

MISSISSIPPI LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (LAAC)
Minutes of a Special Meeting (conducted by videoconference)
February 9, 2021, 2:04 PM
Ridgeland, Mississippi

Members Present: Jon Milstead, Gary Haygood, Alan Hoops, and Jim Jackson

Also Present: Andrew Kilpatrick, Ellie Word, and John Cothron

With a quorum present, Mr. Hoops called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item	Explanation	Actions Taken/Planned
1. Pending Legislation	<p>Mr. Cothron reviewed pending legislation impacting the Committee.</p> <p>Mr. Milstead inquired if the Committee should take a position on HB 1315, which would repeal the Mississippi Certified Interior Designer Act. Mr. Kilpatrick responded that the Board has not been asked by the Interior Design Advisory Committee to send a letter regarding the bill.</p> <p>Mr. Kilpatrick explained the Board's opposition to HB 1314, which would eliminate the ownership requirements for architectural firms. He stated that the Board is concerned that the proposed changes to the law create the potential for conflict and harm to the public's life, health and property.</p>	<p>Motion was made by Mr. Jackson to request that the Board of Architecture allow Mr. Kilpatrick to draft potential changes to HB 1314 to resolve problems with the bill to the satisfaction of the Board and the LAAC. The motion died for lack of a second.</p> <p>The consensus of the Committee was to take no action on HB 1314, although members expressed a desire to continue dialogue with the Board of Architecture.</p>

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned with unanimous consent at 3:43 PM.

4/20/21

Date Approved by MSBOA


 Alan Hoops, Chair, LAAC


 Jon Milstead, Secretary, LAAC


 Prepared by John Cothron, Executive Director, on 2/11/21

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