

# Ordinance: 2019.10

## Code of Ethics for Members of OV Tax District Board of Directors

All members of the OVTD Board of Directors

**should:**

1. Strive at all times to serve the best interests of the Tax District as a whole regardless of their personal interests.
2. Use sound judgment to make the best possible business decisions for the Tax District, taking into consideration all available information, circumstances and resources.
3. Act within the boundaries of their authority as defined by law and the governing documents of the Tax District.
4. Listen to our residents along with providing them opportunities to comment on decisions facing the Tax District.
5. Perform their duties without bias for or against any individual or group of owners or non-owner residents.
6. Disclose personal or professional relationships with any company or individual who has or is seeking to have a business relationship with the Tax District.
7. Conduct open, fair and well-publicized elections.
8. Always speak with one voice, supporting all duly-adopted board decisions even if the board member was in the minority regarding actions that may not have obtained unanimous consent.

All members of the OVTD Board of Directors

**should not:**

1. Reveal confidential information provided by contractors or share information with those bidding for Tax District contracts unless specifically authorized by the board or as required by law.
2. Make unauthorized promises to a Tax District owner, resident, contractor bidder or anyone else.
3. Advocate or support any action or activity that violates a law or regulatory requirement.
4. Use their positions or decision-making authority for personal gain or to seek advantage over another owner or non-owner resident.
5. Spend unauthorized association funds for their own personal use or benefit.
6. Accept any gifts—directly or indirectly—from owners, residents, contractors, bidders or suppliers.
7. Misrepresent known facts in any issue involving Tax District business.
8. Divulge personal information about any Tax District owner, resident or employee that was obtained in the performance of board duties.
9. Make personal attacks on colleagues, staff, employees, owners or residents.
10. Harass, threaten or attempt through any means to control or instill fear in any board member, owner, resident, employee or contractor.
11. Reveal to any owner, resident or other third party, discussions, or comments made at any meeting of the board properly closed or held in executive session.

Violations of any of the codes of ethics may result in a public hearing accompanied by appropriate action voted by the Board.