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A BILL FOR AN

ORDINANCE REGULATING AND RESTRICTING THE USE OF LAND AND THE USE, LOCATION, HEIGHT AND BULK OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES, AND DIVIDING THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, COLORADO, INTO ZONE DISTRICTS.

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Lakewood:

TITLE 17 (As Amended)

ARTICLE 1: GENERAL

17-1-1. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known and cited as the "Zoning Ordinance" or the "Zoning Ordinance of the City of Lakewood, Colorado."

17-1-2. PURPOSE. Pursuant to statutory authority, this Ordinance is enacted for the following purposes:

(1) To promote the health, safety, order, convenience, prosperity and welfare of the present and future inhabitants of the City of Lakewood.

(2) To lessen the impact of traffic and congestion in the streets and roads, to secure safety from fire and other dangers, and to provide adequate sun, light and air.

(3) To provide for the classification of land uses and the distribution of land development within and utilization of those land uses.

(4) To avoid undue congestion of population, to facilitate the adequate provision of transportation, water, schools, sewerage, and other public requirements and to promote energy conservation.

(5) To accomplish the purposes of the City's Comprehensive Plan and of the zoning maps adopted herein.

(6) To promote vehicle and pedestrian safety.

(7) To enhance the appearance of the City, promote good civic design and arrangement, protect the value of property and conserve the value of buildings.

(8) To preserve open space and prevent the overcrowding of land.

(9) To protect property from adverse influences of adjacent property where differing zone districts abut.

(10) To provide planned and orderly use of land within the City.

(11) To update and modernize the previously adopted zoning ordinance of the City.
17-1-3. INTERPRETATION AND EFFECT ON PRIVATE COVENANTS. (1) In interpreting and applying the provisions of this Ordinance, they shall be held to be the minimum requirements for the promotion of public health, safety, convenience, order, prosperity and the general welfare. It is not intended by this Ordinance to interfere with or abrogate or annul any easements, covenants or agreements between parties, provided, however, that wherever this Ordinance imposes a greater restriction upon the use of buildings or land or upon the location or height of buildings or structures or requires larger open spaces about buildings than are imposed or required by other laws, ordinances or easements, covenants or agreements between parties, the provisions of this Ordinance shall govern.

(2) Nothing herein contained shall be construed to render inoperative any restrictions established by covenants running with the land unless such restrictions are prohibited or are contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance.

17-1-4. SEVERABILITY. If for any reason any one or more sections, sentences, clauses or parts of this Ordinance are held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remaining provisions of this Ordinance. It is the intent of the City Council that the provisions of the Ordinance shall be severable.

17-1-5. REPEALER. (1) At the time all property not zoned PD (planned development), which is located within the City of Lakewood and which is subject to zoning regulation, is zoned or rezoned to a district created by this Ordinance 0-80-51, all portions of Ordinance 0-70-104, as amended, not previously repealed shall be automatically repealed. The City Council shall declare such occurrence by resolution which shall be conclusive as to the facts found by the Council therein.

(2) The following sections of Ordinance 0-70-104, as amended, are repealed as of the effective date of this Ordinance 0-80-51: Sections 1-5, 1-6, 1-7, 1-8, 1-14(C)(1), the Board of Adjustment authority to allow side yard exceptions contained in 1-14(C)(3), 1-14(C)(4)(b), 1-15(E)(3), 3-2, 3-5, and 3-7.

17-1-6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance 0-80-51 shall take effect thirty days after final publication and shall apply to property and uses of property at such times as provided in section 17-1-7.

17-1-7. APPLICABILITY. (1) Any application for an initial zoning or rezoning of property filed on or after the effective date of this Ordinance shall be for a zone district created by this Ordinance. The application shall be governed by and approved or disapproved subject to Article 17 of this Ordinance, and this Ordinance shall in all respects govern the use of property so zoned or rezoned.

(2) Any application for an initial zoning or a rezoning of property filed prior to and pending on the effective date of this Ordinance shall be
amended to propose a zone district created by this Ordinance and shall other-
wise conform to and be governed by this Ordinance 0-80-51, unless a hearing on
the application has been conducted by the Planning Commission. If a hearing
thereon has been conducted by the Planning Commission, the application shall
be governed by and the zoning or rezoning shall be approved or disapproved
subject to the procedures and standards set forth in Ordinance 0-70-104, as
amended, and for such purpose only, Sections 1-11 and 1-12(B) and (C) of Ord-
inance 0-70-104, as amended, shall remain effective until no such application
is pending.

(3) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Ordinance, the following
portions of this Ordinance shall apply to all property on the effective date
of this Ordinance, even though no rezoning of the property has occurred:

(a) Article 4. All powers granted therein to the Board of Adjust-
ment and Director may be exercised with respect to the various regula-
tions set forth in Ordinance 0-70-104, as amended.

(b) Article 9. The parking requirements therein shall apply to
uses of property under Ordinance 0-70-104, as amended, which are compar-
able to uses of property under this Ordinance, unless the conditions set
forth in subparagraphs (e)(1) and (2) or (3) below exist, in which event
the applicable parking requirements of Ordinance 0-70-104, as amended,
shall apply.

(c) Article 13. Home occupations permitted therein shall be per-
mitted only in the CN, A-1, A-2, R-1, R-1A, R-1B, and R-2 zone districts
of Ordinance 0-70-104, as amended.

(d) Article 14. The flood hazard area regulations shall apply to
flood hazard areas under Ordinance 0-70-104, as amended, unless the con-
ditions set forth in subparagraphs (e)(1) and (2) or (3) below exist, in
which event the applicable flood hazard area regulations of Ordinance
0-70-104, as amended, shall apply.

(e) Article 15. The site development regulations shall apply to
construction of any new building, structure, parking area, or loading
area, or any substantial alteration to an existing building, structure,
parking area or loading area, which is located in an R-3A, R-3, R-4, R-T,
R-C1, R-C, C-1, C-2, IT-1, IT-2, IT-3, IT-4, or PD zone district under
Ordinance 0-70-104, as amended, unless:

(1) A completed building permit application for the particular
use is on file with the City on the effective date of this Ordinance
but no permit has been issued; and

(2) The building permit is issued within thirty days after
that effective date; or,

(3) The requirements of any of the sections will specifically
and directly conflict with standards for a particular planned
development approved by the City Council prior to the effective date.
of this Ordinance. If such a conflict exists, the requirements of those sections shall be waived but only to the extent necessary to avoid the conflict.

(f) All definitions in Article 2 which are applicable to the Articles listed in this subsection (3).

(g) Article 7. Setbacks permitted herein shall be applied to the CN, A-1, A-2, R-1, R-1A, R-1B, R-2, R-3, R-3A, R-4, R-C1, RC, C-1, C-2, IT-1, II-2, IT-3 zone districts of Ordinance 0-70-104, as amended. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(4) Pursuant to Ordinance 0-70-104, as amended, land has been zoned P.D. Planned Development and in some instances the zoning designation further conditioned the zoning to designated uses, as defined within 0-70-104, as amended. Ordinance 0-80-51 has now eliminated the P.D. Planned Development District and generally replaced that district with the MU Mixed Use District. When property develops, if the prior conditional uses referred to uses set forth in Ordinance 0-70-104, as amended, then said property shall be permitted the uses pursuant to those defined in Ordinance 0-70-104, as amended, and not Ordinance 0-80-51. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(5) (a) Any property zoned R-1, pursuant to Ordinance 0-70-104, as amended, which retained such zoning classification as a result of a special referendum election held August 10, 1982, shall be subject to all regulations applicable to property within the 1-R District of this Ordinance.

(b) Any property zoned R-1A, pursuant to Ordinance 0-70-104, as amended, which retained such zoning classification as a result of a special referendum election held August 10, 1982, shall be subject to all regulations applicable to property within the 2-R District of this Ordinance.

(c) Any property zoned A-1, pursuant to Ordinance 0-70-104, as amended, which retained such zoning classification as a result of a special referendum election held August 10, 1982, shall be subject to all regulations applicable to property within the CN District of this Ordinance. (As amended by 0-82-140.)

(6) Development of property located within the Villa Italia Activity Center shall be subject to review by the Villa Italia Design Review Committee. The Committee is advisory to the Planning Commission or the Director of Community Development, depending on the review status of the development application. (As amended by 0-85-27.)

17-1-8. SAVINGS CLAUSE. The amendment or repeal of any ordinance or part thereof, by this Ordinance shall not release, extinguish or modify, in whole or in part, any penalty, liability or right of the City incurred or obtained under the amended or repealed ordinance or part thereof. The ordinance or part thereof, so amended or repealed, shall be treated and held as remaining in force for the purpose of sustaining any and all proper actions, suits, proceedings and prosecutions, for the enforcement of any penalty, liability or
right of the City, for the purpose of sustaining any judgment, decree, or order which may be rendered in such actions, suits, proceedings or prosecutions, and for the purpose of sustaining any and all proceedings, actions, acts, decisions, hearings and appeals pending before the Lakewood Planning Commission, the Lakewood City Council, the Lakewood Board of Adjustment and any court.

17-1-9. VIOLATION AND PENALTY. (1) It shall be unlawful to construct, reconstruct, alter, maintain, use or cause to be used any building or structure, or to use or cause to be used any land in violation of this Zoning Ordinance or any amendment hereto. Any person, firm or corporation, including the officers or agents of a corporation responsible for its actions and the members of a partnership, firm or joint venture, violating or causing violations of this Zoning Ordinance or amendment hereto, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than nine hundred ninety-nine dollars or imprisoned not more than one hundred and eighty days or both. Each day during which such violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense. (As amended by 0-84-87.)

(2) If any building or structure is constructed, reconstructed, altered, maintained, used, or caused to be used, or any land is used or caused to be used, in violation of this Zoning Ordinance or amendment hereto, the City Attorney, or any owner of real estate located either within the district in which such buildings, structure or land is situated, or immediately adjacent thereto, in addition to other remedies or penalties provided in this Ordinance or by law, may institute injunction, mandamus, abatement or any other appropriate action or proceeding to prevent, enjoin, abate or remove such violation.
ARTICLE 2: DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION
(As amended by 0-81-108, 0-81-110, 0-81-158, 0-82-6, 0-82-19, 0-82-108, and 0-82-170.)

17-2-1. GENERAL INTERPRETATION. (1) For purposes of this Ordinance, the words and terms used, defined, interpreted or further described herein shall be construed as follows:

(a) The present tense includes the future tense.

(b) Words used in the singular number include the plural, and vice versa, unless the context clearly indicates the contrary.

(c) The phrase "used for" includes "arranged for," "designed for," "intended for," "maintained for," and "occupied for."

(d) The word "shall" is mandatory.

(e) The masculine shall include the feminine.

(2) Where not defined herein, the words used in this Ordinance shall have the common and customary meaning.

17-2-2. DEFINITIONS. As used within this Ordinance, except where otherwise specifically defined, or unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the following meanings:

(1) Abandoned Sign: A sign which no longer correctly directs any person, advertises a bona fide business, lessor, owner, product or activity conducted or products available on the premises where such sign is displayed. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(2) Accessory Building: A building or structure, the use of which is supplementary and subordinate to that of the main building on the same lot. (As amended by 0-83-159) (As amended by 0-86-50.)

(3) Accessory Use: (See Article 12.)

(4) Amusement Arcade: A place of business where an individual, association, partnership or corporation maintains more than ten amusement devices. (As amended by 0-82-108.)

(5) Amusement Center: A place of business where an individual, association, partnership or corporation maintains less than eleven amusement devices and excepting any number of billiard tables either as a sole business or in conjunction with some other business. (As amended by 0-82-108.)

(6) Amusement Device: Any device which, upon insertion of a coin, slug, token, plate or disc, or payment of a consideration, may be used by the public for use as a game, entertainment, amusement, a test of skill, either mental or
physical, whether or not registering a score; but shall not include radios, devices that provide music only, television carrying commercial broadcasts only, bowling lanes, or fixed-stand coin-operated kiddie rides. (As amended by 0-82-108.)

(7) Animated Sign: Any sign or any part thereof, which changes physical position by any movement or rotation.

(8) Atrium: A glass enclosure which is attached to a building on at least one of its sides.

(9) Automobile: A motor vehicle designed for the transportation of either passengers or cargo and weighing less than six thousand five hundred (6,500) pounds empty weight.

(10) Awnings: A shelter supported entirely from the exterior wall of a building and of a type which can be retracted, folded or collapsed against the face of the supported building. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(11) Bike/Pedestrian Path: A surface designed to accommodate both pedestrian and bicycle movements.

(12) Billboard: A third party sign advertising a business, product or service, religious, charitable or nonprofit organization not located upon or available upon the premises whereon the sign is located. Billboards do not include directional or informational signs erected by any governmental institution or agency.

(13) Brick Paver Area: That part of the pedestrian path attached to the curb, 2 feet wide and having a brick surface.

(14) Buffer Area: An area of land located within a development that provides a landscaped transition and screen between said development and abutting residential land uses and residentially zoned land, the requirements for which are specified in Article 15 of this ordinance. (As amended by 0-83-159 and as amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(15) Building: Any structure having a roof supported by columns or walls and used or intended for supporting or sheltering any use or occupancy.

(16) Building Code: The Uniform Building Code, as adopted by the City of Lakewood and as amended from time to time.

(17) Building Front: One exterior wall of a building facing a front lot line; or, in the event that the primary entrance is located on an exterior wall which is not facing the front lot line, the building front shall be the exterior wall containing the primary entrance to the building.

(18) Building - Height of: The height of a building shall be the vertical distance measured from the grade at the building to the highest point of the coping of a flat roof, the deck line of a mansard roof, the highest point of the highest gable of a pitched or hipped roof, or the highest point of any other type of roof. The height of a building shall not include mechanical
equipment, screening for mechanical equipment, spires, chimneys and antennae. (As amended by Ordinance 0-88-43, effective date 11/13/88.)

(19) Building Separation: The area across lot lines measured from main building wall to main building wall between adjacent buildings.

(20) Bulk: The total volume of a structure.

(21) Camper: A unit, containing cooking or sleeping facilities, which is designed to be loaded onto or affixed to the bed or chassis of a truck to provide temporary living quarters for recreational camping or travel use.

(22) Canopy: A permanent shade or weather-protection structure which is attached to or supported by a building or other structure, or which is supported by columns or posts.

(23) Carport: A canopy for a motor vehicle or travel or utility trailer which may be detached from or partially supported by a building.

(24) Channel: That portion of a watercourse with a perceptibly defined bed and banks which confines and continuously or periodically conducts a flow of water.

(25) Child Care Camp: A facility intended to accommodate temporary group living for children under sixteen (16) years of age that is substantially oriented toward outdoor activities in a natural environment.

(26) Child Care Facility: Any facility, by whatever name known, which is licensed by the State of Colorado and maintained for compensation, for the whole or any part of a day, for the care of five (5) or more children under the age of sixteen (16) years who are not related to the owner, operator or manager thereof, except when such facility serves as the primary residence for said children, in which case the facility shall be regulated as a group home or group living quarters. (As amended by 0-88-67, effective date 2/11/89.)

(27) Church: A building intended primarily for the practice and worship of a religious faith, including convents.

(28) City Hall: The primary office building operated by the City of Lakewood, and which houses principal administrative offices of the City. (As amended by 0-82-61.)

(29) Colorado Child Care Act: Article 6, Title 26, Colorado Revised Statutes 1973, as amended.

(30) Commercial Trade or Service: An economic activity involving the provision of material goods and commodities or personal or professional skills for economic gain.

(31) Commercial Trailer: Any wheeled vehicle, without motive power, which is designed to be drawn by a motor vehicle and to carry its cargo load wholly upon its own structure and which is generally and commonly used to
carry and transport property over the public highways and which is registered under the ton-mile tax laws of the State of Colorado. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-32, effective date 10/16/89.)

(32) Commercial Vehicle: Any truck tractor, dump truck, semi-trailer commercial trailer, tow truck or vehicle equipped to provide towing services, bus or vehicle with an empty weight of six thousand (6,000) pounds or greater or any vehicle, regardless of weight, which: (1) is used, or normally associated with, the transportation of materials, products, freight, other vehicles, or equipment in furtherance of any commercial activity; or (2) is used "for hire"; or (3) displays advertising thereon. Identification of the vehicle's manufacturer, model or dealer shall not be considered as advertising. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-32, effective date 10/16/89.)

(33) Common Facilities: Real property within residential, office, commercial, and/or industrial developments that is owned, operated, and/or maintained by an association, partnership, or other entity made up of the fee owners of the development. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51 effective date 8/28/89.)

(34) Comprehensive Plan: Concept Lakewood, as adopted by the Planning Commission and approved by the City Council, including all adopted and approved amendments thereto.

(35) Conceptual Site Plan: A general site plan required with a rezoning application. A Conceptual Site Plan does not constitute a site specific development plan as it relates to a vested property right. (As amended by Ordinance 0-88-10 effective 4/30/88.)

(36) Correctional Institution: A building or group of buildings in which persons are confined for an indeterminate period of time while on trial for an offense, or while serving sentence for punishment of a crime, or as the result of a specific court order.

(37) Corner Unit: A corner unit is one which has frontage on more than one street, parking area, drive aisle, or combination of these. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-51 effective date 9/4/87.)

(38) Covered Parking: Attached or detached garages, or carports. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(39) Dance Hall: Any place of business, open to the public, the primary purpose or use of which is to furnish to its patrons facilities for dancing. The incidental sale of food or beverages to the patrons shall not change the nature of the business. The term shall include any discotheque or other establishment, regardless of title, which meets the definition of "dance hall" set forth herein.

(40) Days: Consecutive calendar days, unless otherwise specifically designated.

(41) Density: The number of dwelling units per acre of Lot-Total Area. (As amended by 0-82-19.)

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(42) **Department:** Department of Community Development. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(43) **Development:** Any man-made change to real estate or property, including buildings, or other structures, mining, dredging, filling, grading, paving, excavation, or drilling.

(44) **Directional Sign:** Any sign that directs the movement or placement of pedestrian or vehicular traffic on a lot with or without reference to, or inclusion of, the name of a product sold or service performed on the lot or in a building, structure or business enterprise occupying the same.

(45) **Director:** Director of the Department of Community Development or his designee.

(46) **Display Surface:** The area made available by the sign structure for the purpose of displaying the advertising message.

(47) **Distance of Sign Projection:** The distance from the exterior wall surface of the building, or from the farthest horizontal point on a mansard roof, to the display face of a wall sign. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(48) **Drainway:** A natural or artificial land depression, with or without perceptible bed and banks, to which surface run-off gravitates to form a continuous or intermittent flow of water in a definite direction.

(49) **Drive-In:** A commercial activity where, prior to service, the patron customarily drives a motor vehicle onto the premises, parks the vehicle in a defined parking space, and turns off the engine. Thereafter, the patron customarily is served in the automobile by a carhop or other means which eliminate the need for the customer to exit the vehicle.

(50) **Drive-Through:** A commercial facility where the patron customarily drives a motor vehicle onto the premises and to a window or mechanical device through or by which the customer is served without exiting the vehicle. Prior to service, the engine of the motor vehicle customarily remains in operation.

(51) **Dump Truck:** A truck having a bed that tilts to dump its cargo or contents. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-32, effective date 10/16/89.)

(52) **Duplex:** A building designed for occupancy by two (2) households living in separate dwelling units.

(53) **Dwelling Unit - One Household:** A building designed for occupancy by not more than one (1) household.

(54) **Dwelling Unit - Multiple Household:** A building designed for occupancy by three (3) or more households living in separate dwelling units, but not including motels or hotels.
(55) **Dwelling Unit - Attached Wall Townhouse:** A building designed for occupancy by three (3) or more households living in separate units attached by side wall or rear wall connection, but not including motels, hotels, or stacked flats. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(56) **Election Sign:** A sign providing information regarding elections, candidates, or issues concerning such elections. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(57) **Emergency Health Care Facility:** An establishment having as its sole purpose the provision of emergency health care and emergency medical treatment for human ailments. No overnight accommodations for patients are available.

(58) **Equipment - Heavy:** Nonmotorized merchandise of six thousand (6,000) pounds or more empty weight, or motorized merchandise of more than six thousand (6,000) pounds empty weight, having motors of twenty (20) horsepower or more performance. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(59) **Equipment - Light:** Nonmotorized merchandise of less than six thousand (6,000) pounds empty weight, or motorized merchandise of less than six thousand (6,000) pounds empty weight, having motors less than twenty (20) horsepower. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(60) **Erector:** Any person engaged in the business of installing signs. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(61) **Exterior Wall Surface:** The most exterior part of a wall, sun screen, or any screening or material covering a building. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(62) **Fabrication:** The construction of a specific good through the assembly of premanufactured parts which require no processing modification.

(63) **Facade:** Any face (as on a street or court) of a building given special architectural treatment; a false, superficial or artificial appearance or effect.

(64) **Family:** Any number of individuals who are related by blood, marriage or legal adoption, plus up to four (4) additional children placed in the dwelling as a family foster care unit by Jefferson County or other State licensed placement agency, who are "living together as a single housekeeping unit," as that phrase is defined in the definition of "household" as it appears in this Section (17-2-2). (As amended by 0-88-67, effective date 2/11/89.)

(65) **Fill:** A deposit of material of any kind by other than natural means.

(66) **Final Site Plan:** For the purpose of Article 17 reference to a final site plan shall mean those requirements set forth in Article 15 for a site development plan. A final site plan must conform to the approved conceptual site plan. (As amended by Ordinance 0-88-10 effective date 4/30/88.)
(67) **Flashing Signs**: Any directly or indirectly illuminated sign, either stationary or animated, which exhibits changing natural or artificial light or color effects by any means whatsoever.

(68) **Garage - Private**: An accessory building or an accessory portion of a main building, designed for the shelter or storage of motor vehicles owned or operated by the occupants of the main building only.

(69) **Grade**: (a) For the purpose of determining height or depth requirements, grade shall mean the average of the finished adjacent ground level at the center of all walls of a building. If case walls are parallel to or within five (5) feet of a sidewalk, alley or other public way, the above ground level shall be measured at the elevation of the sidewalk, alley or public way.

(b) For the purpose of determining the slope of facilities such as streets, walkways and bike/pedestrian paths, grade shall mean the degree of slope of the ground or finished surface, expressed in a percentage and equal to the total rise or fall in any vertical distance divided by the horizontal distance. For a street, walkway or bike/pedestrian path, the grade shall be the degree of slope of the finished surface at the center line.

(70) **Grand Opening**: The initial opening of a new store or the reopening of a substantially remodeled store. Change of management does not constitute a new store. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-51 effective date 9/4/87.)

(71) **Gross Floor Area**:  

(a) The gross area of all covered and enclosed space on all floor levels of a building including the following:

(1) Halls, corridors, lobbies, mezzanines, display areas;

(2) Stairways, elevator shafts, escalators, utility cores, air conditioning and heating area; and

(3) Common facilities for use of all tenants, such as meeting rooms, nurseries, rest rooms, auditoriums, administrative offices, leasing offices, and first aid rooms.

(b) Gross floor area does not include:

(1) Any relatively open exterior plazas which are eligible for inclusion in covered open space;

(2) Fully or partially enclosed mall areas or atriums;

(3) Fully or partially enclosed crosswalks, ramps, bridges, or other such buildings or structures intended for pedestrian use; and

(4) Basement storage areas, loading areas, underground truck roads and service facilities.
(72) **Gross Land Area:**

(a) An area which includes the following:

1. Horizontal lot area in designated use within the property lines, including public and private streets; and,
2. One-half the area of any abutting alley or street right-of-way.

(b) Gross land area does not include:

1. Areas not beneficial to the designated use of land because of restrictions on development due to irregular shape, topography, location or character, as determined by the Planning Commission; and
2. Land area already used predominately for other use purposes.

(73) **Ground Sign:** A sign structure supported by poles, uprights or braces extending from or anchored into the ground but not attached to any part of the building.

(74) **Group Home:** A one household dwelling or duplex in which unrelated individuals or related and unrelated individuals live, where physical assistance and/or supervision is provided by resident and/or nonresident professional support personnel as a continual benefit. A group home shall be defined according to its client population, as listed below. However, group home will not include a hotel, motel, rooming house, or facility housing juvenile or adult offenders or a facility for treatment of substance abuse problems as defined under Group Living Quarters. Group home shall also include state licensed personal care boarding homes and alternative care boarding homes when such homes comply with all other applicable portions of this Ordinance. (As amended by O-88-67, effective date 2/11/89.)

(a) **Group home for elderly persons:** A group home for persons sixty (60) years of age or older who do not require medical attention associated with a residential health care facility. Group homes for elderly must either be licensed by the State Department of Health or Social Services, or approved by Jefferson County as an Adult Foster Care Home.

(b) **Group home for developmentally disabled persons:** A state licensed group home exclusively for the care of persons with developmental disabilities, as defined and regulated by the State Department of Institutions, Division for Developmental Disabilities.

(c) **Group home for mentally ill persons:** A state licensed group home exclusively for the care of persons with mental illness, as defined and regulated by either the State Department of Health or Social Services.
(d) **Group home for dependent, neglected children:** A Colorado Department of Social Services licensed group home exclusively for the care of persons under the age of eighteen (18) with emotional, behavioral, or social problems, who under the terms of Title 19, C.R.S. 1973, as amended, are determined to be dependant or neglected.

(e) **Home for victims of domestic violence:** A group home housing residents for the purposes of rehabilitation or special care for domestic violence victims of physical, emotional, or mental abuse.

(f) **Home for pregnant women and infants:** A group home for care and counseling of pregnant women and infants up to the age of one (1) year. (As amended by 0-88-67, effective date 2/11/89.)

(75) **Group Living Quarters:** A structure other than a one or two household dwelling unit, hotel, or motel designed and operated for the purpose of housing, or special care and housing, of unrelated individuals or related and unrelated individuals, where centralized provision of meals and services and individual or group sleeping accommodations are included. Group living quarters shall be defined according to their population as listed below. Any group living quarters that meets the definition of correctional institution shall be regulated as a correctional institution. Any group living quarters that meets the definition of a group home or household shall be regulated as a group living quarters rather than as a household or group home.

(a) **Group Living quarters for elderly persons:** A residential facility for persons sixty (60) years of age or older who do not require medical attention associated with a residential health care facility. Group living quarters for elderly shall be either (1) licensed as a personal care boarding home or alternative care boarding home by either the State Department of Health or Social Services, or (2) certified as an adult foster care facility by Jefferson County Social Services.

(b) **Group living quarters for developmentally disabled persons:** A state licensed facility exclusively for the care of persons with developmental disabilities, as defined and regulated by the State Department of Institutions, Division for Developmental Disabilities.

(c) **Group living quarters for mentally ill persons:** A state licensed facility exclusively for the care of persons with mental illness, as defined and regulated by the State Department of Health.

(d) **Group living quarters for dependent, neglected children:** A Colorado Department of Social Services licensed facility exclusively for the care of persons under the age of eighteen (18) with emotional, behavioral, or social problems, who under the terms of Title 19, C.R.S. 1973 as amended are determined to be dependent or neglected.

(e) **Group living quarters for substance abuse rehabilitation:** A facility established for purposes of rehabilitation, special care, supervision, or treatment for alcohol or narcotic abuse.
(f) Group living quarters for adult or juvenile offenders: A facility licensed or certified by the State of Colorado, housing residents placed by the Division of Youth Services of the Department of Institutions, or the Department of Corrections, for purposes of rehabilitation, special care, supervision, or treatment for social, behavioral, or disciplinary problems. This category shall not include facilities meeting the definition of a correctional institution.

(g) Group living quarters for the temporary shelter of homeless persons: A facility established and maintained to provide housing and personal care on a "temporary basis" for indigent or homeless persons. The "temporary" period shall be defined by the facility but shall not exceed thirty (30) consecutive days.

(h) Group living quarters for victims of domestic violence: A facility housing residents for the purposes of rehabilitation or special care for domestic violence victims of physical, emotional or mental abuse. (As amended by 0-88-67, effective date 2/11/89.)

(76) High Density Residential: 12 dwelling units per acre or greater.

(77) Historic Place - Buildings, historic and pre-historic sites, structures and objects of national, state, or local importance. (As amended by Ordinance 0-88-14 effective date 7/31/88.)

(78) Home Occupation: (See Article 13.)

(79) Hospital: An establishment administered by licensed physicians, having as its primary purpose the provision of general health care, nursing, and medical treatment for human ailments, including diagnostic and surgical services. Overnight accommodations are available, but patients normally remain within the hospital for only a limited term. A hospital shall not include nor be considered a residential health care facility.

(80) Hotel: A building containing at least six (6) rooms designed and used as sleeping accommodations for usually transient occupancy, and access to the rooms is available through a lobby or supervised office.

(81) Household: Means only the following:

(a) Any family; or

(b) Any number of unrelated individuals or related and unrelated individuals, living together as a single housekeeping unit up to a maximum of one person per habitable room which is being used for living purposes.

(c) For the purposes of this definition, a "habitable room which is being used for living purposes" is space in a structure for living, sleeping, eating or cooking. Not included in this definition are bathrooms, toilet compartments, porches, balconies, unfinished rooms, closets, halls, storage and utility spaces, and similar spaces.
(d) For the purposes of this definition, "living together as a single housekeeping unit" is generally characterized by a family like structure, and/or a sharing of responsibility associated with the household, and a concept of functioning as a family unit with a sense of permanency, as opposed to the transient nature of a boarding home.

(e) Any household which meets the definition of a group home or group living quarters shall be regulated as a group home or group living quarters rather than as a household. (As amended by 0-88-67, effective date 2/11/89.)

(82) Household Pet: Any species of animal commonly kept as a pet, as a custom in the community, within households, not of a type commonly raised as livestock on a farm, and the keeping of which is not prohibited by City ordinance.

(83) Ideological Sign: A sign which expresses a religious, political, social or other philosophical position. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(84) Illuminated Sign: A sign lighted by or exposed to artificial lighting either by lights on or within the sign or directed towards the sign.

(85) Illumination, Direct: Lighting by means of an unshielded light source that is effectively visible as part of the sign, where light travels directly from the source to the viewer's eye. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(86) Illumination, Indirect: Lighting of a surface by a light source that is directed at the reflecting surface in such a way as to illuminate the sign from the front, or a light source that is primarily designed to illuminate the entire building facade upon which a sign is displayed, but does not include lighting that is primarily used for purposes other than sign illumination, including without limitation, parking lot lights or lights inside a building that may silhouette a window sign but that are not primarily installed to serve as inside illumination. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(87) Illumination, Internal: Lighting by means of a light source that is within a sign having a translucent background, silhouetting opaque letters or designs, or that is within letters or designs that are themselves made of translucent material. For the purpose of Article 10, backlighted signage shall be considered internally illuminated. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(88) Individual Letter Sign: Letters or figures individually fashioned from metal or other materials and attached to the wall of a building or other surface; but not including a sign painted on a wall or other surface. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(89) Inoperable Motor Vehicle: Inoperable Vehicle: Any motor vehicle or trailer that does not have a current license plate and validation sticker lawfully affixed thereto or is not capable of being promptly started and
driven in safe operating condition under its own power upon a street or right-of-way or that has two or more tires which are not fully inflated as to be in safe operating condition. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-32, effective date 10/16/89.)

(90) Integrated Access System: A curb cut or access road connecting two (2) or more separate lots or buildings.

(91) Integrated Parking System: A common parking area or a series of interconnected parking areas which are utilized by two or more building units and where any owner, occupant, patron, customer, employee or other person utilizing any of the building units served has the right to park a motor vehicle within any of the parking areas. Such common right shall be evidenced by a reciprocal parking easement recorded with the Clerk and Recorder of Jefferson County or contained within a lease and shall run in perpetuity with the use of the land.

(92) Joint Identification Sign: A sign which serves as a common or collective identification for two or more business or industrial uses on the same lot. Such sign may contain a directory to said uses as an integral part thereof, or may serve as general identification only for such developments as shopping centers, industrial parks and the like. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(93) Junk: Scrap metal, such as copper, iron, lead, tin, zinc and all other metals and their alloys; inoperable motor vehicles; and other manufactured goods that are so worn, deteriorated or obsolete as to make them unusable in their existing condition, including cloth, rope, rubber or rubber products, tinfoil, bottles, machinery, tools, appliances, fixtures, lumber, utensils, cartons and containers, pipe and pipe fittings, conduit and conduit fittings, and other similar goods.

(94) Junk Yard: An unenclosed but screened area where junk is bought, sold, exchanged, stored, baled, packed, disassembled or handled.

(95) Kennel: Any building, structure or open space used in whole or in part for the boarding of household pets for compensation and required to be licensed under Title 12, Article 57 of the C.R.S. 1973, as amended; and, any building, structure or open space devoted in its entirety or in part, to the raising or harboring of four (4) or more dogs, cats, or combination thereof, above the age of four (4) months.

(96) Laboratory: A building or a portion of a building devoted to the experimental study in science or the testing and analysis of chemicals, drugs, explosives, minerals, and similar materials.

(97) Laboratory - Medical, Dental or Optical: A building or a portion of a building devoted to the use of providing bacteriological, biological, medical, X-ray, pathological and similar analytical or diagnostic services to doctors or dentists, where no fabrication is conducted on the premises except for the custom fabrication of dentures and the custom fabrication and grinding of optic lenses.
(98) Landscaping: The improvement of a parcel of land with any combination of living plants, such as trees, shrubs, vines, ground covers, flowers or lawns; natural features and nonliving ground covers such as rock, stone and bark; and structural features, such as fountains, reflecting pools, art works, screen walls, fences and benches.

(99) Legal Use: A "legal use" as used herein shall be deemed to mean a "use by right", i.e., any use of realty lawfully established in conformity with law and ordinance (or zoning resolution) in existence at the time of establishment of such use, and which is also presently lawful under applicable law and ordinance. "Legal use" shall include nonconforming uses lawfully established at the time of establishment, and lawfully maintained, and any accessory use or uses incidental to and commonly associated with such lawfully established uses. As used herein, the term "legal use" is sometimes used for the purpose of referring to the person, firm or corporation entitled to a "legal use."

(100) Lot: A unit of land within a subdivision or created by a valid and recorded instrument of conveyance prior to January 22, 1975, which is occupied or designed to be occupied by a main building and the accessory buildings or uses customarily incidental to such main buildings, including the open space required by this ordinance and such open spaces as are arranged and designed to be used in connection with such buildings. A lot may have more than one main building as allowed in the 3-RA, 4-R, 4-RA, 5-R, 5-RA, 6-R, OF, IC through 5-C inclusive, IN and MU districts provided that: 1) all buildings on the lot are in single ownership or unified control and 2) all buildings on the lot are in conformance with the general requirements of the Lakewood Zoning Ordinance including Article 15 and the Subdivision Ordinance. (As amended by Ordinance 0-85-28 and amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(101) Lot - Corner: A lot of which at least two (2) adjacent sides abut for their full length upon a public right-of-way (other than an alley).

(102) Lot - Interior: A lot other than a corner lot.

(103) Lot - Minimum Area: The minimum square footage that a lot is required to have under the zoning in order to meet the requirements for issuance of a building permit. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(104) Lot - Through: An interior lot abutting on more than one (1) street or a corner lot abutting on more than two (2) streets.

(105) Lot - Total Area: The square footage of a lot excluding street rights-of-way. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(106) Lot - Width: The shortest distance between any two (2) lot lines of a lot which are intersected by the same front setback line, measured from either of such points of intersection.

(107) Lot Line - Front: The boundary line of a lot which immediately abuts a public right-of-way (other than an alley).
(108) **Lot Line - Rear:** The boundary line of a lot which is most nearly opposite the front lot line of the lot, other than a through lot.

(109) **Lot Line - Side:** Any boundary line of a lot, other than a front lot line or rear lot line.

(110) **Lowest Floor:** The lowest floor, including the basement, of a structure.

(111) **Low and Medium Density Residential:** Less than 12 dwelling units per acre.

(112) **Low-profile:** See Monument. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(113) **Main Building:** The building used to house the principal use of the land.

(114) **Major Architectural Detail:** Distinguishable design features of the facade of the building such as windows, doors, balconies, columns, or patterns or designs formed at the time of construction by the building material. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(115) **Mansard Roof:** A roof with two slopes on each of the four sides, the lower steeper than the upper. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(116) **Mansard Roof Sign:** A sign attached to the side of a Mansard Roof. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(117) **Marquee:** A permanent roof structure attached to and uniformly supported by a wall of a building, having no connection or relationship with the roof of the building to which it is attached.

