# FRANKLIN STREET PROPERTIES CORP. COMPENSATION COMMITTEE CHARTER

# A. Purpose

The purpose of the Compensation Committee is to discharge the responsibilities of the Board of Directors relating to compensation of the Company's executive officers.

# **B.** Structure and Membership

- 1. <u>Number</u>. The Compensation Committee shall consist of at least two members of the Board of Directors.
- 2. <u>Independence</u>. Except as otherwise permitted by the applicable rules of the NYSE American (the "NYSE"), each member of the Compensation Committee shall be an "independent director" as defined by the applicable rules of the NYSE.
- 3. <u>Chair</u>. Unless the Board of Directors elects a Chair of the Compensation Committee, the Compensation Committee shall elect a Chair by majority vote.
- 4. <u>Compensation</u>. The compensation of Compensation Committee members shall be as determined by the Board of Directors.
- 5. <u>Selection and Removal</u>. Members of the Compensation Committee shall be appointed by the Board of Directors, upon the recommendation of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. The Board of Directors may remove members of the Compensation Committee from such committee, with or without cause.

# C. Authority and Responsibilities

## **General**

The Compensation Committee shall discharge its responsibilities, and shall assess the information provided to it by the Company's management and others, in accordance with its business judgment.

#### **Compensation Matters**

1. <u>CEO Compensation</u>. The Compensation Committee shall annually review and approve corporate goals and objectives relevant to the compensation of the Company's Chief Executive Officer (the "CEO"), evaluate the CEO's performance in light of those goals and objectives, and, either as a committee or together with the other independent directors (as directed from time to time by the Board of Directors), either determine and approve or recommend to the Board of Directors

- for approval, the CEO's compensation based on this evaluation. The CEO may not be present during such voting or deliberations.
- 2. <u>Compensation of Other Senior Executive Officers</u>. The Compensation Committee shall annually review and approve, or make recommendations to the Board of Directors with respect to, compensation of the Company's senior executive officers.
- 3. <u>Evaluation of Senior Executives</u>. The Compensation Committee shall be responsible for overseeing the evaluation of the Company's senior executives on an annual basis. In conjunction with the Audit Committee in the case of the evaluation of the senior financial management, the Compensation Committee shall supervise the conduct of the evaluation of the performance of the Company's senior executives, to be discussed annually with the Board of Directors.
- 4. <u>Plan Recommendations and Approvals</u>. The Compensation Committee shall periodically review and make recommendations to the Board of Directors with respect to incentive-compensation and equity-based plans that are subject to approval by the Board of Directors. In addition, in the case of any plans or amendments adopted pursuant to an exemption from the shareholder approval requirements of the NYSE, the Compensation Committee, or a majority of the Company's independent directors, shall approve such plans or amendments.
- 5. Administration of Equity-Based Plans. The Compensation Committee shall exercise all rights, authority and functions of the Board of Directors under all of the Company's stock option, stock incentive, employee stock purchase and other equity-based plans, including without limitation, the authority to interpret the terms thereof, to grant options thereunder and to make stock awards thereunder; provided, however, that, except as otherwise expressly authorized to do so by this Charter, any such plan or a resolution of the Board of Directors, the Compensation Committee shall not be authorized to amend any such plan. To the extent permitted by applicable law and the provisions of a given equity-based plan, and consistent with the requirements of applicable law and such equity-based plan, the Compensation Committee may delegate to one or more executive officers of the Company the power to grant options or other stock awards pursuant to such equitybased plan to employees of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company who are not directors or executive officers of the Company. The Compensation Committee, or a majority of the Company's independent directors, shall approve all equity compensation grants that are made in reliance on an exemption from the shareholder approval requirements of the NYSE.
- 6. <u>Director Compensation</u>. The Compensation Committee shall periodically review and make recommendations to the Board of Directors with respect to director compensation.
- 7. Review and Discussion of Compensation Discussion and Analysis;
  Recommendation to Board. The Compensation Committee shall review and

discuss annually with management the Company's "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" required by Item 402(b) of Regulation S-K (the "CD&A"). The Compensation Committee shall consider annually whether it will recommend to the Board that the CD&A be included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, proxy statement on Schedule 14A or information statement on Schedule 14C.

- 8. <u>Compensation Committee Report</u>. The Compensation Committee shall prepare the annual Compensation Committee Report required by Item 407(e)(5) of Regulation S-K.
- 9. <u>Compensation Recovery Policies</u>. The Compensation Committee shall approve, or recommend for approval by the Board of Directors, the implementation or revision of any compensation recovery or "clawback" policies of the Company, and the Compensation Committee shall oversee the administration of such policies.
- 10. <u>Additional Duties</u>. The Compensation Committee shall have such other duties as may be delegated from time to time by the Board of Directors.

### D. Procedures and Administration

- 1. <u>Meetings</u>. The Compensation Committee shall meet as often as it deems necessary in order to perform its responsibilities. The Compensation Committee may also act by unanimous written consent in lieu of a meeting. The Compensation Committee shall keep such records of its meetings as it shall deem appropriate.
- 2. <u>Subcommittees</u>. The Compensation Committee may form and delegate authority to one or more subcommittees as it deems appropriate from time to time under the circumstances (including (a) a subcommittee consisting of a single member and (b) a subcommittee consisting of at least two members, each of whom qualifies as a "non-employee director," as such term is defined from time to time in Rule 16b-3 promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder.
- 3. <u>Reports to Board</u>. The Compensation Committee shall report regularly to the Board of Directors.
- 4. <u>Charter</u>. The Compensation Committee shall periodically review and reassess the adequacy of this Charter and recommend any proposed changes to the Board of Directors for approval.
- 5. <u>Compensation Consultants, Counsel and Other Advisors</u>. The Compensation Committee shall have the authority, in its sole discretion, to retain or obtain the advice of such compensation consultants, legal counsel and other advisors as the Compensation Committee deems necessary or appropriate to carry out its responsibilities. In connection with retaining or obtaining the advice of such consultants, counsel and advisors, the Compensation Committee shall take into consideration the applicable factors affecting independence that are specified in

SEC and NYSE rules. The Compensation Committee shall be directly responsible for the appointment, compensation and oversight of the work of any consultants, counsel and advisors that it retains. The Compensation Committee is empowered, without further action by the Board, to cause the Company to pay the compensation of such consultants, counsel and advisors as established by the Compensation Committee.

- 6. <u>Investigations</u>. The Compensation Committee shall have the authority to conduct or authorize investigations into any matters within the scope of its responsibilities as it shall deem appropriate, including the authority to request any officer, employee or advisor of the Company to meet with the Compensation Committee or any advisors engaged by the Compensation Committee.
- 7. <u>Annual Self-Evaluation</u>. At least annually, the Compensation Committee shall evaluate its own performance.