

Document Type: **Articles of Incorporation - Nonprofit**

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Entity Name: **Yavapai Firewise**

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Entity Information

Entity Name: Yavapai Firewise

Entity Email Address: ☒ I am the owner of the trade name

Effective Date: 03/27/2023

Effective Time: 04:00PM

Character of Business: Any legal purpose

Character of Business Sub Code:

☐ The Corporation is a unit owner's association or a planned community association subject to title 33 of the Arizona Revised Statutes.

Member Statement

☒ The Corporation will have members.

☐ The Corporation WILL NOT have members.

Statutory Agent Information

Name	Attention	Address	Email
KEYTLaw, LLC		7373 E. Doubletree Ranch Rd Ste 135 , SCOTTSDALE, AZ, 85258, USA	rk@keytlaw.com

Known Place of Business

Attention	Address
	1700 Iron Springs Road, PRESCOTT, AZ, 86305, USA

Principal Information

Title	Name	Attention	Address	Email	Date Taking Office
Director	Thomas J. Davis		1700 Iron Springs Road, PRESCOTT, AZ 86305, USA		3/27/2023
Director	David Soto		1700 Iron Springs Road, PRESCOTT, AZ 86305, USA		3/27/2023
Director	Julius Koenigsknecht		1700 Iron Springs Road, PRESCOTT, AZ 86305, USA		3/27/2023
Director	Donna Fagan		1700 Iron Springs Road, PRESCOTT, AZ 86305, USA		3/27/2023

Incorporator Information

Name	Attention	Address	Email	Phone Number
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Thomas J. Davis

1700 Iron Springs Road, PRESCOTT, AZ
86305, USA**Certificate of Disclosure****FELONY/JUDGEMENT QUESTIONS:**

Has any person (a) who is currently an officer, director, trustee, or incorporator, or (b) who controls or holds over ten percent of the issued and outstanding common shares or ten percent of any other proprietary, beneficial or membership interest in the corporation been:

Convicted of felony involving a transaction in securities, consumer fraud or antitrust in any state or federal jurisdiction within the five year period immediately preceding the signing of this certificate?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Convicted of a felony, the essential elements of which consisted of fraud, misrepresentation, theft by false pretenses or restraint of trade or monopoly in any state or federal jurisdiction within the five year period immediately preceding the signing of this certificate?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Subject to an injunction, judgement, decree or permanent order of any state or federal court entered within the five year period immediately preceding the signing of this certificate, involving any of the following:

- a. The violation of fraud or registration provisions of the securities law of that jurisdiction;
- b. The violation of the consumer fraud laws of that jurisdiction;
- c. The violation of the antitrust or restraint of trade laws of that jurisdiction?

☐ Yes

☒ No
BANKRUPTCY QUESTION:

Has any person (a) Who is currently an officer, director, trustee, incorporator, or (b) who controls or holds over twenty percent of the issued and outstanding common shares or twenty percent of any other proprietary, beneficial or membership interest in the corporation, served in any such capacity or held a twenty percent interest in any other corporation (not the one filing this Certificate) on the bankruptcy or receivership of the other corporation?

☐ Yes

☒ No
Uploaded Attachments

The eCorp system will take the information you've entered and create the Certificate of Disclosure and the Articles. Do you want to use the eCorp Articles as your official document submitted for filing?

- i. If Yes, the system should generate the Certificate of Disclosure and the articles.
- ii. If No the system should require the documents to upload (Articles of Incorporation as PDF)

☐ Yes ☒ No

The eCorp system will create only the Certificate of Disclosure. You may upload your own official Articles of Incorporation as a **.pdf file**. NOTE – if your document is missing any required information or does not match the information you've entered, the document will be rejected and you will have the opportunity to correct it at no additional cost.

File Name

File Name

aoi-yavapai.pdf

Signature

By typing/entering my name, I intend to affix my electronic signature acknowledging that this electronic document is submitted in compliance with Arizona law. I certify that the information on the electronic document is true, complete, and accurate as of the date the electronic filing is submitted.

☒ I Agree**Name**

Thomas J. Davis

Title

Incorporator

Select text only

Important

More important

Most Important

Key phrase

Agree

Disagree

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
of
YAVAPAI FIREWISE

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation under Arizona Revised Statutes Section 10-3201 et. seq., adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE 1.

NAME OF THE CORPORATION

The corporation will be named Yavapai Firewise.

ARTICLE 2.

CORPORATE PURPOSE

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable purposes such as the prevention of cruelty to children or animals and for charitable, religious, educational, literary and scientific purposes, and the fostering of national or international amateur sports competition, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code (the "Code").

ARTICLE 3.

INITIAL BUSINESS

Yavapai Firewise works to reduce wildfire risk in Yavapai County communities through education and joint efforts among neighborhoods, communities, and regional agencies, including federal, state, county and city representatives working together with volunteers, businesses, and community leaders. Yavapai Firewise purpose is to mitigate the threat of wildfire, help communities gain and maintain Firewise certification, and to promote forest health

ARTICLE 4.

KNOWN PLACE OF BUSINESS

The known place of business of the corporation shall be 1700 Iron Springs Road, Prescott, Arizona 86305. The corporation may conduct its business and maintain offices for such purpose in such other place or places, either within or without the State of Arizona, as it may from time to time determine advisable.

