

SENIOR PARTNER RESUMÉ

Rick Williams

Architect / Urban Designer



PROFESSION

Architect, Licensed in the State of CA, CO, MN, MS, NV, and TX

EDUCATION

- University of Calif., Berkeley; Master of Architecture, 1990
- University of Calif., Berkeley; Master of Planning - Urban Design, 1990
- California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA; B.S. Arch., 1982

PERSONAL PROFILE

A partner and founder of Van Meter Williams Pollack, Rick Williams is a leader in urban design and transit-oriented development. With a background in both planning and architecture, Rick focuses on planning and urban design projects involving mixed-use, transit oriented community plans and architectural design. His architectural work ranges from residential to mixed-use neighborhoods, urban infill, multifamily affordable and workforce housing throughout the Bay Area. Rick's understanding of building types and the public realm informs urban design projects that benefit from realistic implementation strategies, development regulations and design guidelines. His urban design efforts include national and west coast TOD and infill plans. His diverse experience also includes commercial and institutional projects.

Rick has worked extensively with public agencies, cities, nonprofit organizations, and diverse and disenfranchised communities. He is adept at negotiating the regulatory framework and writing innovative codes and guidelines to articulate the design parameters for mixed-use, pedestrian and transit-oriented development. Rick's primary focus is the implementation of complex, visionary design projects whose success depends on high quality design, strong community involvement, unique financing and public-private development partnerships. Rick also continues to lead efforts on a variety of affordable housing developments within a wide number of communities in the Bay Area. Rick has lectured extensively on issues of contemporary urban planning, and his urban design projects have been published in books and leading design and planning journals.

SELECTED PROJECT EXPERIENCE

- Gwinnett Place Mall, Duluth, GA - *mall conversion, strategic plan, mixed-use, mixed-income housing*
- Bay Fair TOD Specific Plan, San Leandro, CA - *mall conversion, TOD specific plan*
- Belmar Master Plan, Lakewood, CO - *mall conversion, master plan*
- Warm Springs Transit Village, Fremont, CA - *master plan*
- Sunnydale HOPE SF Master Plan, San Francisco, CA - *master plan, public housing*
- San Jose Design Standards and Guidelines, CA - *standards and guidelines*
- MacArthur BART Station, Oakland, CA - *master plan*
- Balboa Reservoir, San Francisco, CA - *mixed-income, workforce housing*
- Vivalon Healthy Aging Campus, San Rafael, CA - *affordable senior housing*
- Fairfax Victory Village, Fairfax, CA - *affordable senior housing*
- Westbourne Park C1, Fremont, CA - *mixed-income, mixed-use*
- 4840 Mission St., San Francisco, CA - *affordable, mixed-use housing*
- El Camino Real Precise Plan, Mountain View, CA - *strategic plan*
- 703 Third Street, San Rafael, CA - *mixed-income*
- San Mateo County Event Center Vision Plan, San Mateo, CA - *vision plan*