

LAKEWOOD HERITAGE ADVISORY BOARD

1997 ANNUAL REPORT

The year 1997 represented the first full year of operation of the Lakewood Heritage Advisory Board (LHAB). The Board worked on goals and projects outlined in the November, 1994 Lakewood Landmarks Commission report, as affirmed by a joint meeting of City of Lakewood boards and commissions, Lakewood Chamber of Commerce, Lakewood City Council, and City of Lakewood Building Department held in May, 1995.

PROGRAMS

◆ Hosted workshop on architectural styles in Lakewood and exterior painting. Over 60 residents attended this May 14, 1997 workshop, held in conjunction with the annual national *Historic Preservation Week*. The workshop included a slide show of architectural styles in Lakewood, information on well-known local builder Philip Marquard, and a slide show/lecture on exterior paint colors and proper exterior painting techniques and tips.

◆ Prepared preliminary list of magazines, books, manuals, and National Park Service publications, in preparation for discussions with the Lakewood Public Library to highlight within their collections published materials on maintaining and repairing older buildings. The discussions will also include the possibility of establishing a web page as part of the library's internet site.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

◆ Residential Design Guidelines: At the request of the Administration, an ad hoc committee composed of members of the LHAB and the Lakewood Architectural Board of Review drafted conceptual revisions to the existing *Lakewood Home Improvement Guide* and submitted them to the City in August, 1997. The ad hoc committee recommended retaining building code related aspects of the guide and expanding the scope to include:

- architectural characteristics of the Lakewood building stock and how each home contributes to that character;
- maintenance considerations for older houses;
- aesthetic considerations with maintaining and repairing older houses.

◆ Offered assistance to the committees updating the 1993 *Lakewood Community Vision* plan, specifically the repetition of a goal outlined in the 1993 document, the official listing of Lakewood on the National Register of Historic Places.

◆ Provided opinions on the following agenda items of the Lakewood Architectural Board of Review:

- 15111 Detroit Avenue (Huntington Bank) - a design (not approved) that was not in keeping with the early 20th century architectural character of Lakewood commercial districts.

- 13452 Lake Avenue (house addition)
- provided project architect with sources for clay roofing tiles.

◆ The Board also provided its views to the administration on the Clifton Road/Forest Road reconstruction project, specifically the issues of concrete versus asphalt top layer of pavement and rolled versus vertical curb design.

ADMINISTRATIVE

◆ Rules and Regulations of the Board approved March 25, 1997.

The Board would also like to express its appreciation of the efforts of Millie Schickler, a member of the Lakewood Landmarks Commission and its successor the Lakewood Heritage Advisory Board, who passed away in 1997.

1997 LAKEWOOD HERITAGE ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

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This annual report is prepared in accordance with Ordinance 50-95, Section 6.