EXHIBIT A

<u>MANAGED GROWTH AGREEMENT</u> BETWEEN THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND SHIRE'S COURT LTD.

This Managed Growth Agreement ("Agreement") Between the City of Austin, Texas ("City") and SHIRE'S COURT, LTD. ("Shire's Court, Ltd.") is made and entered into by the City, a home rule municipal corporation acting by and through its duly authorized City Manager and Shire's Court, Ltd. Shire's Court, Ltd. and the City may be referred to jointly as Parties or singly as "Party" in this Agreement.

RECITALS

- 1. On March 21, 2006, Shire's Court, Ltd. filed an application for a consolidated site plan for the construction of condominium units on property described in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein ("the Property").
- 2. On September 27, 2006, the City approved Site Plan No. SP-06-0095C, authorizing the construction of a 3 phased condominium housing development, which will include approximately 290 single unit condominiums, with attached and detached garages, amenity center and pool, drives, water quality, and detention pond, and infrastructure on 26.024 acres. ("the Project"). Portions of the Project, including all infrastructure improvements, have been completed.
- 3. Shire's Court, Ltd. desires to obtain buyers for the condominiums, realizing that due to the current economical conditions, it could take 8 years to construct all units.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants, and conditions contained in this Agreement, and other good and valuable consideration, the City and Shire's Court, Ltd. agree as follows:

<u>ARTICLE I</u> PURPOSE & LEGAL AUTHORITY

Section 1.01 Purpose.

The purpose of this Agreement is to provide certainty that the Project will not be required to undergo design changes as a result of changes to City regulations over a long period of time required for Shire's Court, Ltd. to obtain buyers and complete the Project in phases.

Section 1.02 Legal Authority.

Section 25-1-540 of the City Code authorizes the execution of managed growth agreements for planning and developing large projects, long term projects, or any

project having special benefits that are in the public interest. The Project is a large project situated on 26.024 acres with approximately 290 condominium units and a long term project.

Section 1.03 Expiration Date

Section 25-1-540 provides that a managed growth agreement may specify the time period during which a project may comply with the regulations in effect when the first application for the project is filed and establish an expiration date for each application necessary to complete the project. By Ordinance No. ______, the City Council directed that the expiration date is to be March 21, 2019.

ARTICLE II TERMS

Section 2.01 Original Regulations; Expiration Date

Subject to Section 2.03 below, Shire's Court, Ltd. may construct the Project to comply with City regulations in effect on September 27, 2006, which is the day the application was originally submitted under the Comprehensive Watershed Ordinance and Land Development Code ("Original Regulations"). The expiration date of Site Plan No. SP-06-0095C for purposes of Chapter 25-5 of the City Code and the expiration date of the Project for purposes of Article 12 of Chapter 25-1 of the City Code shall be March 21, 2019.

Section 2.02 Revisions to the Site Plan; Change in Ownership

Minor revisions to the Project shall be permitted in accordance with the City Code and City regulations. However, Shire's Court, Ltd. may not construct any improvements on the Property that the City Manager determines to vary substantially from the Project as defined by Site Plan No. SP-06-0095C without forfeiting the rights granted under this Agreement to develop the Project under Original Regulations. This Agreement does not abridge the rights of Shire's Court, Ltd. or its successors (including homebuilders who acquire one or more condominium units for resale to third parties) to sell and convey condominium units within the Project. However, if, without the City's written consent, title to the remaining unsold inventory of condominium units within the Project is conveyed or assumed by an entity other than Shire's Court, Ltd., or an entity that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with Shire's Court, Ltd., the City Manager may terminate the rights granted under this Agreement to develop the Project under Original Regulations, in which case the Project and Site Plan No. SP-06-0095C will expire on its original expiration date of March 21, 2011.

Section 2.03 Exceptions from Right to Develop Under Original Regulations

In this section, Shire's Court, Ltd. agrees to comply with City regulations adopted after March 21, 2011, as they pertain to:

- a. erosion and sedimentation controls;
- b. uniform building, fire, electrical, plumbing, or mechanical codes adopted by recognized national code organizations or local amendments to those codes enacted to address imminent threats of destruction of property or injury to persons;
- c. regulations to prevent the imminent destruction of property or injury to persons that do not affect landscaping, tree preservation, open space, or park dedication, lot size or dimensions, lot coverage, building size, residential or commercial density, or timing of the project, or that change development permitted by a restrictive covenant required by the City.

