

EXHIBIT A-1

PERFORMANCE BOND AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into by and between **CARMEL BY STONEBRIDGE VILLAGE HOMES, LLC**, an Ohio Limited Liability Company, hereinafter referred to as "Subdivider," and the City of Avon, Lorain County, Ohio, hereinafter referred to as "City". "Council" as referred to herein, shall refer to the City Council of Avon, Lorain County, Ohio, and "City Engineer" shall refer to the City Engineer or the City's Consulting Engineer hired to perform services on this project.

WHEREAS, the Subdivider has agreed to construct the public improvements in Carmel at Stonebridge Subdivision No. 1 (hereinafter "Subdivision") in accordance with the Subdivision Regulations of the City of Avon, and in accordance with a Subdivider's Agreement entered into between Subdivider and the City of Avon; and

WHEREAS, the Subdivision Regulations of the City of Avon contained in Avon Codified Ordinance §1244.10(d) and the Subdivider's Agreement provide that the Subdivider shall furnish financial guarantees of performance in an amount equal to 110% of the estimated construction costs, engineering and inspection fees in a form, manner of execution and surety approved by the Finance Director and the Law Director of the City of Avon; and

WHEREAS, based upon the estimates of cost of construction of the public improvements in the Subdivision by the Subdivider's Engineer, approved by the City Engineer, Subdivider is required to provide a financial guarantee of performance to the Finance Director of the City of Avon in the amount of One Hundred Sixty Five Thousand Eight Hundred Forty One and 00/100 (\$165,841.00) Dollars.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing promises and to insure the

faithful performance of said Subdivider's Agreement, the Subdivider has undertaken the following:

1. Subdivider will post a surety bond with the City Finance Director in a form, manner of execution and surety acceptable to the City of Avon in the sum One Hundred Sixty Five Thousand Eight Hundred Forty One and 00/100 (\$165,841.00) Dollars.

2. The Subdivider and its surety shall, at all times, keep the records of said Performance Bond open to inspection by the Engineer of the City or any other duly authorized agent of the City.

3. Upon completion of all public improvements in the Subdivision to the satisfaction of the City Engineer, acceptance of dedication of said public improvements, payment of all engineering and legal expenses of the City of Avon, and compliance with all provisions of the Subdivider's Agreement upon written instruction from the Director of Finance of the City of Avon, the surety shall be released from its obligations hereunder.

4. In the event of Subdivider's default, as defined in the Subdivider's Agreement, the City shall have the right to execute on the Performance Bond herein posted and to complete construction of public improvements at the Subdivision, or any part thereof, and to pay any engineering or legal fees for the Subdivision over and above the Subdivider's deposit, and the surety is authorized and required to release the funds upon certification by the Director of Finance of the City of Avon that the funds will be used for completion of construction of public improvements for the Subdivision and any applicable fees.

5. The surety shall accept as full and complete evidence of default and of the resulting right of the City of Avon to complete said project or any portion thereof a copy of the resolution from the City of Avon duly authenticated by the Clerk of Council declaring said default and the intention of the City of Avon to proceed to complete the performance of said public improvements or any portion thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have affixed their signature hereto this _____
day of _____, 2015.

WITNESSES:

**CARMEL BY STONEBRIDGE VILLAGE
HOMES, LLC**

By: _____
Richard Batt

Title: _____

CITY OF AVON

By: _____
Bryan K. Jensen, Mayor

By: _____
Craig L. Witherspoon, Council President

Approved as to Form

John A. Gasior, Esq.
Law Director
City of Avon

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND ACCEPTANCE
BY LENDING INSTITUTION**

The lending institution for Carmel by Stonebridge Village Homes, LLC for Carmel at Stonebridge Subdivision No. 1 does hereby acknowledge receipt of a copy of this Performance Bond Agreement and the Subdivider's Agreement, accepts same, is willing to be bound by these documents as additional escrow instructions for the financial guarantees therein provided.

Signature of Officer

Printed Name of Bank or Surety

Title of Officer

Date