 94.550 to 94.783 upon compliance with the applicable procedures in subsection (1) of this section.

(b) If the owners of lots in a Class III planned community elect to be subject to provisions of ORS 94.550 to 94.783, the board of directors of the association shall cause the notice of planned community described in subsection (4) of this section to be prepared, executed and recorded in accordance with subsection (4) of this section.

(4) The notice of planned community required or permitted by this section shall be:

(a) Titled "Notice of Planned Community under ORS 94.572";

(b) Executed by the president and secretary of the association; and

(c) Recorded in the office of the recording officer of every county in which the property is located.

(5) The notice of planned community shall include:

(a) The name of the planned community and association as identified in the recorded declaration,

conditions, covenants and restrictions or other governing document and, if different, the current name of the association;

(b) A list of the properties, described as required for recordation in ORS 93.600, within the jurisdiction of the association;

(c) Information identifying the recorded declaration, conditions, covenants and restrictions or other governing documents and a reference to the recording index numbers and date of recording of the governing documents;

(d) A statement that the property described in accordance with paragraph (b) of this subsection is subject to specific provisions of the Oregon Planned Community Act;

(e) A reference to the specific provisions of the Oregon Planned Community Act that apply to the subject property and a reference to the subsection of this section under which the application is made; and

(f) If an association is formed under subsection (1)(b)(A) of this section, a statement to that effect.

(6) An amended statement shall include a reference to the recording index numbers and the date of recording of prior statements.

(7) The county clerk may charge a fee for recording a statement under this section according to the provisions of ORS 205.320 (4).

(8) The board of directors of an association not otherwise required to cause a notice of planned community described in subsection (4) of this section to be prepared and recorded under this section may cause a notice of planned community to be prepared, executed and recorded as provided in subsection (4) of this section.

(9) Title to a unit, lot or common property in a Class I or Class II planned community created before January 1, 2002, may not be rendered unmarketable or otherwise affected by a failure of the planned community to be in compliance with a requirement of this section.

(10) As used in this section:

(a) "Governing entity" means an incorporated or unincorporated association, committee, person or any other entity that has authority, under a governing document, to maintain commonly maintained property, impose assessments on lots or to act on behalf of lot owners within the planned community on matters of common concern.

(b) "Recorded declaration" means an instrument recorded with the county recording officer of the county in which the planned community is located that contains conditions, covenants and restrictions binding lots in the planned community or imposes servitudes upon the real property.

SECTION 5. ORS 100.005 is amended to read:

100.005. As used in this chapter, unless the context requires otherwise:

(1) "Assessment" means any charge imposed or levied by the association of unit owners on or against a unit owner or unit pursuant to provisions

of the declaration or the bylaws of the condominium or provisions of ORS 100.005 to 100.910.

(2) "Association of unit owners" means the association provided for under ORS 100.405.

(3) "Association property" means any real property or interest in real property acquired, held or possessed by the association under ORS 100.405.

(4) "Blanket encumbrance" means a trust deed or mortgage or any other lien or encumbrance, mechanic's lien or otherwise, securing or evidencing the payment of money and affecting more than one unit in a condominium, or an agreement affecting more than one such unit by which the developer holds such condominium under an option, contract to sell or trust agreement.

(5) "Building" means a multiple-unit building or single-unit buildings, or any combination thereof, comprising a part of the property. "Building" also includes a floating structure described in ORS 100.020 (3)(b)(D).

(6) "Commissioner" means the Real Estate Commissioner.

(7) "Common elements" means the general common elements and the limited common elements.

(8) "Common expenses" means:

(a) Expenses of administration, maintenance, repair or replacement of the common elements;

(b) Expenses agreed upon as common by all the unit owners; and

(c) Expenses declared common by ORS 100.005 to 100.625 or by the declaration or the bylaws of the particular condominium.

(9) "Condominium" means:

(a) With respect to property located within this state:

(A) The land, if any, whether fee simple, leasehold, easement or other interest or combination thereof, and whether contiguous or noncontiguous;

(B) Any buildings, improvements and structures on the property; and

(C) Any easements, rights and appurtenances belonging to the property submitted to the provisions of ORS 100.005 to 100.625; and

(b) With respect to property located outside this state, the property that has been committed to the condominium form of ownership in accordance with the jurisdiction within which the property is located.

(10) "Conversion condominium" means a condominium in which there is a building, improvement or structure that was occupied prior to any negotiation and that is:

(a) Residential in nature, at least in part; and

(b) Not wholly commercial or industrial, or commercial and industrial, in nature.

