

(Constituted in the Republic of Singapore pursuant to a trust deed dated 19 October 2006 (as amended))

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Fifteenth Annual General Meeting ("**AGM**") of the unitholders of First Real Estate Investment Trust ("**First REIT**", and the unitholders of First REIT, the "**Unitholders**") will be convened and held at Hilton Singapore Orchard (333 Orchard Road, Singapore 238867), Grand Ballroom, Level 6, Orchard Wing on Monday, 22 April 2024 at 2.30 p.m. to transact the following business:

### (A) AS ORDINARY BUSINESS

- To receive and adopt the Report of the Trustee issued by Perpetual (Asia) Limited, as trustee of First REIT (the "Trustee"), the Statement by the Manager issued by First REIT Management Limited, as manager of First REIT (the "Manager") and the Audited Financial Statements of First REIT for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 and the Independent Auditors' Report thereon.
- To re-appoint KPMG LLP as Independent Auditors of First REIT to hold office until the conclusion of the next AGM of First REIT and to authorise the Manager to fix their remuneration.
  (Ordinary Resolution 2)

#### (B) AS SPECIAL BUSINESS

To consider and if thought fit, to pass, with or without any modifications, the following Ordinary Resolution:

- That pursuant to Clause 5 of the trust deed constituting First REIT (as amended) (the "Trust (Ordinary Deed") and the listing rules of Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the "SGX-ST"), the Manager be and is hereby authorised and empowered to:
  - (a) (i) issue units in First REIT ("**Units**") whether by way of rights, bonus or otherwise; and/or
    - (ii) make or grant offers, agreements or options (collectively, "**Instruments**") that might or would require Units to be issued, including but not limited to the creation and issue of (as well as adjustments to) options, warrants, debentures or other instruments convertible into Units,

at any time and upon such terms and conditions and for such purposes and to such persons as the Manager may in its absolute discretion deem fit; and

(b) issue Units in pursuance of any Instrument made or granted by the Manager while this Resolution was in force (notwithstanding that the authority conferred by this Resolution may have ceased to be in force at the time such Units are issued),

#### provided that:

- (1) the aggregate number of Units to be issued pursuant to this Resolution (including Units to be issued in pursuance of the Instruments made or granted pursuant to this Resolution) shall not exceed fifty per cent (50.0%) of the total number of issued Units (excluding treasury Units, if any) (as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below), of which the aggregate number of Units to be issued other than on a *pro rata* basis to existing Unitholders (including Units to be issued in pursuance of Instruments to be made or granted pursuant to this Resolution) shall not exceed twenty per cent (20.0%) of the total number of issued Units (excluding treasury Units, if any) (as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below);
- (2) subject to such manner of calculation as may be prescribed by the SGX-ST, for the purpose of determining the aggregate number of Units and Instruments that may be issued under sub-paragraph (1) above, the percentage of issued Units and Instruments shall be based on the total number of issued Units (excluding treasury Units, if any) at the time of the passing of this Resolution, after adjusting for:
  - (a) any new Units arising from the conversion or exercise of the Instruments or any convertible securities; and
  - (b) any subsequent bonus issue, consolidation or subdivision of Units;

provided such adjustment in sub-paragraph (2)(a) is made in respect of new Units arising from exercise of Instruments or convertible securities which were issued and outstanding or subsisting at the time of the passing of this Resolution;

- (3) in exercising the authority conferred by this Resolution, the Manager shall comply with the provisions of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST for the time being in force (unless such compliance has been waived by the SGX-ST) and the Trust Deed for the time being in force (unless otherwise exempted or waived by the Monetary Authority of Singapore);
- (4) unless revoked or varied by the Unitholders in a general meeting of First REIT, the authority conferred by this Resolution shall continue in force (i) until (a) the conclusion of the next AGM of First REIT or (b) the date by which the next AGM of First REIT is required by the applicable laws and regulations or the Trust Deed to be held, whichever is earlier or (ii) in the case of Units to be issued in pursuance of the Instruments, made or granted pursuant to this Resolution, until the issuance of such Units in accordance with the terms of the Instruments;

- (5) where the terms of the issue of the Instruments provide for adjustment to the number of Instruments or Units into which the Instruments may be converted in the event of rights, bonus or other capitalisation issues or any other events, the Manager is authorised to issue additional Instruments or Units pursuant to such adjustment notwithstanding that the authority conferred by this Resolution may have ceased to be in force at the time the Instruments or Units are issued; and
- (6) the Manager and the Trustee be and are hereby severally authorised to complete and do all such acts and things (including executing all such documents as may be required) as the Manager or, as the case may be, the Trustee may consider expedient or necessary or in the interest of First REIT to give effect to the authority conferred by this Resolution.