(118) **Marquee Sign:** Any sign attached to the marquee.

(119) **Mechanical Equipment:** Equipment or extensions thereof used to operate mechanical facilities within a building, including air vents and air heating/cooling/conditioning units.

(120) **Mini-Warehouse:** Enclosed warehouse units of less than five hundred (500) square feet per unit which are rented or leased to second parties for storage purposes, and which has no outside storage.

(121) **Mobile Home:** A factory-assembled structure or structure without a permanent foundation and greater than thirty-five (35) feet in length and designed to be transported on its own wheels arriving at the site as a complete dwelling unit, equipped with the necessary service connections, usually including major appliances and furniture and ready for occupancy. Removal of the wheels and placement on a foundation does not change its classification. The phrase "without a permanent foundation" indicates that the support system is constructed with the intent that the mobile home placed thereon will be moved from time to time at the convenience of the owner. The term "mobile home" does not include travel trailers, campers, camper buses, motor homes or
modular homes. This definition includes half units that are transported to
the site on their own wheels and then assembled as one (1) unit.

(122) Mobile Home Park: A lot, parcel, or tract of land which is design-
nated and improved for the purpose of providing a location or accommodations
for one (1) or more mobile homes and within which spaces are available to the
general public for rent, lease, and the placement thereon of mobile homes for
occupancy. Mobile home unit sales lots on which unoccupied mobile homes are
located for inspection or sale shall not be considered mobile home parks.

(123) Monument Sign: Also known as low-profile. A ground sign which is
integrated into the sign support, usually a pedestal, relatively low in
height, and has an appearance of a continuous mass, similar to a structure.
(As amended by 0-82-170.)

(124) Motel: A building containing at least six (6) rooms designed and
used as sleeping accommodations for usually transient occupancy, with access
to each room available through an individual entrance from the outside of the
building.

(125) Motor Fuel Filling and Service Stations: A retail establishment at
which vehicles are serviced; especially with fuel, oil, air and water; and
where ancillary repair, maintenance or replacement of electrical or mechanical
devices may be obtained. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(126) Motor Vehicle: A self-propelled piece of mechanized equipment
powered by a self-contained power unit.

(127) Nonconforming Building or Structure: (See Article 16.)

(128) Nonconforming Sign: Any sign which:

(a) On the effective date of this Ordinance was lawfully main-
tained and had been lawfully erected in accordance with the provisions of
any sign regulations in any prior zoning ordinance and the applicable
Building Code, but which sign does not conform to the limitations estab-
lished by this Ordinance; or

(b) On or after the effective date of this Ordinance was lawfully
erected and maintained in accordance with the provisions of this Ord-
nance, and the applicable Building Code, but which sign, by reason of
amendment after the effective date of this Ordinance, does not conform to
limitations established by such subsequent amendment.

(129) Nonconforming Use: (See Article 16.)

(130) Nonprofit: A use which is operated where no part of the income or
profit of which is distributable to its members, directors, or officers, ex-
cept that income or profit may be distributable to a member which is another
nonprofit use. (Title 7, Articles 20-29, Colorado Revised Statutes 1973, as
amended.)
(131) **Off-Premises Sign:** A sign advertising a business, product or service, or religious, charitable or nonprofit organization, not located upon or available on the premises whereon the sign is located. Off-premises sign does not include directional or informational signs erected by any governmental institution or agency.

(132) **Official Development Plan:** The stipulations and maps associated with a mixed use zone district that set forth the land use regulations for the property as approved by the City Council. (As amended by 0-83-159.)

(133) **Open Space Area or Landscaped Area:** (a) Open space areas or landscaped areas include:

1. Walkways, pedestrian paths, open plazas and malls, concourses, passageways, terraces, natural drainage ways, playgrounds, improved rooftops and similar structures designed specifically for active and passive recreational use and which are not designed to be used by motor vehicles except for emergency and service purposes; and

2. Areas used for design purposes, such as planted or landscaped areas, flowerbeds and planters.

(b) Open space areas or landscaped areas do not include:

1. Unused or leftover portions of a property which are capable of being developed and which are specifically used for storage or reserved for future expansion, or outdoor areas which are developed for use as a storage area., and

2. Motor vehicle uses such as parking lots, open-air showrooms, roads, or service areas, at, above or below ground level. Landscaping over underground parking, however, will be included.

(134) **Open Space - Usable:**

(a) Usable open space includes:

1. A landscaped area with a minimum dimension of twelve (12) feet, to be used for active and passive recreational activities.

2. Common or "public" yards or areas.

3. Private yards, patios, decks, or balconies, defined and/or screened by landscaping, fences, and/or building walls, except those areas of balconies and decks above the first level may not be counted toward the open space requirement.

4. Club houses, swimming pools, tennis, or other courts (a club house is considered a recreational amenity and therefore may be counted as usable open space.)
(5) Recreational areas with a minimum size determined by types of activities and by project density.

(b) Usable open space may include ponds, drainage ways, and water areas, including flood plains and floodways which are developed as amenities and located so that they are either physically or visually accessible from the residential units. The Director of Community Development will decide whether to allow part or all of these areas to count toward the usable open space requirement depending on the quality of the amenity and the amount of usable open space provided in other parts of the development. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51.)

(135) Parapet Wall: A low wall or protective railing above the roof line or along the edge of a roof, balcony or terrace.

(136) Parking Area: The total area encompassed by off-street parking spaces, which are available to customers, employees, residents, and visitors to the designated area, with or without time limits, as well as the total area encompassed within all access and egress routes designed for use by motor vehicles. Parking area includes emergency access lanes and loading area spaces. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(137) Perimeter Landscape Area: That portion of the perimeter of a property which is adjacent to a public right-of-way (except an alley), the length of which portion is equal to the length of the adjacent portion of the public right-of-way and the width of which portion is equal to the distance between the flow line of the adjacent public right-of-way and the nearest structure, parking lot or mobile home located within the property.

(138) Permanent Sign: A sign constructed of durable material and affixed, lettered, attached to or placed upon a fixed, nonmoveable, nonportable supporting structure.

(139) Person: Natural person, joint venture, joint stock company, partnership, association, club, company corporation, business, trust, organization or the manager, lessee, agent, servant, officer or employee of any of them. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(140) Planned Unit Development: (See Mixed Use District, Section 17-5-21.)

(141) Planted Area: That part of the landscape area that contains living plant materials.

(142) Porch, Patio or Deck: A structure open to the atmosphere on at least two (2) sides and projecting from the front, side, or rear wall of a building. For the purposes of this Ordinance, only those porches, patios, and decks greater than thirty (30) inches above grade or which have a roof shall be subject to required setbacks. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)
(143) **Portable:** Any sign which is not permanently affixed to a building, structure, or the ground, except signs painted on or magnetically attached to any licensed vehicles and temporary signs as allowed under Article 10. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(144) **Printing Establishment:** A printing business especially for books, periodicals, or newspapers, of a large scale and extended hours of operation, or which normally requires pick-ups and deliveries by large trucks. (As amended by 0-83-159.)

(145) **Printing Facility:** A printing business which typically operates at retail, and which does not normally require pick-ups and deliveries by large trucks. (As amended by 0-83-159.)

(146) **Processing:** The manufacture of goods and pieces by means of subjecting raw materials or preprocessed material to a special treatment involving synthesis or artificial modification.

(147) **Projecting Sign:** A sign other than a wall sign which projects from and is supported by a wall. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(148) **Radio Antenna:** A device that is used for transmitting and receiving electro-magnetic waves. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-10 effective 4/12/87)

(149) **Radio Tower:** A structure that supports an antenna. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-10 effective 4/12/87.)

(150) **Redevelopment:** The process of removing existing structures and building new ones with or without land aggregation, or adding buildings to a developed site.

(151) **Residence Inn:** A hotel with rooms that have complete kitchen and bathroom facilities intended for semi-transient occupancy. (As amended by 0-83-159.)

(152) **Residential Health Care Facility:** A residential facility intended for the care of the infirm or aged, or for the rehabilitation of injured individuals, where medical attention in the form of skilled or intermediate nursing care is provided as a continual benefit. (As amended by 0-88-67, effective date 2/11/89.)

(153) **Roof Line:** The highest point on any building where an exterior wall encloses usable floor area.

(154) **Roof Sign:** A sign erected upon or above the parapet, or upon the roof and above the roof line, of the building or structure.

(155) **School, Public, Parochial and Private:** Any public, parochial or private school for any grades between kindergarten and twelfth that is either accredited by the Colorado Department of Education or recognized by and in good standing with the Colorado Department of Education for purposes of compulsory education requirements.
(156) **Screen:** A solid visual barrier.

(157) **Secondary Uses:** (See Article 11.)

(158) **Self-Propelled Motor Home:** A motorized vehicle designed or used as a conveyance upon streets and highways and constructed so as to provide temporary occupancy as a dwelling or sleeping place for one (1) or more persons. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-32, effective date 10/16/89.)

(159) **Semi-Trailer:** Any wheeled vehicle, without motive power, that is designed to be used in conjunction with a truck tractor so that some part of its own weight and that of its cargo rests upon or is carried by such truck tractor, and is generally and commonly used to carry and transport property over the public highways. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-32, effective date 10/16/89.)

(160) **Setback Line - Front:** A line parallel with a front lot line of a lot, tangent to that part of the building or structure (other than an open fire escape, stairway, or chimney) which is closest to the front lot line, and intersecting two (2) other lot lines of the lot; or the line concentrically Parallel to the right-of-way line of the street on a cul-de-sac (bulb).

(161) **Setback Line - Rear:** A line parallel with a rear lot line of a lot, tangent to that part of the building or structure (other than an open fire escape, stairway or chimney) which is closest to the rear lot line, and intersecting two (2) other lot lines of the lot.

(162) **Setback Line - Side:** A line parallel with a side lot line of a lot, tangent to that part of the building or structure (other than an open fire escape, stairway or chimney) which is closest to such side lot line, and intersecting two (2) other lot lines of the lot.

(163) **Shopping Center, Business Center and Office/Industrial/Technical Parks or Centers:** A group of two or more professional, office, commercial, industrial or combination thereof establishments that are planned, developed, owned or managed as a unit, located in location, size, and type of establishments to the service area of the unit, and provide on-site parking in definite relationship to the types and sizes of establishments. Where free-standing buildings function as a part of a shopping center, though they may be under separate ownership, they shall be deemed to be a part of the shopping center. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-51 effective date 9/4/87.)

(164) **Short Term Advertising Signs:** Signs which advertise the sale of products or services on a short term basis. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(165) **Sight Triangle:** The corner area within a corner lot that is adjacent to both right-of-way frontages. The dimensions of the sight triangle are measured from the intersecting point of the property lines which adjoin the right-of-way line a distance of fifty-five (55) feet along each of the property lines and the resulting distance along a line which connects the end point of these measurements.
(166) **Sign:** Any stationary object or device or part thereof situated outdoors or indoors, but subject to public view, which is used to advertise or identify an object, person, institution, organization, business, product, service, or event by means including words, letters, figures, designs, symbols, fixtures, colors, motion, illumination or projected images.

(167) **Signable Area:** The signable area shall mean that area of a building facade up to the roof line which is free of windows and doors or major architectural detail and may be enclosed by an imaginary rectangle. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(168) **Sign Permit:** A building permit issued for the erection, construction, enlargement, alteration, moving, improvement, removal, conversion, or demolition of any sign, issued pursuant to the Building Code.

(169) **Sign Setback:** Ten feet from the property line when adjacent to a street in all but residential zoning districts. The setback is measured from the leading edge of the sign or, if larger, the backing on which a ground sign is placed. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(170) **Sign Structure:** Sign structure shall include, but not be limited to, the supports, uprights, braces, backing, and framework designed to contain a sign message. Sign structure is not meant to include the message conveyed by the sign. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(171) **Sign With Backing:** Any sign that is displayed upon, against or through any material or color surface or backing that forms an integral part of such display and differentiates the total display from the background against which it is placed.

(172) **Sign Without Backing:** Any word, letter, emblem, insignia, figure or similar character or group thereof that is neither backed by, incorporated in, or otherwise made a part of, any larger display area.

(173) **Site Specific Development Plan:** A plan submitted in conjunction with a rezoning application, which is processed and approved pursuant to Article 18 of this Zoning Ordinance. No land use plan submitted to the City other than one processed in compliance with Article 18 shall be considered a "Site Specific Development Plan" within the meaning of Article 68 of Title 24, C.R.S., and no vested property right shall be created thereby. (As amended by Ordinance 0-88-11 effective date 4/30/88.)

(174) **Storage Structure:** A structure not to exceed one hundred twenty (120) square feet of floor area located on a residential lot and designed to be used solely for the storage and use of personal equipment and possessions of the occupants of the residence.

(175) **Store Unit:** An enclosed floor space designed for occupancy by not more than one business or commercial establishment with an entrance not common to any other business or commercial establishment.
(176) **Street:** A thoroughfare for vehicular traffic.

(177) **Street - Arterial, Collector, Local:** Classification for these basic streets shall be as set forth in the Comprehensive Plan.

(178) **Street Frontage:** The distance along any boundary line of a lot, which is also the boundary line of a public street, road or highway right-of-way.

(179) **Street Furniture:** Items exclusive of building elements, that are part of the streetscape; such as benches, planters, newspaper stands, trash receptacles, and street lighting fixtures.

(180) **Street Trees:** Regularly-spaced shade boulevard trees which are part of the streetscape.

(181) **Streetscape Area:** The area directly behind the Colfax curb line, including the curb, brick paver area, walk, and landscape area.

(182) **Structure:** Anything built or constructed and located on or in the ground or attached to something on or in the ground.

(183) **Structural Alteration:** Any change in the supporting member of a building such as bearing walls, columns, beams or girders, floor joists or roof joists.

(184) **Structured Parking:** A parking area within or beneath a principal or main building, a multi-level parking garage, or an underground parking structure. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(185) **Substantial Alteration:** An increase in the gross floor area of a building or structure, or an increase in the size of a parking area or loading area, by an amount of twenty (20) percent or more from the size as it existed on the effective date of this Ordinance.

(186) **Substantial Remodel:** Any store or tenant except office tenants, which remodels its space at a value of $10.00 per square foot or more (excluding building maintenance items such as re-roof, HVAC, etc.) or expands the existing square footage of a tenant space or building by 20% or more or any business which remodel includes compliance to Article 15 of the Lakewood Zoning Ordinance. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-51 effective date 9/4/87.)

(187) **Suburban Zone:** That area, within the District, between Iris Street and Youngfield Street, characterized by buildings with deeper setbacks and greater building separations.

(188) **Suspended Sign:** A sign suspended from the ceiling of an arcade or marquee. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(189) **Tavern:** Any establishment selling by the drink, fermented malt beverages, or malt, vinous or spirituous liquors, but not including dance halls.
(190) **Temporary Sign:** Includes, but is not limited to, any exterior sign, banner, pennant, valance or advertising display which is:

(a)Constructed of cardboard, paper, cloth, canvas, fabric, plywood, lightweight plastic or other lightweight material, with or without frame; and

(b) Designed for short-term use, or to be moved about from place to place, or not permanently affixed to a fixed, nonmoveable, nonportable, supporting structure. "Temporary Signs" shall include signs placed in the open bed of a vehicle, or printed, affixed, lettered, placed upon or attached to a vehicle; but, however,

(c) Temporary signs shall not include signs printed, painted upon or attached to motor vehicles used primarily for the delivery of products, passengers, or services, or for business purposes other than as a sign. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(191) **Third Party Sign:** A sign relating to products or services not on the same marquee. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(192) **Time and/or Temperature Devices:** Signs consisting of devices which provide time or temperature information.

(193) **Trailer:** Any wheeled vehicle, without motive power, that is designed to be drawn by a motor vehicle and to carry its cargo load wholly upon its own structure and which is generally and commonly used to carry and transport property over the public highways. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-32, effective date 10/16/89.)

(194) **Transition Zone:** That area, within the District, between Simms Street and Carr Street, which contains characteristics of both the urban and suburban zone.

(195) **Travel Trailer:** A portable structure, mounted on wheels and designed to be towed by a motor vehicle and which is of a length equal to or less than thirty-five (35) feet and containing cooking or sleeping facilities to provide temporary living quarters for recreational camping or travel use. Such structures may be constructed with rigid sides or may have collapsible side walls of fabric, plastic or other pliable material.

(196) **Truck Tractor:** Any motor vehicle that is generally and commonly designed and used to draw a semi-trailer and its cargo load over the public highways. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-32, effective date 10/16/89.)

(197) **Travel Trailer Campground:** Land or property utilized for or intended for use of renting temporary occupancy space to transient users of travel trailers, mounted camper units, motor homes, and tents.
(198) **Transition Zone:** That area, within the District, between Simms Street and Carr Street, which contains characteristics of both the urban and suburban zone.

(199) **Vested Property Right:** The right to undertake and complete the development and use of property under the terms and conditions of a Site Specific Development Plan approved pursuant to Article 18 of this Zoning Ordinance. (As amended by Ordinance 0-88-11 effective date 4/30/88.)

(200) **Veterinary Hospital:** A place where animals of all types are given medical or surgical treatment, and where use as a kennel is limited to short-time boarding and only incidental to such hospital use and need not be enclosed within the main building.

(201) **Veterinary Clinic - Small Animal:** A place where small animals such as dogs, cats, birds and the like are given medical or surgical treatment, and where use as a kennel is limited to short-time boarding and only incidental to such hospital use, and where all uses are enclosed within a sound-proof building and no objectionable odor is emitted.

(202) **Walkway:** An all-weather surface designed to accommodate pedestrian movements.

(203) **Wall Sign:** A sign attached to, painted on, or erected against a building, structure or fence.

(204) **Watercourse:** A river, creek, gulch, stream, or similar conduit, or a tributary of such a conduit, with or without perceptible bed or banks, in which flows of water occur on a regular or continuous basis.

(205) **West Colfax Overlay District:** That area along West Colfax Avenue identified in "Exhibit A" that these standards and regulations apply to; also referred to in this Ordinance as the "District" or "Overlay District".

(206) **Wind-powered Electric Generators:** A mill or other machine that runs on the energy generated by a wheel of adjustable blades or slats rotated by the wind for the purpose of converting mechanical energy into electrical energy.

(207) **Window Area:** The area of all windows on the first floor of a building which faces or are visible from one public right-of-way. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(208) **Window Sign:** A sign which is applied or attached to or located within one (1) foot of the interior of a window, which sign can be seen through the window from the exterior of the structure. (As amended by 0-82-170.)
(209) **Wind Sign**: Any sign set in motion by wind or breeze, such as banners, flags, pennants or other objects or material. Flags of nations, states or municipalities shall not be classified as wind signs. (As amended by 0-82-170.)

(210) **Yard**: An open space which is located on the same lot as a building and which is unoccupied and unobstructed over a height of thirty (30) inches.

(211) **Yard – Front**: That portion of yard lying between the front lot line and the front setback line of such lot. A corner lot shall have at least two (2) front yards.

(212) **Yard – Rear**: That portion of a yard lying between the rear lot line and the rear setback line of the lot.

(213) **Yard – Side**: That portion of a yard lying between a side lot line and the nearest parallel side setback line of the lot.

(214) **Zero Lot Line Dwelling**: A dwelling unit constructed such that one or more walls are located immediately adjacent to one or more lot lines, either side or rear.
ARTICLE 3: DISTRICTS AND MAPS

17-3-1. CREATION OF DISTRICTS. In order to carry out the purposes of this Ordinance, the City of Lakewood shall be divided into the following zones: (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

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17-3-2. ZONING DISTRICT MAP. (1) The location of land placed within specified zone districts prior to the effective date of this Ordinance is shown on the maps entitled Official Zoning District Map of the City of Lakewood, hereby designated as the official City of Lakewood zoning district maps. These maps are made a part of this Ordinance by this reference, and the districts set forth and shown therein are hereby approved. The official maps shall be filed in the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Lakewood and with the City Planning Commission.

(2) When land is initially zoned or rezoned pursuant to this Ordinance, such changes shall be made on the Official Zoning District Map of the City of Lakewood within forty-five (45) days after the ordinance embodying the zoning or rezoning is adopted by the City Council.

(3) In the event that the Official Zoning District Map becomes damaged, destroyed, lost or difficult to interpret because of the nature or number of changes and additions, the City Council may, by resolution, adopt a new Official Zoning District Map, which shall supersede the prior Official Zoning District Map. The new Official Zoning District Map may correct drafting or other errors or omissions in the prior Official Zoning District Map, but no such correction shall have the effect of amending the original zoning ordinance or any subsequent amendment thereto.
17-3-3. **INTERPRETATION OF DISTRICT BOUNDARIES.** Where uncertainty exists with respect to the boundaries of the various districts as shown on the zoning district maps, the following rules shall apply:

(1) In subdivided areas, unless otherwise shown on the maps, the district boundaries are either streets, alleys or record lot lines, and where a district boundary line is approximately along a street, alley or record lot line, said street, alley or lot line shall be construed to be the boundary.

(2) In unsubdivided areas, the district boundaries, unless otherwise shown on the maps, are streets, highways or land survey lines. Where a portion of any district is indicated upon the district map as a strip paralleling a street or highway, the width of the strip, unless given in figures, shall be determined by the use of the scale of the map.
ARTICLE 4: ADMINISTRATION, VARIANCES AND APPEALS

17-4-1. BUILDING PERMITS. (1) In addition to the requirements of the Building Code, no building permit shall be issued unless:

(a) Issuance of the permit is authorized by the Director; and

(b) The plans for the proposed construction, enlargement, alteration, repair, improvement or conversion, and the use of the building or structure conforms to all requirements of this Zoning Ordinance.

(2) The application for each building permit, in addition to any other required information, shall give a description of the lot or land involved, the location and intended use of the proposed building or buildings, the number of housekeeping units the building is designed to accommodate, if any, and such other information as may be required by this Ordinance. All applications for permits and copies of permits issued shall be kept for ready public reference by the Department of Community Development.

(3) For all new buildings, before footing inspections and approval thereof, the owner, lessee, builder or contractor shall locate the property boundaries by placing at the property corner of the building site stakes or other monuments to establish said boundaries.

17-4-2. DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. (1) It shall be the duty of the Director of the Department of Community Development to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance and the regulations contained herein.

(2) The Director of the Department of Community Development may delegate to any employee of the Department of Community Development any of the responsibilities assigned to the Director by this Ordinance. The delegation by the Director shall be in writing with the specific responsibilities delegated also designated in writing. The designee shall be subject to the same restrictions and standards as are applicable to the Director.

(3) The Director of the Department of Community Development and such persons as he may designate in writing shall be considered peace officers within the meaning of the Lakewood Municipal Code Section 1.04.010(10) solely for the purposes of enforcing the provisions of this Ordinance.

(4) No oversight or dereliction or error on the part of the Director or any employee of the Department of Community Development or on the part of any other official or employee of the City of Lakewood shall legalize, authorize, or excuse the violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance.

17-4-3. BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT VARIANCES. (1) In passing upon appeals, the Board of Adjustment may vary the application of the regulations set forth in this Zoning Ordinance only if the Board finds that:
(a) By reason of exceptional narrowness, shallowness or shape of a specific piece of property on the date this section takes effect or by reason of exceptional topographic conditions or other extraordinary and exceptional situation or condition of the piece of property, the strict application of the regulation would result in peculiar and undue practical difficulties for, or peculiar and unnecessary hardship on, the owner of the property;

(b) The variance, if granted, will observe the spirit of this Ordinance, secure the public safety and welfare, and achieve substantial justice;

(c) The variance, if granted, will not adversely affect the adjacent property or the neighborhood;

(d) The variance, if granted, will not substantially or permanently impair the appropriate use or development of adjacent property;

(e) The variance, if granted, is the minimum variance that will afford relief with the least modification possible of this Ordinance; and,

(f) The variance, if granted, does not deviate more than forty (40) percent from any one of the various numerical limitations contained within the regulation, regardless of any other variance that may have been granted; except, the Board of Adjustment may not grant setback variances greater than 20 percent from those listed in Sections 17-7-4(4), 17-7-5(4), 17-7-6, of this ordinance. The Board of Adjustment may not grant a variance of lot area more than twenty (20) percent of the minimum lot area, and may not grant variances of lot width more than twenty (20) percent of the minimum lot width, independent of variances granted for other numerical limitations. The intent of this provision is to provide for variances with certain percentage limitations, and further clarify that any variance is considered to be independent of any other variance and is not to be considered cumulative.

In cases where the resulting lot width and size is consistent with adjacent properties on the same frontage, the Board may grant a variance of lot width up to twenty-five (25) percent. (As amended by 0-83-183, 0-85-28, and Ordinance 0-89-51, effective 8/28/89.)

In cases where the resulting lot width and size is consistent with adjacent properties on the same frontage, the board may grant a variance in lot width up to twenty-five (25) percent.

(2) In deciding variance applications, the Board may consider whether the alleged difficulty or hardship was self-imposed.

(3) The Board of Adjustment may not grant any variance relating to the use of property unless it finds, in addition to the findings previously set forth in this section, that:
(a) The property cannot be used for any purpose permitted within the zone district applicable to the property;

(b) The applicant applied for a rezoning of the property but was denied by the City Council;

(c) The proposed use is the use for the property most compatible with the standards and policies set forth in the Comprehensive Plan;

(d) The proposed use will not be detrimental to nor incompatible with other uses in the neighborhood; and,

(e) The proposed use is the least traffic intensive use possible which will permit some reasonable use of the property.

(4) The Board of Adjustment shall conduct a public hearing on each variance application, with prior notice thereof pursuant to its rules and regulations.

(5) No variance shall be granted by the Board of Adjustment until a variance fee has been paid by the applicant. The amount of the fee shall be established by the City Council, and shall vary according to whether the variance is deemed major or minor. (As amended by 0-85-125.)

17-4-4. MINOR VARIANCES. (1) The Director of Community Development may grant a variance from the application of standards relating to setback, lot area, lot width and height (satellite dish antennae only) for a particular piece of property only if: (As amended by 0-86-50.)

(a) The variance, if granted, does not deviate more than twenty (20) percent from the requirement, independent of variances granted for other requirements; provided, however, the Director may not grant variances of lot area more than ten (10) percent of the minimum lot area, and may not grant variances of lot width more than ten (10) percent of the minimum lot width, independent of variances granted for other requirements. The intent of this provision is to provide for variances with certain percentage limitations, and further to clarify that any variance is considered to be independent of any other variance and is not to be considered cumulative. The Director shall have no authority to grant a variance for the purpose of qualifying any property for rezoning consideration. (As amended by 0-83-183.)

(b) The Director finds that the proposed variance meets each of the standards set forth in 17-4-3(1)(a) through (e). (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(c) The applicant pays a variance fee in an amount established by City Council Resolution. (As amended by 0-85-125.)

(2) In deciding variance applications, the Director may consider whether the alleged difficulty or hardship was self-imposed.
(3) Written notice shall be provided at the applicant's expense, on forms provided by the Department of Community Development, to all owners of property adjacent to the applicant's property, that a variance application is pending, describing the variance requested, indicating where written or oral objections to the variance may be presented, and stating that no hearing on the variance application will be held unless objections to the variance and a request for a hearing are filed, in writing, with a specified person in the Department of Community Development, within a time set forth in the notice, but not earlier than ten (10) days after mailing of the notice. On the same day that written notice is provided to owners of adjacent property, notice that the variance application is pending shall also be posted by the applicant on the applicant's property for at least ten (10) days and shall state where additional information on the variance may be obtained. The posted notice shall be in such form and contain such additional information as the Director may require.

17-4-5. EXPIRATION OF VARIANCE. Any variance granted by the Board or Director shall automatically expire within one hundred eighty (180) days of the date it was granted, or within such other time as the Board or Director may prescribe, unless a building permit for the variance is obtained within such period of time. Extensions of time may be granted for good cause shown, but only if an application for the extension is made prior to the expiration of the variance.

17-4-6. APPEALS TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT. The Board of Adjustment may hear and decide appeals from any order, requirement, decision, or determination by the Director or any employee of the Department of Community Development in the enforcement of this ordinance. Any appeal shall be filed in writing and shall be accompanied by a Board of Adjustment appeal fee in an amount established by City Council Resolution. (As amended by 0-85-125.)

17-4-7. ADDITIONAL POWERS OF THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT. (1) Upon application, the Board of Adjustment may reduce the total number of off-street parking spaces required pursuant to 17-9-1(3) if the Board finds that the parking demand engendered by different uses included in any integrated parking and access system occurs at such different times of day that successive, rather than simultaneous, demands for use will be placed on the parking spaces within the system. The total number of spaces required, although reduced, shall remain sufficient to reasonably serve the demand created by all uses included in the system.

(2) Upon application, the Board of Adjustment may reduce the number of off-street parking spaces required for any particular use if the Board finds that, because of the unique and peculiar nature of a proposed use of property, the total number of parking spaces required by this Ordinance for the use is unnecessary or would create practical difficulties or unnecessary hardship. The number of spaces required for such use, although reduced, shall remain sufficient to reasonably serve the demand created by the use.
(3) Upon application, the Board of Adjustment may reduce the structural parking requirements of 17-9-2(3)(b) for multi-family structures upon evidence that the parking required by Article 17-9-2(3)(a) and the open space required by Article 17-5-12(5) for such multi-family structures is provided on the site. (As amended by 0-82-71.)

(4) Any application for a parking variance, as provided in subsections (1)-(3) above, shall be accompanied by an application fee in an amount established by City Council Resolution. (As amended by 0-85-125.)

(5) The Board shall have such other powers as are granted to it by this and any other ordinance of the City of Lakewood. (As amended by 0-85-125.)

17-4-8. MINIMUM WIDTH OR AREA OF LOT. Upon proof that a lot is shown on a subdivision plat of record in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Jefferson County on or before April 30, 1969, with a smaller area or less width than the minimum area or width requirements of this Ordinance, a building permit for the construction, conversion, or structural alteration of a building or buildings on such lot may be issued so long as all other requirements of this Ordinance are met.

17-4-9. JUDICIAL REVIEW. Any person applying to the courts for a review of any final and reviewable decision made under this Zoning Ordinance by the City Council, Planning Commission or Board of Adjustment, shall pay the cost of preparing any necessary transcript and any necessary record of proceedings.
ARTICLE 5: DISTRICT REGULATIONS

17-5-1. LOTS. Except as may be otherwise specifically provided herein:

(1) No lot shall be reduced or diminished, nor shall any structure be so enlarged or moved, as to reduce below the minimum, the required yard, lot area, width of lot, open spaces, setbacks or other requirements of the zone district where located, except where the Board of Adjustment grants a variance and the use of the remaining land within its zone district would not create a hazardous situation or be unreasonable.

(2) Every main building hereafter constructed in the CN, 1R, 2R, and 3R zone districts and every single household dwelling unit or duplex that is constructed in the 3-RA zone district which is not a part of a larger development that includes common facilities shall be located on a lot and in no case shall there be more than one (1) main building on one (1) lot. In the 3-RA district where common facilities are provided, and in the 4-R, 4-RA, 5-R, 5-RA, 6-R, OF, 1C through 5C inclusive, IN, and MU districts there may be more than one main building per lot provided the following conditions are satisfied: 1) all buildings on the lot are in single ownership or unified control, such as a condominium association for residential uses, or a partnership or other entity for commercial, office or other similar uses; 2) all buildings on the lot are in conformance with the site development standards as set forth in the general requirements of the Lakewood Zoning Ordinance, including Article 15, and the Lakewood Subdivision Ordinance. (As amended by 0-81-108, as amended by 0-85-28, and as amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(3) The front of a yard on a lot shall be as indicated on the plat, regardless of the location or facing of any building or structure thereon, and shall be that portion adjacent to a public street which corresponds to the fronts of the majority of the lots in the block. A corner lot shall have at least two (2) front yards.

(4) Street Frontage - Cul-de-Sac Lot: A cul-de-sac lot will have at least thirty (30) feet of street frontage. (As amended by 0-82-19.)

17-5-2. UNNAMED USES. Uses not specifically named within a zone district are not allowed except as follows:

(1) Upon application therefor, the Director of the Department of Community Development may determine whether a proposed use which is not specifically named within any zone district created by this Ordinance, and is not an accessory or secondary use, is similar to and compatible with uses otherwise allowed within a specific zone district and may, upon making a determination of similar and compatible uses, allow the proposed use within that district.

(2) In making the determination of similarity and compatibility, the Director shall consider, among other relevant matters, traffic generation, density of population and hours of operation of the proposed use in comparison to specifically named uses within the zone district, and the location of use criteria set forth in the Comprehensive Plan.
(3) Any appeal from a decision of the Director shall be made to the Board of Adjustment pursuant to 17-4-6. In considering the appeal, the Board of Adjustment shall apply the same standards applicable to the decision of the Director.

17-5-3. ADDITIONAL USE REGULATIONS. (1) In addition to other applicable regulations, uses in every zone district shall comply with the applicable regulations set forth in this Zoning Ordinance for setbacks, fences, walls, and obstructions, off-street parking of motor vehicles, display of signs, secondary uses, accessory uses, and flood hazards.

(2) Regulation of Illumination on Private Property. In the interest of compatibility of surrounding land uses, illumination of any kind on private property shall be directed and controlled in such a manner so that there shall be no direct rays of light which extend beyond the boundaries of the property from where it originates. It is not the intent of this section 17-5-7 to regulate illumination of public recreation facilities. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

17-5-4. ADDITIONAL USES PERMITTED IN ALL ZONE DISTRICTS. (1) The following uses are permitted in every zone district:

(a) Public transportation structures and facilities;

(b) Irrigation ditches;

(c) Electric transmission lines;

(d) Telephone exchanges, electric substations designed to provide switching, voltage transformation, or voltage control required for the transmission of electricity at less than 115 kilovolts; and gas regulator stations; provided that no-repair or storage facilities are maintained;

(e) Railroad rights-of-way, but not including railroad freight yards, passenger stations, or storage; and

(f) Public parks.

(g) Outdoor civil defense public warning siren system, and the apparatus to which it is attached, installed by the City of Lakewood or authorized contractor of the City of Lakewood. This system is not subject to the height restrictions of the individual zone districts in which it may be located. (As amended by 0-85-78.)

(2) The following uses are permitted in every zone district upon approval of a site plan pursuant to Article 15 of this Ordinance:

(a) Electric substations designed to provide switching, voltage transformation, or voltage control required for the transmission of electricity at 115 or more kilovolts;
(b) Public recreational facilities, which may include, as a Secondary Use, amusement centers; (As amended by 0-82-156.)

(c) Private nonprofit recreational facilities open to use by the public, which may include, as a Secondary Use, amusement centers; (As amended by 0-82-156.)

(d) Emergency health care facilities, other than ambulance service facilities;

(e) Public fire and police stations;

(f) Emergency, noncommercial, helipad;

(g) Public water supply wells, public water treatment and storage facilities, but not including waste water. (As amended by 0-85-78.)

(h) Churches; and

(i) Public, parochial, and private schools.

(j) City Hall, or any subsequent use of a building originally constructed for and used as a City Hall, subject to the restrictions and regulations of the Office (OF) District. (As amended by 0-82-37.)

(3) In any zone district, a mobile home or other structure may be used temporarily for office purposes during construction or remodeling activities connected with a use permitted on a lot, provided that:

(a) The mobile home or other structure is removed from the site when the construction or remodeling is completed;

(b) The mobile home or other structure is adequately secured against damage and overturning by winds; and

(c) The mobile home or other structure meets the requirements of the Building Code regarding construction, foundation, blocking and utilities, and such compliance is evidenced by issuance of a temporary certificate of occupancy for a period of one (1) year, with one renewal permitted but not to exceed a total period of two (2) years.

(4) The following uses are permitted in every zone district subject to the approval of a Special Use Permit pursuant to Article 6 of this Ordinance:

(a) Government office building or any subsequent use of a building originally constructed for or used as a government office building, subject to the restrictions and regulations of the Office (OF) Zone District. (As amended by (0-85-81.)

(b) Group living quarters for the temporary shelter of homeless persons when located in a church, school, or other community building. (As amended by 0-88-67, effective date 2/11/89.)
(5) Historical Buildings, Structures and Sites. A Historic Place is allowed in all zone districts and shall comply with the use regulations of the applicable zone district. Applications for designation as a Historic Place, including exceptions to the Zoning Ordinance to establish conditions to protect existing features in or on a historic place without modifying the place shall be through a Special Use Permit as outlined in section 17-6-4 (16). (As amended by Ordinance 0-88-14 effective date 7/31/88.)