(11) "Declarant" means a person who records a declaration under ORS 100.100 or a supplemental declaration under ORS 100.110.

(12) "Declaration" means the instrument described in ORS 100.100 by which the condominium is created and as modified by any amendment recorded in accordance with ORS 100.135 or supplemental declaration recorded in accordance with ORS 100.120.

(13) “Developer” means a declarant or any person who purchases an interest in a condominium from declarant, successor declarant or subsequent developer for the primary purpose of resale.

(14) **“Electric vehicle charging station” or “charging station” means a facility designed to deliver electrical current for the purpose of charging one or more electric motor vehicles.**

[(14)] (15) “Flexible condominium” means a condominium containing property that may be reclassified or withdrawn from the condominium pursuant to ORS 100.150 (1).

[(15)] (16) “General common elements,” unless otherwise provided in a declaration, means all portions of the condominium that are not part of a unit or a limited common element, including but not limited to the following:

(a) The land, whether fee simple, leasehold, easement, other interest or combination thereof, together with any rights and appurtenances;

(b) The foundations, columns, girders, beams, supports, bearing and shear walls, windows, except glazing and screening, unit access doors, except glazing and screening, roofs, halls, corridors, lobbies, stairs, fire escapes, entrances and exits of a building;

(c) The basements, yards, gardens, parking areas and outside storage spaces;

(d) Installations of central services such as power, light, gas, hot and cold water, heating, refrigeration, air conditioning, waste disposal and incinerating;

(e) The elevators, tanks, pumps, motors, fans, compressors, ducts and in general all apparatus and installations existing for common use;

(f) The premises for the lodging of janitors or caretakers of the property; and

(g) All other elements of a building and the condominium necessary or convenient to their existence, maintenance and safety, or normally in common use.

[(16)] (17) “Leasehold” means the interest of a person, firm or corporation who is the lessee under a lease from the owner in fee and who files a declaration creating a condominium under ORS 100.100.

[(17)] (18) “Limited common elements” means those common elements designated in the declaration, as reserved for the use of a certain unit or number of units, to the exclusion of the other units.

[(18)] (19) “Majority” or “majority of unit owners” means more than 50 percent of the voting rights allocated to the units by the declaration.

[(19)] (20) “Mortgagee” means any person who is:

(a) A mortgagee under a mortgage;

(b) A beneficiary under a trust deed; or

(c) The vendor under a land sale contract.

[(20)] (21) “Negotiation” means any activity preliminary to the execution by either developer or purchaser of a unit sales agreement, including but not limited to advertising, solicitation and promotion of the sale of a unit.

[(21)] (22) “Nonwithdrawable property” means property which pursuant to ORS 100.150 (1)(b):

(a) Is designated nonwithdrawable in the declaration and on the plat; and

(b) Which may not be withdrawn from the condominium without the consent of all of the unit owners.

[(22)] (23) “Percent of owners” or “percentage of owners” means the percent of the voting rights determined under ORS 100.525.

[(23)] (24) “Purchaser” means an actual or prospective purchaser of a condominium unit pursuant to a sale.

[(24)] (25) “Recording officer” means the county officer charged with the duty of filing and recording deeds and mortgages or any other instruments or documents affecting the title to real property.

[(25)] (26) “Reservation agreement” means an agreement relating to the future sale of a unit which is not binding on the purchaser and which grants purchaser the right to cancel the agreement without penalty and obtain a refund of any funds deposited at any time until purchaser executes a unit sales agreement.

[(26)] (27) “Sale” includes every disposition or transfer of a condominium unit, or an interest or estate therein, by a developer, including the offering of the property as a prize or gift when a monetary charge or consideration for whatever purpose is required by the developer. “Interest or estate” includes a lessee’s interest in a unit for more than three years or less than three years if the interest may be renewed under the terms of the lease for a total period of more than three years. “Interest or estate” does not include any interest held for security purposes or a timeshare regulated or otherwise exempt under ORS 94.803 and 94.807 to 94.945.

[(27)] (28) “Special declarant right” means any right, in addition to the regular rights of the declarant as a unit owner, reserved for the benefit of or created by the declarant under the declaration, bylaws or the provisions of this chapter.

[(28)] (29) “Staged condominium” means a condominium which provides for annexation of additional property pursuant to ORS 100.115 and 100.120.