(Please see Explanatory Note)

By Order of the Board First REIT Management Limited (as manager of First REIT) (Company Registration No. 200607070D)

Kelvin Chua Company Secretary

28 March 2024

#### **Explanatory Note:**

### **Ordinary Resolution 3**

Ordinary Resolution 3 above, if passed, will empower the Manager from the date of this AGM until (i) the conclusion of the next AGM of the Unitholders of First REIT, or (ii) the date by which the next AGM of the Unitholders of First REIT is required by the applicable laws and regulations or the Trust Deed to be held, or (iii) such authority is varied or revoked by the Unitholders in a general meeting, whichever is the earliest, to issue Units, make or grant Instruments and to issue Units pursuant to such Instruments, up to a number not exceeding, in total, fifty per cent (50.0%) of the total number of issued Units (excluding treasury Units, if any), with a sub-limit of twenty per cent (20.0%) for issues other than on a pro rata basis to Unitholders.

Ordinary Resolution 3 above, if passed, will also empower the Manager from the date of this AGM until the date of the next AGM of First REIT, to issue Units as either full or partial payment of fees which the Manager is entitled to receive for its own account pursuant to the Trust Deed.

For the purpose of determining the aggregate number of Units that may be issued, the percentage of issued Units will be calculated based on the total number of issued Units (excluding treasury Units, if any) at the time Ordinary Resolution 3 above is passed, after adjusting for new Units arising from the conversion or exercise of any Instruments which are outstanding or subsisting at the time when Ordinary Resolution 3 above is passed and any subsequent bonus issue, consolidation or subdivision of Units.

Fund-raising by issuance of new Units may be required in instances of property acquisitions or debt repayments. In any event, if the approval of Unitholders is required under the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST, the Trust Deed or any applicable laws and regulations in such instances, the Manager will then obtain the approval of Unitholders accordingly.

#### **Important Notice:**

#### Format of Meeting

1. The AGM will be held, in a wholly physical format, at Hilton Singapore Orchard (333 Orchard Road, Singapore 238867), Grand Ballroom, Level 6, Orchard Wing on Monday, 22 April 2024 at 2.30 p.m.. Unitholders, including Central Provident Fund ("CPF") and Supplementary Retirement Scheme ("SRS") investors, and (where applicable) duly appointed proxies and representatives will be able to ask questions and vote at the AGM by attending the AGM in person and they should bring along their original NRIC/passport for registration on the day of the AGM. Only coffee, tea and water will be served at the AGM, and there will not be any vouchers or door gifts issued. There will be no option for Unitholders to participate virtually.

Printed copies of this Notice, the accompanying Proxy Form (as defined below) and the Request Form (as defined below) will be sent by post to Unitholders. This Notice and the accompanying Proxy Form will also be published on First REIT's website at the URL <u>https://www.first-reit.com/ir\_agm.html</u> and the SGX website at the URL <u>https://www.sgx.com/</u> securities/company-announcements.

#### Appointment of Proxy(ies)

2. (a) A Unitholder who is not a relevant intermediary is entitled to appoint not more than two proxies to attend, speak and vote at the AGM. Where such Unitholder's instrument appointing a proxy(ies) ("**Proxy Form**") appoints more than one proxy, the proportion of the unitholding concerned to be represented by each proxy shall be specified in the Proxy Form.

(b) A Unitholder who is a relevant intermediary is entitled to appoint more than two proxies to attend, speak and vote at the AGM, but each proxy must be appointed to exercise the rights attached to a different Unit or Units held by such Unitholder. Where such Unitholder's Proxy Form appoints more than two proxies, the number and class of Units in relation to which each proxy has been appointed shall be specified in the Proxy Form.

### A "relevant intermediary" means:

- a banking corporation licensed under the Banking Act 1970 of Singapore or a wholly-owned subsidiary of such a banking corporation, whose business includes the provision of nominee services and who holds Units in that capacity;
- (ii) a person holding a capital markets services licence to provide custodial services for securities under the Securities and Futures Act 2001 of Singapore and who holds Units in that capacity; or
- (iii) the Central Provident Fund Board ("CPF Board") established by the Central Provident Fund Act 1953 of Singapore, in respect of Units purchased under the subsidiary legislation made under that Act providing for the making of investments from the contributions and interest standing to the credit of members of the CPF, if the CPF Board holds those Units in the capacity of an intermediary pursuant to or in accordance with that subsidiary legislation.

A Unitholder who wishes to appoint a proxy(ies) must complete the Proxy Form before submitting it in the manner set out below.