17-5-5. OCCUPANCY OF TRAVEL TRAILER, MOTOR HOME, OR CAMPER UNIT. A travel trailer, motor home, or camper unit not located within a travel trailer campground, may be occupied for a period of time not to exceed two (2) weeks from the date that the travel trailer, motor home, or camper unit first arrives within the City. During such time an adequate water supply and adequate toilet facilities shall be available at all times to the occupants of the trailer. In no case shall occupancy of such travel trailer, motor home, or camper unit extend beyond the two week limitation set forth herein.

17-5-6. STORAGE OF TRAVEL TRAILER, MOTOR HOME OR CAMPER UNIT. Not more than one travel trailer, motor home or camper unit per dwelling unit shall be stored on private premises in any residential zone district.

17-5-7. (CN) CONSERVATION. (1) No building or land within the CN District shall be used and no building or structure shall be hereafter constructed or altered except for one or more of the following uses:

(a) Agricultural uses.
(b) Cemeteries and crematoriums.
(c) Single household dwellings.
(d) Child care camps.
(e) Public and private stables, including riding academies, and the keeping of only the following animals: horses, cattle, sheep, goats, Poultry, pigeons, rabbits, and chinchillas.

(1) All horses, cattle, sheep, and goats shall be kept in a fenced area. The minimum square footage of open lot area, not including the dwelling unit but including the garage, shall be nine thousand (9,000) square feet for the first such animal, and six thousand (6,000) square feet for each additional such animal.

(2) The use of temporary buildings or trailers for the stable of horses in excess of one (1) fifteen (15) day period during each calendar year is prohibited.
(3) No building, riding ring, or corral, shall be located in any manner so that any part thereof shall be less than one hundred (100) feet from the front lot line or less than fifteen (15) feet from the side or rear lot line.

(4) Private poultry houses and pigeon coops, with no more than four hundred (400) square feet of gross floor area; and private rabbit and chinchilla hutches with no more than one hundred (100) square feet of gross floor area are permitted. All such houses, coops and hutches must be set back fifteen (15) feet from the side and rear property lines and one hundred (100) feet from the front lot line.

(f) Home occupations.

(g) Private garage.

(h) Veterinary hospitals.

(i) Wind-powered electric generators not to exceed sixty (60) feet in height measured from ground level to the top of the blade diameter. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(2) The following uses are permitted as Special Uses subject to approval of a Special Use Permit as provided for within Article 6 of this Ordinance:

(a) Group homes. (As amended by 0-88-67, effective date 2/11/89.)

(b) Mineral resource extraction of sand, gravel, rock, earth, and other similar materials. (As amended by 0-85-80.)

(c) Golf driving ranges.

(d) Private golf course, country club, or other private club operated for benefit of members only and not for gain.

(e) Campground for travel trailers, mounted camper units, motor homes, and tents. This permits only campground areas for tourists, campers, hunters, fishermen, mountain climbers and other such individuals involved in similar temporary transient activity. It shall not be construed to permit mobile homes.

(f) Greenhouses and nurseries, including landscaping materials, both wholesale and retail.

(g) Roadside stands for operation during not more than six (6) months in each year for the sale of farm products produced or made on the premises, provided such stands are set back at least thirty (30) feet from the front lot line.

(h) Airports, commercial radio and television studios, commercial radio and television towers. (As amended by 0-81-108.)
(i) Racetracks.

(j) Sanitary landfills.

(3) No dwelling unit shall exceed a height of thirty-five (35) feet. No buildings or structures, other than dwelling units shall exceed a height of fifty (50) feet. Radio antenna, radio towers and amateur radio towers and antennas shall not be subject to any height restriction. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-10 effective date 4/12/87.)

(4) The following lot area and width requirements shall apply:

(a) For any dwelling unit hereafter constructed or altered for any use as contained within subsection 17-5-7(1), there shall be a minimum lot area of one (1) acre. For any other building hereafter constructed or altered for any use as contained within subsection 17-5-7(1), there shall be no minimum lot size;

(b) For any use as contained within subsection 17-5-7(2), there shall be a minimum lot area of three (3) acres;

(c) The minimum width of a lot for any use shall be one hundred forty (140) feet;

(d) Buildings, including accessory structures, shall not cover more than ten (10) percent of the area of any parcel of land in this zone. Campgrounds shall not cover more than twenty (20) percent of the area of any parcel on which approval for such use has been given, provided that not less than twenty thousand (20,000) square feet be provided for each camp site.

(5) Manure storage areas shall be so screened as to not be in view of other adjacent private property, from adjacent public thoroughfares, or from areas of public access. Manure shall not be allowed to accumulate so as to cause a hazard to the health, welfare, or safety of humans or animals. The outside storage of manure in piles shall not be permitted within one hundred (100) feet of the front lot line and shall conform to the side and rear setback requirements for a dwelling.

17-5-8. (1-R) LARGE LOT RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT. (1) No building or land within the L-R District shall be used, and no building shall be hereafter constructed or altered, except for one or more of the following uses:

(a) One-household dwelling.

(b) Private garage not exceeding eight hundred (800) square feet of gross floor area. (As amended by 0-83-159.)

(c) Private stables and barns not exceeding eight hundred (800) square feet of gross floor area, and the keeping of only the following animals: horses, cattle, sheep, goats, poultry, pigeons, rabbits and chinchillas. (As amended by 0-83-159.)
(1) All horses, cattle, sheep, and goats shall be kept in a fenced area. The minimum square footage of open lot area, not including the dwelling unit but including the garage, shall be nine thousand (9,000) square feet for the first such animal and six thousand (6,000) square feet for each additional such animal, but in no event to exceed a total of four (4) such animals per acre, except that offspring of animals on the property may be kept until weaned.

(2) Manure shall not be allowed to accumulate so as to cause a hazard to the health, welfare or safety of humans and animals. The outside storage of manure in piles shall not be permitted within one hundred (100) feet of the front lot line, within fifteen (15) feet of the side lot line, or within twenty (20) feet of the rear lot line. Manure storage areas shall be so screened as to not be in view from adjacent private property, from adjacent public thoroughfare, or from areas of public access.

(3) No building, riding ring, or corral, shall be located in any manner so that any part thereof shall be less than one hundred (100) feet from the front lot line or less than fifteen (15) feet from the side or rear lot line.

(4) The use of temporary buildings or trailers for the stabling of horses in excess of one (1) fifteen (15) day period in each calendar year is prohibited.

(5) Private poultry houses and pigeon coops, with no more than four hundred (400) square feet of gross floor area; and private rabbit and chinchilla hutch es with no more than one hundred (100) square feet of gross floor area are permitted. All such houses, coops, and hutch es must be set back fifteen (15) feet from the side and rear property lines and one hundred (100) feet from the front lot line.

(d) Home occupations.

(2) The following uses are permitted as Special Uses subject to approval of a Special Use Permit as provided for within Article 6 of this Ordinance:

(a) Group homes; and

(b) Limited office and personal services, including only professional, business, medical, dental, optical offices, hair care salons, tailor shops, shoe repair shops, and art and photographic studios, located on those arterial streets which are so designated in the Comprehensive plan and which conform to engineering standards for arterial streets as set forth in Engineering Regulations, Construction Specifications, and Design Standards. (As amended by 0-84-51.)

(c) Wind-powered electric generators. (As amended by 0-81-108.)
(3) No building or structure shall exceed thirty-five (35) feet in height. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-10 effective 4/12/87.)

(4) For every dwelling or other main building constructed or altered, there shall be provided a minimum lot area of not less than twelve thousand five hundred (12,500) square feet. The minimum width of such lot area shall be one hundred (100) feet for each dwelling or other main building.

17-5-9. (2-R) SMALL LOT RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT. (1) No building or land within the 2-R District shall be used, and no building shall be hereafter constructed or altered, except for one or more of the following uses:

(a) Single household dwellings.

(b) Single household, detached dwelling with one (1) side zero lot line, located on a lot which is subdivided after the effective date of this Ordinance.

(c) Private garage not exceeding eight hundred (800) square feet of gross floor area. (As amended by 0-83-159.)

(d) Home occupations.

(2) The following use is permitted as a Special Use subject to approval of a Special Use Permit as provided for within Article 6 of this Ordinance:

(a) Group homes.

(b) Wind-powered electric generators. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(3) No building or structure shall exceed thirty-five (35) feet in height. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-10 effective 4/12/87.)

(4) The following lot area and width requirements shall apply:

(a) For any single household dwelling constructed or altered, there shall be provided a minimum lot area of not less than six thousand (6,000) square feet, except that, for a zero lot line, detached, single household dwelling unit, the minimum lot area shall be not less than five thousand five hundred (5,500) square feet. For the purposes of this section, one side setback may be reduced to zero, as provided for in 17-5-9(1)(b). The minimum lot area of any other main building constructed or altered, shall be not less than six thousand (6,000) square feet.

(b) The minimum width for any lot shall be as follows:

(1) For any single household dwelling without a zero lot line, sixty (60) feet.

(2) For any single household dwelling with one side zero lot line, fifty (50) feet.
17-5-10. (3-R DUPLEX) AND SMALL LOT RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (as amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89):

(1) No building or land within the 3-R District shall be used, and no building shall be hereafter constructed or altered, except for one or more of the following uses:

(a) Duplex.

(b) Duplex with one (1) side zero lot line, located at the common wall, located on a lot which is subdivided after the effective date of this Ordinance.

(c) Single Household Dwellings. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-12 effective date 4/26/87.)

(d) Single Household, Detached Dwelling with one (1) side zero lot line, located on a lot which is subdivided after the effective date of this Ordinance. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-12 effective date 4/26/87.)

(e) Private garage not exceeding eight hundred (800) square feet of gross floor area. (As amended by 0-83-159.)

(f) Home occupations.

(2) The following use is permitted as a Special Use subject to approval of a Special Use Permit as provided for within Article 6 of this Ordinance:

(a) Group homes.

(3) No building or structure shall exceed thirty-five (35) feet in height. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-10 effective 4/12/87.)

(4) The following lot area and width requirements shall apply: (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-12 effective 4/26/87.)

(a) For any duplex, the minimum lot area shall not be less than twelve thousand (12,000) square feet. For any duplex with one side zero lot line, located at the common wall between the dwelling units, the minimum lot area per dwelling unit shall not be less than six thousand (6,000) square feet. For any single household dwelling constructed or altered, there shall be provided a minimum lot area of not less than six thousand (6,000) square feet. For any zero lot line, detached single household dwelling unit, the minimum lot area shall not be less than five thousand five hundred (5,500) square feet. The minimum lot area of any other main building constructed or altered shall not be less than twelve thousand (12,000) square feet. (As amended by 0-81-108) (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-12 effective date 4/26/87.)

(b) The minimum width of any lot shall be as follows:
For any duplex the minimum lot width shall be ninety (90) feet. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-12 effective date 4/26/87.)

(2) For any duplex, each dwelling unit shall have a minimum lot width of forty-five (45) feet. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-12 effective date 4/26/87.)

(3) For any single household dwelling with no zero lot lines, the minimum lot width shall be sixty (60) feet. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-12 effective date 4/26/87.)

(4) For any single household dwelling with one side zero lot lines, the minimum lot width shall be fifty-five (55) feet. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-12 effective date 4/26/87.)

17-5-11 3-RA HIGH DENSITY DETACHED/LOW DENSITY ATTACHED RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

(1) Intent of District. The intent of this residential district is to provide for a variety of housing types including both attached and detached units at an overall density of less than eight (8) units per acre. Detached housing would include such unit types as small lot detached homes, patio homes, and zero lot line homes. Attached housing would include duplexes, triplexes, fourplexes and attached wall townhouses. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(2) District Regulations. No building or land within the 3-RA district shall be used, and no building shall be hereafter constructed or altered, except for one or more of the following uses:

(a) Single household detached dwelling.

(b) Single household detached dwelling with one (1) side zero lot line.

(c) Duplex dwellings.

(d) Triplexes, fourplexes and attached wall townhouse dwellings.

(e) Home occupations.

(3) Special Uses. The following use is permitted as a Special Use subject to approval of a Special Use Permit as provided in Article 6 of this ordinance:

(a) Group homes.

(4) Maximum Height. No building within this district shall exceed thirty-five (35) feet in height.

(5) Minimum Lot Size. For every main building hereafter constructed or substantially altered, the following regulations shall apply:
(a) For any detached single household dwelling unit which is not a part of a larger development that includes common facilities, the minimum lot area shall be five thousand four hundred fifty (5,450) square feet.

(b) For any duplex that is not a part of a larger development which includes common facilities, the minimum lot area shall be ten thousand (10,000) square feet.

(c) The minimum lot area for any other dwelling unit or combination of dwelling units shall be five thousand four hundred fifty (5,450) square feet per dwelling unit, which may be divided in any proportion between the individual lot and the common area, provided that the total lot area is not less than twelve thousand (12,000) square feet.

(d) The minimum lot area for any other main building constructed or substantially altered shall not be less than twelve thousand (12,000) square feet.

(6) Minimum Lot Width.

(a) The minimum lot width for a detached single household dwelling unit that is not part of a larger development which includes common facilities shall be 50 feet.

(b) The minimum lot width for a detached single household dwelling unit that is part of a larger development which includes common facilities shall be 36 feet.

(c) The minimum lot width for a duplex lot that is not part of a larger development that includes common facilities shall be 75 feet.

(d) The minimum lot width for an attached wall townhouse dwelling unit shall be twenty-four (24) feet; however, the main building lot width shall not be less than one hundred (100) feet.

(e) The minimum lot width for other main buildings shall be one hundred (100) feet.

(7) Open Space. For all attached wall townhouse developments and all other developments that include common facilities, an open space area shall be provided in an amount equal to at least fifty-five (55) percent of the total lot area. However, an area equal to thirty-five (35) percent of the site, or the amount required by Article 15 of this ordinance, whichever is greater, shall be provided as usable open space.

(8) Site Plan Requirement. Any main building or combination of buildings that is a part of a larger development which includes common facilities such as private roadways and recreation/open space areas shall comply with the regulations set forth in Article 15 of this ordinance.
17-5-12. **4-R MEDIUM DENSITY ATTACHED RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT** (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(1) **Intent of District.** The intent of this Residential District is to provide for a mixture of the medium density housing types including, but not limited to, triplexes, fourplexes, and attached wall townhouses, which include common facilities at an overall density of less than twelve (12) dwelling units per acre.

(2) **District Regulations.** No building or land within the 4-R district shall be used and no building shall be hereafter constructed or altered, except for one or more of the following uses:

(a) Multiple household dwelling units.

(b) Child care facilities.

(c) Home occupations.

(d) Single household attached or detached dwelling with not less than one (1) and not more than two (2) zero lot lines located only on the side or rear, and located on a lot which is subdivided after the effective date of this ordinance, and which complies with Article 15 of this ordinance.

(3) **Special Uses.** The following uses are subject to approval of a Special Use Permit as provided within Article 6 of this ordinance:

(a) Group homes; and

(b) Density bonus of up to 15% over the maximum number of dwelling units permitted within this zone district for projects demonstrating superior design.

(4) **Maximum Height.** No building within this district shall exceed thirty-five (35) feet in height.

(5) **Minimum Lot Size.** For every main building hereafter constructed or substantially altered, the following regulations shall apply:

(a) A minimum lot area of three thousand six hundred forty (3,640) square feet for each dwelling unit is required, except that no such lot or combination of lots for multiple household dwelling units shall be less than twelve thousand five hundred (12,500) square feet in area. For any such multiple household dwelling unit, the three thousand six hundred forty (3,640) square feet for each dwelling unit may be divided in any proportion between the lot and the common area.

(b) For any building other than a dwelling unit, the minimum lot size shall be twelve thousand five hundred (12,500) square feet.
(6) Minimum Lot Width.

(a) For multiple household attached wall townhouse dwelling units, there shall be a minimum lot width of eighteen (18) feet; however, the main building lot width shall not be less than one hundred (100) feet.

(b) For any other main building, the minimum lot width shall be one hundred (100) feet.

(7) Open Space. For every main building or combination of buildings hereafter constructed, an open space area shall be provided in an amount equal to at least fifty-five (55) percent of the total lot area. However, an area equal to thirty-five (35) percent of the site, or the amount required by Article 15 of this ordinance, whichever is greater, shall be provided as usable open space.

(8) Site Plan Requirement. Any structure hereafter constructed or main building substantially altered within the 4-RA zone district shall comply with the regulations set forth in Article 15 of this ordinance. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

17-5-13. 4-RA HIGH DENSITY ATTACHED RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (As amended by Ordinance of 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(1) Intent of District. The intent of this residential district is to provide for a mixture of the medium to high density housing types including, but not limited to, condominiums, attached wall townhouses, stacked flats, and garden apartments which include common facilities at a density of less than eighteen (18) dwelling units per acre.

(2) District Regulations. No building or land within the 4-RA district shall be used and no buildings shall be hereafter constructed or altered, except for one or more of the following uses:

(a) Multiple household dwelling units.

(b) Child care facilities.

(3) Special Uses. The following uses are subject to approval of a Special Use Permit as provided within Article 6 of this ordinance:

(a) Residential health care facilities;

(b) Group living quarters for elderly persons;

(c) Density bonus of up to 15% over the maximum number of dwelling units permitted within this zone district for projects demonstrating superior design.

(4) Maximum Height. No building within this district is to exceed thirty-five (35) feet in height.
(5) Minimum Lot Size. For every main building hereafter constructed or substantially altered, the following regulations shall apply:

(a) A minimum lot area of two thousand four hundred thirty (2,430) square feet for each dwelling unit is required, except that no such lot or combination of lots shall be less than twelve thousand five hundred (12,500) square feet. For any such multiple household attached wall townhouse dwelling unit, the two thousand four hundred thirty (2,430) square feet for each dwelling unit may be divided in any proportion between the lot and the common area.

(b) For any building other than a dwelling unit, the minimum lot size shall be twelve thousand five hundred (12,500) square feet.

(6) Minimum Lot Width.

(a) For multiple household attached wall townhouse dwelling units, there shall be a minimum townhouse lot width of eighteen (18) feet; however, the main building lot width shall not be less than one hundred (100) feet. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(b) The minimum lot width for any other main building shall be one hundred (100) feet.

(7) Open Space. For every main building hereafter constructed, an open space area shall be provided in an amount equal to at least fifty-five (55) percent of the total lot area. However, an area equal to thirty-five (35) percent of the site, or the amount required by Article 15 of this ordinance, whichever is greater, shall be provided as usable open space.

(8) Site Plan Requirement. Any structure hereafter constructed or main building substantially altered within the 4-RA zone district shall comply with the regulations set forth in Article 15 of this ordinance. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

17-5-14. 5-R HIGHER DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(1) Intent of District. The intent of this residential district is to provide for a mixture of the high density housing types including, but not limited to, condominiums, stacked flats, garden apartments, and apartments at a density of less than twenty-five (25) dwelling units per acre.

(2) District Regulations. No building or land within the 5-R district shall be used and no buildings shall be hereafter constructed or altered, except for one or more of the following uses:

(a) Multiple household dwelling units.

(b) Child care facilities.
(c) Residential health care facilities.

(d) Group living quarters for elderly persons and group living quarters for victims of domestic violence.

(3) Special Uses. The following uses are subject to approval of a Special Use Permit as provided within Article 6 of this ordinance:

(a) Group living quarters for developmentally disabled persons, mentally ill persons, substance abuse rehabilitation, care of dependent/neglected children, and temporary shelter of homeless persons.

(b) Density bonus of up to 15% over the maximum number of dwelling units permitted within this zone district for projects demonstrating superior design.

(4) Maximum Height. No building within this district is to exceed fifty (50) feet in height.

(5) Minimum Lot Size. For every main building hereafter constructed or substantially altered:

(a) A minimum lot area of one thousand seven hundred fifty (1,750) square feet for each dwelling unit is required, except that no such lot or combination of lots shall be less than one (1) acre in size.

(b) For any main building other than a child care facility, the minimum lot area shall be one (1) acre. The minimum lot area for a child care facility shall be one-half (1/2) acre.

(6) Minimum Lot Width.

(a) There shall be a minimum lot width of one hundred fifty (150) feet.

(7) Open Space. For every main building hereafter constructed, an open space area shall be provided in an amount equal to at least fifty-five (55) percent of the total area. However, an area equal to thirty-five (35) percent of the site, or the amount required by Article 15 of this ordinance, whichever is greater, shall be provided as usable open space.

Note: The required amount of on-site open space for higher density multi-family development in activity centers and along the Colfax Corridor will be calculated according to the recommendations of the Urban Design Plan for these areas. Until such time as specific Urban Design Plans are adopted by the City, the above listed requirements shall apply.

(8) Site Plan Requirement. Any structure hereafter constructed or main building substantially altered within the 5-R zone district shall comply with the regulations set forth in Article 15 of this ordinance.
17-5-15 5-RA UNLIMITED DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(1) **Intent of District.** The intent of this residential district is to provide for a mixture of the highest density housing types including, but not limited to, condominiums and apartments at densities greater than twenty-five (25) dwelling units per acre in appropriate locations within activity centers and other special locations as designated in the Comprehensive Plan.

(2) **District Regulations.** No building or land within the 5-RA district shall be used and no buildings shall be hereafter constructed or altered, except for one or more of the following uses:

(a) Multiple household dwelling units.

(b) Child care facilities.

(c) Residential health care facilities.

(d) Group living quarters for elderly persons and group living quarters for victims of domestic violence.

(3) The following uses are permitted as special uses subject to approval of a Special Use Permit as provided for within Article 6 of this ordinance.

(a) Group living quarters for developmentally disabled persons, mentally ill persons, substance abuse rehabilitation, care of dependent/neglected children, and temporary shelter of homeless persons.

(4) **Maximum Height.** The maximum height of structures shall not be specifically regulated; however, maximum building height shall be a function of the density, type of unit, and surrounding development, as provided for in Article 15 of this ordinance.

(5) **Minimum Lot Size.** For every main building hereafter constructed or substantially altered, there shall be a minimum lot area of one (1) acre. There is no minimum lot area per residential unit as there is no maximum density; however, there shall be a minimum density of 25 units/ acres.

(6) **Minimum Lot Width:**

(a) There shall be a minimum lot width of one hundred fifty (150) feet.

(7) **Open Space.** The required amount of on-site open space for unlimited density multi-family development in activity centers and along the Colfax Corridor will be determined by the Urban Design Plan for these areas as defined in the Comprehensive Plan. Until such time as specific Urban Design Plans are adopted, an amount equal to at least fifty-five (55) percent of the total lot area shall be provided. However, an area equal to thirty-five (35) percent of the site, or the amount required by Article 15 of this ordinance, whichever is greater, shall be provided as usable open space.
(8) **Site Plan Requirement.** Any structure hereafter constructed or main building substantially altered within the R-5A zone district shall comply with the regulations set forth in Article 15 of this ordinance.

17-5-16. **(6-R) MOBILE HOME RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT** (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.) (1) No building, structure, mobile home or land within the 6-R District shall be used and no building, structure, or mobile home shall be hereafter constructed or altered except for one or more of the following uses:

(a) Mobile homes.

(b) Structures which contain a mobile home and provide additional living area.

(c) Single household dwelling for park manager.

(d) Common facilities such as laundry rooms, toilet rooms, shower and bath houses, and indoor or outdoor recreation facilities.

(e) Accessory structures, including carports or other off-street parking, storage structures, patios, patio covers, and other appurtenances.

(f) Office facilities for management of park.

(2) No building or structure shall exceed thirty-five (35) feet in height. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-10 effective 4/12/87.)

(3) There shall be a minimum parcel size of five (5) acres. For a singlewide trailer, there shall be a minimum lot size of two thousand four hundred (2,400) square feet and a minimum width of thirty-five (35) feet. For a double-wide trailer, there shall be a minimum lot size of three thousand six hundred (3,600) square feet of lot area and a minimum width of forty (40) feet.

(4) For any new mobile home park or any substantial expansion of a mobile home park, at least eight (8) percent of the gross land area within the mobile home park shall be devoted to recreational facilities which shall be generally provided in a central location. The area or areas designated for recreation use shall be separate from the mobile home spaces. This space shall be in addition to the buffering areas required by Article 15 of this Ordinance. For the purposes of this section and the site plan requirements of Article 15, "substantial alteration" means an expansion of at least twenty (20) percent of the gross land area of the park as it existed on the effective date of this Ordinance.

(5) All uses shall conform to the following regulations:

(a) Any park hereafter constructed or substantially altered within this zone district shall comply with the site plan regulations set forth in Article 15 of this Ordinance;
(b) For safety purposes, all utility service lines, including all telephone lines and television signal cables, within the mobile home district shall be installed underground; and

(c) A mobile home park shall be allowed only where the same abuts on or has access to streets and highways no less than sixty (60) feet wide. At least two (2) entrances shall be provided to the park.

17-5-17. (OF) OFFICE DISTRICT (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.) (1) No building or land within the OF District shall be used and no building shall be hereafter constructed or altered, except for one or more of the following uses:

(a) General Office Uses, including:

(1) Business and professional offices, other than professional health facilities as permitted in paragraph (b) of this subsection (1).

(2) Banks, savings and loans, other financial offices and institutions, including pedestrian and bicycle facilities, but not including motor vehicle drive-through facilities.

(3) Newspaper offices.

(4) Printing facilities.

(5) Art, photographic, dance, music, radio studios and television studios. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(b) Professional Health Facilities, including:

(1) Medical, dental and optical clinics and laboratories.

(2) Mortuaries, including facilities for cremation.

(3) Veterinary clinics for small animals.

(4) Hospitals and sanitariums.

(5) Residential health care facilities.

(6) Pharmacies.

(7) Hair salons. (As amended by 0-83-159.)

(8) Group living quarters for elderly persons and group living quarters for victims of domestic violence. (As amended by 0-88-67, effective date 2/11/89, and as amended by 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)
(c) Public Use Facilities, including only the following:

1) Public library, public and private nonprofit museum, and public and private nonprofit art gallery.

2) Post office including drive-in and drive-through facilities and related storage of operable motor vehicles.

3) Public health clinics, public social and employment agencies, and municipal buildings.

4) Private nonprofit athletic associations, private athletic clubs, including outdoor accessory facilities, tennis courts, swimming pools, gymnasiums and health spas.

5) Colleges, universities, private vocational, trade or professional schools, and schools for the developmentally disabled.

6) Child care facilities.

(d) Parking for automobiles of the clients, patients, patrons or customers of the occupants of adjacent commercial zone districts. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(2) The following uses are permitted as Special Uses, subject to approval of a Special Use Permit as provided for within Article 6 of this Ordinance:

(a) Correctional institutions

(b) Wind powered electric generators

(c) Group living quarters for developmentally disabled persons, mentally ill persons, substance abuse rehabilitation, care of dependent, neglected children, temporary shelter of homeless persons, and adult or juvenile offenders. (As amended by 0-88-67, effective date 2/11/89.)

(3) No building or structure shall exceed sixty (60) feet in height. Office uses allowed in other zone districts shall conform to the height regulations in those districts.

(4) For every main building hereafter constructed or substantially altered, an open space area shall be provided in an amount equal to at least twenty-five (25) percent of the total lot area or in the amount required by Article 15 of this ordinance, whichever is greater. However, for any residential health care facility, or group living quarters hereinafter constructed or substantially altered, an open space area shall be provided in an amount equal to at least forty (40) percent of the total lot area or in the amount required by Article 15 of this ordinance, whichever is greater. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)
(5) Any building or structure hereafter constructed or substantially altered within this zone district shall comply with the site plan regulations set forth in Article 15 of this Ordinance.

17-5-18. (1-C) CONVENIENCE COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.) (1) No building or land within the 1-C District shall be used, and no building shall be hereafter constructed or altered, except for one or more of the following uses:

(a) Any use permitted in the OF (office) district. Uses listed as a Special Use in the OF (office) district shall only be allowed subject to approval of a Special Use Permit as provided for within Article 6 of this Ordinance. (As amended by 0-88-67, effective date 2/11/89.)

(b) Store for retail trade not specifically provided for within other zone districts.

(c) Restaurant, fast food restaurant, specialty food service, and other outlets for sale of prepared foods.

(d) Package liquor stores, fermented malt beverage stores or outlets, and taverns.

(e) Drive-through car wash.

(f) Motor fuel filling and service stations, including those associated with food stores. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(g) Studio for custom work or for making articles to be sold at retail on the premises, provided all work areas and storage facilities are enclosed as part of the main building.

(h) Cold storage lockers, but not including slaughtering on the premises.

(i) Motels.

(j) Home service and appliance repair outlets.

(k) Rental services, but not including rental of equipment with motors of more than twenty (20) horsepower.

(l) Display, service and sales of motorcycles, snowmobiles, mopeds and bicycles.

(m) Garment work, hair care facilities, and watch and jewelry repair shops.

(n) Grocery store.
(o) Printing establishment.

(p) Except where specifically permitted, uses listed in the preceding paragraphs may not be designed or operated as drive-through facilities. Any such use may be designed and operated as drive-in facilities where appropriate.

(2) No building or structure shall exceed thirty-five (35) feet in height.

(3) For every building or structure hereafter constructed or altered, there shall be a MAXIMUM store unit size of five thousand (5,000) square feet of gross floor area.

(4) For every main building hereafter constructed or substantially altered, an open space area shall be provided in an amount equal to at least twenty-five (25) percent of the total lot area or in the amount required by Article 15 of this ordinance, whichever is greater. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(5) For every building hereafter constructed or substantially altered, the building or structure shall comply with the site plan regulations set forth in Article 15 this Ordinance.

17-5-19. (2-C). NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(1) No building or land within the 2-C District shall be used, and no building shall be hereafter constructed or altered, except for any of the following uses: Any use permitted in the 1-C (Convenience Commercial) District.

(2) No building or structure shall exceed forty-five (45) feet in height.

(3) For any building or structure hereafter constructed or altered there shall be a MAXIMUM store unit size of twenty thousand (20,000) square feet of gross floor area;

(4) For every main building hereafter constructed or substantially altered:

(a) An open space area shall be provided and maintained in an amount equal to at least twenty-five (25) percent of the total lot area or in the amount required by Article 15 of this ordinance, whichever is greater. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(b) The building or structure shall be designed to permit an integrated parking and access system. Written stipulations shall be submitted relative to the provisions of integrated parking and access as a part of the site plan as required within Article 15 of this Ordinance.
(5) For any building hereafter constructed or substantially altered, the building or structure shall comply with the site plan regulations set forth in Article 15 of this Ordinance.

17-5-20. (3-C) COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (As amended by 0-81-108 and as amended by 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(1) No building or land within the 3-C District shall be used, and no building shall be hereafter constructed or altered, except for one of the following uses:

(a) Any use permitted in the 2-C (Neighborhood Commercial) District.

(b) Theaters, ice or roller skating rinks, bowling centers, pool or billiard parlors.

(c) Postal sub-stations, and related storage of operable motor vehicles.

(d) Dance halls.

(e) Indoor firing ranges.

(f) Indoor archery ranges.

(g) Lawn and garden centers, landscape material centers, home improvement centers, but no outdoor storage of inventory.

(h) Amusement centers, if otherwise in conformance with the City of Lakewood Municipal Code. (As amended by 0-82-108.)

(i) Ambulance service facilities.

(j) Any of the above uses may be designed and operated as drive-in or drive-through facilities where appropriate.

(2) No building or structure shall exceed sixty (60) feet in height.

(3) For any building or structure hereafter constructed or altered there shall be a MAXIMUM store unit size of sixty thousand (60,000) square feet of gross floor area, except that any use listed in paragraph (1)(b) above shall have a maximum store unit size of one hundred thousand (100,000) square feet of gross floor area.

(4) For any main building hereafter constructed or substantially altered:

(a) An open space area shall be provided and maintained in an amount equal to at least twenty (20) percent of the total lot area or in the amount required by Article 15 of this Ordinance, whichever is greater. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)
(b) The building or structure shall be designed to permit an integrated parking and access system. Written stipulations shall be submitted relative to the provision of integrated parking and access as a part of the site plan as required within Article 15 of this Ordinance.

(5) For any building or structure hereafter constructed or substantially altered, the building or structure shall comply with the site plan regulations set forth in Article 15 of this Ordinance.

17-5-21. (4-C) REGIONAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(1) No building or land within the 4-C District shall be used, and no building shall be hereafter constructed or altered, except for one of the following uses:

(a) Any use permitted in the 3-C (Neighborhood Commercial) District.

(b) Hotels.

(c) Assembly, convention, or exposition halls, but not including the showing of animals, other than household pets.

(d) Amusement arcades, if otherwise in conformance with the City of Lakewood Municipal Code. (As amended by 0-82-108.)

(2) No building or structure shall exceed sixty (60) feet in height.

(3) For any main building hereafter constructed or substantially altered:

(a) An open space area shall be provided and maintained in an amount equal to at least twenty (20) percent of the total lot area or in the amount required by Article 15 of this Ordinance, whichever is greater (as amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89);

(b) The building or structure shall be designed to permit an integrated parking and access system. Written stipulations shall be submitted relative to the provision of integrated parking and access as a part of the site plan as required within Article 15 of this Ordinance.

(4) For any building or structure hereafter constructed or substantially altered, the building or structure shall comply with the site plan regulations set forth in Article 15 of this Ordinance.

17-5-22. (5-C) LARGE LOT COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.) (1) No building or land within the 5-C District shall be used, and no building shall be hereafter constructed or altered, except for one of the following uses:
(a) Lumber yard.

(b) Auction houses, except for the auctioning of live animals.

(c) Drive-in movie theaters.

(d) Sale at retail of any commodity warehoused on the premises and not intended for distribution as a wholesale product.

(e) Display, repair, service, sales and storage of mobile homes, travel trailers, motor homes, trailers, campers, boats, and motor vehicles, but not including auto wrecking yards, junk yards, or outside storage of metals or inoperable motor vehicles. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective 8/28/89.)

(f) Rental agencies for automobiles, campers, trailers, motor homes, light and heavy equipment, and related service facilities.

(g) Lawn and garden centers, landscape material centers, and home improvement centers, with outside storage of inventory.

(h) Mini-warehouses.

(i) Parking on premises of motor vehicles to serve permitted uses.

(j) Racetracks, miniature golf or putting ranges, golf driving ranges, skateboard parks, amusement parks, go-cart tracks and trampoline centers.

(k) Kennels.

(l) Flea markets.

(m) Contractor shops and building trades supplies storage if totally enclosed within a building or structure. (As amended by 0-82-19.)

(2) No building shall exceed sixty (60) feet in height.

(3) For every building or structure hereafter constructed or altered there shall be a minimum lot area of one-half (0.5) acre.

(4) For any main building hereafter constructed or substantially altered:

(a) An open space area shall be provided and maintained in an amount equal to at least twenty (20) percent of the total lot area or in the amount required by Article 15 of this Ordinance, whichever is greater. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(b) Outdoor storage of any materials not intended for display shall be screened from view from adjacent streets and adjoining property to a height of six (6) feet.
For any building or structure hereafter constructed or substantially altered, the building or structure shall comply with the site plan regulations set forth in Article 15 of this Ordinance.

17-5-23. (IN) INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT (As amended by ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.) (1) No building or land within the IN District shall be used, and no building shall be hereafter constructed or substantially altered, except for one of the following uses:

(a) Manufacturing, processing, fabrication, assembly, packaging, warehousing, storage, wholesaling, retailing, repair, rental, or servicing of any commodity, but only if totally enclosed within a building or structure.

(b) Junkyards, automobile wrecking and processing yards, salvage yards, and the outdoor storage of any commodity, including operable or inoperable machinery or motor vehicles, but only if screened from public view to a height of at least six (6) feet.

(c) Cement and asphalt batch plants.

(d) Communication centers, including radio and television studios, transmitting centers, towers, and accessory equipment, telephone exchanges.

(e) Printing establishments.

(f) Auction houses for animals.

(g) Railroad facilities, including shops, freight yards, passenger stations and storage.

(h) Public wastewater facilities.

(i) Laboratories.

(j) Parking of vehicles on premises to serve permitted uses.

(k) Motor vehicle service and repair facilities.

(1) Motor fuel filling stations.

(2) No building shall exceed a height of sixty (60) feet, excluding towers.