[(29)] (30) “Successor declarant” means the transferee of any special declarant right.

[(30)] (31) “Termination date” means that date described in ORS 100.105 (2)(b) or (7)(d).

[(31)] (32) “Transitional committee” means the committee provided for under ORS 100.205.

[(32)] (33) “Turnover meeting” means the meeting provided for under ORS 100.210.

[(33)] (34) “Unit” or “condominium unit” means a part of the property which:

(a) Is described in ORS 100.020 (3);

(b) Is intended for any type of independent ownership; and

(c) The boundaries of which are described pursuant to ORS 100.105 (1)(d).

[(34)] (35) “Unit designation” means the number, letter or combination thereof designating a unit in the declaration and on the plat.

[(35)] (36) “Unit owner” means, except to the extent the declaration or bylaws provide otherwise,

the person owning fee simple interest in a unit, the holder of a vendee's interest in a unit under a recorded installment contract of sale and, in the case of a leasehold condominium, the holder of the leasehold estate in a unit.

~~[(36)]~~ **(37)** "Unit sales agreement" means a written offer or agreement for the sale of a condominium unit which when fully executed will be binding on all parties. "Unit sales agreement" includes but is not limited to an earnest money receipt and agreement to purchase and other such agreements which serve as an agreement of sale for a cash transaction or which are preliminary to the execution of an installment contract of sale, but does not include a reservation agreement.

~~[(37)]~~ **(38)** "Variable property" means property described in ORS 100.150 (2) and designated as variable property in the declaration and on the plat.

~~[(38)]~~ **(39)** "Voting rights" means the portion of the votes allocated to a unit by the declaration in accordance with ORS 100.105 (1)(j).

SECTION 6. Section 7 of this 2013 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 100.005 to 100.625.

SECTION 7. (1) Notwithstanding contrary provisions of a declaration or bylaws of a condominium:

(a) A unit owner may submit an application to install an electric vehicle charging station for the personal, noncommercial use of the unit owner, in compliance with the requirements of this section:

(A) In a space assigned to the unit and used for the parking or storage of automobiles, trucks, boats, campers or other vehicles or equipment; or

(B) In a limited common element with the written approval of the unit owner of each unit to which use of the limited common element is reserved.

(b) An association of unit owners may not prohibit installation or use of a charging station installed and used in compliance with the requirements of this section.

(2) When the unit owner complies or agrees to comply with the requirements of this section, an association of unit owners, or a declarant in lieu of the association, shall approve a completed application within 60 days after the unit owner submits the application unless the delay in approving the application is based on a reasonable request for additional information.

(3) An association of unit owners:

(a) May require a unit owner to submit an application before installing a charging station.

(b) May require the charging station to meet the architectural standards of the condominium.

(c) May impose reasonable charges to recover costs of the review and permitting of a charging station.

(d) May impose reasonable restrictions on the installation and use of the charging station that do not significantly increase the cost of the charging station or significantly decrease the efficiency or performance of the charging station.

(4) Notwithstanding ORS 479.540, the charging station must be installed by a person that holds a license, as defined in ORS 479.530, to act as a journeyman electrician.

(5) The unit owner is responsible for:

(a) All costs associated with installation and use of the charging station, including:

(A) The cost of electricity associated with the charging station; and

(B) The cost of damage to general common elements, limited common elements and areas subject to the exclusive use of other unit owners that results from the installation, use, maintenance, repair, removal or replacement of the charging station.

(b) Disclosure to a prospective buyer of the unit of the existence of the charging station and the related responsibilities of the unit owner under this section.

(6) If the association of unit owners reasonably determines that the cumulative use of electricity in the condominium attributable to the installation and use of charging stations requires the installation of additional infrastructure improvements to provide the condominium with a sufficient supply of electricity, the association may assess the cost of the additional improvements against the unit of each unit owner that has, or will, install a charging station.

(7)(a) A pedestal, or similar, charging station that is hard-wired into the electrical system must be a certified electrical product, as defined in ORS 479.530.

(b) If a charging station, other than one described in paragraph (a) of this subsection, is not a certified electrical product, the unit owner shall:

(A) Maintain a homeowner liability insurance policy in an amount not less than \$1 million that includes coverage of the charging station; and

(B) Name the association of unit owners as a named additional insured under the policy with a right to notice of cancellation of the policy.

(8) In any action between a unit owner and an association of unit owners to enforce compliance with this section, the prevailing party is entitled to an award of attorney fees and costs.

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