- 3. A proxy need not be a Unitholder of First REIT. A Unitholder may choose to appoint the Chairman of the AGM as his/her/ its proxy.
- 4. The Proxy Form must be submitted to the Manager c/o the Unit Registrar in the following manner:
  - (a) if submitted by post, be lodged at the Unit Registrar's office, Boardroom Corporate & Advisory Pte. Ltd. at 1 Harbourfront Avenue, #14-07 Keppel Bay Tower, Singapore 098632; or
  - (b) if submitted electronically, be submitted via email to the Unit Registrar, Boardroom Corporate & Advisory Pte. Ltd. at FRAGM2024@boardroomlimited.com,

and in each case, must be lodged or received (as the case may be) by 2.30 p.m. on Friday, 19 April 2024, being not less than 72 hours before the time appointed for holding the AGM.

A Unitholder who wishes to submit a Proxy Form by post or via email can either use the printed copy of the Proxy Form which is sent to him/her/it by post or download a copy of the Proxy Form from First REIT's website or the SGX website, and complete and sign the Proxy Form, before submitting it by post to the address provided above, or before scanning and sending it by email to the email address provided above.

- 5. CPF and SRS investors:
  - (a) may vote at the AGM if they are appointed as proxies by their respective CPF Agent Banks or SRS Operators, and should contact their respective CPF Agent Banks or SRS Operators if they have any queries regarding their appointment as proxies; or
  - (b) may appoint the Chairman of the AGM as proxy to vote on their behalf at the AGM, in which case they should approach their respective CPF Agent Banks or SRS Operators to submit their votes by 5.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 10 April 2024.

#### Submission of Questions

- 6. Unitholders, including CPF and SRS investors, may submit substantial and relevant questions related to the resolutions to be tabled for approval at the AGM in advance of the AGM:
  - (a) by post to the Manager's registered address at 333 Orchard Road, #33-02, Singapore 238867; or
  - (b) via email to the Manager at ir@first-reit.com.

When submitting questions by post or via email, Unitholders should also provide the following details: (i) the Unitholder's full name; (ii) the Unitholder's address; and (iii) the manner in which the Unitholder holds units in First REIT (e.g., via CDP, CPF and/or SRS), for verification purposes.

All questions submitted in advance of the AGM must be received by 5.00 p.m. on Friday, 12 April 2024.

- 7. The Manager will address all substantial and relevant questions received from Unitholders by the 5.00 p.m. on Friday, 12 April 2024 deadline by publishing its responses to such questions on First REIT's website at the URL <u>https://www.first-reit.com</u> and the SGX website at the URL <u>https://www.sgx.com/securities/company-announcements</u> at least 48 hours prior to the closing date and time for the lodgement/receipt of the Proxy Form. The Manager will respond to questions or follow-up questions submitted after the 5.00 p.m. on Friday, 12 April 2024 deadline either within a reasonable timeframe before the AGM, or at the AGM itself. Where substantially similar questions are received, the Manager will consolidate such questions and consequently not all questions may be individually addressed.
- 8. Unitholders, including CPF and SRS investors, and (where applicable) duly appointed proxies and representatives can also ask the Chairman of the AGM substantial and relevant questions related to the resolutions to be tabled for approval at the AGM, at the AGM itself.

### Access to Documents

9. The Annual Report 2023 has been published and may be accessed on the SGX website at the URL <u>https://www.sgx.com/securities/company-announcements</u>. The Annual Report 2023 may also be accessed on First REIT's website at the URL https://www.first-reit.com by clicking on the hyperlink "Annual Report 2023".

Unitholders may request for printed copies of the Annual Report 2023 by completing and submitting the request form (the "**Request Form**") sent to them by post together with printed copies of this Notice and the accompanying Proxy Form in the following manner:

- (a) by post to the Manager's registered address at 333 Orchard Road, #33-02, Singapore 238867; or
- (b) via email to the Manager at ir@first-reit.com,

in each case, by 5.00 p.m. on Friday, 12 April 2024.

#### Personal data privacy:

By submitting an instrument appointing a proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) to attend, speak and vote at the AGM and/or any adjournment thereof, a Unitholder (i) consents to the collection, use and disclosure of the Unitholder's personal data by the Manager and the Trustee (or their agents or service providers) for the purpose of the processing, administration and analysis by the Manager and the Trustee (or their agents or service providers) of proxies and representatives appointed for the AGM (including any adjournment thereof) and the preparation and compilation of the attendance lists, minutes and other documents relating to the AGM (including any adjournment thereof), and in order for the Manager and the Trustee (or their agents or service providers) to comply with any applicable laws, listing rules, take-over rules, regulations and/or guidelines (collectively, the "**Purposes**"), (ii) warrants that where the Unitholder discloses the personal data of the Unitholder's proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) to the Manager and the Trustee (or their agents or service providers), the Unitholder has obtained the prior consent of such proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) for the collection, use and disclosure by the Manager and the Trustee (or their agents or service providers) of the personal data of such proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) for the Purposes, and (iii) agrees that the Unitholder will indemnify the Manager and the Trustee (or their agents or service providers) in respect of any penalties, liabilities, claims, demands, losses and damages as a result of the Unitholder's breach of warranty.