(3) For any building or structure hereafter constructed or altered there shall be a minimum lot size of one-half (0.5) acre.
(4) For any building or structure hereafter constructed or substantially altered, an open space area shall be provided and maintained in an amount equal to at least twenty (20) percent of the total lot area or in the amount required by Article 15 of this Ordinance, whichever is greater.

17-5-24. (MU) MIXED OR SINGLE USE DISTRICT (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.) (1) The Mixed or Single Use District permits the planning and development of substantial parcels of land which are suitable in location and character for the uses proposed as unified and integrated developments in accordance with detailed development plans. The Mixed or Single Use District is intended to provide a means of accomplishing the following objectives:

(a) To provide for development concepts not otherwise permitted within standard zone districts.

(b) To provide flexibility, unity and diversity in land planning and development, resulting in convenient and harmonious groupings of uses, structures and common facilities; varied type design and layout of housing and other buildings; and appropriate relationships of open spaces to intended uses and structures.

(c) To provide for the public health, safety, integrity and general welfare, and otherwise achieve the purposes as provided for within the Planned Unit Development Act of 1972, Title 24, Article 67, Colorado Revised Statutes 1973, as amended.

(2) Uses within a Mixed or Single Use development may be multiple in nature and may include uses not otherwise permitted within the same zone district. The location and relationship of these uses shall be as established in and conform to the policies and standards contained within the Comprehensive Plan and other appropriate adopted and approved plans, including but not limited to locational criteria within that Comprehensive Plan. Planned Developments of single uses approved under Ordinance 0-70-104, as amended, are deemed to be conforming uses. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(3) Applications for Mixed or Single Use District zoning which include billboards shall be limited to geographic areas which are either within the following existing zone districts or have uses which are compatible with uses permitted in only the following zone districts: 1-C, 2-C, 3-C, 4-C, 5-C, and IN. Applications and proposed stipulations for an MU District to permit construction of a billboard shall comply with the following standards in addition to any standards generally applicable to an MU District: (As Repealed and Re-enacted by 0-82-170.)

(a) A billboard shall be limited to one (1) display surface not to exceed one hundred (100) square feet in area.
(b) Billboards shall be limited to one (1) display surface or sign face per direction per lot, not to exceed a maximum of two (2) display surfaces per lot, provided that such multiple display surface must be attached back-to-back.

(c) There shall be not less than ten (10) feet of minimum setback between the lot line and the leading edge of the sign.

(d) No billboard shall be constructed or maintained which is not separated by at least five hundred (500) feet from the nearest display surface of any other lawfully erected or maintained billboard.

(e) No billboard shall be constructed or maintained at a distance closer than one hundred (100) feet between the display surface and the nearest lot line of any residential zone district in the City of Lakewood or in any geographic area not more distant than one hundred (100) feet from the boundary of the City of Lakewood.

(f) Billboards shall not be illuminated between the hours of twelve o'clock (12:00) a.m. (midnight) and six o'clock (6:00) a.m. if they are situated with a display surface closer than five hundred (500) feet from the nearest lot line of a property zoned for a residential use.

(g) Notwithstanding (4) below, the height of the billboard shall conform to the height restrictions as stated in 17-10-8.

(4) Height limitations applicable to any use within the Mixed or Single Use District shall be as provided for that use where permitted in other zone districts. If there is a conflict among height limitations applicable to uses within the MU District, the limitation permitting the greater height shall apply to all uses within the District plan. If the Comprehensive Plan recommends a greater height for uses located within a designated geographic area of the City than would otherwise be permitted for the uses under this Ordinance, the height limitation permitted by the Comprehensive Plan shall govern the height of the uses within that designated geographic area.

(5) Parcels of land submitted for consideration as Mixed or Single Use development shall be at least one (1) acre in size. However, a Mixed Use development intended for use in locating a billboard shall not be required to provide a minimum parcel size.

(6) When regulations governing setbacks, secondary and accessory uses, off-street parking, fences, walls and obstructions to view, open space, signage, and site elements included in, but not limited to, Article 15 are not specifically mentioned in the stipulations of the approved Official Development Plan, the Director of Community Development shall have the following options:

(a) Require the application of regulations as set forth in the most similar zone category for any or all of the site elements listed above;
(b) Require the applicant to develop standards, prior to site plan submittal, which are in keeping with the intent of the Mixed or Single Use District as stated in 17-5-21(1). Such standards must be recorded as an amendment to the Official Development Plan.

(c) For either option, the Director may use the site plan criteria listed in 17-15-3(2) to evaluate the effects of the proposed regulations. (As amended by 0-83-158.)

(7) The application for a Mixed or Single Use Use District shall include and be approved or disapproved as follows:

(a) The application for a zoning amendment to establish a Mixed or Single Use District shall comply with all procedures for rezoning set forth in Article 17 of this Ordinance;

(b) In addition to the following rezoning procedures, the developer shall submit with the rezoning application an official development plan (ODP) containing written stipulations or graphic representations addressing the following plan elements. In phased mixed use developments, the Director of Community Development may allow one or more of the following plan elements to be submitted on or with the site plan for that phase in conformance with Section 17-5-21(10) below.

1) Type and location of all intended uses.

2) Expected gross land areas of all intended uses including Open Space.

3) Gross floor area or residential unit size and number for all buildings or structures, including a statement pertaining to the appropriateness of the density and intensity of the suggested uses relative to policies and standards contained within the Comprehensive Plan.

4) Statement of the height limitations applicable pursuant to the requirements of subsection (4) above.

5) Statement of type and format of signage and fencing if different than provided for within Article 10 and Article 8 of this Ordinance.

6) Transportation, access and circulation patterns including vehicle, bicycle, pedestrian and transit circulation patterns.

7) Schedule of order of development and delineation of sub-areas if construction is to be in stages.

8) Improvement and continuing maintenance and management of any private streets or ways or common open space not offered and accepted for dedication for general public use.
(9) The name of the Official Development Plan which is to be different from any other previously recorded in Jefferson County.

(10) Certification blocks for Planning Commission, City Council, County Clerk and Recorder, and land owner(s) signatures. (As amended by 0-83-159.)

(11) A survey and legal description of the property.

(12) Building elevation, describing the general design and architecture of the buildings.

(13) Lighting detail.

(c) Review and final approval or disapproval of the rezoning and Official Development Plan shall be in accordance with procedures set forth in Article 17 of this Ordinance and shall be completed within two hundred seventy (270) days after the filing of a complete application.

(d) Final approval of an Official Development Plan shall not become effective until all required changes and amendments have been shown on the final Official Development Plan which is on file with the Department of Community Development, and the Official Development Plan is recorded in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder of Jefferson County.

(e) All construction shall be in accordance with the approved and recorded official development plan and amendments or modifications thereof as provided in subsection (9) below. (As amended by 0-83-158.)

(8) No application for a Mixed or Single Use Development shall be approved unless:

(a) The proposed development conforms with policies and standards contained within this Ordinance, within the Planned Unit Development Act of 1972, as amended and within the Comprehensive Plan;

(b) All requirements of this Article, Article 15 and Article 17 are met; and

(c) All landowners whose property is included within the Mixed or Single Use Development have given their written consent to the Mixed or Single Use Development.

(9) Provisions of the Official Development Plan, authorized to be enforced by the City of Lakewood, may be modified, removed or released subject to the following provisions:

(a) If such modification, removal, or release involves an increase of the gross floor area by an amount of ten percent (10%) or more of the original measurement of the gross floor area or residential density as set forth on the official development plan, or if it involves a specific
change in use or uses within the Mixed or Single Use Development, which would not be allowed within the applicable standard zoning district, the applicant shall be required to submit a new application for rezoning the parcel as provided for within Article 17 of this Ordinance.

(b) If such modification, removal or release involves a change to the development including but not limited to building setback, height or architectural design, landscaping, fencing, or a specific change in use or uses permitted in accordance with 17-5-24(9)(a), the Director of Community Development shall review the application with respect to the criteria included in 17-5-24(9)(d). Written notice of the application shall be provided at the applicant's expense to all owners of property adjacent to the site, disregarding public rights-of-way. If a written objection to the application is filed with the Director within ten (10) days of notification, the application shall be referred to the Planning Commission in accordance with 17-5-24(9)(e). If no objection is filed, and the application is found to be consistent with the criteria in 17-5-24(9)(d), the Director may approve the application.

(c) If such modification, removal, or release involves only a change in the site plan, the applicant shall be required to submit a new site plan indicating such changes in conformance with Article 15 of this ordinance for review and action by the Director of the Department of Community Development.

(d) Modification not covered in subsection (a) or (b) above may be granted by the Director of the Department of Community Development if it is determined that the modification meets the following criteria:

1) Is consistent with the efficient development and preservation of the entire Mixed Use Development;

2) Does not affect in a substantially adverse manner the enjoyment of land abutting or across the street from the Mixed Use Development;

3) Does not affect in a substantially adverse manner the public interest;

4) Is not granted solely to confer special benefit upon any person;

5) Application for such administrative review is accompanied by a review fee in an amount established by City Council Resolution.
(e) The Director of the Department of Community Development may, at his discretion, refer a modification to the Planning Commission for consideration. The Planning Commission may also hear applicants' appeals from administrative decisions. A public hearing before the Planning Commission shall be held with prior notice thereof published, mailed, and posted as provided in 17-17-4(1). Any action by the Planning Commission shall require payment of an additional review fee in an amount to be established by City Council Resolution.

An appeal from a Planning Commission decision may be made to the City Council. A public hearing before City Council shall be held with prior notice thereof published, mailed and posted as provided in 17-17-4(1), except that the City Clerk shall perform the functions of the Secretary to the Planning Commission when the hearing is before City Council. Any action by City Council shall require payment of an additional review fee in an amount to be established by City Council Resolution.

Denial of a modification does not preclude the filing of a new rezoning application.

(f) Regardless of the type of modification applied for, all modifications to an approved Official Development Plan for the Mixed or Single Use District shall be reviewed by the City Engineer in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 14.13 of the Lakewood Municipal Code to determine if the modification necessitates the dedication and/or construction of public improvements by the applicant.

(10) **Phasing of Mixed or Single Use Developments.** (As amended by 0-81-108.) (As amended by 0-85-79.)

(a) Based upon both development and planning considerations, it may be desirable to develop property in several phases. Accordingly, the applicant for rezoning may elect to apply for development in any number of phases, setting forth the sequence of the phases and the information, plans, regulations, and stipulations to be submitted with each phase in the application; provided, however, that the proposed uses, use patterns and the proposed intensity and density of such uses and use patterns will be the factors determined at the time of approval of the first phase, along with the factors listed in Article 17-5-21 of this Ordinance which the Planning Commission determines to be necessary to the consideration of the rezoning application. The intensity and density of use may be set within upper and lower limits thereof as set by the Planning Commission.

(b) The Planning Commission shall consider the request of the applicant for rezoning to the Mixed or Single Use Zone District simultaneously with the consideration of the first phase proposal, as set forth in the application. If the proposed uses, use patterns and the
intensity and density of such uses and use patterns are approved by the Planning Commission, or if the proposed uses, use patterns, and the intensity and density of such uses are approved by the Planning Commission with amendments, and if the Planning Commission shall determine that the application for rezoning is in accordance with the standards and policies set forth in Section 31-23-303, C.R.S. 1973, as amended, the Comprehensive Development Plan of the City of Lakewood, and other articulated policies of the Planning Commission, the land may be rezoned to the Mixed or Single Use Zone District.

(c) The sequences of phases and the nature and character of the information, plans, regulations, and stipulations to be submitted with each phase shall be determined by the developer and the Department of Community Development prior to the submission of the application; provided, however, that the nature and character of the information, plans, regulations, and stipulations to be submitted in each phase shall be stated in the stipulations of the first phase.

(d) After initial rezoning to the Mixed Use Zone District, and in the consideration of the subsequent phases, the Planning Commission shall consider only those factors listed in Article 17-5-21 of this Chapter which relate to division of land and the way in which land will be made ready for building development, and which it has not determined during consideration of the first phase; provided, however, that all the provisions of the Official Development Plan authorized to be enforced by the City of Lakewood may be modified, removed or released, in accordance with this Ordinance. When submitting subsequent phases for Planning Commission consideration, all applicants shall pay a fee for the review of each phased site plan. The amount of this fee shall be established by City Council resolution. (As amended by O-85-125.)
ARTICLE 6: SPECIAL USE PERMITS

17-6-1 APPLICABILITY. The requirements of this Article 6 shall apply to all uses listed as special uses within Article 5 of this ordinance. Special uses are uses which are appropriate for the applicable zone district only upon site specific review according to the standards established by Section 17-6-4 of this ordinance and formal approval by the City. Review and determination of proposed special uses shall be governed by the provisions of Subsection 17-6-2 except where the proposed use is a group home housing eight (8) or fewer client residents meeting the definition in this ordinance of a group home for victims of domestic violence or a group home for pregnant women and infants. Applications involving these particular group homes shall be subject to the process set forth in Subsection 17-6-2(11). (As amended by 0-88-67, effective date 2/11/89.)

17-6-2. APPLICATION FORM AND REVIEW PROCEDURE. (1) Special Use Permit applications may be initiated only by the fee owners of the property or his designated agent.

(2) (a) Prior to filing an application for Special Use Permit for any parcel of land, the applicant shall participate in a pre-application review with the Department of Community Development. No application for Special Use Permit shall be accepted until after the preapplication review is completed and the Department's written conclusions are received by the applicant.

(b) In addition to a pre-application review with the Department of Community Development, the City Engineer shall review the information submitted with the pre-application request to determine if public improvements may be necessitated upon issuance of a Special Use Permit. If public improvements are necessary, the standards, criteria, timing, and extent of the public improvements specified in Chapter 14.13 of the Lakewood Municipal Code shall apply, and these requirements will be listed in the Community Development Department's written response.

(3) To commence the pre-application review, the applicant shall submit the following:

(a) Plan of the general layout of the parcel. Plans submitted may be sketched on sheets eight and one-half (8 1/2) inches by eleven (11) inches in size, or may be in final form.

(b) Letter stating: The proposed uses of the parcel; the approximate gross floor area of any intended buildings or structures and the number and size of residential dwellings to be included; and the gross land area of the parcel, including public rights-of-way contained within the parcel.

(c) For Special Use Permits for group homes or group living quarters, the following information shall also be submitted:
(1) A description of the client population, including the proposed number of residents and staffing levels.

(2) The state or county agency responsible for licensing the facility, and the names of at least two (2) contact persons at that agency familiar with the applicant's licensing status.

(3) The type and level of services to be provided.

(4) A statement establishing that the proposed facility conforms with the standards set forth in section 17-6-4 of this Ordinance.

(4) Official minutes summarizing the pre-application review shall be prepared by the Department of Community Development and a copy of such minutes shall be provided to the applicant.

(5) Within fourteen (14) days after the date of the pre-application review, the Department of Community Development shall notify the applicant in writing of its conclusions regarding the requested use with respect to the following items:

(a) Appropriateness of the change with respect to the standards set forth in section 17-6-4 of this Ordinance.

(b) Need, if any, to plat the subject parcel pursuant to the City of Lakewood Subdivision Ordinance.

(c) Any required site plan considerations.

(d) General concerns relating to the anticipated impact upon public rights-of-way and public improvements, as well as appropriate measures to address the impact.

(6) Each applicant shall meet with residents and persons owning property in the vicinity of the site, in accordance with the Neighborhood Referral Program. The meeting shall take place pursuant to the Neighborhood Referral Program administrative guidelines which have been adopted and shall be amended by resolution. The neighborhood referral meeting shall be held prior to filing a formal application, except for special uses which involve a group home housing eight (8) or fewer client residents meeting the definitions in this ordinance of group homes for: elderly persons; developmentally disabled persons; mentally ill persons; and dependent, neglected children. For these specific types of special uses only, the applicant will be permitted to file a formal application, as described in Subsection (7) below, immediately after receipt of the City's written pre-application response. The neighborhood referral meeting will occur after filing of the formal application, but at least nine (9) days prior to the scheduled Planning Commission hearing.

The administrative guidelines presently require that all property owners within 300 feet of the boundaries of the subject property must be notified of the meeting. However, where the desired use involves a group home or group
living quarters, the administrative guidelines shall require that the distance for notification shall be 500 feet. In addition, registered neighborhood organizations within and adjacent to the 300 foot radius shall be notified. The notification process is the joint responsibility of the City of Lakewood, Department of Community Development and the applicant.

(7) Formal applications shall be submitted on forms provided by the Department of Community Development and shall contain the following:

(a) Name and address of the applicant;

(b) A survey and a legal description of the property;

(c) The names and addresses of all persons, firms or corporations who, or which hold fee title to the property for which the Special Use application is made, as shown by the records of the Clerk and Recorder of Jefferson county as of the date of the application, and a copy of the warranty deed to the property;

(d) The location of the property with reference to street and address if such are present;

(e) Present zoning of the property;

(f) Proposed Special Use; and,

(g) A written statement that all development standards applicable to the specific use have been and will continue to be met.

(8) The application shall be signed by the applicant or his duly authorized representative and shall be accompanied by the necessary fee as shown within the fee schedule adopted by City Council resolution to cover necessary costs related to this application. There shall be no refund of any fee which accompanies an application. An application shall not be considered accepted until all required information is submitted. (As amended by 0-85-125.)

(9) The Department of Community Development shall study the application and shall, within twenty-five (25) days after acceptance of a complete application, make a written report to the Planning Commission of its findings. In addition to the application review by the Department of Community Development, the City Engineer shall review the Special Use Permit application within the same twenty-five (25) day period in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 14.13 of the Lakewood Municipal Code to determine if the application necessitates the dedication and/or construction of public improvements by the applicant. (As amended by 0-84-108.)

(10) Action of the Planning Commission on the application shall be as follows:
(a) The Secretary to the Planning Commission shall schedule a public hearing on the application on the agenda of a meeting of the Commission within thirty (30) days of the acceptance of the formal application, unless continued by the applicant or Planning Commission, and shall give notice thereof in the same manner and to the same persons as provided in Section 17-17-4, except that no publication of the notice shall be required. When an applicant seeks a Special Use Permit for a group home or group living quarters, the notification procedures set forth in 17-17-4 shall not apply; instead, written notification of the Planning Commission public hearing shall be mailed first class mail to the owners of those properties previously notified in accordance with the Neighborhood Referral program.

(b) Upon consideration of the application, the Planning Commission shall hear any evidence or statement presented by the applicant or his representative, by the Director, or by any person in attendance at the hearing. The Planning Commission may, in its sole discretion, hear and consider any other statement or evidence, written or oral.

(c) Within sixteen (16) days after hearing all evidence, the Planning Commission shall deliver a copy of said findings and decision to the applicant, and to any other person who shall submit a written request for a copy. The decision of the Planning Commission may impose conditions upon the Special Use Permit in addition to those set forth in Section 17-6-4 which, if not complied with, shall be grounds for revocation of the Special Use Permit. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(d) The Planning Commission shall exercise its judgment in the review of the application and shall consider the standards set forth in the applicable subsections of 17-6-4, as well as the suitability of the property for the proposed special use, the impact of the proposed special use on nearby uses, and the circulation and access to the proposed special use. (As amended by 0-84-51.)

(e) The decision of the Planning Commission shall be final, and any appeal of the decision shall be to the courts.

(11) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsections 17-6-2(6), (9) and (10) above, group homes housing eight (8) or fewer client residents meeting the definitions in this ordinance of group homes for victims of domestic violence or pregnant women and infants shall be exempt from the neighborhood referral and public hearing process described in those sections. Instead, the formal application may be submitted to the Department of Community Development as described in Subsection 17-6-2(7) immediately after receipt of the City's written pre-application response.

(b) The Department of Community Development shall study the application according to the requirements of this Article 6, and shall, within twenty-five (25) days after acceptance of the application, make a written report to the applicant of its findings. If the Department of Community Development finds that the standards in this Article 6 for group homes...
are not met, the report will specify the deficiencies or areas of non-compliance. If the Department of Community Development finds that the application meets all applicable criteria of this Article 6, or that noted deficiencies have been corrected, the report will so state and the Director shall issue a special use permit for the requested group home special use, indicating that all conditions and revocation procedures listed in this article shall be in full force and effect.

(c) If the Department of Community Development finds that the application does not comply with the criteria in Article 6, and the applicant does not correct all previously noted deficiencies, the applicant shall have the right to appeal to Planning Commission according to the notification and scheduling procedures listed in Subsection 17-6-2(10) of this Article 6. (As amended by 0-88-67, effective date 2/11/89.)

17-6-3. REVOCATION OF SPECIAL USE PERMIT. (1) All stipulations submitted as part of the Special Use Permit and all conditions imposed by the Planning Commission shall be maintained in perpetuity with the special use. If at any time the stipulations are not met or are found to have been altered in scope, application or design, the use shall be in violation of the Special Use Permit.

(2) In addition to the revocation process listed herein for violations of City imposed standards or conditions, the City shall also provide a method for addressing and resolving complaints with respect to Special Use Permits for group homes and group living quarters by neighbors or the Special Use Permit holders. This method will include: (a) Provision of a list of responsible parties for both the group home operator and the licensing agency to direct questions or complaints to; (b) follow up by the City staff to assure that complaints are investigated; and (c) City investigation of any concerns related to City imposed standards or conditions.

If a complaint is lodged directly with the City zoning personnel regarding a group home or group living facility, such complaint shall be in writing, and shall be passed on to the Special Use Permit holder and to the licensing agency. If the complaint is not resolved to the satisfaction of both parties within 30 days, the Director will determine whether a violation of the Special Use Permit exists. Such a violation will be deemed to exist only if one of the Ordinance standards or Planning Commission conditions are affected, or if the Director determines that a substantial adverse impact to the neighborhood will result from the continued operation of the facility.

(3) If and when any special use is determined to be in violation of the Special Use Permit, the Director shall notify the permit holder and the licensing agency in writing of said violation and shall provide the permit holder with a thirty (30) day period in which to abate the violation. In addition, the notice shall state the time and place for a hearing, if the violation has not been abated within the thirty (30) day period. The purpose of this hearing shall be to determine whether revocation proceedings or other legal action should be pursued.
(4) If, within the thirty (30) day period established in subsection (3) above, the permit holder completely abates the cited violation, the permit holder shall notify the Director and licensing agency that the required changes have been made.

(5) Failure of the permit holder to abate cited violations within thirty (30) days shall result in the commencement of the hearing process scheduled by the provisions of subsection (3) above. Notice of the hearing shall be provided as required by Section 17-6-2(10)(a) above, with notification to the licensing agency also provided.

(6) Following a proper hearing, the Director shall issue a decision either revoking or sustaining the Special Use Permit. This decision may be appealed to the Planning Commission. After hearing, with prior notice to the permit holder, the Planning Commission shall sustain the decision of the Director if it finds a violation of the permit has occurred. The revocation of the Special Use Permit shall require the permit holder to vacate the premises or stop the use authorized by the Special Use Permit. After revocation, the permit holder may not reapply for a Special Use Permit pursuant to the procedures outlined in 17-6-2 of this Ordinance within 180 days of the revocation action.

The City, in addition to any other remedies provided in this Ordinance or by law, may institute injunction, mandamus, abatement, or any other appropriate action or proceeding to prevent, enjoin, abate, or remove such violation. Such actions may be instituted in the District Court of Jefferson County. (As amended by 0-88-67, effective date 2/11/89.)

17-6-4. STANDARDS FOR SPECIAL USES. In addition to any other regulations which may apply, no building or land shall be used and no building or structure shall be hereafter constructed or altered as a special use within a zone district unless said special use is specifically permitted within the zone district and conforms with the following standards and regulations applicable to the particular use. Special Use Permits may be granted for a specified period of time only if the specified period is set forth in the permit.

(1) Airports, Commercial Radio and Television Towers: No building or structure shall exceed any given height limit as required by the Federal Aviation Administration.

(2) Correctional Institution: Any use shall be so designed and located to assure maximum security to adjoining properties and to the neighborhood in general.

(3) Golf Driving Range:

(a) All parking areas required to service customers shall be located on site. Three quarters (0.75) parking spaces shall be required for each driving tee.
(b) Any use adjacent to a residential district shall be restricted in operations to between the hours of eight o'clock (8:00) a.m. and ten o'clock (10:00) p.m. local time daily. Uses not adjacent to a residential district shall not be so restricted.

(c) Adequate fencing must be installed and maintained to prevent pedestrian traffic from entering the driving range field. The boundaries of the driving range field shall be placed no closer than twenty-five (25) feet to the lot line. Appropriate design measures shall be implemented to prevent golf balls from endangering adjoining property and property residents.

(4) Greenhouse/Nursery, Landscape Material: All parking areas required to serve customers, employees and delivery vehicles shall be located on site. Loading zones shall be designated for both delivery service and for merchandise pickup. All loading zones shall be located on site.

(5) Group Home:

(a) The group home shall comply with any applicable license requirements of the State of Colorado, and have a currently valid license, if appropriate, and shall also comply with all certification and registration requirements of Jefferson County, including requirements for minimum floor area, bathroom area, closet space, and communal area.

(b) All group homes shall be operated by an individual who lives in the dwelling as his/her primary residence and is issued the Special Use Permit in his/her own name or by a firm or organization holding Colorado non-profit corporate status and Internal Revenue Service tax exempt status.

(c) No group home shall be located less than 1000 feet from another existing or approved group home, except when such group homes are separated by a restricted access highway or community level public park. In addition, in their review of Special Use Permit requests, the Planning Commission will consider the number of existing group homes within the planning district as a factor with bearing on the other standards set forth in this Section (17-6-4). It is the intent of the City of Lakewood to encourage an even distribution of group homes within the residential areas of the City.

(d) Every group home shall comply with the applicable City building, fire, and safety codes as well as all applicable requirements of the zone district in which the home is to be located.

(e) No architectural designs substantially inconsistent with the character of the surrounding neighborhood shall be permitted.

(f) No administrative activities of any private or public organization, other than those directly related to the specific group home, shall be conducted on the premises of the group home.
(g) Parking for the group home shall typically be confined to the street frontage, drive-way, and garage of the group home.

(h) The Group Home Special Use Permit shall be issued to a specific operator or organization and will not be transferable to another party.

(i) No group home shall be occupied until approvals from both the City of Lakewood and the appropriate licensing agency, when necessary, are received. In the case of group homes for the elderly, licensing agency approval shall consist of approval by Jefferson County as an adult foster care home, or by the State of Colorado as a personal care boarding home or alternative care boarding home.

(j) Every group home shall be limited to a maximum of eight (8) client residents, as well as a maximum of twelve (12) total residents (living in the dwelling as a primary residence) unless all of the following conditions can be met:

1. A ratio of at least 1,000 square feet of lot area per resident is provided; and

2. The structure meets or exceeds habitable floor area requirements of the licensing agency or if no license is required, meets requirements of Jefferson County Social Services for a similar licensed use; and

3. A recommendation from the licensing agency setting forth the reasons for a higher number of residents is provided; and

4. The Planning Commission determines that no substantial negative impact to the subject or nearby properties will result from the number of residents proposed.

If the Planning Commission approves a number of client residents above eight (8), such approval shall appear in the Planning Commission Resolution of Approval. In addition, the Planning Commission may determine that a lower number of total residents is necessary to assure compatibility with surrounding properties, and may include such a restriction in the approving resolution.

(k) Services provided within the group home setting should not include on-going medical or psychiatric treatment normally associated with a hospital or clinic setting, or a group living quarters, as determined by licensing agency.

(l) Every group home Special Use Permit shall be subject to a review six (6) months after approval, and at such other times as the Director of Community Development deems appropriate based on valid complaints, or inappropriate activities or violations of conditions of approval of the Special Use Permit. This review shall follow the procedure of the neighborhood referral process. The purpose of the review...
shall be to provide a forum for the Special Use Permit holder and neighbors to discuss and resolve any concerns raised in the initial period of operation or upon receipt of a valid complaint. Any unresolved issues shall be reviewed by the Director according to the complaint resolution process listed in this Article.

(m) Any group home existing as of the effective date of this Ordinance 0-88-67 shall have a period not to exceed one hundred eighty (180) days to come into compliance with the above listed standards; except that any existing group home that does not currently meet the separation standards of subsection (c) shall not be considered to be in violation of this section. Upon proof that an existing group home meets the above listed standards, the Director of Community Development shall cause to be issued a Special Use Permit for the existing use, indicating that all conditions and revocation procedures listed in this Article shall be in full force and effect. Any existing group home failing to comply shall be considered to be in violation of this Ordinance and subject to the procedures set forth in 17-6-3 above, unless a Special Use Permit is applied for according to the procedures listed in Section 17-6-2, and issued by Planning Commission. (As amended by 0-88-67, effective date 2/11/89.)

(6) Group Living Quarters and Residential Health Care Facilities:

(a) Every group living quarters shall comply with the site development requirements of Article 15 of the Zoning Ordinance, the Multiple Family Design Guidelines, and the requirements of the zoning district in which it is located.

(b) Every group living quarters shall comply with the parking requirements of Article 9 of the Zoning Ordinance. The Planning Commission shall have the authority to modify such requirements, if a parking analysis is submitted which demonstrates the appropriateness of a different parking requirement.

(c) No architectural design substantially inconsistent with the character of the surrounding neighborhood shall be permitted.

(d) Every group living quarters shall comply with all applicable license requirements of the State, and registration requirements of Jefferson County.

(e) Every group living quarters shall be located on a multi-family or commercial local, collector, or arterial street, and shall be accessible to transportation and convenience shopping facilities.

(f) Group living quarters shall not include the conversion of a portion of an existing multi-family development.
(g) Every Group living quarter Special Use Permit shall be subject to a review at six (6) months after approval, and at such other times as the Director of Community Development deems appropriate based on valid complaints, or inappropriate activities or violations of conditions of approval of the Special Use Permit. This review shall follow the procedure of the neighborhood referral process. The purpose of the review shall be to provide a forum for the Special Use Permit holder and neighbors to discuss and resolve any concerns raised in the initial period of operation or upon receipt of a valid complaint. Any unresolved issues shall be reviewed by the Director according to the complaint resolution process listed in this Article.

(h) Every group living quarter for juvenile or adult offenders shall be so designed and located to assure the security of the facility itself, adjoining properties and the neighborhood in general.

(7) Limited Office And Personal Services:

(a) The following lots are excluded from this special use category:

(1) Lots which are separated from the arterial street by a frontage or service road.

(2) Lots which front on another street and back up to the arterial street.

(3) Lots containing less land area than the minimum set forth in the applicable zoning district. A variance shall not be granted to allow a substandard lot to qualify for a special use permit. (As amended by O-84-51.)

(b) The gross floor area of the residential structure must not exceed that existing at the time of adoption of this Ordinance and the location of lot lines must be as they existed at the time of the adoption of this Ordinance. The residential character of the building must not change.

(c) No hazardous or flammable material may be stored outdoors. There shall be no outdoor storage of inventory or supplies.

(d) Any use of the structure must be in compliance with the Building Code.

(e) Any use of the property must comply with the site plan requirements of Article 15 of this Ordinance.

(f) Parking requirements for allowed uses shall be those set forth for comparable uses in Article 9.
(8) Mineral Resource Extraction:

(a) The term "mineral" as used in this section means an inanimate constituent of the earth in a solid, liquid, or gaseous state which, when extracted from the earth, is useable in its natural form or is capable of conversion into a useable form as a metal, a metallic compound, or chemical, an energy source, or a raw material for manufacturing or construction material, but does not include surface or subsurface water.

(b) The term "extraction operations" or "operations" includes the development or extraction of a mineral from its natural occurrence on affected land, including but not limited to, open mining and surface operations, and the disposal of refuse from underground and in situ mining, as well as stockpiling of extracted minerals, concentration, milling, evaporating and other on-site processing activities, but not including the grading or removal or transportation of earth normally associated with construction activities, when the primary purpose of the activities is construction rather than mineral extraction.

(c) Notwithstanding the requirements of Section 17-6-2 of this Ordinance, Special Use Permit applications for mineral extraction may be initiated by the fee owner of the property, his designated agent, and/or the owner or lessee of mineral interests.

(d) Impact analyses shall be submitted by the applicant to Planning Commission regarding potential impacts of the operations on erosion, drainage patterns, geological formations and stability, transportation systems, air and water quality, and plant and animal communities in the area, and Planning Commission shall consider the analyses and impacts when reviewing an application for a special use permit.

(e) A reclamation plan shall be submitted by the applicant to Planning Commission for review. The reclamation plan shall demonstrate restoration of the surface to original conditions as far as possible, or at the discretion of Planning Commission to an appropriate land use as indicated by the comprehensive plan, and shall be consistent with the plan submitted to the Mined Land Reclamation Board.

(f) All vehicles connected with mineral extraction operations shall operate in conformance with Article 10 of the Lakewood Municipal Code.

(g) Hours of operation shall be restricted to between the hours of six o'clock (6:00) a.m. and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m. local time Monday through Saturday.

(h) All extraction operations shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 9.52 of the Lakewood Municipal Code pertaining to noise, as well as Chapter 5.16 of the Lakewood Municipal Code pertaining to the use of explosives.
(1) All extraction operations, including areas used for equipment storage and/or the stockpiling of extracted minerals, shall conform to the following setback requirements:

(1) A minimum one thousand (1000) foot setback shall be provided from the property line of any adjacent property, if the adjacent property is zoned for residential uses.

(2) A minimum two hundred (200) foot setback shall be provided from the property line of any adjacent property that is zoned for other than residential uses, or from any street right-of-way, or property that is designated as public park/open space property.

(3) A minimum two hundred (200) foot setback shall be provided from any structures located on the same parcel of property as the extraction operations; except that upon written agreement with the owner of the structure the setback may be reduced to a minimum of fifty (50) feet.

(j) All operations shall be separated from adjacent land uses by appropriate fencing, buffering and safety measures. Buffering shall include provisions for screening temporarily disturbed areas and stockpiles. A phasing plan and approximate time schedule for conducting and completing operations shall be submitted with an application for Special Use Permit. Phasing plans shall indicate the maximum area of disturbance during any phase. No permit for any phase shall be issued for a period of longer than five (5) years from the date of approval of the special use permit, except that upon written request prior to the termination of the five (5) year period, Planning Commission may review the operations and grant extensions of up to five (5) years each to complete the operations.

(k) All operations shall conform to the extraction and reclamation requirements of the State of Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board.

(1) The proposed operations shall not be otherwise detrimental to the public health, welfare or safety of the present or future inhabitants of the City.

(m) In evaluating a permit application, Planning Commission shall consider the suitability of the property for the proposed operations, the impact of the proposed operations upon and compatibility with nearby uses, both existing and proposed, and upon traffic circulation in the area of and access to the proposed operations.

(n) If a Special Use Permit is granted, Planning Commission shall have the authority to impose such reasonable conditions and safeguards upon the permit as are necessary to insure compliance with the standards set forth in this subsection (8). The Special Use Permit and any conditions attached thereto remains in effect until the final phase of reclamation is complete. (As amended by 0-85-80.)
(9) **Private Golf Course; Country Club:**

(a) Two tenths (0.2) parking spaces shall be required for every member. All parking areas required to service members, guests, employees or other patrons shall be provided on site and shall be designed in accordance with Article 15 of this Ordinance.

(b) Any use adjacent to a residential district shall restrict its outdoor operations to between the hours of five o'clock (5:00) a.m. and ten o'clock (10:00) p.m. local time daily. Uses not adjacent to a residential district shall not be so restricted.

(c) Adequate measures shall be taken to prevent golf balls from endangering adjoining property and property residents.

(10) **Racetrack:**

(a) The Special Use Permit shall be valid only for a specified time period set forth in the permit.

(b) All structures and operating equipment shall be set back at least one hundred (100) feet from all property lines.

(11) **Roadside Stand:**

(a) All vehicular access points shall be on the front lot line. Service or delivery trucks shall not stop within ten (10) feet of the traveled thoroughfare while doing business with the use.

(b) Hours of operation shall be restricted to between the hours of six o'clock (6:00) a.m. and ten o'clock (10:00) p.m. local time daily.

(12) **Sanitary Landfill:** No sanitary landfill shall create a water diversion hazard which would endanger adjacent areas, nor shall the landfill create any undesirable odors or any unsightly areas to adjacent properties and buildings.

(13) **Travel Trailer Campgrounds:**

(a) All campgrounds shall comply with the Colorado Department of Health Standards and Regulations for Campgrounds and Recreation Areas, as amended from time to time.

