WHEREAS, the members of the California Landscape Contractors Association (CLCA) share a common interest in the welfare of their fellow citizens and the betterment of their community through good government; and

WHEREAS, such members believe that collective efforts to accomplish these goals will prove more effective than individual efforts; and

WHEREAS, such members desire to establish a nonprofit campaign committee for the purpose of supporting the candidacy of qualified individuals seeking political office in California and supporting or opposing ballot measures and initiatives in California that further the goals of the committee;

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby established as follows:

1. The members agree to associate themselves together as a committee under the name of “LAND-PAC,” hereinafter referred to as the “Committee,” and to create a fund for the purposes above stated and pursuant to the Bylaws hereinafter set forth;

2. Activities of the Committee shall include the receipt of contributions and the making of financial contributions in support of qualified candidates seeking election to political office in California, as well as to support or oppose ballot measures and initiatives in California that further the goals of the committee;

3. The Board of Directors of the California Landscape Contractors Association shall be considered members of the LandPAC Committee.
4. No member shall acquire any beneficial interest whatsoever in the assets of the Committee;

5. If, for any reason, the existence of the Committee shall be terminated, the assets thereof shall be contributed to the General Fund of the California Landscape Contractors Association;

6. The Committee shall have a Board of Directors comprised of the Board of Directors of the California Landscape Contractors Association. The Committee’s Board of Directors shall hereinafter be referred to as the CLCA Board of Directors;

7. The Committee shall have a Chairman, Vice Chairman and a Secretary-Treasurer who shall be elected or appointed by the CLCA Board of Directors;

8. It shall be the responsibility of the Committee officers to see that the activities of the Committee are, at all times, in compliance with state laws;

9. It shall be the responsibility of the Secretary-Treasurer to establish a separate depository for the funds of the Committee, to maintain written records of contributions received and expenditures made and to cause an internal audit to be made of such records annually;

10. Members may make voluntary contributions to the Committee from time to time as each member may decide. The Committee may also solicit and receive voluntary contributions from non-members. Neither the Committee nor any member thereof shall receive money or anything of value or expend or promise to expend any money on behalf of the Committee until after the Chairman and Secretary-Treasurer have been chosen;

11. A Contribution Subcommittee comprised of the officers of the Committee together with two or more CLCA members appointed by the CLCA Board of Directors shall determine the amount and the recipients of all contributions in support of candidates seeking election to the
state Legislature or to statewide office as well as in support or opposition to statewide ballot measures or initiatives in California. Contributions will be made when a majority of the Contribution Subcommittee members vote in the affirmative. A majority of the members on the Contribution Subcommittee also must approve contributions to candidates seeking election to local office or in support or opposition to local ballot measures or initiatives. However, CLCA’s Board of Directors must also approve such local contributions by a majority vote;

12. The Secretary-Treasurer, with the approval of the Chairman, may reimburse others for the operating expenses of the Committee up to an aggregate amount which does not exceed one percent (1%) of the total cash contributions made to the Committee during the calendar year in which such expenses are to be paid; Any expenses exceeding such amount must be approved by a majority of the CLCA Board of Directors;

13. The Contribution Subcommittee shall make periodic reports on its activities to the CLCA Board of Directors;

14. The Committee shall conduct general meetings open to all its members at such times as determined by the Committee officers or CLCA Board of Directors; and any and all meetings of the Committee shall be open to any member desiring to attend;

15. These Bylaws may be amended from time to time in whole or in part by a majority vote of the CLCA Board of Directors and Committee officers provided that no such amendment shall require any member to make a contribution or contributions to the fund nor shall it preclude any member’s voluntary withdrawal from the Committee;

16. The CLCA Board of Directors and Committee officers may, from time to time, establish rules and regulations as may prove desirable in the conduct of the affairs of the Committee, provided that such rules and regulations are not inconsistent with these Bylaws;
These Bylaws were adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the California Landscape Contractors Association on such date and location as noted below as certified by the Secretary-Treasurer of the California Landscape Contractors Association.

These Bylaws were amended at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the California Landscape Contractors Association on such date and location as noted below as certified by the Secretary-Treasurer of the California Landscape Contractors Association.

Adopted, CLCA Board of Directors
August 7, 1976
La Jolla, California

Amended, CLCA Board of Directors
May 17, 2011
Sacramento, California