MINUTES FOR STAKEHOLDER MEETING OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE, INTERIOR DESIGN AND RESIDENTIAL DESIGN (NSBAIDRD)
September 9, 2026
Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86305169616

Wednesday, September 9, 2026
Chairman James Mickey called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Board members present: James Mickey, Chair; Tina Wichmann, Secretary/Treasurer; Greg Erny, George Garlock, Laura Gryder, Chelsea Lavell, Kreg Mebust.

Board members excused: Coffee Polk and Sheri Kovac

Also in attendance: Monica Harrison (Executive Director), Louis Ling (Legal Counsel), and Stacey Hatfield (Deputy Director).

Chairman Mickey stated the purpose of the meeting pursuant to the Office of the Governor's direction under Executive Order 2026-003 to:

- Solicit stakeholder recommendations regarding regulations that should be streamlined, clarified, amended, or repealed.
- Receive stakeholder input regarding existing regulations.
- Identify additional regulatory improvements the department, agency, board, or commission determines warrant consideration.

AGENDA ITEM 1 **Public comment**

There was no public comment.

AGENDA ITEM 2 **Receipt of Public Comments Pursuant to Executive Order 2026-003**

The Board received no written comments; three comments were made via Zoom. Below are the transcriptions of their comments:

1. Carlos Fernandez, Executive Director of AIA Nevada:
   "My name is Carlos Fernandez, and I serve as the executive director of AIA Nevada, which is the Nevada chapter of the American Institute of Architects. We are the statewide voice of Nevada architecture professions and part of a professional network of more than 100,000 members. Our message today is simple. We support maintaining the current structure as it exists today. That means maintaining the support as an independent professional licensing board, maintaining its current composition and professional representation, and preserving the titles and scopes of practice already established in Nevada law. Architects, registered interior designers, and residential designers each have an established role in Nevada's design and construction community. Those distinctions are important. They provide clarity to the public, support accountability, and help ensure that regulated professionals are practicing within clearly understood qualifications and responsibilities. From AIA Nevada's perspective, the current framework works. We do not see a need to restructure the board, alter professional representation, change existing professional titles, or expand the current scope of practice. We strongly believe that regulation of these technical professions benefits from an independent board with direct knowledge of the work being regulated and a clear understanding of public health,

safety, and welfare responsibilities attached to that work. So, as you gather stakeholder comments under Executive Order 2026-003, our request is straightforward. Preserve the structure that exists today. Maintaining the independent board, maintaining its current representation, maintaining the current titles, and maintaining the existing scope of practice. We appreciate the opportunity to provide that perspective and appreciate the board's service to Nevada's design professionals and to the public."

2. Robert Getto, Residential Designer: *"My name is Robert Getto. I'm a residential designer, and I support everything that the Executive Director for AIA just said. I don't see any need for improvements, changes, or anything to that matter. So, I think everything is fine the way that it is."*

3. Dennis Rusk, Architect: *"I have four issues. I could strike them very quickly, and for the board's consideration and the governor's consideration. 1. First of all, I believe term limits for board members should be enacted, where board members do not serve more than 5 years. 2. I believe that the board needs to include, consistent with a statute of NRS, that there is a statute of limitations on suspensions and revocations. 3. I believe it's necessary to have an independent governor-appointed outside review by counsel of board actions annually and retrospectively back to anyone who brings forward a legitimate complaint, and 4. consistent with the rule of law, where you're judged by your peers, only architects should sit in review of other architects for any type of alleged accusation. Those are the four points that I want to bring forward. I think it is very important, on term limits, to avoid having fiefdoms developed in the board, where one individual has autonomous control over the actions of the architects throughout the state. Those are my four issues."*

AGENDA ITEM 3 **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

Chairman Mickey emphasized that the board comments received during the hearing would become part of the administrative record and be reviewed and addressed at our next Board meeting on October 21, 2026, in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order 2026-003.

Mickey adjourned the meeting.

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Monica Harrison, Executive Director Tina Wichmann, Secretary/Treasurer