(b) Interior roads and drives shall be screened such that vehicle headlights shall not cast direct light beyond the boundaries of the property.

(14) **Wind-powered Electric Generators:**

(a) No wind-powered electric generator shall exceed sixty (60) feet in height measured from ground level to the top of the blade diameter.
(b) No wind-powered electric generator or portion thereof may extend or encroach into the building setback areas or onto any adjacent property.

(c) Prior to the issuance of the Special Use Permit, the applicant shall provide written approval of the complete installation by a Registered Professional Engineer. Such review shall include structural, electrical, safety, and noise components.

(d) A site plan showing the proposed location of the wind-powered electric generator(s) shall be submitted for approval by the Planning Commission as part of the Special Use Permit application.

(e) All electrical wiring shall be underground. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(15) Government office building (As amended by 0-85-81.)

(a) Any use of the property must comply with Article 15 of this Ordinance.

(b) Any use of the property must comply with the restrictions and regulations of the Office (OF) zone district with an allowable building height of sixty (60) feet; provided, however, that the Planning Commission shall have the discretion to limit building heights to less than sixty (60) feet based upon prevailing building heights in the area, proposed building setbacks, or other environmental factors.

(c) Parking requirements for allowed uses shall be those set forth for comparable uses in Article 9 of this Ordinance.

(d) Any use of the building must be in compliance with the Building Code. (As amended by 0-85-81.)

(16) HISTORIC PLACE

(a) Purpose and Intent It is the purpose and intent of this section to:

(1) Establish criteria for evaluation, designation and the preservation of historic buildings, structures, and sites;

(2) Provide a means to preserve historic places of Local, State, or National historic or pre-historic importance.

(3) Provide criteria to allow historic places a means to keep their uniqueness by establishment of conditions, by which other provisions of the zoning ordinance may be modified.

(b) Designation of Historic Place In order to grant a Special Use Permit establishing conditions to protect existing features of the place, the place must be designated as a historic place by one of the following:
(1) Listed in "The National Register of Historic Places".

(2) Designated by The Planning Commission, as part of a Special Use Permit application, as a historic place. The Planning Commission may designate a site as a historic place if it finds that:

(a) The place was associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of National, State or Local history; or

(b) The place was associated with the lives of persons significant to our history; or

(c) The place embodies distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or that represent the work of a master, or that posses high artistic values, or that represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack distinction; or

(d) The place has yielded, or may be likely to yield information important in pre-history or history.

(3) The Planning Commission may request an application be reviewed by the Lakewood Historical Society or the Colorado Historical Society.

(c) Conditions to Protect Historic Places (1) As part of the Special Use Permit Planning Commission may place such reasonable conditions as it finds necessary to protect the historical character of the site, building or structure under consideration. Said conditions may be in addition to the Zoning Ordinance or a reduction from the requirements in the Zoning Ordinance. When considering a reduction from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance the Planning Commission shall be limited to the following:

(a) Height and setbacks for existing buildings and structures.

(b) Existing parking lot configuration.

(c) Existing signs only when such sign is part of the historical character of the historic place.

(2) Special Use Permits for historical places shall address the entire parcel or lot containing the historic place. All Special Use Permits shall include a reproducible mylar site plan showing all relevant site information including:

(a) Lot boundary with legal description.

(b) All buildings and structures weather or not all are considered historic. Includes parking and access.
(c) Building setbacks.

(d) Architectural elevations of historic buildings or structures.

(e) Tabular information such as lot size, zoning, building area, etc.

(f) A listing of all conditions established for the designation and continued use as a historic place.

(As amended by Ordinance 0-88-24 effective date 7/31/88.)

(17) MULTIPLE FAMILY HOUSING DENSITY BONUS:

(a) The Planning Commission shall have the authority to approve a density bonus of up to 15% over the maximum number of units specified in the 4R, 4-RA, and 5R zone districts. Said bonus may be granted by the Planning Commission to those developments which demonstrate superior achievement and which also provide density incentive features as listed below. Said bonus shall be considered by the Planning Commission pursuant to an application for a Special Use Permit in the 4-R, 4-RA, or 5-R zones and upon review of approved development plans. Said bonus shall be based upon design quality and the number of density incentive features included in the development plans. Density incentive features are upgrades of the more important criteria outlined in the Multiple Family Housing Design Guidelines.

Density features shall include:

(1) Increased setbacks and buffer areas.

(2) Increased usable open space.

(3) Increased number and size of appropriate plant materials.

(4) Parking lots with improved visual impact.

(5) Variation in size and configuration of building footprints.

(6) Increased structured or covered parking.

(7) Special treatment in screening miscellaneous mechanical equipment, utility meters, on-ground air conditioners, and transmission boxes.

(8) Detention ponds designed as recreational or visual amenities.

(9) Superior interface with developments of lower density or lower height.
(10) Increased recreational amenities.

(11) Increased private open space.

(12) Any other design features which significantly improve the quality of the living environment.

(b) In order for a project to be considered superior, the upgrade shall demonstrate a superior level of function and design. The Planning Commission shall make the final decision on awarding the density bonus.
ARTICLE 7: SETBACK REQUIREMENTS

17-7-1. GENERAL PROVISIONS. (1) Unless specifically excluded, any building or structure including any accessory building or structure located within a zone district set forth below, shall conform to the setback requirements applicable to that zone district. Street classifications set forth in this Article are as designated in the Comprehensive Plan.

(2) Setbacks shall be measured from the applicable front, rear, or side lot line to the applicable front, rear or side setback line.

17-7-2. CN DISTRICT. The following setbacks shall apply within the CN District:

(1) The minimum depth of front yard for dwellings and other main buildings shall be thirty (30) feet. Private garages shall have the same front yard as the dwelling or other main building on the lot. Accessory buildings housing horses, cattle, sheep, goats, rabbits, chinchillas, poultry, and pigeons, shall be set back at least one hundred (100) feet from the front lot line. All other accessory buildings not otherwise listed herein shall be set back at least seventy-five (75) feet from the front lot line.

(2) The minimum depth of any side or rear yard shall be fifteen (15) feet; however, accessory structures not regulated in Section 17-5-7 may have a minimum depth of any side or rear yard of ten (10) feet. (As amended by 0-82-19.)

17-7-3. 1-R DISTRICT. The following setbacks shall apply within the 1-R District:

(1) The minimum depth of front yard for dwellings and other main buildings shall be twenty (20) feet when the front yard is adjacent to a local street. The minimum depth of front yard for dwellings and other main buildings shall be thirty (30) feet when the front yard is adjacent to a collector street. The minimum depth of front yard for dwellings and other main buildings shall be forty (40) feet when the front yard is adjacent to a major arterial street. Private garages shall have the same front yard as the dwelling or other main buildings on the lot. Accessory buildings housing horses, cattle, sheep, goats, rabbits, chinchillas, poultry, and pigeons shall be set back at least one hundred (100) feet from the front lot line. All other accessory buildings not otherwise listed herein shall be set back at least seventy-five (75) feet from the front lot line.

(2) The minimum depth of any side or rear yard shall be fifteen (15) feet; however, accessory structures not regulated in Section 17-5-8 may have a minimum depth of any side or rear yard of five (5) feet. (As amended by 0-82-19.)
17-7-4. 2-R DISTRICT. The following setbacks shall apply within the 2-R District:

(1) The minimum depth of front yard for dwellings and other main buildings shall be twenty (20) feet when the front yard is adjacent to a local street. The minimum depth of front yard for dwellings and other main buildings shall be thirty (30) feet when the front yard is adjacent to a collector street. The minimum depth of front yard for dwellings and other main buildings shall be forty (40) feet when the front yard is adjacent to a major arterial street. Private garages shall have the same front yard as the dwelling or other main buildings on the lot. All other accessory buildings not otherwise listed herein shall be set back at least seventy-five (75) feet from the front lot line.

(2) The minimum depth of any side yard shall be five (5) feet. In the case of a single-household dwelling with one side zero lot line, at least three (3) feet shall be added to the side yard setback on the side opposite to the zero lot line.

(3) The minimum depth of any rear yard shall be twenty (20) feet; however, accessory structures may have a minimum depth of any rear yard and of five (5) feet. (As amended by 0-82-19.)

(4) In situations such as infill, where existing setbacks are similar to those specified below, and in new developments where the use of varied setbacks and different housing types would improve the design of the development, the Director of Community Development may require that building setbacks be as set forth in the small lot single family guidelines. This determination shall be made at the time of zoning/rezoning or preliminary map and shall be noted on the final plat. The minimum setbacks shall be as follows:

Front: 12 feet minimum, when adjacent to a local street, measured from back of walk, except that an attached garage shall have a minimum setback of 18 feet measured from back of sidewalk if the overhead garage doors face the local street. Detached garages shall have the same front-yard as the main building on the lot. All other accessory structures not otherwise listed herein shall be set back at least fifty (50) feet from the front lot line.

30 feet minimum, measured from property line, when adjacent to a collector street.

40 feet minimum, measured from property line, when adjacent to an arterial street.

Side: 5 feet minimum except that a zero lot line dwelling is permitted if the side yard opposite the zero lot line, is a minimum eight feet wide.

Rear: 20 feet minimum except for accessory structures which shall have a five foot minimum setback.

(As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)
17-7-5. 3-R DISTRICT. The following setbacks shall apply within the 3-R District:

(1) The minimum depth of front yard for dwellings and other main buildings shall be twenty (20) feet when the front yard is adjacent to a local street. The minimum depth of front yard for dwellings and other main buildings shall be thirty (30) feet when the front yard is adjacent to a collector street. The minimum depth of front yard shall be forty (40) feet when the front yard is adjacent to a major arterial. Private garages shall have the same front yard setbacks as dwellings or other main buildings on the lot. All other accessory buildings and structures not otherwise listed herein shall be set back at least seventy-five (75) feet from the front lot line. (As amended by Ordinance 0-86-50.)

(2) The minimum depth of any side yard shall be five (5) feet. In the case of a single-household dwelling with one side zero lot line, at least three (3) feet shall be added to the side yard setback on the side opposite the zero lot line.

(3) The minimum depth of any rear yard shall be twenty (20) feet; however, accessory structures may have a minimum depth of any rear yard of five (5) feet. (As amended by 0-82-19.)

(4) Single household dwellings shall also be subject to the provisions of 17-7-4(4). (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

17-7-6. 3-RA DISTRICT. The following setbacks shall apply within the 3-RA District: (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(1) The minimum setbacks for single household detached dwellings shall be as follows:

Front: 12 feet minimum, when adjacent to a local street, measured from back of walk, except that an attached garage shall have a minimum setback of 18 feet measured from back of sidewalk if the overhead garage doors face the local street. Detached garages shall have the same front yard as the main building on the lot. All other accessory structures not otherwise listed herein shall be set back at least fifty (50) feet from the front lot line.

30 feet minimum, measured from property line, when adjacent to a collector street.

40 feet minimum, measured from property line, when adjacent to an arterial street.

Side: 5 feet minimum except that a zero lot line dwelling is permitted if the side opposite the zero lot line is a minimum eight feet wide.

Rear: 20 feet minimum except for accessory structures which shall have a five foot minimum setback.
(2) The minimum setbacks for duplexes which are not part of a larger development that includes common facilities such as private roadways and recreational/open space areas shall be as provided for in Section 17-7-5.

(3) The minimum setbacks for all other main buildings shall be as defined in the charts contained in 17-7-7. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

17-7-7. 4-R, 4-RA, 5-R, 5-RA DISTRICTS (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89):

(1) The minimum setbacks for single household detached dwellings and duplexes which are not a part of a larger development that includes common facilities shall be as provided for in Section 17-7-6.

(2) The minimum setbacks for all main structures shall be as contained in the chart below. Refer to definitions of setbacks in Section 17-2-2 of this ordinance for details on measurement.

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<th>BUILDING HEIGHT*</th>
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<td>LOCAL COLLECTOR ARTERIAL</td>
<td>SETBACK</td>
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<tr>
<td>1 Story</td>
<td>20' 30' 40'</td>
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<td>2 Stories</td>
<td>35' 45' 55'</td>
<td>35' 25'</td>
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<td>3 Stories and over</td>
<td>45' 55' 60'</td>
<td>45' 35'</td>
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* Stories shall be as defined in the City Building Code and shall be measured to the side of the building closest to the street.

(3) Along private drives, the following garage setbacks shall be required:

With parking in front of garage, when measured from the inside of a sidewalk: 18'

With parking in front of garage, when measured from curb face (no sidewalk): 20'

Without parking in front of garage: Maximum 5'

Note: If more than a five (5) foot setback is provided, the standards above must be met.
(4) The minimum setbacks for all other accessory structures shall be as follows:

Front - 75 feet  
Side - 10 feet  
Rear - 15 feet

17-7-8. 6-R DISTRICT (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89): The following setbacks shall apply to each mobile home park.

(1) The minimum depth of front yard shall be thirty (30) feet when the front yard is adjacent to a local street. The minimum depth of front yard shall be forty (40) feet when the front yard is adjacent to a collector street. The minimum depth of front yard shall be fifty (50) feet when the front yard is adjacent to a major arterial. No accessory buildings or structures are allowed in the front yard setback. (As amended by 0-86-50.)

(2) The minimum depth of any side yard or rear yard shall be thirty (30) feet; however, accessory structures may have a minimum depth of any side or rear yard of fifteen (15) feet. (As amended by 0-82-19.)

17-7-9. ALL OFFICE, COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89): The following setbacks shall apply to all office, commercial and industrial districts:

(1) The minimum depth of front yard for any building or structure shall be thirty (30) feet. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-10 effective 4/12/87.)

(2) The minimum depth of any side or rear yard shall be zero (0) feet or at least five (5) feet except when adjacent to a residential zone district; in which case the side or rear setback shall be at least (10) feet. (As amended by 0-83-159.)

(3) Motor fuel pumps shall not be located less than eighteen (18) feet from the front lot line.

(4) The setback for any yard containing a loading dock shall be increased to sixty-five (65) feet.

(5) No accessory building or structure shall encroach in the front setback. Side and rear setbacks for accessory buildings and structures shall be at least five (5) feet from property line. (As amended by 0-86-50.)

17-7-10. ZERO LOT LINE SETBACKS AND STRUCTURE SEPARATIONS (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89): Zero lot line structures permitted in the 3-R, 4-R, 5-R, and MU districts may be constructed so that the wall of the structure is placed on a particular lot line. However, in such cases, provision must be made for both encroachment of any overhang and maintenance
access for such structure from the owner of the adjacent lot. However, if a building is constructed of masonry or fireproof materials, separation between individual buildings is restricted only to those requirements of the materials themselves as specified in the Building Code.

17-7-11. EXCEPTION FROM REQUIRED FRONT YARD SETBACKS IN ALL ZONE DISTRICTS. Porches as defined in Section 17-2-2, may project eight (8) feet into the required front yard setback. (As amended by 0-82-19 and as amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)
ARTICLE 8: FENCES, WALLS AND OBSTRUCTIONS TO VIEW

17-8-1. VISION CLEARANCE AT CORNER AND RAILROAD CROSSINGS. (1) Except as specifically permitted in this Ordinance, no fence, wall, hedge, or other structure or obstruction above a height of forty-two (42) inches as measured from the flow line or in the absence of curbs and gutters, as measured from the property line, shall be constructed, placed or maintained within fifty-five (55) feet of the intersection of the right-of-way lines of two (2) streets or railroads or at a street intersection.

(2) The Director of Public Works shall adopt, and may from time to time amend, standards by which persons may be exempted by him from the limitations of this section. Any such exemption shall be in writing. No exemption shall permit a fence, wall, hedge or other structure or obstruction to be constructed, placed or maintained in such a manner as to endanger or potentially endanger the public health or safety.

17-8-2. PERMITTED FENCES AND WALLS. (1) For the purpose of this Article, the following definitions apply:

(a) "Open" means a fence or wall with more than fifty (50) percent open space in its vertical surface.

(b) "Solid" means a fence or wall with fifty (50) percent or less open space in its vertical surface.

(2) Except as provided in subsection (3), the following fences and walls shall be permitted within the following zone districts:

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<th>Zone District</th>
<th>Types Permitted</th>
<th>Max. Height</th>
<th>Location</th>
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<tr>
<td>CN</td>
<td>Open, solid, Barbed wire, Electrified (if adequate warning signs are provided)</td>
<td>84&quot;</td>
<td>When CN district is adjacent to any other zone district, the fence along the common boundary line of the districts shall be that allowed in the other zone district.</td>
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<td>All residential districts</td>
<td>Open, solid</td>
<td>72&quot;</td>
<td>Side and rear yards</td>
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<td>Open</td>
<td>42&quot;</td>
<td>Front yard</td>
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<td>Open, solid</td>
<td>72&quot;</td>
<td>Front yards of a lot not adjacent to the main entrance (second and third front yards).</td>
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<td>Office and all commercial districts</td>
<td>Open, solid</td>
<td>72&quot;</td>
<td>Side and rear yards</td>
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<td>Open</td>
<td>72&quot;</td>
<td>Front yard, minimum fifty (50) feet from front property line.</td>
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(3) Publicly owned utility installations are permitted eighty-four (84) inches maximum height fences located in the front, side and rear yards in any district, with barbed wire permitted only above seventy-two (72) inch height. Any fence used to enclose a tennis court shall be of open construction and not more than ten (10) feet in height; however, the fence shall be located only in the rear or side yard area and shall be placed no closer than fifteen (15) feet to the lot line.

17-8-3. MEASUREMENTS. (1) All fences and wall heights, except those described in 17-8-1, shall be measured from the lowest finished grade at the location of the fence. Heights of fences described in 17-8-1 shall be measured from finished curb level.

(2) A combination fence and retaining wall may be erected to a height of seventy-two (72) inches above the highest finished grade or ninety-six (96) inches above the lowest finished grade, at the location of the fence, except that the fence portion may not exceed seventy-two (72) inches above the highest finished grade.

17-8-4. SWIMMING POOLS. Every person owning land in the City of Lakewood on which there is situated a swimming pool, either above ground, semi-sunk, or full depth recess, being eighteen (18) inches or more in depth at any point, shall erect and maintain thereon an adequate fence sufficient to make such swimming pool inaccessible to small children. Such fence, including gates therein, must be not less than forty-two (42) inches above the underlying ground; all gates must be self-latching with latches placed forty-two (42) inches in height. Space between the pool edge and the interior of the fence shall be a minimum of five (5) feet.

17-8-5. NOISE CONTROL WALLS AND FENCES (BARRIER). Solid fences and walls may be erected to a height in excess of the limits specified in 17-8-2 when so positioned as to separate a property from a major collector or arterial street as designated in the Comprehensive Plan. An engineering analysis must be provided to demonstrate that the design and location of the barrier actually results in reduced sound pressure levels.
ARTICLE 9: PARKING REQUIREMENTS

17-9-1. GENERAL PROVISIONS. (1) No land shall be used or occupied, no structures shall be designed, constructed or altered and no use shall be operated unless the off-street parking space herein required is provided in at least the amount and maintained in the manner set forth within the parking space requirements of this article.

(2) All required off-street parking spaces shall be provided within the lot lines established for the uses to be developed or redeveloped. All other parking proposals shall be reviewed by the Board of Adjustment for approval. (As amended by 0-82-19.)

(3) Provision of parking spaces within an integrated parking and access system is encouraged. In such case, however, the total number of spaces provided shall be the sum total of the individual requirements; provided, however, that the parking requirement will be based on the land use(s). (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(4) All parking areas and all parking spaces within those areas located in districts other than Conservation (CN), One Residential (1-R), and Two Residential (2-R) shall be designed and designated in conformance with the Site Plan requirements of Article 15.

(5) Parking ratios in combined multi-family/office/commercial buildings or developments shall be prorated based upon the square footage devoted to the respective type of use. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

(6) No more than one (1) commercial vehicle shall be parked on any residential lot and no more than two (2) trailers or a combination of one (1) trailer and one (1) commercial vehicle shall be parked in the front yard or more than one (1) trailer or (1) commercial vehicle shall be allowed where a self-propelled motor home or travel trailer is also parked in the same front yard of any lot located in districts zoned (CN) Conservation, (1-R) Large Lot Residential, (2-R) Small Lot Residential, (3-R) Duplex Residential, (4-R) Medium Density Residential, (5-R) High Density Residential, (6-R) Mobile Home Residential, or in any residential Mixed or Single Use zone districts, except where used in connection with an allowed use in districts zoned (CN) Conservation. The limitation of two (2) trailers or (1) commercial vehicle shall not apply where the front yard setback is fifty (50) feet or greater. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-32, effective date 10/16/89.)

(7) No more than fifty percent (50%) of the front yard or more than fifty percent (50%) of the rear yard may be designated or used for parking on any lot located in districts zoned (CN) Conservation, (1-R) Large Lot Residential, (2-R) Small Lot Residential, (3-R) Duplex Residential, (4-R) Medium Density Residential (5-R) High Density Residential, (6-R) Mobile Home Residential, or in any residential Mixed or Single Use zoned districts. All parking areas located in the front yard shall be improved all weather surfaces clearly delineated by curbs, landscaping or similar features to distinguish the parking area from the remainder of the front yard. Each lot shall be allowed one
driveway which may be at least eighteen (18) feet in width regardless of the amount of front yard remaining, unless the lot contains a three (3) car garage, in which case the lot may be allowed one driveway which shall be at least twenty-seven (27) feet in width regardless of the amount of front yard remaining. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-32, effective date 10/16/89.)

17-9-2. PARKING SPACE REQUIREMENTS. The minimum off-street parking spaces required for permitted and special uses shall be as follows:

(1) Conservation (CN) District:

   (a) Two (2) off-street spaces, gravel or paved, covered or open, for each dwelling unit.

   (b) For every use other than a dwelling unit, one (1) space shall be provided off-street for every three (3) simultaneous users of or visitors to the property, including spectators for horse shows or similar events.

(2) Residential 1-R, 2-R, 3-R District: Two off-street spaces, graveled or paved, covered or open, for each dwelling unit.

(3) Residential 4-R and 5-R Districts:

   (a) One and One-half (1.5) spaces for each dwelling unit; except that upon utilization of a multi-family structure for the housing of low/moderate income elderly persons (as defined by HUD Minimum Property Standards 1973, as amended), parking requirements shall be three-quarters (0.75) of one space for each dwelling unit. (As amended by 0-82-71.)

   (b) Within the following ranges of dwelling unit densities, the percentage of total parking spaces required to be in a structure and located below or above, but not on, ground level, shall be as follows:

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<th>Dwelling Units Per Acre%</th>
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<td>Less than 25 dwelling units</td>
<td>0 (zero)</td>
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<td>25 and above dwelling units</td>
<td>33.3 (one third)</td>
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   (c) Of the total required number of spaces, one-half (0.5) space per dwelling unit shall be provided for joint use in a common parking area.

   (d) For child care facilities, there shall be provided three (3) off-street parking spaces for every one thousand (1,000) square feet, or any fraction thereof, of gross floor area plus one (1) off-street parking space for every vehicle operated by the child care facility. (As amended by 0-81-108 and 0-83-159.)
(e) The Board of Adjustment may waive the requirements for structural parking pursuant to its authority as set forth in Article 17-4-7(3). (As amended by 0-82-71.)

(4) Residential 6-R District: At least two and one-half (2.5) on site, off-street or drive-in parking spaces shall be provided for each mobile home unit within the park. Of these required spaces, one-half (0.5) space shall be provided for joint use in a common parking area.

(5) OF (Office) District and Office Uses in Other Districts:

(a) General Office Uses, and Correctional Institution: Three and one-half (3.5) spaces for every one thousand (1,000) square feet or any fraction thereof of gross floor area.

(b) Professional Health Facilities: Four and one-half (4.5) spaces for every one thousand (1,000) square feet or any fraction thereof of gross floor area.

(c) Public Uses: Five and one-half (5.5) spaces for every one thousand (1,000) square feet or any fraction thereof of gross floor area.

(d) For child care facilities there shall be provided three (3) off-street parking spaces for every one thousand (1,000) square feet or any fraction thereof of gross floor area plus one (1) off-street parking space for every vehicle operated by the child care facility. (As amended by 0-81-108, as amended by 0-85-28.)

(6) 1-C (Convenience Commercial) District: Four (4) spaces for every one thousand (1,000) square feet or any fraction thereof of gross floor area.

(7) 2-C (Neighborhood Commercial) District, 3-C (Community Commercial) District, and 4-C (Regional Commercial) District: Five (5) spaces for every one thousand (1,000) square feet or any fraction thereof of gross floor area.

(8) 5-C (Large Lot Commercial) District, IN (Industrial) District: Two and one-half (2.5) spaces for every one thousand (1,000) square feet or any fraction thereof of gross floor area.

(9) Handicapped Parking Space Requirements: The following parking requirements shall apply to all public, office, commercial, and industrial uses in all districts:

(a) One (1) handicapped parking space shall be provided in a lot containing one (1) to (50) spaces.

(b) Two (2) handicapped parking spaces shall be provided in a lot containing fifty-one (51) to one hundred (100) spaces.
(c) Any lot containing one hundred one (101) and over shall provide three (3) handicapped parking spaces plus one (1) handicapped parking space per each additional one hundred (100) spaces over the first one hundred (100) spaces.

(10) Parking for Restaurants, Churches, Auditoriums, Theatres and Convention Halls: One (1) space for every three (3) seats, seating equivalents for benches to be determined in conformance with the Building Code.

(11) Parking for motels, hotels, boarding houses, fraternity or sorority houses or dormitories: One and one-half (1.5) spaces for every guest room in addition to the number of parking stalls required for dining and entertainment uses. (As amended by 0-81-108.)

17-9-3. OFF-STREET LOADING SPACE REQUIREMENTS. For each manufacturing or industrial use, there shall be provided a separate off-street truck loading space on the lot as follows:

(1) The loading space shall be not less than thirty-five (35) feet in length, twelve (12) feet in width and fifteen (15) feet in height.

(2) For structures containing zero (0) to twenty-five thousand (25,000) square feet of gross floor area, there shall be provided one (1) loading space.

(3) For structures containing more than twenty-five thousand (25,000) square feet of gross floor area, the number of loading spaces specified in the following table shall apply:

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<td>25,001 up to and including 40,000 sq. ft.</td>
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<td>40,001 up to and including 100,000 sq. ft.</td>
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<td>100,001 up to and including 160,000 sq. ft.</td>
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<td>160,001 up to and including 240,000 sq. ft.</td>
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<td>240,001 up to and including 320,000 sq. ft.</td>
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<td>320,001 up to and including 400,000 sq. ft.</td>
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<tr>
<td>For each additional 90,000 sq. ft. over 400,000 sq. ft.</td>
<td>1 additional space</td>
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ARTICLE 10: SIGNS
(As Repealed and Reenacted by 0-82-170)

17-10-1. REGULATORY INTENT. (1) General Statement. The purpose of this article is to protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the City by regulating the design, construction and installation of signs. The Council recognizes that signs are an important means of visual communication for the public convenience and that businesses, services and other activities have the right to identify themselves by using signs that are accessory and incidental to the use on the premises where the signs are located. In select areas off-premise signage is allowed, subject to regulations which reduce potential negative traffic and aesthetic impacts. It is the goal of this article to provide a reasonable balance between the right of an individual to identify a business or activity location and the right of the public to be protected from the visual discord that results from the unrestricted proliferation of signs. In keeping with this goal, regulations contained in this article are a result of consideration of the compatability of signs with adjacent land uses and the total visual environment of a particular area and the entire community.

(2) Regulatory Purpose. This article regulates signage for the following specific reasons:

(a) To protect the public from hazardous conditions which result from structurally unsafe signage;

(b) To ensure that signage does not obscure or distract the vision of motorists, such as signs which compete or conflict with necessary traffic signs and warning signals and which may cause a severe traffic hazard;

(c) To protect the public from profuse signage which distracts rather than facilitates identification of businesses and other land uses;

(d) To provide appropriate identification in pedestrian-oriented areas as well as in vehicular-oriented areas where traffic is heavy, travel speeds are greater and required setbacks are greater;

(e) To generally ensure that signage is appropriate to a particular use and location so that the cumulative effect is an attractive City environment, thereby reinforcing community values.

(3) Free Speech. The Council recognizes the right of residents of the City to fully exercise their right to free speech by the use of signs which contain non-commercial messages. Such signs are subject to size, height and location restrictions, are allowed in all zoning districts, and are not subject to permit.
(4) **Permit Exemption.** The Council has chosen not to require a permit for signs which have been judged to have minimal impact on the public, do not create traffic, safety or other hazards, are temporary in nature, and which constitute a unique medium. Examples of such signs are on-premise "for rent" signs and "garage sale" signs.

(5) **Variance.** The Council recognizes special instances may occur where strict application of this Article may deprive a person of the reasonable use of a sign and that such a person should have a procedure to obtain variances from the requirements of this article for good cause. Topographic problems and past development patterns, which may require the use of an off-premise sign for identification purposes, are examples of possible situations where a variance may be appropriate.

(6) **Illustrations.** Graphics and illustrations are set out in this article to be illustrative, to be used as guidelines for provisions pertaining thereto, and are not to be interpreted as the only method of compliance with the applicable provision.

17-10-2. **SCOPE AND APPLICATION.** (1) **Regulatory Scope.** This Article shall govern and control the display, construction, erection, alteration, remodeling, enlarging, moving or maintenance of all signs permitted within all zone districts established by this Zoning Ordinance and any amendments thereto. The definitions applicable to this article are included in Article 2 of Title 17 (Zoning Ordinance).

(2) **Administration.** This Article shall be administered by the Director of Community Development who shall have the powers and duties set forth and those necessarily implied to administer and enforce this code. The Director may issue appropriate procedures and forms.

(3) **Appeals.** Appeal from an administrative decision or the enforcement of the standards contained in the ordinance is available by application to the Board of Adjustment. Applications for variances from the requirements of this Article shall be subject to the criteria stated in 17-10-11. (As amended by 0-84-131)

(4) **Stipulations.** Upon application to and issuance by the Department of a permit, a sign may be erected, altered and maintained only for a use permitted in the District in which the sign is located. Signs shall be located on the same lot as the permitted use, except for signs on bus benches and as allowed in Section 17-5-21. Excluding home occupation signs, no signs of a commercial nature shall be erected or maintained for or by a single household residential use. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-18 effective date 5/31/87).

(5) **Regulatory Conflicts.** Nothing contained herein shall be deemed a waiver of the provisions of any other ordinance or regulation applicable to signs. Signs located in areas governed by several ordinances and/or applicable regulations shall comply with all such ordinances and regulations. If there is a conflict between these regulations and any other ordinance or regulations, the more stringent shall apply.
17-10-3. PERMITS. (1) Need for Permit. No person, firm, or corporation shall erect, construct or enlarge any sign in the City or cause the same without first obtaining a permit for each sign. Signage shall conform to the Building Code of the City of Lakewood. Any person, firm, or corporation erecting, constructing or enlarging any signs in the City shall attach thereto a name plate providing the name and address of the person, firm or corporation causing the same to be done.

(a) Unless the owner of the sign is stated on the name plate attached to the sign, or ownership is indicated in an application for a sign permit, the owner or lessee or other person entitled to possession of any lot is presumed to be the owner of the sign or sign structure located thereon and responsible for erecting, construction, enlargement, alteration, repair, movement, improvement, conversion or demolition.

(b) When a sign permit has been issued by the Department, it shall be unlawful to change, modify, alter or otherwise deviate from the terms or conditions of said permit without prior approval of the Department. A written record of such approval shall be entered upon the original application and maintained in the files of the Department.

(2) Application for Permit.

(a) Application for a sign permit shall be made by the owner or his authorized agent or lessee of the property on which the sign is to be located or by a sign contractor licensed by the City of Lakewood. Such applications shall be made in writing on forms furnished by the Department and shall be signed by the applicant. The Department shall, within ten (10) working days from the day of the application, either approve or deny the application or refer the application back to the applicant if insufficient information has been furnished.

(b) If the Department finds that work under any sign permit issued is not in accordance with the information supplied in the permit application and/or is in violation of this or any other pertinent ordinances, or should it be found that there has been any misrepresentation in connection with the application for the permit (including non-sufficient fund checks) the applicant and the owner of the sign shall be notified of such findings and that the violation must be corrected within five (5) working days of notice. If such correction is not made, the permit shall be revoked and written notice thereof shall be served upon the sign owner or erecter personally or by certified mail.

(c) The owner or lessee of the property on which the sign is located shall have the right to appeal the decision of the Department to the Board of Adjustment. If actual work either on or off site is not commenced under any building permit issued within one hundred eighty days (180) from the date of such permit, the permit shall automatically become null and void. Delays which are not the result of willful acts or neglect of the sign owner or his authorized agent may be excused and the Director may grant an extension of time in which to start or resume operations. All requests or extensions and approval thereof shall be in
writing. When any permit has been revoked under the terms of this section, permit fees shall not be refunded.

(3) Permit Information. The application for the permit shall include the following plans and other information as required:

(a) The name, address, and telephone number of the property owner or his authorized agent; the person entitled to possession of the sign; and the sign contractor or erector.

(b) Location by street address of the proposed structure.

(c) Complete information as required on application forms provided by the Department, including the site plan, elevation drawing of the proposed sign, the scale, caption of the proposed sign and such other data pertinent to the application.

(d) Plans indicating the scope and structural detail of the work to be done, including details of all connections, guy lines, supports and footings, and materials to be used.

(e) Completed application for an electrical permit for all electrical signs.

(4) Permit Fees. A permit fee shall be paid to the City for each permit issued. The fee shall be in accordance with the fee schedule established by the City Council.

(5) Identification of and Marking of Electrical Signs. Each electrical sign hereafter erected or remodeled shall bear thereon a clearly legible identification plate not exceeding fifteen (15) square inches in area, stating the name of the person, firm or corporation responsible for its construction and erection, with the installation date, permit number and amount of input amperes at full load input.

(6) Licensing and Insurance Requirements.

(a) Any person, firm, or corporation, engaged in the business of installing, erecting, moving or maintaining signs which are eight (8) feet or more in height or twenty-five (25) square feet or more in area in the City of Lakewood, shall be duly licensed by the City. A person not engaged in the sign erecting business may be allowed to install, erect, move or maintain his own sign upon demonstration to the Department that he possesses sufficient knowledge and skill and is appropriately insured for public protection.

(b) Before any permit is issued for a sign which may require any work on or over public property, the erector shall furnish to the City a Certificate of Insurance from a firm with corporate surety, authorized to do business in the State of Colorado, for public liability and property damage in the amounts established by the Department of not less than the following and covering the liability of the sign erector with respect to all work performed by him or his agents or employees:
For death or injury to any one person and including property damage. .......... $150,000
Total liability in any one accident .......... $400,000

(c) The erector shall be required to sign an indemnity agreement, on a form furnished by the City, which releases and discharges the City, its employees, agents and assigns from any liability and from any and all claims, demands, damages, actions, courses of action, or suits of any kind or nature whatsoever as related to the construction and maintenance of the sign.

17-10-4. SIGNS NOT SUBJECT TO PERMIT. (1) Noncommercial Signs. The following sign displays for non-commercial purposes may be erected and maintained in all zone districts without a permit. Such signs shall be in addition to all other signs permitted in these zone districts providing such signs conform to the requirements of the designated zone districts as specified in 17-10-7 and 17-10-8 of this ordinance, unless otherwise stated in this section.

(a) Bulletin Boards. Bulletin boards for public, charitable or religious institutions, which are not over twelve (12) square feet in area and which are located on the premises of said institutions.

(b) Election Signs. Election signs shall be removed five (5) days after the election to which they relate. Such signs shall be limited to forty-two inches (42") in height and shall not extend outside the property line. Such signs shall be limited to wall, window and ground signs not to exceed eight (8) square feet, and shall not be a banner of paper or cloth. There shall be no more than one (1) election sign per candidate or election issue per lot. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-51 effective date 9/4/87).

(c) Flags. Flags of nations or an organization of nations, states and cities:

(d) Holiday Decorations. Signs in the nature of decorations, clearly incidental and commonly associated with any national, local or religious holiday. Such signs may be of any type, number, area, height, location, illumination, or animation so long as they do not advertise or identify a product or a business and are located so as not to conflict with traffic regulatory devices.

(e) Ideological Signs.

(f) Inside Signs. Signs within buildings that are not visible from the roadway or are more than twelve (12) inches from the window.