<u>A R T I C L E I I I</u> MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 3.01 Notice.

It is contemplated that the Parties will contact each other concerning the subject matter of this Agreement. However, any formal notice or communication required to be given by one Party to another by this Agreement ("Notice) shall be given at the addresses below for the Parties.

Notice may be given by: (1) delivering the Notice to the Party to be notified; (2) by depositing the Notice in the United States Mail, certified or registered, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, addressed to the Party to be notified; or (3) by sending the Notice by telefax with confirming copy sent by mail to the Party to be notified.

Notice deposited in the United States mail in the manner hereinabove described shall be deemed effective after the earlier of the date of actual receipt or three days after the date of the deposit. Notice given in any other manner shall be effective only if and when received by the Party to be notified or purposes of Notice, the addresses of the Parties shall, until changed as provided in this section, be as follows:

City of Austin: City Manager

P.O. Box 1088 Austin, Texas 78767

| with required copy to: | City Attorney |
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| | P.O. Box 1088 Austin, Texas 78767 |
| Owner: | Shire's Court, Ltd. (David Mahn) |
| | 200 Congress Avenue, Suite 9A Austin, TX 78701 |

The Parties may change their addresses for Notice purposes by providing five days written notice of the changed address to the other Party.

If any date or period provided in this Agreement ends on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the applicable period for calculating Notice is extended to the first business day following the Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday.

Section 3.02 Severability.

The provisions of this Agreement are not severable. If any word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or other part of this Agreement, or the application of the word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or other part of this Agreement to any person or circumstance is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional for any reason, the Parties agree and understand that the omission of the word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or other part of this Agreement would frustrate the purpose of this Agreement, and, therefore, in that event, this Agreement shall terminate.

Section 3.03 Waiver.

Any failure by a Party to the Agreement to insist on strict performance by the other Party of any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of the provision or of any other provision of the Agreement. A Party has the right at any time to insist on strict performance of any of the provisions of this Agreement.

Section 3.04 Applicable Law and Venue.

The construction and validity of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas (without regard to conflict of laws principles). Venue shall be in Travis County, Texas.

Section 3.05 Incorporation of Exhibits.

All Exhibits attached to or referred to in this Agreement are incorporated into this

Agreement by reference for the purposes set forth in this Agreement.

Section 3.06 Assignability, Successors, and Assigns.

This Agreement is not assignable by Shire's Court, Ltd. or the City without the prior written consent of the City Council or Shire's Court, Ltd.

The Agreement shall be binding on and inure to the benefit of the Parties and their respective representatives, successors, and assigns.

Section 3.07 Amendment.

This Agreement may only be amended in writing on the approval of the City Council and Shire's Court, Ltd.

<u>A R T I C L E I V</u> DEFAULT AND REMEDIES FOR DEFAULT

Section 4.01 Default.

On the occurrence, or alleged occurrence, of an event of default, the non-defaulting Party shall send the defaulting Party notice of its default or alleged default. Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement, the defaulting Party must cure its default within 30 days following the notice of the receipt of the default, or, must begin to cure the default within 14 days following receipt of the notice of default and diligently pursue the cure to completion within 50 days of receipt of the notice of default. If the defaulting Party fails to abide by these deadlines, the non-defaulting Party shall have all rights and remedies available in law and equity and all rights and remedies provided in this Agreement. All of these rights and remedies shall be cumulative.

This Agreement shall be effective on the date it has been signed by both Parties.

SHIRE'S COURT, LTD., a Texas limited partnership

By: SHIRE'S COURT G.P., INC., General Partner a Texas corporation

By:

David C. Mahn, President

Date:

Approved as to form:

City of Austin

Brent Lloyd Assistant City Attorney

Sue Edwards Assistant City Manager Date:_____

EXHIBIT A

"The Property"

Lot 1, Block 1, of the Shire's Court Subdivision, Document No. 200600325