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(Amendment No.)

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The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY

2026 Annual Meeting

Vote by January 25, 2026

11:59 PM ET



THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CO.
ATTN: KATHY LITTLE — PARALEGAL
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MARYSVILLE, OH 43041



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You invested in **THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY** and it's time to vote!

You have the right to vote on proposals being presented at the Annual Meeting. **This is an important notice regarding the availability of proxy materials for the shareholder meeting to be held on January 26, 2026.**

Get informed before you vote

View the Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders, Proxy Statement and 2025 Annual Report online OR you can receive a free paper or email copy of the material(s) by requesting prior to January 12, 2026. If you would like to request a copy of the material(s) for this and/or future shareholder meetings, you may (1) visit www.ProxyVote.com, (2) call 1-800-579-1639 or (3) send an email to sendmaterial@proxyvote.com. If sending an email, please include your control number (indicated below) in the subject line. Unless requested, you will not otherwise receive a paper or email copy.



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Vote Virtually at the Meeting*

January 26, 2026
9:00 a.m., Eastern Time

Virtually at:
www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/SMG2026

*Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance.

THIS IS NOT A VOTABLE BALLOT

This is an overview of the proposals being presented at the upcoming shareholder meeting. Please follow the instructions on the reverse side to vote these important matters.

Voting Items	Board Recommends
1. Election of four directors, each to serve for a term of three years to expire at the 2029 Annual Meeting of Shareholders: Nominees:	
1a. James Hagedorn	✔ For
1b. Edith Avilés	✔ For
1c. Roberto Candelino	✔ For
1d. Mark D. Kingdon	✔ For
2. Approval, on an advisory basis, of the compensation of the Company's named executive officers.	✔ For
3. Ratification of the selection of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026.	✔ For
4. Approval of an amendment and restatement of The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company Long-Term Incentive Plan to, among other things, increase the maximum number of common shares available for grant to participants.	✔ For

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