(g) Limited Impact Signs. Short term signage such as "For Rent" and "Garage Sale" signs. Maximum sign area in residential areas is four (4) square feet. Signs must be removed within three days of the date of the sale or event specified on the sign.
(h) Memorial Signs. Memorial signs or tablets, giving the name of the building and date of erection, when cut into any masonry surface or attached or inlaid so as to be part of the building. The area of the sign shall not exceed twelve (12) square feet.

(i) Private Parking or Traffic Direction Signs. Signs giving parking or traffic directions or restrictions provided that such signs are limited to: wall and ground signs, not more than two (2) signs per curb cut on the lot and not more than six (6) square feet per face in area, and not more than four (4) feet in height above grade. Not more than one (1) directional sign may be displayed at each curb cut. Such signs may be illuminated from a concealed light source which does not flash, blink or fluctuate. These signs cannot include any advertisement message or symbol nor be animated.

The area of directional signs can be increased to twelve (12) square feet and the height increased to five (5) feet and not debited against the total signage allowed if the signs are: 1) of a monument style; 2) located in a landscaped area; and 3) constructed of materials similar to the main building on the site. These signs may include an advertisement symbol as long as it does not conflict with the directional message. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-51 effective date 9/4/87).

(j) Public Signs. Signs required or specifically authorized for a public purpose by any law, statute or ordinance.

(k) Scoreboards. Scoreboards located adjacent to athletic fields.

(l) Symbols. Symbols or crests of national, state, religious, fraternal and civic organizations. The area of such symbols may not exceed 32 square feet.

(m) Vehicle Consumer Information Signs. Signs on cars, trucks, or other vehicles displayed in commercial lots which give information as to price, emissions or mileage as required by state or federal law of such vehicles. These signs are limited to 25% of the windshield or individual glass panelled area.

(n) Works of Art. Works of art which in no way identify a business or product. These are exempt from all sign standards except setback requirements.

(o) Bus Bench Signs (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-18 effective date 5/31/87).

(2) Commercial Signs. The following commercial signs are permitted in all zone districts. Such signs shall be in addition to all other signs permitted in these zone districts and shall conform to setbacks and other physical characteristic requirements of the designated zone district:
(a) Development Signs. A sign not more than thirty-two (32) square feet in total sign area, which names the contractors or sponsors engaged in design and construction on the property where the sign is located.

(b) Real Estate Signs. Signs which advertise the sale, rental, or lease of the premises upon which said signs are located. The size of the signs shall be limited to eight (8) square feet in residential zones and thirty-two (32) square feet in all other zones. The number of signs shall be limited to one per street frontage. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-51 effective date 9/4/87).

(c) Bus Bench Signs. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-18 effective date 5/31/87).

17-10-5. SIGNS SUBJECT TO TEMPORARY PERMIT. (1) The following signs may be displayed in the designated zone districts under the conditions described, upon granting a temporary permit.

(a) Street Banners. Street banners across public thoroughfares announcing events sponsored by the City, the R-1 School District, Jefferson County, or charitable organizations may be authorized by temporary permit by the Director. Such street banners shall be installed, removed and maintained by the sponsor.

(b) Grand Opening Banners. Banners or sign panels attached flat against the side of the building announcing the grand opening or reopening of a store, business, office building (not an office tenant), or other non-residential use, and containing no advertising of special services, prices, or products offered. Such banner or sign panel shall be permitted for a maximum of 14 calendar days. The maximum area for this sign is 40 square feet, may be two signs with a combined area not to exceed 40 square feet. Grand opening banners or sign panels are not permitted for residential uses. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-51, effective date 9/4/87).

(c) New Development Directional Signs. One (1) temporary directional sign may be placed at a location agreed upon by the developer and the Director of Community Development for a period of one (1) to two (2) years from the issuance of the temporary permit. The sign shall be no larger than thirty-two (32) square feet and conform to the height and setback restrictions applicable in that zone district.

(d) Special Event Banners. A banner or sign panel on private property announcing a special event shall be permitted for public, charitable or religious institutions. Such sign shall be permitted for a maximum of two (2) fourteen (14) day periods a year, and shall conform to the setback applicable in the zone district where installed. Only one (1) banner or sign panel with a maximum area of thirty-two (32) square feet shall be permitted.
17-10-6. SIGNS PROHIBITED IN ALL ZONE DISTRICTS. In addition to signs placed without a permit, the following signs are prohibited in all zone districts, are not subject to variances, and are declared a nuisance by the Department:

(a) Animated signs.

(b) Banners, except as authorized in 17-10-5, pennants, valances, lighter-than-air objects, and wind signs.

(c) Flashing or blinking signs, except for scoreboards and time and temperature devices.

(d) Portable signs.

(e) Roof signs.

(f) Search lights.

(g) Signs painted on fences,

(h) Signs which are located on or project over the public right-of-way, except for signs on legally installed and maintained bus benches. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-18 effective 5/31/87)

(i) Strings of light bulbs used in connection with commercial premises for commercial purposes, other than traditional holiday decorations.

(j) Wheeled advertising devices, except for permanent signs on licensed, operable vehicles which are used daily for service or delivery purposes. (As amended by 0-84-44, As amended by Ordinance 0-87-51 effective date 9/25/87)

(k) Off-premises advertising, except as provided for in 17-5-21 and 17-10-5. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-51 effective 9/4/87).

17-10-7. SIGNS PERMITTED IN RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICTS: CN, 1R THROUGH 6R, INCLUSIVE.

(1) Permitted Sign Types.

(a) Wall signs and monument or low-profile ground signs are permitted in all residential zones.

(b) Ground signs, projecting signs, signs on marquees, canopies, awnings or windows are permitted only for multi-family developments of five or more units.
(c) Ground signs must be set back a minimum of ten (10) feet from the property line, except that private parking, traffic directional and real estate signs must be located on or within the property line and not project over the public right-of-way. The setback shall be measured from the leading edge of the sign.

(d) Window signs subject to permit cannot be displayed above the first floor.

(2) Physical Characteristic Standards.

(a) Maximum sign area:

(1) Home occupation signs - one and one-half (1/2) square feet

(2) Project development or identification signs - fifty (50) square feet per sign, limited to one sign per major entrance.

(3) Signage for special uses - Wall signs identifying a special use of the property - twenty-five (25) square feet. No wall signs shall be allowed for group homes for juveniles. (As amended by 0-84-131)

(b) Maximum height:

wall signs - twenty (20) feet
ground signs - eight (8) feet

(3) Signage for public agencies

In addition to signage otherwise allowed under this ordinance, public agencies, which include but are not limited to municipal buildings, postal facilities and fire stations, may be allowed additional on-premises directional or service signage in a location and of such size as is deemed appropriate by the Director of Community Development. The decision of the Director concerning additional signage shall be final. (As amended by 0-84-131)

17-10-8. SIGNS PERMITTED IN THE MIXED OR SINGLE USE, OFFICE, COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS: MU, OF, 1-C THROUGH 5-C INCLUSIVE, AND IN.

(1) Signage for Mixed or Single Use District. Signage in Mixed Use Districts must conform to an overall signage plan for the district. This plan must be approved by the Director prior to the issuance of a sign permit and will be subject to the following performance standards and those contained in 17-10-9. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-51 effective date 9/4/87).
(a) Each sign must serve identification or directional purposes within the district.

(b) Signs must be of similar graphic quality.

(c) The design must be in keeping with the overall character of the Mixed Use District.

Signage must conform to the general sign area, height, and other physical characteristics limitations as set forth in this article and as specified for each zone district which most closely reflects the individual proposed uses in the district.

(2) Ground Signs in OF, 1-C through 5-C Inclusive and IN Zone Districts

(a) Building or Project Identification

(1) Character: A Building or Project Identification Ground Sign is intended to identify a building or a shopping or business center, or to provide for joint identification of tenants within a building or project.

(2) Maximum area: For each permitted sign the maximum sign area shall be one hundred (100) square feet or as calculated from the table below whichever is less. Combined wall and ground signage shall not exceed 500 square feet, or six hundred (600) square feet as permitted in Section 17-10-8(3)(a)(6) for single tenant buildings on lots not part of a shopping or business center.

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(3) Maximum height
25 feet

(4) Minimum setback from R.O.W.
10 feet

(5) Conditions/limitations subject to conditions of 17-10-8(4); one (1) sign per major street frontage. This sign may not be used with any other ground sign on the same street frontage except 17-10-8(2)b.

(This Section 17-10-8 is Amended by Ordinance 0-87-51 effective date 9/4/87).
(b) Center Pad Signs

(1) Character: intended to identify single use free standing buildings within a shopping/business center or industrial park.

(2) Maximum area
   32 square feet

(3) Maximum height
   6 feet

(4) Minimum setback from R.O.W. 10 feet
   From internal private street 5 feet

(5) Conditions/Limitations subject to conditions of 17-10-8(4); limited to one sign per pad. Sign must be monument style. No pole signs are permitted.

(3) Wall Signs in OF, l-C through 5-C Inclusive and IN Zone District

(a) Building Identification

(1) Character: intended to identify; a) individual building on a parcel of ground which is not part of a shopping/business center; b) the principal or main building in a shopping/business center (by center name); c) single use free standing building within a shopping center.

(2) Maximum area: For each permitted sign the maximum sign area shall be one hundred (100) square feet or as calculated from the table below whichever is smaller. Combined wall and ground signage area shall not exceed five hundred (500) square feet or six hundred (600) square feet as provided in paragraph 6.

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(3) Maximum height: Wall signs shall be located in signable area of wall

(4) Minimum setback: Same as required for the building

(5) Conditions/limitations subject to conditions in 17-10-8(4); two (2) wall signs per building are allowed.
(6) **Single-Use, Large Lot Signage Allowance.** If any one street frontage exceeds three hundred fifty (350) feet, an additional wall signage area of one hundred (100) square feet shall be allowed, provided it is distributed so that no wall sign exceeds two hundred (200) square feet in area.

(b) **Tenant Identification**

(1) **Character:** intended to identify tenants within shopping/business centers or industrial parks, with a primary entrance to the exterior of the building. Tenants within office buildings, or similar buildings, that do not have a primary public entrance on or to the exterior of the building are not permitted individual tenant wall signage.

(2) **Maximum area:** Table below or 50 square feet, whichever is greater, provided no sign exceeds 100 square feet.

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(3) **Maximum height** Wall signs shall be located in signable area of wall

(4) **Minimum setback** Same as required for the building

(5) **Conditions/limitations** subject to conditions of 17-10-8(4); may not exceed 75 percent of the width of the tenant frontage, which the sign is installed on; use of tenant ID sign precludes the use of building ID on or for the same length of tenant frontage. A corner unit may have two (2) wall signs.

(4) Property located within the Lakewood Center Activity Center is subject to design review by the Lakewood Center Design Review Committee. Within the Activity Center, ground signs shall be monument style and a maximum height of 15 feet unless otherwise recommended by the Committee. Reasons for allowing a different sign style and height include, but are not limited to, sight distance problems caused by circumstances beyond the property owner's control, provided, however, in no event shall such sign exceed 25 feet in height. (As amended by 0-85-27, and as amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(5) **Signage Additionally Allowed in OF, 1-C through 5-C Inclusive and IN Zone District**
(a) Secondary Signs Each business or use may have one (1) sign identifying the name of the business, the products sold or manufactured or services offered. Said sign shall not be counted toward the maximum sign area or number. The sign is limited to ten (10) square feet in sign area, and may not be an individual ground sign. (As amended by 0-84-131)

(b) In the event a building has no identifiable street frontage the building frontage will be used to determine the amount of signage allowed.

(c) Signage for Public Agencies In addition to signage otherwise allowed under this Ordinance, public agencies, which include, but are not limited to, municipal buildings, postal facilities and fire stations, may be allowed additional on-premises directional or service signage in a location and of such size as is deemed appropriate by the Director of Community Development. The decision of the Director concerning additional signage shall be final. (As amended by 0-84-31) (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-51 effective 9/4/87).

17-10-9. SIGN STANDARDS APPLICABLE TO ALL DISTRICTS. (1) Sign Area. The area of a sign shall be measured in conformance with the regulations as herein set forth. The structure or bracing of a sign shall be omitted from measurement, unless such structure or bracing is made part of the message or face of the sign.

(a) Sign with Backing. The area of signs enclosed by a box or outline shall be measured by determining the area of each rectangle which creates the smallest single continuous perimeter enclosing the extreme limits of the display surface or face of the sign; including all frames, backing, face plates, non-structural trim or other component parts not otherwise used for support.

(b) Signs Without Backing. The area of signs consisting of individual letters or symbols shall be measured by determining the sum of the area of the smallest single continuous rectangle enclosing the extreme limits of each message, including all frames, face plates, non-structural trim or other component parts not otherwise used for support.

(c) Signable Area. Signable wall area is a continuous portion of a building facade unbroken by doors or windows or major architectural features. It is calculated by selecting a continuous surface, then drawing an imaginary rectangle within specified height limitations and computing the square foot area of this rectangle. Persons displaying signs attached to a building may determine the signable area to be used by choosing any such area on the building facade for the display of signs. Signs shall not cover more than 40% of this area. If, because of the design of the building, a signable area cannot be identified, the Department and the applicant will determine a suitable area for signage.
(d) Irregular Outline. The area of an irregularly shaped sign or a sign with letters or symbols directly affixed to or painted on the wall of the building shall be the entire area within a single-continuous rectilinear perimeter of not more than eight (8) straight lines enclosing the extreme limits of writing, representation, emblem or figure.

(2) Number of Signs. Each continuously enclosed area of a sign face, either by outline or by an imaginary line, shall be considered one sign. The total surface area of multiple unit signs include vertical and horizontal spacing between signs.

(3) Design Standards. (a) The Department of Community Development shall work with the developer or building owner to ensure that sign designs conform to the architectural style of the main building or buildings upon the site. Where possible, the style and character of signs on adjacent properties shall be considered.

(b) Wall signs shall have dimensions which are proportional to the building facade on which they are placed. Wall signs in a shopping center or complex shall be similar in at least four of the following seven design components: 1) materials, 2) shape; 3) color; 4) letter style; 5) method of illumination; 6) method of structural support or attachment; or 7) technical details of sign construction.

(c) Landscaping. Whenever practicable, each ground sign shall be located in a landscaped area at least twice the size of the area of the sign, as determined by the Director of Community Development. This area can be counted as part of the landscaped area required by Article 15 of the Zoning Ordinance.

(4) Sign Standards By Type of Sign.

(a) Ground Sign. Placement of ground sign shall conform with the requirements stated in 17-8-1 (vision clearance).

(b) Marquee, Canopy or Awning Signs. All signs shall be parallel to the face of the marquee, canopy or awning upon which such signs are displayed. Said signs shall not project above or below the face of the marquee and shall only identify the business by name or address.

(c) Projecting Signs. The maximum height shall be twenty (20) feet. Such signs shall be located on the signable area of the facade of the building, as described 17-10-9, and must not obscure major architectural details or extend above the roof line. Such signs shall have a clearance of ten (10) feet from grade level to the bottom of the sign. Maximum projection shall be thirty (30) inches from the building to which it is attached.
(d) **Wall Signs.** Wall signs shall be placed only in "signable areas" of a building facade. The total length of any individual sign may not exceed seventy-five percent (75%) of the length of the frontage of the establishment, store front or tenant space on which the sign is located. Wall signs may not project more than eighteen (18) inches from the supporting wall. Wall signs may not extend above the roof line or parapet wall. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-51 effective date 9/4/87).

(e) **Window Signs.** Signs displayed twelve (12) inches or less from the interior of windows shall be debited against the square foot area and number of signs allowed a permitted use. Window signs are not permitted in windows above the first floor.

(5) **Permitted Illumination.** Signs in commercial, office, and industrial zones and signs in NU zones which identify commercial, office, and industrial uses may be illuminated, but all direct illumination shall not exceed twenty-five (25) watts per bulb. Wall signs which are placed higher than twenty-five (25) feet on a building wall shall not be illuminated between the hours of 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. Permanent ground signs within residential zone districts may be illuminated if they meet the following criteria:

(a) The sign is at least 100 feet away from the closest building occupied as a residence, provided however that the Director of Community Development may authorize a smaller distance if he determines that the orientation and character of the sign and the nearby residence is such that the sign will not adversely impact the residence.

(b) The sign identifies a use which lawfully exists in a residential zone as a permitted or pre-existing nonconforming use.

(c) The source of the illumination is within the sign cabinet or mounted on the ground. Illumination by means of neon tubing is not allowed.

(d) The use which is identified by the sign has frontage on an arterial or collector street.

(e) Illumination ceases between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

All other signs in residential zone districts shall not be illuminated except signs permitted for medical services and public services such as police and fire, which are provided on a twenty-four hour basis, and signs for other traffic safety purposes. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(6) **Height Determination.** When a ground sign is placed within twenty-five (25) feet of the property line, the height of the sign shall be measured from the grade at the property line, at a point closest to the sign location. When a ground sign is placed twenty-five (25) feet or more from the property line, the height of the sign shall be measured from an average grade based on four points equidistant on the circumference of a circle with a twenty-five (25) foot radius from the base of the sign.
17-10-10. **MAINTENANCE.** Every sign shall be maintained in good condition at all times, as determined by the Director of Community Development. Copy may be changed on a conforming sign to express political or ideological sentiments. Signs shall be kept neatly painted, including all metal parts and supports thereof that are not galvanized or of rust-resistant metals. The Director shall inspect and shall have the authority to order the painting, repair, alteration, or removal of a sign which is not in conformance with this ordinance or is inadequately maintained, dilapidated, or obsolescent.

17-10-11. **NONCONFORMING SIGNS.**

(1) **Termination of Nonconforming Signs.** A non-conforming sign must be brought into conformance or terminate and cease to exist if any one of the following conditions occur:

   (a) Whenever the sign is damaged more than 50% of its total replacement value, destroyed from any cause whatsoever, or becomes obsolete or substandard under any applicable ordinance of the municipality to the extent that the sign becomes a hazard or a danger.

   (b) The business to which the sign pertains expands the building gross floor area or parking or loading area 20% or more.

   (c) Whenever there is a request made for a permit to alter the structural support of the sign.

   (d) Whenever there is a request for a building permit to make improvements to the facade of the building on which the nonconforming sign is located excluding normal repair or maintenance efforts.

(2) **Nonconforming Signs in Newly Annexed Areas.** Any owner or operator of a legal nonconforming sign in a newly annexed area shall be subject to the requirements of this section.

(3) **Appeals.** Any person wishing to seek a variance to construct a sign which does not conform to this Article may appeal to the Board of Adjustment. (As amended by 0-84-131).

The owner or lessee of a sign or the owner of the property on which a sign is located who has been notified by the Department that such sign is nonconforming may appeal the decision to the Director within twenty (20) days of the receipt of such notice. The appeal shall contain the appellant's name and address, the decision being appealed, and a brief explanation why the appellant should not be required to comply with the document appealed. The Director may meet informally with the appellant to exchange necessary information and shall issue a decision in writing to the appellant at his address stated in the appeal.
If the decision of the Director is not satisfactory to the Appellant, he may appeal to the Board of Adjustment. Written appeals from the decision of the Director must be received by the Secretary to the Board of Adjustment within thirty (30) days of the date of denial.

The Board of Adjustment shall conduct any public hearing within thirty (30) days on every appeal made in writing by the applicant of a decision made by the Director pursuant to this ordinance.

In passing upon appeals under Article 10, the Board of Adjustment shall consider the following criteria:

(a) The strict application of the regulation would result in peculiar and undue practical difficulties for, or peculiar and unnecessary hardship on, the owner of the property;

(b) The variance, if granted, will observe the spirit of this ordinance, secure the public safety and welfare, and achieve substantial justice;

(c) The variance, if granted, will not adversely affect the adjacent property or the neighborhood;

(d) The variance, if granted, is the minimum variance that will afford relief with the least modification possible of this ordinance; and

(e) The variance, if granted, does not deviate more than forty (40) percent from any one of the various numerical limitations contained within the regulation, regardless of any other variance that may have been granted. The intent of this provision is to provide for variances with certain percentage limitations, and further to clarify that any variance is considered to be independent of any other variance and is not to be considered cumulative.

In deciding variance applications, the Board may consider whether the alleged difficulty or hardship was self-imposed.

Any decisions of the Board of Adjustment shall be set forth in writing giving reasons for affirming, modifying, or reversing the administrative decision of the Director. Any decision of the Board of Adjustment shall be final and any appeal therefrom shall be to the courts. (As amended by 0-84-44)
(4) **Amortization.** All nonconforming signs shall be removed or brought into conformance within fifteen (15) years from the effective date of this ordinance, except that no nonconforming sign shall be required to be removed or brought into conformance pursuant to this section if such action would jeopardize the receipt by the State of its full share of federal highway funds. Signs which were legally nonconforming prior to enactment of this ordinance shall be removed subject to the previous amortization time period of January 9, 1984, or may be brought into conformance with the present sign code adopted in 1983. (As amended by 0-84-131)

17-10-12. **PROHIBITED, HAZARDOUS AND ABANDONED SIGNS — ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES.**

(1) **Notification of Unlawful Signs.** No prohibited, abandoned, or hazardous sign shall be allowed within the City. No prohibited, abandoned, or hazardous sign shall be continued by variance.

   (a) **Prohibited Signs.** Notice shall be given by certified mail or personal service to the owner or lessee of any prohibited sign or to the owner of the property on which it is located. The notice shall state that such prohibited sign shall be altered to conform with this Ordinance or be removed within 24 hours after the notice has been received. The time period will be stayed during any administrative appeal.

   (b) **Hazardous Signs.** Hazardous signs are those which by reason of inadequate maintenance, dilapidation, or obsolescence create an imminent hazard to public health, safety, or welfare, as declared by the department. Said signs are declared a nuisance and shall not be allowed within the City. The notice shall require hazardous sign removal within 24 hours, or may be abated in accordance with the provisions of Section 9.80.070 of the Lakewood Municipal Code. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-51 effective date 9/4/87).

   (c) **Abandoned Signs.** Signs abandoned for a period of thirty (30) days shall be declared a nuisance by the department. The notice shall require the abandoned sign removed within thirty (30) days. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-51 effective date 9/4/87).
(2) Appeals. The owner or lessee of a sign or the owner of the property on which sign is located who has been notified by the Department that said sign is prohibited, abandoned, or hazardous may appeal that decision to the Director within five (5) days of the receipt of such notice for prohibited and hazardous signs and within twenty (20) days for abandoned signs. The appeal shall contain the appellant's name and address, the decision being appealed, and a brief explanation why the appellant should not be required to comply with the decision being appealed. The Director may meet informally with the appellant to exchange necessary information and shall issue a decision in writing to the appellant at his address stated in the appeal. (As amended by 0-84-131)

(3) Failure to Comply with Notices. If the owner or lessee of a prohibited, abandoned or hazardous sign or the owner of the property on which such sign is located fails to comply with notice given pursuant to this section within the time specified, the Director is authorized to cause the action required by ordinance and notice. All costs incurred by the City plus an administrative cost of fifteen percent (15%) of the direct costs shall be charged against the real property and its owners.

(4) Other Remedies. Any unpaid charge plus all costs and penalties shall constitute a debt due the City. The City Attorney shall, at the direction of the City Administrator, institute civil suit in the name of the City to recover such charges, cost and penalties. The City may prevent by injunction and require removal of any sign erected without a permit. These remedies shall be cumulative with all other remedies. No charge or conviction of violation of this Ordinance, or action, or remedy exercised hereunder, shall be exclusive, and none shall preclude the bringing of any charges of violation, or the exercise of any other remedy hereunder.

17-10-13. SEVERABILITY. The provisions of this code are severable. If any part of this code is declared unconstitutional by a final judgement of a court of competent jurisdiction, that decision shall not affect any portion of the code which remains, but the remainder shall be in full force and effect as if the portion declared unconstitutional had never been part of the code.
ARTICLE 11: SECONDARY USES

17-11-1. DEFINITION. As used in this Ordinance, a "Secondary Use" is one which meets the following criteria (a) – (d) when the specific use is not contained within 17-11-2, and is approved by the Director. (As amended by 0-83-159)

(a) Is subordinate to and serves the main building or principal use;

(b) Is subordinate in area, extent, and purpose to the main building or principal use served;

(c) Contributes to the comfort, convenience, or necessity of occupants of the main building or principal use served; and

(d) Is located within the main building or structure.

17-11-2. USE REGULATIONS. (1) Secondary Uses are uses by right. Uses not contained within the main building but otherwise meeting the definition of a secondary use shall be considered an Accessory Use as provided for within Article 12.

(2) The following specific Secondary Uses shall be permitted as uses by right within the zone district indicated provided they conform to the requirements of this section.

(a) 4-R and 4-RA Districts:

(1) Private noncommercial athletic or recreational facilities operated for the benefit of members only and not for economic gain.

(2) Amusement center.

(b) 5-R and 5-RA Districts:

(1) Private noncommercial athletic or recreational facilities operated for the benefit of members only and not for economic gain.

(2) Any use permitted within the OF District or the 1-C District.

(3) Amusement center.

(c) 6-R District:

(1) Amusement center.

(d) OF District:

(1) Any use permitted within the 1-C District.
(2) Living quarters for not more than one household in a building not designed primarily for occupancy as a dwelling unit and occupied by the owner or operator of the office or secondary commercial use.

(3) Amusement center.

(e) 1-C District:
(1) Amusement center.

(f) 2-C District:
(1) Amusement center.

(g) 3-C District:
(1) Amusement center.

(h) 4-C District:
(1) Amusement center.

(i) 5-C District: (As amended by 0-83-55)

(1) Administrative office serving the principal use. Additional subordinate administrative office space serving more than the principal use may not exceed fifty (50) percent of the gross floor area of the main building.

(2) Amusement center.

(3) Living quarters for not more than one household in a building not designed primarily for occupancy as a dwelling unit and occupied by the owner or operator of the commercial or secondary office use. (As amended by 0-83-159)

(j) IN District: (As amended by 0-82-156 and 0-83-55)

(1) Administrative offices, which shall not exceed fifty (50) percent of the gross floor area of the main building.

(2) Child care facilities.

(3) Restaurant.

(4) Amusement center.

(5) Living quarters for not more than one household in a building not designed primarily for occupancy as a dwelling unit and occupied by the owner or operator of the industrial or secondary office use. (As amended by 0-83-159)
17-11-3. **AREA REGULATIONS.** The sum total of gross floor area utilized by all Secondary Uses shall not exceed more than ten (10) percent of the gross floor area of any single building or structure within which it is contained, except as otherwise specifically allowed in this article. The entrance to any such Secondary Use shall be from inside the main building, and no sign advertising said use shall be visible from outside the building.
ARTICLE 12: ACCESSORY USES

17-12-1. DEFINITION. As used in this Ordinance, an "Accessory Use" is a use which:

1) Is subordinate to and serves the main building or principal use;

2) Is subordinate in area, extent and purpose to the main building or principal use served;

3) Contributes to the comfort, convenience or necessity of occupants of the main building or principal use served; and,

4) Is located external to the existing main building but on the same lot as the existing main building or principal use served.

17-12-2. USE REGULATIONS.

1) Accessory uses are uses by right.

2) The following specific Accessory Uses are uses by right within the zone districts indicated, if they conform to the requirements set forth herein:

(a) Conservation (CN) District:

1) Dwellings for farm or ranch employees employed on the premises or dwellings for farm or ranch tenants on any farm or ranch.

2) Any building or structure other than a dwelling incidental to the operation of any ordinary farm or ranch or any other use provided for within the CN (Conservation) District irrespective of size.

(b) 1-R, 2-R, 3-R, 3-RA Private garages, storage facilities, private noncommercial recreation facilities, workshops, and clubhouse. No such structure or combination of structures shall exceed ten (10) percent of the lot area or six hundred (600) square feet, whichever is greater, up to a maximum of twelve hundred (1,200) square feet. The square footage of any such use which is an integral part of the main building shall be deducted from the maximum square footage permitted in a detached accessory structure(s). Such detached facilities that are less than one hundred twenty (120) square feet and do not exceed ten (10) feet in height, shall be exempt from side and rear setback requirements, but shall not be placed within a designated easement, flood plain, or floodway. All other accessory structures shall be one story with a maximum height of twenty (20) feet.

A private garage constructed as an integral part of the original main building shall not be subject to this size limitation provided it is smaller than the habitable portion of the main building. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)
(c) 4-R, 4-RA, 5-R, 5-RA Private garage, storage facilities, private noncommercial recreation facilities, and clubhouses, but only as approved in conjunction with a site plan conforming to the requirements of Article 15 of this ordinance. Any such accessory structure shall meet the setback requirements of Subsection 17-7-7 of this ordinance. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(d) OF District:

(1) Dormitories and recreation fields within the campus confines of a school, college or university, but not including garage, vehicle service and maintenance center.

(2) Buildings housing personnel employed on the grounds of a hospital or sanitarium.

(e) Community Commercial (3-C) and Regional Commercial (4-C) Districts: Carnivals and fairs, but only if located farther than five hundred (500) feet from any residential district, and only if operated for a period of time not to exceed fourteen (14) days in each calendar year.

(f) Industrial (IN) District: Administrative offices.

(g) All Districts:

(1) Off-street parking areas, including off-street parking spaces only for the purpose of storage of recreational vehicles.

(2) Keeping of household pets, but not kennels.

(3) Private, noncommercial greenhouses.

(4) Private, noncommercial swimming pools.

(5) Church parish house but not in the Large Lot Commercial (5-C) and Industrial (IN) Districts.

(6) Fall out shelters.

(7) Residence for caretaker of public park or public recreation area if located in such park or area.

(8) Satellite Dish Antenna. In addition to meeting the minimum setbacks set forth in Article 7, and obtaining a building permit, satellite dish antennae shall also meet the following criteria:

(a) In the case of a corner or through lot, the setback for the satellite dish antenna in the secondary or tertiary "front" shall be fifty (50) feet.
(b) In no instance shall a ground mounted satellite dish antenna exceed a height of ten feet (10') from finished grade of the subject property.

(c) Rooftop installation of satellite dish antennae is allowed in the 5-R, OF, and 1-C thru IN Zone Districts. Appropriate screening, to be reviewed and approved by staff at time of permit issuance, must be provided. The intent of this provision is to lessen the visual impact on adjacent properties and from any adjacent traveled roadways.

(d) All ground mounted satellite dish antennae must be screened with living plant materials sufficient in quantity to obscure the dish installation from view from nearby properties. In cases where such screening by living plant materials is impracticable, said screening may be accomplished under the provisions of paragraph (g) below, or by a solid fence at the minimum height necessary to provide screening, but in no instance to exceed a maximum height of six feet (6'). The screening will be reviewed and approved by staff at the time of permit issuance. The intent of this provision is to lessen the visual impact on adjacent properties and from any adjacent traveled roadway.

(e) The color of the satellite dish antenna shall be selected so as to cause it to blend with the surrounding landscape, and be no more reflective than 25% as determined by a light meter from a paint sample provided with the permit application, or as indicated on the paint sample as determined by the paint supplier. For rooftop installation where a color more reflective than 25% may not be obtrusive due to the light color of the sky, a lighter color may be used.

(f) No advertising shall be permitted on or inside the satellite dish antenna.

(g) Innovative and creative integration of a satellite dish antenna into a building or other feature of a specific site will be reviewed and approved on a case-by-case basis by staff at time of permit issuance. This provision may allow a dish antenna in an area otherwise precluded by the other standards in this section.

(h) In the 5-R, OF and 1-C through IN Zone Districts, the front setback for the dish antenna must meet the front setback for the main structure, but in no instance will the satellite dish antenna be allowed closer to the front property line than the main building proposed or existing on the site.
(i) All satellite dish antennae or similar structures covered by this ordinance legally located at the time this ordinance becomes effective are considered pre-existing non-conforming uses and shall be deemed to comply with 17-12-2(2)(e)(10) if they apply for certification as existing non-conforming structures by December 31, 1986. Satellite dish antennae or similar structures not receiving certification by December 31, 1986 will be treated as violations of this ordinance, unless proof is submitted to the Director of the Department of Community Development sufficient to demonstrate that the satellite dish was in place prior to the effective date of this ordinance. (As amended by 0-86-50)

(11) The maximum height for amateur radio towers and antennas shall be seventy (70) feet or the maximum height permitted within the relevant zone district, whichever is greater. The height shall be measured at the highest horizontal member of the tower and antenna structure. The front yard setback must be equal to or greater than the setback for the primary structure but in no case shall the setback be less than the required front yard setback in the applicable zone district. All portions of the tower, including support structures shall be entirely within the property lines. Retractable towers are also permitted but shall be retracted when not in operation. The maximum height of a retractable tower shall be based on its height when retracted. Towers and antennas shall be of a neutral color and shall not be painted or otherwise treated to call attention to themselves. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-10 effective 4/12/87).
ARTICLE 13: HOME OCCUPATIONS

17-13-1 DEFINITION. Home Occupation - Any occupation of a service character which is clearly secondary to the main use of the premises as a dwelling unit, and which does not change the character thereof except as provided in Section 17-13-5 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Lakewood.

17-13-2 PURPOSE AND INTENT. It is the purpose and intent of this chapter to:

(1) Maintain neighborhood integrity and preserve the residential character of neighborhoods by encouraging compatible land uses.

(2) Provide residents of the City with an option to utilize their residences as a place to enhance or fulfill personal economic goals as long as the choice of home occupation does not infringe upon the residential rights of neighborhood inhabitants.

(3) Establish criteria for operating home occupations in dwelling units within residential districts.

(4) Minimize the impact a home occupation has on a neighborhood with respect to public and private services such as street, sewer, water and electrical systems.

17-13-3 PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR CN, 1-R, 2-R, 3-R, 3-RA, 4-R, 5-R AND MIXED USE OR SINGLE USE ZONE. A home occupation operating from a single family detached or duplex residential dwelling unit in CN, 1-R, 2-R, 3-R, 3-RA, 4-R, 5-R and Mixed Use or Single Use Zones, shall meet the following conditions:

(1) Area of use: The area used for a home occupation shall not exceed 25% of the habitable space of the dwelling unit. Habitable space shall be as defined in the Lakewood Building Code.

(2) Parking:

(a) If the garage is used for a home occupation, parking required by Article 9 of the Lakewood Zoning Ordinance must be provided.

(b) At all times during the day or night parking related to the home occupation shall be confined to the street frontage of the lot in question, the driveway, and the garage/carport.

(3) Persons permitted to conduct home occupation: The home occupation shall be conducted by the residents of the dwelling with no more than one (1) additional employee.
(4) Home occupations permitted:

(a) Minor repair services: Such as for electronics, small appliances and upholstery.

(b) Craft work for sale off-site: Such as the making of pottery, jewelry, or dolls, gunsmithing, and woodworking which are produced or manufactured on the premises.

(c) Tutoring: Such as music lessons, dance lessons, swimming lessons, tennis lessons, or gymnastic lessons.

(d) Garment work: Such as tailoring, dressmaking, millinery work, ironing and garment repair.

(e) Office use: Such as office uses for door-to-door, home party and phone solicitation sales, investment counseling, typing, notary public, travel services, physicians, dentists, lawyers, certified public accountants, architects, engineers, and computer uses where an exchange of information is done via telephone modem for uses such as acquiring mailing lists or information libraries.

(f) Artistic endeavors: Such as art studios, portrait studios, photography studios, writing and lithography.

(g) Renting of rooms: The renting of sleeping rooms to not more than two (2) persons per dwelling unit.

(h) Garage sales: Not to exceed four (4) sales and a total of fourteen (14) days, which need not be consecutive, per calendar year.

(i) Hair care: Hair care services and/or manicuring services carried on by only one (1) inhabitant of the dwelling unit.

(j) Mail Order: Not to include retail sales from site.

(k) Child care: Providing primarily daytime care for compensation for children from birth to sixteen (16) years of age, for up to six (6) children, including in the total any of the provider's own children not attending full day school. In addition, providing primarily daytime care for two (2) additional children of school age before and/or after school hours, including in this total number any of the provider's own school age children under the age of twelve (12). The following chart is provided by way of illustration:

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(1) Foster Care for dogs in the CN Zone District: The keeping of four (4) dogs in addition to permitted household pets in the CN zone district under the following conditions:

(1) Minimum lot size of one (1) acre;

(2) Buildings or pens housing dogs must be located in rear yards and must be at least one hundred (100) feet from residential buildings on adjoining properties; and

(3) Foster care of dogs shall not exceed a period of six (6) months.

