

Georgia State Board of Landscape Architects

Board Meeting Open Session Minutes

August 26, 2026

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Landscape Architects met on **Wednesday, August 26, 2026** via WebEx.

<u>Board Members Present:</u> Jon Williams, Chairman Chad Baker, Vice-Chairman Rebecca Kirk <u>Absent Members:</u> Jon Calabria Besty Norton <u>Attorney General Representative present:</u> Kareem McCulley, Assistant Attorney General	<u>Board Staff Present:</u> Laurie Elander, Executive Director Iris Waller, Licensing Supervisor Thishilyn Stubbs, Board Support Specialist Brandy Griffin, Licensing Analyst <u>Visitors:</u> No visitors in attendance
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Open Session:

At 9:34 a.m., Chairman, Jon Williams established that there was a quorum present and called the meeting to order.

Rebecca Kirk made a motion for the Board to accept the agenda as presented. Vice-Chairman, Chad Baker seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman, Jon Williams presented a draft of the May 6, 2026, board meeting minutes and asked for any additions or deletions. Rebecca Kirk made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Vice-Chairman, Chad Baker seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Vice-Chairman, Chad Baker made a motion for the Board to approve the list of licenses issued and licenses reinstated from April 30, 2026, to August 20, 2026. Rebecca Kirk seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Issued

License Number	Licensee	License Number	Licensee
LA-T000100	Jacob Steven Walker	LA002074	Matthew Louis Milano
LA-T000101	Gregory Michael Roesler	LA002075	ERIN HORTON
LA002065	Allen Kiah McDonald	LA002076	Mijung Ko
LA002064	Andrew Doyle	LA002077	Charles R Walker
LA002066	BRENT Thomas	LA002078	Crystal Ana Aponte

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LA002067	Jonathan Spencer
LA002068	Thomas Lenoir Woltz
LA002069	Brian D Borton
LA002071	Gary Worthley
LA002070	Laura Cappelluti
LA002072	Andrew Tull
LA002073	Joseph Pung

LA002079	Christy Paciocco
LA002080	Leah Bell
LA002081	Haobo Sun
LA002082	Kerry Leung
LA-T000102	Thomas Eliason

Reinstated

License Number	Licensee
LA001399	David Ira Sacks
LA001515	Frederick William Johansen III

Executive Session:

Rebecca Kirk moved, Vice-Chairman, Chad Baker seconded, and the Board voted to enter Executive Session at 9:37a.m. in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications, complaints, and to hear the Attorney General's Report.

At the conclusion of Executive Session, Jon Williams, Chairman declared the meeting to be "open" pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq., at 10:07 a.m. No votes were taken during the Executive Session.

Open Session:

Rebecca Kirk moved, Vice-Chairman, Chad Baker seconded, and the motion was carried by the Board to accept the following recommendations made during the Executive Session:

Approval of Executive Session Minutes: Approve the May 6, 2026, Executive Session Board minutes as presented.

Applications:

4780933: Approve
4831062: Approve

Reinstatements:

4780244: Approve

Complaints:

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LA260006/00278951: Close, no jurisdiction.
LA260007/00279413: Close, civil matter
LA260008/00282001: Close, no jurisdiction.
LA260010/00284625: Close no, nor jurisdiction.

Attorney General Report

Assistant Attorney General Kareen McCulley presented the AG Report, the board voted to accept as presented.

Executive Director Report:

The Board reviewed the Executive Director's report, which provided the Board with statistical data relevant to the processing of applications and complaints/compliance matters.

There being no further business, Chairman, Jon Williams declared the meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

The next meeting of the Board will be on October 14, 2026.

Minutes recorded by:

Thishilyn Stubbs, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Iris Waller, Executive Director



Jon Williams, Chairman

Signed by Iris Waller with the
expressed permission of Jon Williams



Iris Waller, Executive Director

These minutes were approved on: Wednesday, October 14, 2026

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COUNTY OF BIBB

AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Georgia Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A 50-14-1 et seq., requires that all meetings of an entity covered by the statute must be open to the public unless there is some specific statutory exception which permits the closing of the meeting. If such a meeting is to be closed, the law requires that the presiding person execute a sworn affidavit stating that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the statutory exceptions and identifying those specified exemptions relied upon. O.C.G. A. 50-14-4(b). A copy of this affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meetings in question.

Comes Jon Williams the Board Chair identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

1. I am the presiding officer of the Georgia Board of Landscape Architects.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in other aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and subject to penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On October 14, 2026, this entity, which is subject to the Open Meetings Act, met. A majority of the quorum of members present voted to close the meeting or a portion hereof of the following indicated reason(s). I hereby certify that during the closed portion of the meeting, only those subjects indicated below were discussed. I also certify that I have reviewed the exceptions provided under the Open Meetings Act that may permit the closing of a meeting and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reasons I have described in detail below meet the requirements for closing this public meeting.
4. The legal authority for closure of this meeting was: O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k).
5. The subjects discussed and the underlying facts supporting the closing of this meeting are as follows:

Applications and other personal information submitted by the applicants, information, Favorable or unfavorable, submitted by a reference source concerning an applicant; and Deliberations of the Board with respect to an application, an examination, a complaint, an Investigation, or a disciplinary proceeding.

FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

JON WILLIAMS
PRESIDING OFFICER

Jon Williams

Signed by Iris Waller with expressed permission of Jon Williams

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20
Day of October, 2026
Deborah H. Horton
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: Dec. 17, 2028

