

# SAFEHOLD INC. AUDIT COMMITTEE CHARTER

(As of March 31, 2023)

## I. Purpose

The purpose of the Audit Committee (the "Committee") is to assist the Board of Directors (the "Board") in its oversight of: (i) the integrity of the Company's financial statements; (ii) the Company's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements; (iii) the independent auditor's qualifications and independence; and (iv) the performance of the Company's internal audit function and independent auditor.

The Committee's responsibilities are limited to oversight. The Company's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining accounting policies and procedures in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and other applicable reporting and disclosure standards and for preparing the Company's financial statements. The Company's independent auditors are responsible for auditing and reviewing those financial statements. Each member of the Committee is entitled to rely on the integrity of those persons within the Company and from the professionals and experts from which the Committee receives information and, absent actual knowledge to the contrary, the accuracy of the financial and other information provided to the Committee by such persons, professionals or experts.

## II. Composition

The Committee must consist of at least three directors, each of whom must satisfy the independence requirements of the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE") and the more rigorous independence rules for members of the Audit Committee issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). Each Committee member must be financially literate as determined by the Board in its business judgment or must become financially literate within a reasonable time after his or her appointment to the Committee. In addition, at least one member of the Committee must be a financial expert as defined under SEC rules.

No Committee member may simultaneously serve on the audit committee of more than two other public companies, unless the Board determines that such simultaneous service would not impair the ability of the member to effectively serve on the Committee and this determination is disclosed in accordance with NYSE rules.

Committee members must be appointed and may be removed from the Committee, with or without cause, by the Board. Unless a Chair is designated by the



Board, the Committee may designate a Chair by majority vote of the full Committee membership. No member of the Committee may receive any compensation from the Company other than Director's fees.

# III. Meetings, Procedures and Authority

The Committee must meet at least once during each fiscal quarter. The Committee must meet separately, periodically, with management, with the internal auditor (or other personnel responsible for the internal audit function) and with the independent auditor.

The Committee has the authority to establish its own rules and procedures for notice and conduct of its meetings so long as they are not inconsistent with any provisions of the Company's bylaws that are applicable to the Committee.

The Committee may retain any independent counsel, experts or advisors that the Committee believes to be necessary or appropriate. The Company must provide for appropriate funding, as determined by the Committee, for payment of compensation to the independent auditor for the purpose of preparing or issuing an audit report or performing other audit, review or attest services, for payment of compensation to any advisors employed by the Committee and for payment of ordinary administrative expenses of the Committee that are necessary or appropriate in carrying out its duties.

In addition to the duties and responsibilities expressly delegated to the Committee in this Charter, the Committee may exercise any other powers and carry out any other responsibilities consistent with this Charter, the purposes of the Committee, the Company's bylaws and applicable NYSE rules.

The Committee may conduct or authorize investigations into any matters within the scope of the duties and responsibilities delegated to the Committee.

#### IV. Duties and Responsibilities

#### Interaction with the Independent Auditor

1. Appointment and Oversight. The Committee is directly responsible for the appointment, compensation, retention and oversight of the work of the independent auditor (including resolution of any disagreements between Company management and the independent auditor regarding financial reporting) and any other registered public accounting firm engaged for the purpose of preparing or issuing an audit report or related work or performing other audit, review or attest services for the Company, and the independent auditor and each such other registered public accounting firm must report directly to the Committee. The Committee, or the Chair of the Committee, must



pre-approve any audit and non-audit service provided to the Company by the independent auditor, unless the engagement is entered into pursuant to appropriate preapproval policies established by the Committee or if such service falls within available exceptions under SEC rules.

- 2. Annual Report on Independence and Quality Control. The Committee must, at least annually, obtain and review a report from the independent auditor describing (a) the auditing firm's internal quality-control procedures; (b) any material issues raised by the most recent internal quality-control review or peer review of the auditing firm, or by any inquiry or investigation by governmental or professional authorities within the preceding five years relating to any independent audit conducted by the auditing firm, and any steps taken to deal with any such issues; and (c) all relationships and services between the independent auditor and the Company in order to assess the independent auditors' independence.
- 3. Independence of Lead Audit Partner. The Committee must review and evaluate the qualifications, performance and independence of the lead partner of the independent auditors and present the Committee's conclusions with respect to the independent auditors to the full Board. The Committee must ensure that the lead audit partner does not serve in that capacity for more than five years and consider whether the audit firm itself should be changed periodically.

#### Annual Financial Statements and Annual Audit

- 4. Audit Problems. The Committee must discuss with the independent auditor any audit problems or difficulties and management's response.
- 5. Form 10-K Review. The Committee must review and discuss the annual audited financial statements with management and the independent auditor, including the Company's disclosures under "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations."
- 6. Audit Committee Report. The Committee must provide the Company with the report of the Committee with respect to the audited financial statements for inclusion in each of the Company's annual proxy statements.

#### Quarterly Financial Statements

7. Form 10-Q Review. The Committee must review and discuss the quarterly financial statements with management and the independent auditor, including the Company's disclosures under "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations."



# Other Duties and Responsibilities

- 8. Review of Earnings Releases. The Committee must discuss the Company's earnings press releases, as well as financial information and earnings guidance provided to analysts and rating agencies.
- 9. Risk Assessment and Risk Management. The Committee must discuss the Company's policies with respect to risk assessment and risk management.
- 10. Hiring of Independent Auditor Employees. The Committee must set clear hiring policies for employees or former employees of the Company's independent auditor.
- 11. Complaint Procedures. The Committee must establish procedures for the receipt, retention and treatment of complaints received by the Company regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters, and for the confidential and anonymous submission by Company employees of concerns regarding questionable accounting or auditing matters.
- 12. Review of Related Person Transactions. The Committee must discuss with management and the independent auditor any related person transactions brought to the Committee's attention that could reasonably be expected to have a material impact on the Company's financial statements.
- 13. Reports to the Board of Directors. The Committee must report regularly to the Board regarding the activities of the Committee.
- 14. Committee Self-Evaluation. The Committee must at least annually perform an evaluation of the performance of the Committee. The Committee shall provide to the Board an annual performance evaluation of the Committee, including an assessment of the performance of the Committee based on the duties and responsibilities set forth in this charter and such other matters as the Committee may determine. The evaluation to the Board may take the form of an oral report by the Committee chairman or any other member of the Committee designated by the Committee to make the report.
- 15. Review of this Charter. The Committee must periodically review and reassess this Charter and submit any recommended changes to the Board for its consideration.

#### V. Delegation of Duties

In fulfilling its responsibilities, the Committee is entitled to delegate any or all of its responsibilities to a subcommittee of the Committee.



Minutes will be kept of each meeting of the Committee and will be available to each member of the Board. Any action of the Committee (other than actions for which the Committee has sole authority as set forth herein) shall be subject to revision, modification, rescission, or alteration by the Board, provided that no rights of third parties shall be affected by any such revision, modification, rescission, or alteration.

#### VII. Amendments

This Charter may be amended in whole or in part with the approval of the majority of the Board.

# VIII. Stockholder's Agreements

For so long any stockholder's agreement is in effect, this Charter will be interpreted to be consistent with such agreement.