17-13-4 PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR MULTI-FAMILY BUILDINGS IN 4-R, 4-RA, 5-R, MIXED OR SINGLE USE ZONES. A home occupation operating from a dwelling unit in a multi-family building in 4-R, 4-RA, 5-R, Mixed or Single Use Zone shall meet the following conditions:

(1) Area of use: The area used for a home occupation shall not exceed 25% of the habitable space in the dwelling unit.

(2) Persons permitted to conduct home occupation: The home occupation shall be conducted only by the residents of the dwelling unit with no additional employees.

(3) Home occupations permitted:

(a) Office uses: Such as office uses for door-to-door, phone solicitation sales, investment counseling, typing, travel services, physicians, dentists, lawyers, certified public accountants, architects, engineers, and computer uses where an exchange of information is done via phone modem for such uses as acquiring mailing lists or information libraries. These office uses shall not generate customer or client traffic to or from the dwelling unit.

(b) Garage sales: Garage sales shall be sponsored or coordinated by the management or owners' association of a residential complex. No more than two (2) garage sales may be held, not to exceed six (6) days, per calendar year or three (3) days per event. The management or owners' association shall ensure access to all residential dwelling units is maintained free and clear of any obstruction generated by such garage sale. It shall be unlawful for a resident to conduct a garage sale which is not in conjunction with one of the residential complex's sponsored sales.
17-13-5 **SIGNAGE.** For single family detached dwellings and duplexes a maximum of one (1) non-illuminated sign, not to exceed one and one-half (1½) square feet, to be attached to the dwelling shall be permitted. No signage will be permitted for home occupations in multi-family buildings.

17-13-6 **CHANGES TO EXTERIOR OF DWELLING UNITS.** The exterior appearance of a dwelling unit shall not be altered to draw attention to the structure as a commercial or business operation, such as alteration of building material, size, or color; lighting fixtures or the intensity of light; parking area; or other exterior changes which alter the residential character of the dwelling unit and detract from the residential character of the neighborhood.

17-13-7 **STORAGE OF STOCK, SUPPLIES AND PRODUCTS.** Storage of stock, supplies and products shall be permitted only inside the premises where a home occupation is being operated. No exterior storage of stock, supplies, and products shall be permitted.

17-13-8 **RETAIL SALES.** Sale of stocks of merchandise or products shall not be conducted on the premises, except as follows:

   (1) One engaged in hair care and/or manicuring services may sell products directly related to such services;

   (2) One conducting a garage sale may sell merchandise displayed for sale during the garage sale and items for sale shall belong to the person conducting the garage sale, or in the case of a residential complex, to the tenants of the complex;

   (3) One engaged in garment work may sell custom work to specific clients but may not develop stocks of garments for sale to the general public on site;

   (4) One engaged in home party and phone solicitation sales may display sample products and take orders for the products on the premises, but delivery and payment for the products shall occur off-site; and

   (5) One engaged in artistic endeavors may sell custom work to specific clients but may not develop stocks of products for sale to the general public on site.

17-13-9 **NUISANCE UNLAWFUL.** It shall be unlawful for a resident operating a home occupation to:

   (1) Produce, dump, or store combustible or toxic substances in or around a residential dwelling unit.

   (2) Create interference or fluctuations of radio or television transmission received by other residents of the neighborhood.
17-13-10 **SPECIFIC EXCLUSIONS.** In no event shall any of the home occupations permitted herein be interpreted to allow any of the following business or commercial activities:

1. Body or mechanical repair or modification of motor vehicles for compensation.
2. Animal hospital, or kennel.
4. Restaurant.

17-13-11 **ADDITIONAL LIMITATIONS.** In no event shall more than one home occupation be operated within any single dwelling unit, except that a garage sale may be operated in addition to any other home occupation. No home occupation shall be operated within any dwelling unit which also contains a use approved by a special use permit.
ARTICLE 14: FLOOD PLAIN MANAGEMENT
(As amended by 0-81-158)

17-14-1 TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as "Flood Plain Management Ordinance of Lakewood, Colorado." (As amended by Ordinance 0-88-39 effective date 10/15/88)

17-14-2 PURPOSE. This Ordinance is enacted for the following purposes:

(1) To establish regulations to help minimize the extent of floods and the losses incurred in flood hazard areas.

(2) To promote the public health, safety and welfare.

17-14-3 LEGISLATIVE INTENT. The intention of this Article is:

(1) To permit only that development within the flood plain which is appropriate in light of the probability of flood damage.

(2) That the regulations in this article shall apply to all property located in the flood plains, as indicated in the Official Flood Studies for the City of Lakewood, as adopted by this article and filed with the City Clerk.

(3) That these regulations combine with and qualify with the zoning ordinance regulations.

(4) That any use not permitted by the primary zone shall not be permitted in the flood plain and any use as permitted by the primary zone shall be permitted in the flood plain only upon meeting conditions and any requirements as prescribed by this article.

17-14-4 DEFINITIONS. As used within this Article, except where otherwise specifically defined, or unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivatives shall have the following meanings:


(2) Appurtenant Structure: A structure which is on the same parcel of property as the principal structure to be insured and the use of which is incidental to the use of the principal structure.

(3) Area of Shallow Flooding: Land designated as shallow, indeterminate flooding in the Official Flood Studies. No clearly defined channel exists and the path of flooding is unpredictable.

(4) Base Flood of 100-Year Flood: The flood having a one percent chance of occurrence in any given year.
(5) **Base Flood Elevation (Flood Protection Elevation):** The water surface elevation of the 100 year flood as indicated in the Official Flood Studies.

(6) **Chief Executive Officer:** The City Administrator or his/her appointed designee.

(7) **Development:** For the purpose of Article 14 only, shall mean any man-made change to improved or unimproved real estate including but not limited to buildings, fences, or other structures, mining, dredging, filling, grading, Paving, or excavation operations.

(8) **Equal Degree of Encroachment:** A standard applied in determining the location of encroachment limits so that flood plain lands on both sides of a stream are capable of conveying a proportionate share of flood flows. This is determined by considering the effect of encroachment on the hydraulic efficiency of the flood plain along both sides of a stream for a significant reach.

(9) **Existing Construction:** Structures for which the "start of construction" commenced before the effective date of the Flood Plain Management Regulations adopted by Lakewood, Colorado, July 21, 1972.

(10) **Existing Mobile Home Park or Mobile Home Subdivision:** A manufactured home park for which the construction of facilities for servicing the lot on which the manufactured homes are to be affixed (including, at a minimum, the installation of utilities, either final site grading or the pouring of concrete pads, and the construction of streets) are completed before the effective date of floodplain management regulations adopted by Lakewood, Colorado, July 21, 1972.

(11) **Expansion to an Existing Mobile Home Park or Mobile Home Subdivision:** The preparation of additional sites by the construction of facilities for servicing the lots on which the manufactured homes are to be affixed (including the installation of utilities, either final site grading or pouring of concrete pads, or the construction of streets).

(12) **Flood Hazard Area:** Means the area which would be inundated during the occurrence of the base flood or 100-year flood.

(13) **Flood or Flooding:** A general and temporary condition of partial or complete inundation of normally dry land areas from the overflow of inland waters, or the unusual and rapid accumulation or runoff of surface waters from any source.

(14) **Floodway Fringe District:** The land located between the Encroachment Lines of the Floodway and maximum elevation subject to inundation by the 100-year flood as defined herein.

(15) **Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM):** Means an official map of a community on which the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has delineated both the flood hazard areas and the risk premium zones applicable to the community.
(16) **Flood Plain Management Regulations:** Subdivision regulations, building codes, health regulations, special purpose ordinances (such as grading ordinance or erosion control ordinance) and other applications of police power. The term describes such state or local regulations, in any combination thereof, which provide standards for the purpose of flood damage prevention and reduction.

(17) **Flood Plain:** Means the area which would be inundated during the occurrence of the base flood or 100-year flood.

(18) **Flood Plain Management:** The operation of an overall program of corrective and preventive measures for reducing flood damage, including but not limited to emergency preparedness plans, flood control works and flood plain management regulations.

(19) **Floodproofing:** Any combination of structural and non-structural additions, changes, or adjustments to structures which reduce or eliminate flood damage to real estate or improved real property, water and sanitary facilities, structures and their contents.

(20) **Floodway:** The channel of a gulch or other watercourse and the adjacent land areas that must be reserved in order to discharge the 100-year flood without cumulatively increasing the water surface elevation more than six inches (6") at any point. This information is based upon Urban Drainage Flood Hazard and Control District's criteria.

(21) **Floodway Encroachment Lines:** The lines marking the limits of floodways as tabulated in the Official Flood Studies.

(22) **Lowest Floor:** The lowest floor of the lowest enclosed area (including basement). An unfinished or flood resistant enclosure, usable solely for parking of vehicles, building access or storage, in an area other than a basement area, is not considered a building's lowest floor, provided that such enclosure is not built so as to render the structure in violation of the applicable non-elevation design requirements of this ordinance.

(23) **Mean Sea Level:** The average height of the sea for all stages of the tide. Mean sea level shall be used as the elevation datum in Lakewood, Colorado, for purposes of these Regulations and shall include the National Geodetic Vertical Datum (NGVD) of 1929 for purposes of the National Flood Insurance Program, to which base flood elevations shown on a community's Flood Insurance Rate Map are referenced.

(24) **Manufactured Home:** A structure, transportable in one or more sections, which is built on a permanent chassis and is designed for use with or without a permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities. For flood plain management purposes the term "manufactured home" also includes park trailers, travel trailers, and other similar vehicles placed on a site for greater than 180 consecutive days. For insurance purposes, the term "manufactured home" does not include park trailers, travel trailers, and other similar vehicles.
(25) Manufactured Home Park or Manufactured Home Subdivision: For the purposes of Article 14 only, means a parcel (or contiguous parcels) of land divided into two or more home lots for rent or sale for which the construction of facilities for servicing the lot on which the manufactured home is to be affixed (including at a minimum, the installation of utilities, either final site grading or the pouring of concrete pads, and the construction of streets) is commenced on or after the effective date of the Flood Plain Management Regulations adopted by Lakewood, Colorado, July 21, 1972.

(26) New Construction: Structures for which the start of construction commenced on or after the effective date of the Flood Plain Management Regulations adopted by Lakewood, Colorado, July 21, 1972.

(27) Official Flood Hazard Map: A map delineating the 100-year Flood Hazard Area.

(28) Official Flood Studies: Official studies adopted by the City of Lakewood to determine the location, size and elevation of the flood plain and floodway. The studies adopted are enumerated in section 17-14-5.

(29) Person: Any individual or group of individuals, corporation, partnership, association, or any other entity, including state and local governments and agencies.

(30) Reach: A hydraulic engineering term to describe longitudinal segments of a stream or river. In an urban area, an example of a reach would be the segment of a stream or gulch between two consecutive bridge crossings.

(31) Start of Construction: Includes substantial improvement, and means the date the building permit was issued, provided the actual start of construction, repair, reconstruction, placement, or other improvement was within 180 days of the permit date. The actual start means either the first placement of permanent construction of a structure on a site, such as the pouring of slab or footings, the installation of piles, the construction of columns, or any work beyond the stage of excavation; or the placement of a manufactured home on a foundation. Permanent construction does not include land preparation, such as clearing, grading and filling; nor does it include the installation of streets and/or walkways; nor does it include excavation for a basement, footings, piers, or foundations or the erection of temporary forms; nor does it include the installation on the property of accessory buildings, such as garages or sheds not occupied as dwelling units or not part of the main structure.

(32) Structure: For the purposes of Article 14 only, means a walled and roofed building, including gas or liquid storage tank, that is principally above ground, as well as a manufactured home.

(33) Substantial Improvement: Any repair, reconstruction, or improvement of a structure, the cost of which equals or exceeds 50 percent of the market value of the structure either, (a) before the improvement or repair is started, or (b) if the structure has been damaged, and is being restored,
before the damage occurred. For the purposes of this definition substantial improvement is considered to occur when the first alteration of any wall, ceiling, floor or other structural part of the building commences, whether or not that alteration affects the external dimensions of the structure. The term does not, however, include either (1) any project for improvement of a structure to comply with existing state or local health, sanitary or safety code specifications which are solely necessary to assure safe living conditions or (2) any alteration of a structure listed on the National Register of Historic Places or a State Inventory of Historic Places.

(34) Variance: A grant of relief by Lakewood, Colorado, from the terms of the Flood Plain Management Ordinance.

(35) Water Surface Elevation: The height in relation to Mean Sea Level reached by floods of various magnitudes and frequencies in flood plains.

(36) Exhibit A: For illustrative purposes, and in order to facilitate understanding the definitions and provisions of this Article, Exhibit A is attached hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

17-14-5 ADOPTION OF FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, OFFICIAL FLOOD STUDIES, AND OFFICIAL FLOOD HAZARD MAP. Lakewood, Colorado hereby adopts the Flood Insurance Rate Map and the following studies and addendums thereto and all technical back-up information as the Official Flood Studies for Lakewood, Colorado. The flood plains indicated in these studies shall be shown on a single Official Flood Hazard Map which is hereby adopted by Lakewood, Colorado, is attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated herein by reference. A copy of said map, studies and addendums are on file in the City Clerk's office and available for public inspection. No provision in this Article will be enforced based upon modified data reflecting natural or man-made physical changes without prior approval of the change in the documents by the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District and the Federal Insurance Administration.

(1) (a) Flood Hazard Area Delineation
    Weir Gulch Tributaries
    1st Avenue - Dakota Avenue
    July, 1977

    (b) Major Drainageway Planning
    Weir Gulch Tributaries
    1st Avenue and Dakota Avenue,
    Depew Street Basin
    July, 1978

    (c) Major Drainageway Planning
    Sanderson Gulch/Weir Gulch*
    Volume 2
    Drawings
    August, 1972

*Portions of this study are superseded by (1)(d) and (1)(e) below.
(d) Weir Gulch Drainage Improvements Schedule III So. Garrison Street to Main Reservoir January, 1977

(e) Flood Hazard Area Delineation Sanderson Gulch & North Sanderson Gulch August, 1979

(f) Flood Hazard Area Delineation Lakewood Gulch February, 1979

(g) Flood Hazard Area Delineation McIntyre Gulch October, 1977

(h) Flood Hazard Area Delineation Sloans Lake Basin October, 1977

(i) Flood Hazard Area Delineation Green Mountain Area April, 1978

(j) Flood Hazard Area Delineation South Lakewood Gulch July, 1977

(k) Flood Hazard Area Delineation Bear Creek December, 1979

(l) Lena Gulch Master Drainage Plan Volume Two June, 1975

(m) Flood Hazard Area Delineation Dry Gulch and Tributaries November, 1977

(n) Flood Hazard Area Delineation Henry's Lake Drainageway July, 1983

(o) Flood Hazard Area Delineation Weaver Creek May, 1981

(p) Flood Hazard Area Delineation: Dutch Creek, Lilley Gulch, Coon Creek and Three Lakes Tributary, May, 1978. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-65, effective date 10/16/89.)

(q) Flood Insurance Study prepared for the Federal Insurance Administration by the United States Army Engineering District, Corps of Engineers, Omaha, Nebraska, 1971. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-65, effective date 10/16/89.)
(2) The official flood studies listed as (a) through (o) above are to be used in all cases for administration of this ordinance with one exception. When the 1971 study indicates a base flood elevation higher than that listed in studies (a) through (o), the higher elevation shall be used for determining the following:

(a) The elevation of lowest floor.

(b) Floodproofing elevation.

(3) In all cases, without exception, studies (a) through (o) shall be used for determining the width and location of the floodway.

17-14-6. APPLICABILITY. This Article shall apply to all lands within Lakewood, Colorado, as indicated in the Official Flood Studies as being located within the 100-year flood plain.

17-14-7. RULES FOR DETERMINING THE EXACT LOCATION OF THE FLOOD PLAIN AND FLOODWAY. The boundaries of the Flood Plain and the Floodway shall be determined from information presented in the Official Flood Studies. In the absence of other information, boundaries shall be determined by scaling distances on the map. Where interpretation is needed as to the exact location of the boundaries, the City Engineer shall make the necessary interpretation. In all cases, the level of the 100 year flood shall be the governing factor in locating the boundary on any property.

17-14-8. ESTABLISHMENT OF FLOOD PLAIN AND FLOODWAY. Lakewood hereby establishes Flood Plains and Floodways whose boundaries are those of the designated 100-year Flood Plain and the designated Floodway respectively, as shown or tabulated in the Official Flood Studies adopted in Section 17-14-5. The Flood Plain includes the Floodway.

17-14-9. INTERPRETATION. In their interpretation and application, the provisions of this Article shall be held to be minimum requirements and shall not be deemed a limitation or repeal of any other powers granted by Colorado state statutes.

17-14-10. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY. The degree of flood protection required by this Article is considered reasonable for regulatory purposes and is based on engineering and scientific methods of study. Larger floods may occur on rare occasions or flood heights may be increased by man-made or natural causes, such as bridge openings restricted by debris. This article does not imply that areas outside the flood plain will be free from flooding or flood damages. This article shall not create liability on the part of the City of Lakewood or any officer or employee thereof for any flood damages that result from reliance on this section or any administrative decision lawfully made thereunder.
17-14-11. FLOOD PLAIN REGULATIONS. Unless modified by other parts of this Ordinance, the following general Flood Plain Regulations shall be in force:

(1) (a) In areas of shallow indeterminate flooding, all new construction and substantial improvements of nonresidential and residential structures shall have the lowest floor, including basement, elevated to one foot (1') above the crown of the nearest street.

(b) As an alternative for nonresidential structures only, the structure, including utility and sanitary facilities, can be completely flood proofed to the level mentioned above. The walls and basement floor shall be completely waterproofed and they shall be built to withstand lateral and uplift water Pressure.

(2) (a) In flood plain areas in which the 100-year flood elevations are known, all new construction and substantial improvements of residential and nonresidential structures shall have the lowest floor, including basement, elevated one foot (1') above the 100-year flood level as indicated in the Official Flood Studies.

(b) As an alternative for nonresidential structures only, the structure, including utility and sanitary facilities, can be completely flood-proofed one foot (1') above the level of the 100-year flood as indicated in the Official Flood Studies. The walls and basement floor shall be completely waterproofed and they shall be built to withstand lateral and uplift water pressure.

(3) When flood proofing is used for nonresidential structures, a registered professional engineer or licensed architect shall certify that the flood Proofing methods are adequate to withstand the flood pressures, velocities, impact and uplift forces, and other factors caused by the 100-year flood. A record of this certification shall be maintained on file with the building permit by the Building Official. The elevation to which the structure is flood proofed (based on sea level) shall be attached to the certification.

(4) All new individual manufactured homes, new manufactured home parks, expansions of existing mobile home parks, and mobile home parks where the repair, reconstruction or improvements of the streets, utilities and pads equal or exceed 50 percent of their value before the repair, reconstruction or improvement was commenced, are to be placed or substantially improved and be elevated on a permanent foundation such that the lowest floor of the manufactured home is one foot (1') above the 100 year flood elevations as indicated in the Official Flood Studies, provide adequate surface drainage, be securely anchored to an adequately anchored foundation system in accordance with this ordinance, and access for a hauler be provided. When mobile homes are put on pilings, the lot must be large enough to have steps up to the mobile home. The pilings must be reinforced if they are more than six feet (6') high and they must be placed in stable soil on ten foot (10') centers or less.

(5) Individual building permits shall be required for the placement of any manufactured homes anywhere in the flood plain.
(6) (a) All manufactured homes placed after the effective date of these regulations in the 100-year flood plain shall be installed using methods and practices which minimize flood damage. For the purposes of this requirement, manufactured homes must be elevated and anchored to resist flotation, collapse, or lateral movement. Methods of anchoring may include, but are not limited to use of over-the-top or frame ties to ground anchors. There shall be top ties at each corner with one mid-point tie on each side of manufactured homes shorter than fifty feet (50'). Longer manufactured homes shall have two ties at intermediate points on each side.

(b) All parts of the anchoring system shall have a strength of 4,800 pounds. Additions to manufactured homes shall be anchored in the same way.

(7) All land development proposals shall follow the guidelines for drainage studies outlined in of the Engineering Regulations, Construction Specifications, and Design Standards adopted by the City Council of Lakewood, Colorado.

(8) The City of Lakewood will review all proposed development in the flood plain to verify appropriate permits have been obtained and to ensure compliance with Section 404 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972, 33 USC 1334.

(9) The City of Lakewood will:

(a) Require flood plain construction permits for all new development and other activities such as filling, paving and dredging in the flood plain.

(b) Require building permits for structures in the flood plain according to the Uniform Building Code and this Article.

(c) Review all building permit applications to determine whether proposed building sites will be reasonably safe from flooding. If a proposed building site is in a flood hazard area, all new construction and substantial improvements (including the placement of prefabricated buildings and mobile homes) shall be:

(1) designed or modified and adequately anchored to prevent flotation, collapse, or lateral movement of the structure, resulting from hydrodynamic and hydrostatic loads, including the effects of buoyancy,

(2) be constructed with materials and utility equipment resistant to flood damage

(3) be constructed by methods and practices that minimize flood damage, and
(4) cumulative effect of any proposed development, when combined with all other existing and anticipated development, shall not increase the water surface elevation of the base flood more than one foot (1') at any point.

17-14-12. FLOODWAY REGULATIONS. (1) The Floodway delineates the channel of a gulch or other watercourse and the adjacent land areas that must be reserved in order to discharge the 100-year flood without cumulatively increasing the base flood water surface elevation more than six inches (6") at any point. This information is based upon the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District's criteria.

There shall never be encroachment of fill, new construction, substantial improvements or any other development within or above the floodway unless a Special Use Permit has been issued under the conditions of Section 17-14-13.

(2) Permitted Uses in the Floodway: The following uses shall be permitted within the Floodway to the extent that they are otherwise permitted by the Zoning Ordinance.

(a) General farming, pasture, outdoor plant nurseries, horticulture, forestry, wildlife sanctuary, game farm and other similar agricultural, wild-life and related uses.

(b) Loading areas, parking areas and other similar uses provided they are no closer than ten feet (10') to the stream bank. Signs 18"x24" shall be posted listing the depth of water in a base flood.

(c) Lawns, gardens, play areas, bikeways, pedestrian pathways and other similar uses.

(d) Portions of golf courses, driving ranges, archery ranges, picnic grounds, parks, hiking or horseback riding trails, open space and other similar private and public recreational uses not involving structures.

(e) Streets, railroads, overhead utility lines, creek and storm drainage facilities, sewage or waste treatment plant outlets, water supply intake structures and other similar public, community or utility uses.

(f) Boat docks, ramps, piers for publicly owned structures or similar structures.

(g) Dams, provided they are constructed in accordance with regulations of the Department of Public Works, and other federal and state agencies.

(3) Uses Prohibited in or above the Floodway
(a) All fill, encroachments, new construction, any artificial obstruction, substantial improvements of existing structures or other development unless a Special Use Permit is obtained.

(b) Any portion of a new mobile home park, any expansion to an existing mobile home park, or any new mobile home not in an existing mobile home park.

17-14-13. SPECIAL USE PERMITS. (1) Uses permitted by Special Use Permit in the Floodway: The following uses may be permitted within a Floodway upon approval of a Special Use Permit:

(a) Any use or accessory use employing a structure; however, no structure which is designed for human habitation shall ever be allowed under any conditions in or above the Floodway.

(b) Open storage of any material or equipment.

(c) Parking, loading areas and other similar uses when located less than ten feet (10') from the stream bank. If a Special Use Permit is granted, 18"x 24" signs shall be posted listing depth of water in a base flood.

(d) Other uses similar in nature to those listed in items (a) through (c) above.

(2) Uses listed in this Article as requiring a Special Use Permit may be established only after approval of the Planning Commission.

(3) Standards relating to Special Use Permits in the Floodway

(a) The base flood elevation (or flood protection elevation) is the water level for the 100-year flood assuming only that encroachment on the flood plain that existed when each Official Flood Study was adopted. Additional and complete encroachment to the floodway encroachment lines will cause the water level to surcharge six inches (6") described above, assuming future complete encroachment to the floodway lines will occur. Consideration of the effects of a proposed use shall be based on a reasonable assumption that there will be an equal degree of encroachment extending for a significant reach on both sides of the stream.

(b) Maintaining an unobstructed floodway capable of carrying the 100-year flood without surcharging water levels more than six inches (6") at any point is an integral purpose of this Ordinance. As such, special conditions apply to Floodway Special Use Permits as follows:

(1) Any fill proposed to be deposited in the Floodway must be shown to have some beneficial purpose and the amount placed shall not be greater than necessary to achieve the purpose demonstrated on a plan submitted by the applicant. Any fill or other materials shall be protected against erosion by rip rap, a vegetative cover or bulkheading.
(2) Structures. Under no conditions shall structures in or above the Floodway ever be designed for human habitation. Structures shall have a low flood damage potential and shall be constructed and located on the building site in a manner which minimizes obstruction of the flow of floodwaters. Whenever possible, structures shall be placed with the longitudinal axis of the building parallel to the direction of the floodflow and structures shall be placed approximately on the same floodflow line as other adjacent structures. All structures shall have the lowest floor, including basement, elevated one foot (1') above the level of the 100-year flood as indicated in the Official Flood Studies or together with attendant utility and sanitary facilities, shall be floodproofed one foot (1') above the level of the 100-year flood as indicated in the Flood Studies. A registered professional engineer or licensed architect shall certify that the flood proofing methods are adequate to withstand the flood pressures, velocities, impact and uplift forces and other factors caused by the 100-year flood.

(3) Any structure allowed by a Special Use Permit shall be firmly anchored to prevent flotation, collapse or a lateral movement of the structure which may result in damage to other structures, restrictions of bridge openings or restrictions of narrow sections of the stream or river.

(4) The storage or processing of materials that are buoyant, flammable, explosive or could be injurious to human, animal, or plant life during times of flooding is prohibited under all conditions; however storage of other materials or equipment may be allowed if not subject to major damage by floods and if firmly anchored to prevent flotation or if readily removable from the area within the time available after flood warning.

(4) Application for Special Use Permit

(a) Applications for Special Use Permits shall be filed with the Department of Community Development and considered by the Planning Commission. The procedure shall be as outlined in Article 6 of the Zoning Ordinance unless modified by this section.

(b) The applicant shall submit forms together with four sets of plans drawn to scale, showing the nature, location, dimensions and elevation of the lot, existing or proposed structures, fill, storage of materials, floodproofing measures, and the relationship of the above to the location of the channel, floodway and 100-year flood elevation as indicated in the Official Flood Studies. The applicant shall furnish such of the following additional information as is deemed necessary by the Department of Community Development for the evaluation of the effects of the proposed use upon flood flows:

(1) Typical valley cross-sections showing the channel of the stream, elevation of land areas adjoining each side of the channel, cross-sectional areas to be occupied by the proposed development, and high water information.
(2) Plan view showing elevations or contours of the ground; pertinent structures, fill, or storage elevations; size, location and special arrangement of all proposed and existing structures on the site; location and elevations of streets, water supply, sanitary facilities, photographs showing existing land uses and vegetation upstream, soil types, flood plain and floodway boundaries, and other pertinent information.

(3) Profile showing the slope of the bottom of the existing channel, 100-year water surface profile, and proposed channel and water surface profile.

(4) Specifications for building construction and materials, floodproofing, filling, dredging, grading, channel improvements, storage of materials, water supply, and sanitary facilities.

(5) Additional information as may be required.

(5) In passing on an application for a Special Use Permit, the Planning Commission shall determine the specific flood hazard at the site and shall evaluate the suitability of the proposed use in relation to the flood hazard. The application shall be submitted to the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District for review and a recommendation to the Planning Commission. In addition, the Planning Commission shall consider the following factors although not limited to such factors.

(a) The probability that materials may be swept onto other lands or downstream to the injury of others.

(b) The proposed water supply and sanitation systems and the ability of these systems to prevent disease, contamination and unsanitary conditions.

(c) The susceptibility of the proposed facility and its contents to flood damage and the effect of such damage to the individual owner.

(d) The availability of alternative locations not subject to flooding for the proposed use.

(e) The safety of access to the property in times of flood for ordinary and emergency vehicles.

(f) The expected heights, velocity, duration, rate of rise and sediment and debris transport of the floodwaters expected at the site.

17-14-14. PROCEDURES FOR MODIFYING THE OFFICIAL FLOOD STUDIES, THE FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, AND THE OFFICIAL FLOOD HAZARD MAP. (1) Lakewood's 100-year flood elevations may increase or decrease resulting from physical changes affecting flooding conditions. Within six months of the date that such information becomes available, Lakewood shall notify the Federal Emergency Management Agency of the changes by submitting technical or scientific...
data indicating that the Official Flood Studies, the Flood Insurance Rate Map, and the Official Flood Hazard Map do not accurately reflect flood risks as they currently exist.

(2) The City of Lakewood shall notify adjacent communities, the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District and the Colorado Water Conservation Board prior to any alteration or relocation of a watercourse. Evidence of such notification shall be sent to the Federal Emergency Management Agency. This notice will certify that the flood carrying capacity within the altered or relocated portion of the watercourse has been maintained.

(3) Following these submissions, the Federal Insurance Administration shall notify Lakewood that the 100-year flood elevations in the affected studies are correct or that new 100-year flood elevations will be established by the Federal Insurance Administration.

17-14-15. NON-CONFORMING STRUCTURES. A structure which was lawful before becoming subject to this article but which is not in conformity with the provisions of this article may be continued subject to the following conditions:

(1) Such structure shall not be expanded, changed, enlarged or altered in a way which increases its non-conformity.

(2) If any non-conforming structure is destroyed by any means, including floods, to the extent that the cost of restoration would equal or exceed 60 percent of the market value of the structure before the structure was damaged; the following regulations shall apply:

(a) If the non-conforming structure is in the Floodway, the structure may be rebuilt; however it shall not be expanded, changed, enlarged or altered in any way which would create an obstruction to water flow greater than that which existed before damage to the structure occurred. Upon reconstruction, nonresidential and residential structures shall be elevated one foot (1') above the level of the 100-year flood as indicated in the Official Flood Studies. As an alternative for nonresidential facilities, can be completely floodproofed one foot (1') above the level of the 100-year flood as indicated in the Official Flood Studies. The walls and basement floor shall be completely waterproofed and they shall be built to withstand lateral and uplift water pressure.

(b) If the structure is located in the Floodway Fringe District, it may be reconstructed provided nonresidential and residential structures are elevated one foot (1') above the level of the 100-year flood as indicated in the Official Flood Studies. As an alternative for nonresidential structures only, the structure, including utility and sanitary facilities, can be completely floodproofed one foot (1') above the level of the 100-year flood as indicated in the Official Flood Studies. The walls and basement floor shall be completely waterproofed and they shall be built to withstand lateral and uplift water pressure.
(c) If any manufactured home or manufactured home park located in the floodway and floodway fringe area is destroyed by any means such that the cost of restoration would exceed 60 percent of the market value of the structure prior to damage; then such manufactured home or manufactured home park shall not be rebuilt if it is located in the Floodway and if it is located in the Floodway Fringe, it shall be rebuilt in conformance with this ordinance.

17-14-16. FLOOD PLAIN MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE ADMINISTRATOR. Notwithstanding Section 17-4-2 of the Lakewood Zoning Ordinance, this Article shall be administered and enforced by the Chief Executive Officer or his/her appointed designee. When base flood elevation data has not been provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency in a Flood Insurance Study or in a Flood Insurance Rate Map, the administrator shall obtain, review and reasonably utilize any base flood elevation and floodway data available from a Federal, State, or other source, as criteria for requiring that new construction, substantial improvements, or other development meet the requirements of this ordinance.

17-14-17. VARIANCES. (1) Notwithstanding Article 4 of the Lakewood Zoning Ordinance, for purposes of this Article, the following provisions shall govern the granting of variances.

(a) The Lakewood Board of Adjustment shall interpret this Article and shall judge where variances from the provisions of this Article may be granted.

(b) Administrative Review - The Board shall hear and decide appeals where it is alleged there is an error in any order, requirement, decision or determination made by the Chief Executive Officer in the enforcement or administration of this Article. Those aggrieved by the decision of the Board of Adjustment, or any taxpayer, may appeal such decision to a court of competent jurisdiction.

(c) General Requirements for Granting of a Variance - In all circumstances variances may only be granted upon (1) a showing of good and sufficient cause, (2) a determination that failure to grant the variance would result in exceptional hardship to the applicant, and (3) a determination that the variance issuance will not result in increased flood height, additional threats to public safety, extraordinary public expense, will not create nuisances, cause fraud on or victimization of the public or conflict with any other local laws or ordinances. No variance shall have the effect of allowing in any zoning district uses prohibited in that district by either this section or the Lakewood Zoning Ordinance.

(d) Variances shall not, under any condition, be issued within or above any Floodway if any increase in flood level during the 100-year flood would result.
(2) Notice of Granting of Variance: In an annual report, the City of Lakewood shall notify the Federal Flood Insurance Administrator of the issuance of variances from the Flood Plain Management Ordinance and justification for issuing such. Lakewood shall maintain a record of all variance actions including justification for their issuance.

(3) Special Exceptions for Historic Places: The City of Lakewood Board of Adjustment may permit special exceptions from the Flood Plain Management Ordinance for the reconstruction, rehabilitation or restoration of structures listed on the National Register of Historic Places or a State Inventory of Historic Places without regard to the variance procedures set forth in this section.

(4) Notice to Applicant: Lakewood shall notify the variance applicant in writing that the issuance of a variance to construct a structure below the 100-year flood level will result in increased premium rates for flood insurance up to amounts as high as $25.00 per $100.00 of flood insurance coverage and that such construction below the level of the 100-year flood increases risks to life and property. This notification shall be maintained in the Board of Adjustment files relating to this variance.

17-14-18. ABROGATION AND GREATER RESTRICTIONS. It is not intended by this article to repeal, abrogate, annul, or in any way to impair or interfere with any existing provisions of law or ordinance, or any rules, regulations, or permits previously adopted or issued, or which shall be adopted or issued, in conformity with law, relating to the use of buildings or premises. However, where this article imposes a greater restriction upon the use of buildings or Premises or requires larger yards, courts, or other open spaces then are imposed or required by such existing provisions of law or ordinance, or by such rules, regulations, or permits, or by such easements, covenants, or agreements, the provisions of this article shall control.

17-14-19. SEVERABILITY. If any section, clause, provision or portion of this Ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

17-14-20. RECORDS. The City of Lakewood shall maintain for public inspection:

(1) Official Flood Studies, a Flood Insurance Rate Map, and an Official Flood Hazard Map.

(2) Certificates of floodproofing and a statement whether a structure has been flood proofed and to what elevation (with Building Permits as applicable).

(3) For structures in the Flood Plain:
(a) Information on the elevation of the lowest habitable floor, including basement, for all new or substantially improved structures,

(b) A statement whether a new or substantially improved structure contains a basement.

17-14-21. ANNEXATION NOTIFICATION OF FEDERAL INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION. The City of Lakewood will annually notify the Federal Insurance Administration whenever the boundaries of Lakewood have been added to by annexation or decreased by de-annexation. With the notification, Lakewood will include a copy of the map of the community suitable for reproduction, clearly delineating the new corporate limits.


SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after final publication.
EXHIBIT A
FLOOD PLAIN MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE

LINE A-A IS FLOOD ELEVATION BEFORE ENCROACHMENT. THIS IS DEFINED AS THE "100 YEAR FLOOD ELEVATION". STRUCTURES MUST BE FLOODPROOFED ONE FOOT ABOVE THIS LEVEL.

LINE B-B IS FLOOD ELEVATION AFTER ENCROACHMENT
ARTICLE 15: SITE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

17-15-1. APPLICABILITY OF THE SITE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS. (1) The site development regulations shall apply to:

(a) All uses located within the following zone districts:
   4-R Medium Density Residential District
   5-R High Density Residential District
   6-R Mobile Home Residential District
   OF Office District
   1-C Convenience Commercial District
   2-C Neighborhood Commercial District
   3-C Community Commercial District
   4-C Regional Commercial District
   5-C Large Lot Commercial District
   IN Industrial District
   MU Mixed Use District, which permits uses allowed in any of the above listed zone districts.

(b) Uses which are located within any other zone district which are specifically made subject to this Article 15.

(c) Uses which are located or to be located on property within any other zone district and the owner of the property requests application of the site development regulations.