ARTICLE 5.

COMPENSATION AND PROFITS

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, directors or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth herein. No member or director shall have any right, title, or interest in or to any property of the corporation. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE 6.

MEMBERS OR CAPITAL STOCK

There shall be no capital stock and no authority to issue shares of stock. The corporation shall have members, and the membership criteria, if any, and the rights and classes thereof, shall be as defined in the corporation's Bylaws.

ARTICLE 7.

DISSOLUTION

The corporation may be dissolved at any time in accordance with the provisions of Arizona law then in effect. The dissolution of the corporation shall be accomplished consistent with the intent that the assets be held and used for the corporation's stated purposes. All assets of the corporation shall be dedicated to the exempt purposes for which the corporation is organized as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code. Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes. In no event shall the assets be distributed to any director or officer of the corporation or any private individual.

ARTICLE 8.

PRIVATE FOUNDATION

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, if the corporation becomes a private foundation as defined in Section 509 of the Code, while it is a private foundation, the corporation shall not: (i) engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) thereof,

(ii) distribute its income in such manner as to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 thereof, (iii) retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) thereof, (iv) make any investment in such manner as to subject it to tax under Section 4944 thereof, or (v) make any taxable expenditures as defined as Section 4945(d) thereof.

ARTICLE 9.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The initial Board of Directors will consist of four members. The number of persons to serve thereafter on the Board of Directors will be fixed by the Bylaws. The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the directors until the first annual meeting of the Board of Directors or until their successors are elected and qualified are:

Thomas J. Davis
1700 Iron Springs Road
Prescott, Arizona 86305

David Soto
1700 Iron Springs Road
Prescott, Arizona 86305

Julius Koenigsknecht
1700 Iron Springs Road
Prescott, Arizona 86305

Donna Fagan
1700 Iron Springs Road
Prescott, Arizona 86305

The management and affairs of the corporation shall be at all times under the direction of a Board of Directors, whose operations in governing the corporation shall be defined by statute and by the corporation's Bylaws.

ARTICLE 10.
INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator of the corporation are:

Thomas J. Davis
1700 Iron Springs Road
Prescott, Arizona 86305

All powers, duties, and responsibilities of the incorporator will cease when these Articles of Incorporation are accepted for filing by the Arizona Corporation Commission.

ARTICLE 11.

BY-LAWS

By-Laws of the corporation may be adopted by the Directors at any regular meeting or any special meeting called for that purpose, so long as they are not inconsistent with the provisions of these Articles or the Code or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

ARTICLE 12.

LIMITATION OF DIRECTOR LIABILITY

No director of the Corporation shall be personally liable to the Corporation for monetary damages for acts or omissions as a director; provided, however, that this Article shall not eliminate or limit the liability of a director for (i) any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Corporation; (ii) acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; (iii) a violation of Arizona Revised Statutes Sections 10-3830 or 10-3833; and (iv) any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit. If the Arizona Nonprofit Corporation Act is hereafter amended to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of directors, then the liability of a director shall be eliminated or limited to the full extent permitted by the Arizona Nonprofit Corporation Act, as so amended. Any repeal or modification of this Article shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director of the Corporation existing at the time of such repeal or modification for or with respect to an act or omission of such director occurring prior to such repeal or modification.

ARTICLE 13.

INDEMNIFICATION

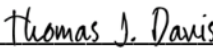
The private property of the incorporators, directors and officers of the corporation shall be forever exempt from and not liable for, the debts and obligations of the corporation of any kind whatsoever. The corporation shall indemnify each person who is or was an incorporator, director, officer or employee of the corporation against all expenses incurred by them, and each of them, including but not limited to legal fees, judgments and penalties which may be incurred, rendered or levied in any legal action brought against any of them for or on account of any action or omission alleged to have been committed while acting within the scope of providing services to or on behalf of the corporation. This indemnification shall be mandatory in all circumstances in which indemnification is permitted by applicable law. No repeal, amendment or modification of this Article, whether direct or indirect, shall eliminate or reduce

its effect with respect to any act or omission of a director of the corporation occurring before the repeal, amendment or modification. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary: (i) the corporation will indemnify a person only if the person acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the corporation, and (ii) the corporation may withhold the advancement of expenses if the corporation is suing the person.

ARTICLE 14. STATUTORY AGENT

The name and address of the initial statutory agent of the corporation are KEYTLaw, L.L.C., 7373 E. Doubletree Ranch Rd, Ste 135, Scottsdale, AZ 85258. The Statutory Agent is not responsible for failing to notify the Corporation of any service of process or correspondence received by the Statutory Agent for the Corporation if the Corporation changes its address and fails to notify the Statutory Agent of the change by sending a written notice of address change to the Statutory Agent at its address on file with the Arizona Corporation Commission.

Dated: February 22, 2023.


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Thomas J. Davis

"Incorporator"

CONSENT OF STATUTORY AGENT

KEYTLaw, L.L.C., an Arizona limited liability company, having been designated to act as Statutory Agent hereby consents to act in that capacity until removed by the Corporation or resigning in accordance with the Arizona Revised Statutes.

KEYTLaw, L.L.C., an Arizona limited liability company

By: 
Richard Keyt, Manager