



# Columbus, Georgia, Board of Tax Assessors

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## Board Members

Jayne Govar  
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Doug Jefcoat  
Assessor

Lanitra Sandifer Hicks  
Vice Chairman

**Chief Appraiser**  
Suzanne Widenhouse

## MINUTES #15-25

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Jayne Govar calls the Columbus, Georgia Board of Assessors' meeting to order on Monday, April 21st, 2025 at 9:00 A.M.

### **PRESENT ARE:**

Chairman Jayne Govar  
Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks  
Assessor Kathy Jones  
Assessor Doug Jefcoat  
Chief Appraiser Suzanne Widenhouse  
Recording Secretary Katrina Culpepper

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Assessor Jones motions to accept the agenda with noted change. Assessor Jefcoat seconds and the motion carries.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Assessor Jefcoat motions to accept the minutes as presented. Assessor Jones seconds and the motion carries.

At 9:05, Administrative Appraiser Mary Hale presents to the Board:

- 2025 Denied Homesteads - Signed & Approved.
- Existing Homesteads Upgrading to VA - Signed & Approved.
- Homesteads - # 188 013 051; 120 001 080; 039 002 092; 029 006 008; 071 059 015 - Signed & Approved.

At 9:19, Commercial Property Manager Jeff Milam presents to the Board:

- Returns - Signed & Approved.
- Exemption Requests - #003 007 024 Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks recused herself; #011 007 030; #064 031 021; #071 009 003; & #072 016 015 - all signed as Denials.
- Historic Exemptions: # 003 016 019 & 026 017 007 - Signed & Approved.

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At 9:47, Residential Property Manager Paul Borst presents to the Board:

- BOE Results - #185 048 007 - Signed & Approved.
- Returns - Signed & Approved.
- Local Value Changes - Signed & Approved.
- CUVA Value Changes 2025 - Signed & Approved.
- CUVA Approvals - Signed & Approved.

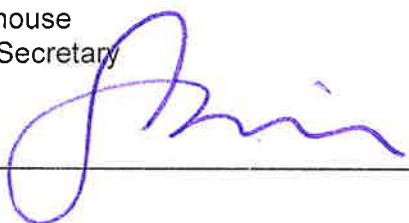
At 10:09, Chief Appraiser Suzanne Widenhouse presents to the Board:

- Sales Ratio Studies - placed into record.
- Legislative Update Discussion

Assessor Jones motions to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks seconds and the motion carries. At 10:35, Chairman Jayne Govar adjourns the meeting without any objections.

Suzanne Widenhouse  
Chief Appraiser/Secretary

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_



**MIN# 16 - 25 MAY 05 2025**

absent

J. GOVAR  
CHAIRMAN

K. Jones

K. JONES  
ASSESSOR

WJ

DOUG JEF COAT  
ASSESSOR

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vacant

ASSESSOR

L. Sandifer Hicks

L. SANDIFER HICKS  
VICE CHAIRMAN