(2) No building permit for any use described in subsection (1) shall be issued for the construction of any new building, structure, parking area, or loading area, or any substantial alteration thereto without first obtaining the approval of a site plan from the Director. A site plan may be required prior to a proposed rezoning of property only pursuant to the provisions of Article 17.

(3) The site development standards set forth in this Article apply throughout the zone districts and to the uses set forth in subsection (1) above and are in addition to any other site development standards which may otherwise be applicable to a particular property or geographic area of the City, unless specifically provided otherwise by an adopted and approved amendment to the Comprehensive Plan. In case of any conflict among applicable site development standards, the more restrictive standards will apply.

(4) Property located within the Villa Italia Activity Center is subject to design review by the Villa Italia Design Review Committee. In the instances where specific quantitative landscape site development standards in the Villa Italia Design guidelines are in conflict with Article 15, the stricter shall apply. (As amended by 0-85-27)

17-15-2. APPLICATION FORM AND SITE PLAN. (1) Every request for site plan approval shall be accompanied by a completed application form and three (3)
copies of the site plan except when the site plan is a condition of a rezoning request as provided for in Section 17-17-3(3). In such case the applicant shall provide, in addition to the three (3) copies, thirteen (13) copies of the final site plan for Planning Commission review. These shall be submitted to the Director on one or more sheets of paper measuring twenty-four (24) by thirty-six (36) inches and drawn to a minimum scale of one inch equals fifty feet (1"=50') (i.e., 1"=40', 1"=30', 1"=20', and 1"=10' shall be acceptable) and signed by the applicant. The site plan shall contain the following information: (As amended by 0-81-108) (As amended by 0-84-9)

(a) Date.
(b) North arrow.
(c) Written and graphic scale.

(d) Finished floor elevation related to the United States Geological Survey information, and should be surveyed to USGS datum when practical. All plans shall indicate grading and drainage and existing and finished grades and contours. (As amended by 0-84-9)

(e) The size and location of all existing and proposed public and private utility and emergency easements or other rights-of-way.

(f) The building envelope, size, setback dimensions and height of all proposed structures and all existing structures which are to be retained on the site.

(g) Location, dimensions and names of adjacent streets, and proposed internal streets showing center line radii and curb return radii. Location and dimensions of bike/pedestrian paths and walkways shall be shown.

(h) The proposed layout of the parking lot including location and dimensions of parking spaces, curb islands, internal planter strips, maneuvering aisles and access driveways with indication of direction of travel.

(i) Location of all exterior lighting, signage, and fencing used to divide properties and to screen mechanical equipment and trash containers.

(j) Existing specific physical features on the site, including drainage ways, lakes, buildings, and structures, with indication as to which are to be retained. Adjacent properties and their physical features within fifty 50 feet of the property line shall be identified including setback dimensions of adjacent structures.

(k) The location of all existing trees greater than four (4) inch caliper and those which are to be retained on the property the location and dimensions of landscaped areas, location and names of all proposed plant material and ground cover, and the location of other pertinent landscape features.
(1) Location of all existing and proposed recreational amenities such as open play areas, swimming pools, tennis courts, tot lots, and similar facilities.

(m) Building elevations showing height and dimensions of buildings. (As amended by 0-84-9)

(2) Other information which shall be required, but need not be designated on the site plan includes:

(a) A metes and bounds legal description of the property verified and signed by a registered land surveyor in the State of Colorado. If the property is the subject of a recorded plat, a legal description referencing lot, block and subdivision name shall be sufficient.

(b) Statement of the present zoning and the intended use of the property.

(c) Statement of maintenance responsibility for all improvements shown on the site plan.

(d) Site data in tabular form including:

(1) Total area of the property (sq. ft.)
(2) Building coverage (sq. ft.)
(3) Parking lot coverage (sq. ft.)
(4) Parking lot landscape area (sq. ft.), as defined in 17-15-9.
(5) All other landscape area coverage (sq. ft.)
(6) Number of parking stalls provided
(7) Number of residential units as appropriate
(8) Existing and proposed gross floor area (sq. ft.)

17-15-3. REVIEW PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS FOR APPROVAL. (1) A nonrefundable application fee shall be paid in an amount as set by City Council Resolution. The amount of the application fee shall not be credited against the amount of the building permit fee. (As amended by 0-85-125)

(2) The Director of Community Development shall approve or deny the site plan and proposed building elevations within twenty-one (21) working days after receipt of a complete site plan.

Site plans and building elevations shall be approved if they are complete in form, meet all the applicable standards set forth in this title, and address the following design guidelines. It is the intent of this section that the qualitative standards serve as general guidelines in the review of site plans and building elevations. It is not expected that any one development will meet all of the qualitative guidelines, but that principles of good design be applied in the best combination determined by the use, nature of the site, and location of the development. It is further the intent that the design
criteria set forth herein be administered so as to improve those development proposals which appear to be marginal or weak in design character. The criteria are not to be administered in a fashion which would require a developer to make changes unless there is a sound basis in principles of good design to support the changes.

(a) On-site circulation and parking:

(1) the circulation system, including parking lots, contributes to the order and aesthetic quality of the site;

(2) provisions have been made to limit the effects of vehicular noise and exhaust;

(3) the negative impact of parking areas are minimized, including excessive heat absorption. Aesthetics, compatibility with the overall site design, convenience and safety for users and pedestrians have been considered in parking lot design.

(b) Building scale and design:

(1) scale is appropriate to the site and function of the project;

(2) promotes harmonious transitions in scale and character in areas between different land uses;

(3) quality and overall design are compatible with the site location and proposed use as demonstrated by building elevations.

(4) diverse architectural treatments are integrated to avoid a cluttered appearance.

(c) Open space considerations:

(1) optimum preservation of natural site features, including trees and drainage areas;

(2) the landscape design improves or creates a micro-climate to mitigate extreme heat and cold;

(3) the overall landscape treatment of exterior spaces enhances the quality of the project and creates usable open space;

(4) landscape design incorporates consideration of the function and use of outdoor spaces;

(5) lighting and signage is of a scale, style, and material appropriate to the development, with negative impacts minimized.
d) Vicinity considerations:

(1) logical on-site/off-site pedestrian, auto, and bike linkages;

(2) landscaping on or near the border of the site is an amenity to the adjacent use as well as the project. (As amended by 0-84-9)

(3) Any approval or denial shall be in writing with the reasons for denial set forth. Red line changes on the site plan shall constitute sufficient detail of the reasons for denial.

(4) Upon denial of a site plan the applicant may request in writing, within five (5) working days after denial, that the Director reconsider his decision. The request for reconsideration shall state the grounds therefor. A decision upon the request for reconsideration will be given by the Director within ten (10) working days after receipt of the request. No appeal to the Planning Commission shall be permitted unless a request for reconsideration was previously filed with and denied by the Director. (As amended by 0-84-9)

(5) If a building permit has not been issued within two (2) years from the date the approval of the site plan has occurred, the site plan shall be null and void unless extended. An extension may be granted for a maximum of one year upon written request of the applicant. No extension shall be granted if this Ordinance has been amended such that the site plan no longer conforms to the requirements of this Ordinance. If a zone change for any property included within an approved site plan has occurred, the site plan shall be null and void.

17-15-4. APPEALS. (1) If the Director denies the application upon reconsideration, the applicant may appeal to the Planning Commission. Written appeals from the decision of the Director must be received by the Secretary to the Planning Commission within thirty (30) days of the date of denial upon reconsideration, and must be accompanied by an appeal fee in an amount to be established by City Council Resolution. During the time an appeal is pending, no building permit shall be issued. (As amended by 0-85-125)

(2) The Planning Commission shall conduct a public hearing within thirty (30) days after the appeal is made in writing by the applicant of a decision made by the Director pursuant to this Ordinance. The inquiry of the Planning Commission shall be limited to whether the decision of the Director was contrary to or violated this Ordinance.

(3) Any decisions of the Planning Commission shall be set forth in writing giving reasons for affirming, modifying, or reversing the administrative decision of the Director. Any decision of the Planning Commission shall be final and any appeal therefrom shall be to the courts. (As amended by 0-84-9)
17-15-5. **WAIVERS AND EXCEPTIONS.** (1) Upon written request, the Director of Community Development may waive specific site plan form or information requirements as set forth in 17-15-2. Such request must be accompanied by a request fee, the amount of which shall be established by City Council Resolution. (As amended by 0-85-125).

(2) The Director of Community Development may waive any requirement of a site plan if, in his opinion, specific requirements are unnecessary due to circumstances unique to the property, or if the requirements have been previously submitted and approved. Such requirements may be set aside only to the extent that the intent and purpose of this ordinance is not violated.

(3) The Director of Community Development may approve a site plan which is different from dimensional and other quantitative criteria in this Article provided that the change fulfills the design guidelines in 17-15-3(2) and does not conflict with other ordinances and regulations. (As amended by 0-84-9)

17-15-6. **AMENDMENTS TO SITE PLAN.** (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this Section 17-15-6, amendments to an approved site plan shall be subject to the same application, review and appeal process applicable to the original site plan. The applicant shall provide the Director with an updated site plan with all current amendments shown on the most recent approved site plan. Amendments deemed minor shall require payment of a minor amendment fee in an amount established by City Council Resolution, while major amendments shall require payment of a major amendment fee in an amount to be established by City Council Resolution. A change shall be deemed minor unless it involves one or more of the following:

(a) A change altering any other condition of the zoning.

(b) A change in the size or location of existing or proposed easements or rights-of-way that would result in a significant change in the circulatory system or alter the provision of services for existing structures.

(c) A change of twenty percent (20%) or more in the building envelope, size, setback, dimensions, or height of any proposed or existing structures to be retained, the number of parking spaces, the size of signage, fencing or landscaped areas.

(d) A change in the location of the parking area, access driveways, recreational amenities, exterior lighting, signage, or fencing or landscaping used as buffering, if such change would significantly affect the compatibility of the use of the site with surrounding areas.

(2) (a) If a rezoning includes as a condition thereof the use of a specific approved site plan, such site plan may be amended or modified only after submission of a new site plan indicating the desired changes in conformance with Article 15 of this Ordinance. The Director shall then determine whether such changes are minor or substantial based on the criteria contained in subsection (1) above.
(b) If the modification is deemed to be minor, the Director shall approve or deny the modifications pursuant to the provisions of Article 15 of this Ordinance. Such approval or denial shall be given only after the applicant has paid a minor modification fee in an amount to be determined by City Council resolution.

(c) If the modification is determined to be substantial, the applicant shall be required to submit a new application for rezoning the parcel as provided for within Article 17 of this Ordinance, and shall pay the fees required for such a new application.

(d) If the Director is unable to determine whether the modification is minor or substantial, he shall present the proposed change and all relevant material to the Planning Commission which shall make such determination. If the Planning Commission determines that the change is minor, the provisions of paragraph (2)(b), above, shall apply. If the Planning Commission determines that the change is substantial, the provisions of paragraph (2)(c), above, shall apply.

(e) Regardless of the type of amendment applied for, every amendment to an approved site plan shall be reviewed by the City Engineer in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 14.13 to determine if the amendment necessitates the dedication and/or construction of public improvements by the applicant. (As amended by 0-85-125)

17-15-7. PERIMETER LANDSCAPE AREA. (1) Where the property lies adjacent to an arterial or collector street, a landscaped strip along the entire perimeter area averaging at least twenty (20) feet in width but not less than fifteen (15) feet at any point, as measured from the eventual cross section of the street, shall be provided. Any bikeways and walkways shall be included in the perimeter landscape area and counted as part of the twenty (20) feet. The eventual cross section shall be based upon the Transportation section of the Comprehensive Plan. Landscaping within this area shall include two (2) trees for each one thousand (1,000) square feet, and four shrubs for each 1,000 square feet and ground cover over the entire area except for perimeter landscape areas adjacent to Alameda Parkway where four (4) trees for each one thousand (1,000) square feet, four (4) shrubs for each one thousand (1,000) square feet and ground cover over the entire area is required. One (1) tree can be substituted for two (2) shrubs. All plant materials should be in accordance with the Recommended Plant List of the City of Lakewood. (As amended by 0-85-31)

(2) Where the property lies adjacent to a local street, a landscaped strip along the entire perimeter area averaging at least fifteen (15) feet in width but not less than eight (8) feet at any point, as measured from the eventual cross section of the street, shall be provided. Any bikeways and walkways shall be included in the perimeter landscape area and counted as part of the fifteen (15) feet. The eventual cross section shall be based upon the Transportation section of the Comprehensive Plan. Landscaping within this area shall include two (2) trees and four (4) shrubs for each one thousand
(1,000) square feet, and ground cover over the entire area. One (1) tree can be substituted for two (2) shrubs. All plant materials should be in accordance with the Recommended Plant List of the City of Lakewood.

17-15-8. **SIGHT TRIANGLE AREA.** Within the sight triangle area, landscaping and structures shall not exceed the requirements of 17-8-1.

17-15-9. **PARKING LOT LANDSCAPE AREAS.** An area or a combination of areas equal to ten (10) percent of the total parking lot area shall be landscaped. Any parking area in excess of one hundred (100) spaces or four (4) parking rows shall require interior landscape islands. Landscape islands shall be a minimum of nine (9) feet in width and eighteen (18) feet in length with a minimum of one (1) tree and four (4) shrubs per island. If the island is larger than two hundred (200) square feet, landscaping shall include one (1) additional tree and four (4) additional shrubs for every additional two hundred (200) square feet or fraction thereof.

17-15-10. **DRAINAGE.** Surface water from a property shall be discharged into a storm sewer system or into an alternate drainage system if storm sewers are unavailable, provided however, the alternate drainage system is designed and constructed in accordance with the adopted standards of the City of Lakewood.

17-15-11. **BUFFER AREAS.** (1) A buffer area not less that ten (10) feet wide shall be provided.

    (2) A solid fence or wall shall be placed adjacent to the property line which abuts the residential district and shall have a minimum height of five (5) feet. The fence requirement may be waived by the Director if a continuous hedge with a minimum height of five (5) feet is existing, or if there is no loading or access adjacent to the residential district and the materials, color and finish of the rear of the building match those of the front. (As amended by 0-82-19)

    (3) Landscaping shall include one (1) tree for each fifteen (15) linear feet or fraction thereof of the buffer area (as measured along the property line) and ground cover over the entire area. Shrubs are optional. The size of the individual plant material used within the buffer area, at the time of planting, shall be the same size as required by 17-15-15(3). All plant materials should be in accordance with the Recommended Plant List for the City of Lakewood. (As amended by 0-82-19)

17-15-12. **TRASH CONTAINERS, ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT AND SERVICE LINES.** (1) All trash containers shall be screened to a height of six (6) feet.
(2) Roof-mounted electrical and mechanical equipment shall be placed or screened such that the equipment is not visible from any point ten (10) feet above the ground and from any point within a two hundred (200) foot radius of the building upon which it is mounted.

17-15-13. WALKWAYS AND BIKE/PEDESTRIAN PATHS. (1) The minimum width of an on-site walkway shall be five (5) feet unless head-in parking is permitted adjacent to one side of the walkway, in which case the walkway shall have a minimum width of seven (7) feet. If head-in parking is permitted adjacent to both sides of the walkway, the walkway shall have a minimum width of nine (9) feet.

(2) Walkways designed to accommodate bicycles shall be referred to as bike/pedestrian paths and shall have a minimum width of eight (8) feet. If head-in parking is permitted adjacent to bike/pedestrian paths, then two (2) feet additional width shall be required for vehicle overhang on each side where head-in parking is allowed.

(3) Sustained grades for walkways and pedestrian paths shall not exceed eight (8) percent or the grade of the adjacent public street.

(4) A walkway connecting the walkway or bikepath in the public right-of-way to the building or parking lot must be provided. (As amended by 0-81-108)

17-15-14. PARKING LOT DESIGN STANDARDS. (1) All new parking lot structural sections shall be designed by a registered professional engineer. The design procedure for flexible pavement shall be based on the Asphalt Institute methodology and the design of rigid pavements shall be based on the Portland Cement Association design procedure. The minimum cross-section under any conditions shall be 2" inches of hot bituminous pavement and 4 inches of aggregate base course (Class VI) on compacted subgrade or 4" inches of nonreinforced Portland cement concrete pavement on compacted subgrade. An equivalent full depth asphalt of section may also be used over compacted subgrade. All construction techniques and material specifications shall meet the requirements set out in the Engineering Regulations, Construction Specifications and Design Standards as adopted by the City Council. (As amended by 0-81-110)

(2) The size of a parking stall, its angle, and the width of the access aisle shall conform to Figure 1. Stall width shall be increased a minimum of three (3) feet for handicapped spaces.

(3) The required length of a parking stall which is adjacent to a landscaped area may be reduced by two (2) feet provided the curb is either a minimum two (2) feet in width or a suitable substitute material, such as gravel, is used behind the raised curb. If a median island is provided, it must be a minimum of nine (9) feet in width. (As amended by 0-81-108)

(4) Parking spaces shall be defined on the pavement surface with painted lines or other suitable means.
(5) Parking lots and loading areas shall have access from a clearly defined driveway not less than eighteen (18) feet in width for one-way traffic and twenty-four (24) feet in width for two-way traffic. If the driveway is to serve as a fire lane, it shall not be less than twenty-five (25) feet in width.

(6) Both sides of a parking bay shall be the same angle. The layout of the parking area shall be such that no vehicle shall protrude into a traffic lane.

(7) Dead-end aisles shall provide back-around space of five (5) feet in depth and the same width as the aisle. (As amended by 0-81-108)

(8) Raised curb islands shall be required for each parking aisle containing more than eight (8) vehicles to define the ends of each parking aisle. No curb island shall be constructed of asphalt.
**FIGURE 1**

Parking Layout Dimensions

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X = STALL NOT ACCESSIBLE IN CERTAIN LAYOUTS

PARKING LAYOUT DIMENSIONS (in feet) FOR 9-FT. STALLS AT VARIOUS ANGLES

(As amended by 0-82-19)
(d) Flowering and evergreen shrubs and hedges shall be of five (5) gallon size. If in ball and burlap, the minimum size shall be fifteen (15) inches in diameter.

(e) Rock and stone: Minimum three-quarter (3/4) inch in size, and poured to a minimum depth of three (3) inches over a minimum 10 mil plastic ground cover.

(4) No living tree which exceeds four (4) inches caliper shall be removed from the property except in accordance with an approved site plan.

(5) The City shall provide a Recommended Plant List.

(6) All landscape improvements indicated on or contained in an approved site plan shall be completed prior to issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy. However, if all conditions necessary for issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy are met except landscape improvements, and the reason for not finishing these landscape improvements is because completion of construction occurred outside of a planting season, a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy will be issued. In this situation, all landscape improvements must be completed by the next planting season within a time frame established by the Director, but in no case shall exceed one hundred eighty (180) days after issuance of the Temporary Certificate of Occupancy. (As amended by 0-81-108)

17-15-10. MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITY. (1) The owner of the property, his successors, heirs and assigns shall be responsible for the proper maintenance of the area subject to an approved site plan. That area shall be deemed to include an area as measured from the back of the curb line to, and including all areas subject to the approved site plan.

(2) Landscaping shall be continuously maintained including necessary watering, weeding, pruning, pest control and replacement of dead or diseased plant material. Replacement for dead or diseased plant material shall be of the same type of plant material as set forth in the approved site plan; for example, a tree must replace a tree, a shrub must replace a shrub, a ground cover must replace a ground cover, etc. Replacement shall occur in the next planting season, but in any event, such replacement time shall not exceed one (1) year. Any replacement which conforms to the requirements of this section shall not be considered an amendment to the site plan.
(9) The perimeter of the parking lot shall be concrete curb meeting standard M-609-A (curb, type 6 inch barrier) of the Colorado Division of Highways or concrete curb and gutter meeting the requirements of Design Standards 8 and 9 of the Engineering Regulations, Construction Specifications and Design Standards as adopted by the City Council. The curb shall at all times be set back from the property line a minimum distance of four (4) feet, except that, for integrated parking and access systems, the curb may be eliminated for the length of the property line which joins the joint use or shared parking lot(s). (As amended by 0-81-110)

(10) All buildings shall be separated from the parking lot by a minimum five (5) foot wide walkway or combination walkway and landscaping. Such walkway shall have the same finished height as the raised curb. If head-in parking is permitted adjacent to one side of the walkway, the separation shall have a minimum width of seven (7) feet.

(11) Lighting used to illuminate the parking lot or any building shall have no direct rays which extend beyond the boundaries of the property from which the lighting originates.

(12) Bicycle parking racks for securing bicycles shall be provided in all office, commercial and industrial zone districts. A minimum of one bicycle space for each 25 automobile spaces shall be provided by the racks.

(13) Design characteristics regarding safety and engineering not specifically covered by this ordinance shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the Engineering Regulations of the City of Lakewood. (As amended by 0-81-108)

17-15-19 LANDSCAPING STANDARDS. (1) All open areas not covered by paving, buildings or other structures shall be landscaped.

(2) No artificial trees, shrubs, turf or plants shall be used to fulfill the minimum requirements for landscaping as required by this Article.

(3) Minimum size for landscaping material as measured at the time of planting shall be:

(a) Deciduous Trees: Two (2) inch caliper, measured one (1) foot above the ground; however, three (3) inch caliper trees are required in the perimeter landscape area along Alameda Parkway. (As amended by 0-85-31)

(b) Ornamental and Flowering Trees: Two (2) inch caliper measured one (1) foot above the ground, except that a multi-stemmed specimen shall have a minimum caliper of one and one-half (1½) inches as measured one (1) foot above the ground.

(c) Evergreen Trees: Five (5) feet in height; however, trees a minimum of eight (8) feet in height are required in the perimeter landscape area along Alameda Parkway. (As amended by 0-85-31)
ARTICLE 16: NONCONFORMING USES

17-16-1. DEFINITIONS. For the purposes of this Article 16:

(1) "Nonconforming use" means a use which lawfully occupied a building or land at the time this Ordinance applied to the property, or at the time of any amendment hereto, and which does not conform to the use regulations of the zone district in which it is located.

(2) "Nonconforming building or structure" means a building or structure, or portion thereof, lawfully existing at the time this Ordinance applied to the property, or at the time of any amendment hereto, which does not conform to all the height, setback, lot coverage, lot width and lot area regulations of the zone district in which it is located.

(3) "Nonconforming vacant lot" means a parcel of land which meets all of the following requirements:

(a) No main building is constructed thereon;

(b) On the effective date of this Ordinance, the lot did not meet the minimum lot area or lot width requirements of this Ordinance; and,

(c) The lot was lawfully established prior to the adoption of this Ordinance.

17-16-2. NONCONFORMING USE OF BUILDING OR STRUCTURE. (1) The nonconforming use of a building or structure may be continued, except as otherwise provided herein.

(2) A conforming building or structure containing a nonconforming use may be repaired, but it may not be structurally altered, except as allowed in section (5) below, unless the building, structure, or a portion thereof, is declared unsafe by the City building inspector, in which case the building, structure, or portion thereof declared unsafe may be strengthened, altered, or restored to a safe condition.

(3) The nonconforming use shall not be changed to a different nonconforming use.

(4) The nonconforming use, if changed to a conforming use, may not thereafter be changed to any nonconforming use.

(5) The nonconforming use shall not be extended or expanded, except for single household dwelling units or duplexes in the 4-R, 4-RA, 5-R, and 5-RA zone districts. An "extension or expansion" shall include any increase in the floor area of the building or structure in which the nonconforming use is conducted, and any expansion or relocation of the nonconforming use, in whole or in part, to a different part of the building or structure. (As amended by 0-85-28) (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-12 effective date 4/26/87) (As amended by ordinance 0-89-51, effective 8/28/89.)
(6) Except as provided herein, if the nonconforming use is discontinued for a period of one hundred eighty (180) days or more, regardless of any intent to resume operations, any future use of the building or structure must be a conforming use. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(7) If a conforming building or structure containing a nonconforming use is destroyed or damaged to the extent of more than sixty (60) percent of its value, as determined pursuant to the method of valuation of buildings for permit issuance in the Building Code, any future use of the rebuilt or restored building or structure shall be a conforming use. However, a legal nonconforming single household dwelling unit, on August 30, 1980, located in a 4-R, 4-RA, 5-R, or 5-RA Residential District may be rebuilt or reconstructed and used as a single household dwelling unit if a building permit for the single household dwelling unit is applied for within one year after the destruction or damage occurred. A legal conforming two household dwelling unit, on August 30, 1980, located in a 1-R or 2-R Residential District may be rebuilt or reconstructed and used as a two household dwelling if a building permit for the two household dwelling unit is applied for within one year after the destruction or damage occurred. Further, a legal conforming multiple household dwelling in existence on or before August 27, 1989 located in a 3-RA 4-R, 4-RA, 5-R, or 5-RA zone district may be rebuilt or reconstructed and used as a multiple household dwelling containing a maximum of the same number of dwelling units that existed prior to the destruction or damage if a building permit for the structure(s) is applied for within one year after the destruction or damage occurred. (As amended by 0-85-28) (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-12 effective date 4/26/87, and as amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

17-16-3. NONCONFORMING BUILDING OR STRUCTURE. (1) A nonconforming building or structure may continue to be used, except as otherwise provided herein.

(2) A nonconforming building or structure may be repaired, structurally altered, or expanded only if the alteration, repair or expansion complies with this Ordinance. If the nonconforming building or structure, or any portion thereof, is declared unsafe by the City building inspector, the building may be strengthened or restored to a safe condition even if compliance with the requirements of this Ordinance is impossible.

(3) No nonconforming building or structure which is destroyed or damaged to the extent of more than sixty (60) percent of its value, as determined pursuant to the method of valuation of buildings for permit issuance in the Building Code, shall be repaired or rebuilt except in compliance with the requirements of this Ordinance.

(4) If a nonconforming building or structure becomes conforming, it shall not be changed back to a nonconforming building or structure.

17-16-4. NONCONFORMING USE OF LAND: (1) A nonconforming use of land, where no building is involved and where the nonconforming use is the principal use, may be continued, except as otherwise provided herein.
(2) Such nonconforming use of land shall not be extended or expanded, either on the same or adjoining properties. An "extension or expansion" shall include any increase in the area of land used for the nonconforming use, and any relocation of the nonconforming use, in whole or in part, to an area of land different from the area used on the date the use became nonconforming.

(3) If the nonconforming use of land is discontinued for a period of one hundred eighty (180) days or more, regardless of any intent to resume operations, any future use of the land must conform to the requirements of this Ordinance.

(4) The nonconforming use of land shall not be changed to a different nonconforming use.

(5) The nonconforming use of land, if changed to a conforming use, may not thereafter be changed to any nonconforming use.

17-16-5. NONCONFORMING VACANT LOT. (1) A nonconforming vacant lot may be used only for a use permitted in the zone district in which the lot is located, or at the discretion of the Director, a detached single household dwelling unit consistent with the provisions of the 2-R zone district. The Director may waive or vary minimum open space, parking lot area, setback, and lot width requirements. The Director may grant said waiver or variance only if he finds that:

(a) The property cannot otherwise be used for any purpose permitted within the zone district applicable to the property;

(b) The property was included in the applicable zone district during the initial comprehensive city-initiated rezonings occurring subsequent to the effective date of this Ordinance; and

(c) The waiver, if granted, is necessary to afford relief with the least modification possible of this Ordinance. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(2) Any appeal from the Director's decision shall be to the Board of Adjustment which shall apply the same criteria as set forth in this Section 17-16-5 in determining the appropriateness of granting said waiver. (As amended by 0-82-108)

17-16-6. NON-CONFORMING AND CONFORMING KEEPING OF ANIMALS.

(1) The keeping of horses, cattle, sheep, goats, poultry, pigeons, rabbits, and chinchillas shall be permitted to continue within the 3-R and 4-R zone districts if the following criteria are met: (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-12 effective date 4/26/87)
(a) The property includes a legally conforming or legally nonconforming single household dwelling unit; and

(b) The use of the property on April 26, 1987 of this ordinance included the lawful keeping of such animals; and

(c) The keeping of such animals is in conformance with the regulations set forth in Section 17-5-8(1)(c) of this Ordinance.

(2) The keeping of horses, cattle, sheep, goats, poultry, pigeons, rabbits, and chinchillas in all other zone districts which was lawful on the date of this Ordinance applied to the property on which such animals were kept, but which does not conform with the requirements of this Ordinance, may be continued, except as provided in subsection (3) of this section.

(3) On and after January 1, 1990, the nonconforming keeping of horses, cattle, sheep, goats, poultry, pigeons, rabbits, and chinchillas allowed in subsection (2) shall cease. On and after that date, any keeping of horses, cattle, sheep, goats, poultry, pigeons, rabbits, and chinchillas shall conform to the requirements of this Ordinance. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-12 effective date 4/26/87)

17-16-7. NONCONFORMING MOBILE HOME PARKS AND NONCONFORMING MOBILE HOMES.
(1) If a mobile home park was in existence in the City on the date this Ordinance applied to the property on which the park is located, or was in existence on property annexed to the City after the effective date of this Ordinance, and such mobile home park complied with all applicable legal requirements then in effect, the mobile home park shall be considered legally nonconforming and shall not be subject to the requirements of this Ordinance except:

(a) Any expansion or extension of the mobile home park shall be subject to all applicable requirements of this Ordinance; and,

(b) Any individual mobile home may be replaced or relocated within a legally nonconforming mobile home park.

(2) If a mobile home is used for residential purposes in the City on the date this Ordinance applied to the property on which the mobile home is located, or is located on property annexed to the City after the effective date of this Ordinance and the mobile home complied with all applicable legal requirements then in effect, the mobile home shall be considered legally nonconforming and shall not be subject to the requirements of this Ordinance, except:

(a) If the mobile home is moved from its location, the mobile home shall not be replaced or relocated except within a mobile home park; and,
(b) If the use of the mobile home is discontinued for a period of one hundred eighty (180) days or more, the mobile home shall not be reoccupied until it is relocated within a mobile home park.

17-16-8. **EXPANSION OF CHILD CARE FACILITIES.** Any child care facility which was in existence on the date this Ordinance applied to the property on which the child care facility is located, and which by this Ordinance becomes a nonconforming use, may not expand to care for a larger number of children than the maximum licensed capacity as authorized by the State of Colorado on the effective date of this Ordinance.

17-16-9. **PROPERTY TAKEN FOR PUBLIC USE.** If a portion of a parcel of land is taken for public use such that the remaining portion of the parcel does not conform to the requirements of this Ordinance, the following shall apply:

1) If the taking causes a variance of no greater than twenty (20) percent in one or more numerical requirements, then the use shall be considered a legal, conforming use and a permanent variance shall be granted by the Board of Adjustment.

2) If the taking of land causes a variance of more than twenty (20) percent in one or more numerical requirements and, in the judgment of the Board of Adjustment, would not create a hazardous situation or be otherwise unreasonable, the use shall be considered a legal nonconforming use and shall be subject to the applicable nonconforming use regulations set forth in this Article 16.
ARTICLE 17: PROCEDURE FOR INITIAL ZONING AND REZONING

17-17-1. GENERAL PROVISIONS. (1) The procedure for changing the boundaries or area of any zone district, or for changing the zoning classification of any parcel of land within the City of Lakewood, as shown on the official zoning map of the City of Lakewood, herein referred to as "rezoning," shall be as provided in this Article 17. In addition to the preapplication review, the applicant shall meet with residents and persons owning property in the vicinity of the site prior to filing a formal rezoning application in accordance with the Neighborhood Referral Program which is hereby established. The meeting shall take place pursuant to the Neighborhood Referral Program administrative guidelines which shall be adopted by resolution. (As amended by 0-84-88)

(2) A rezoning may be initiated by:

(a) The owner of any property;

(b) Any person, firm or corporation with the written consent of the owner of the property;

(c) The Planning Commission ("City-initiated"); or,

(d) The City Administrator of the City of Lakewood ("City-initiated").

(3) The procedure for the initial zoning of property annexed or to be annexed to the City shall follow, to the extent practicable, the procedures applicable herein to rezonings. In such circumstances, the zoning procedures may be instituted at any time after a resolution of intent to annex is adopted pursuant to C.R.S. 1973, 31-12-106, as amended, or after a petition for annexation or a petition for annexation election has been found to be valid in accordance with C.R.S. 1973, 31-12-107, as amended.

(a) No ordinance initially zoning property annexed to the City shall be adopted on second reading prior to the date the annexation ordinance is adopted on second reading.

(b) Property annexed to the City shall be initially zoned by the City within ninety (90) days after the effective date of the annexation ordinance. Any time requirements set forth herein, and not required by statute, shall be modified to the extent necessary to meet the ninety (90) day requirement.

17-17-2. PRE-APPLICATION REVIEW. (1)(a) Prior to filing an application to rezone any parcel of land, the applicant shall participate in a preapplication review with the Department of Community Development. No application for rezoning shall be accepted until after the preapplication review is completed and written notification of the Department's conclusions is received by the applicant.
(b) In addition to a pre-application review with the Department of Community Development, the City Engineer shall review the rezoning application to determine if public improvements may be necessitated as a result of the zoning or rezoning. If public improvements are necessary, the standards, criteria, timing, and extent of the public improvements as specified in Chapter 14.13 of the Lakewood Municipal Code shall apply. (As amended by 0-84-109.)

(1) The extent of existing and contemplated development of the surrounding area.

(2) The need to ensure that the health, safety, and welfare of the public will be maintained.

(3) Whether the zoning or rezoning may ultimately create a need for public improvements to serve the area.

If public improvements are necessary, the standards, criteria, timing and extent of public improvements as specified in Chapter 14.13 of the Lakewood Municipal Code shall apply, except that all rights-of-way, easements, and access rights shall be required at the time of zoning or rezoning and other public improvements shall be constructed at a time designated by the City Engineer.

(2) When an application is submitted by the Planning Commission, any member or groups of members of the Planning Commission may serve as the applicant.

(3) At the time of the preapplication review, the applicant shall submit the following:

(a) Plan of the general layout of the parcel. Plans submitted may be sketched on sheets eight and one-half (8½) inches by eleven (11) inches in size or, at the option of the applicant, may be in final form.

(b) Letter stating the proposed uses of the parcel, the approximate gross floor area of any intended buildings or structures and the number and size of residential dwellings to be included, and the gross land area of the parcel, including public rights-of-way contained within the parcel.

(4) Official minutes summarizing the preapplication review shall be kept and a copy of the minutes shall be provided to the applicant.

(5) Within fourteen (14) days after the date of the preapplication review, the Department of Community Development shall notify the applicant in writing of its conclusions regarding the desired change with respect to the following items:

(a) Appropriateness of the change with respect to the policies set forth in the Comprehensive Plan.

(b) Need, if any, to plat pursuant to the Subdivision Regulations.
(c) Any required site plan considerations.

(d) General concerns related to the anticipated impact upon public rights-of-way and public improvements and appropriate requirements.

17-17-3. APPLICATION PROCEDURE. (1) An application for a rezoning shall be submitted on forms approved by the Director of Community Development. A rezoning application shall expire one (1) year after submittal, provided however, that the Director may extend the application for six (6) months for just cause. (Amended by Ordinance 0-88-10 effective date 4/28/88).

(2) If the requested rezoning for the parcel is for a Mixed Use District, the applicant also shall include with the application all information required by 17-5-21.

(3) An application for a rezoning shall be accompanied by a Conceptual Site Plan. (Amended by Ordinance 0-88-10 effective date 4/28/88).

(a) The Conceptual Site Plan is intended to supply enough information about the development for the Director of Community Development to evaluate and for the Planning Commission and City Council to make a decision on the rezoning application. The information to be supplied will be determined by the Director of Community Development as part of the pre-application review, but should generally include:

(1) The site characteristics.

(2) The density and intensity.

(3) General circulation and location of building(s) and parking area(s).

(4) The amount of the site devoted to structure, open space and parking.

(5) Compatibility with surrounding land uses.

(b) The Conceptual Site Plan shall be considered part of the rezoning application and shall become a condition of the zoning.

(c) The Conceptual Site Plan will be required as follows:

Applications for 3-R through 6-R, OF, 1-C through 5-C, and IN or MU zones shall be accompanied by a Conceptual Site Plan.

Applications for 1-R, 2-R, and single family homes in 3-R will not normally require a Conceptual Site Plan. However, if the application involves an area of significant natural features or constraints, or involves an infill situation with more than 3 units, or other similar situations, the Director of Community Development may require such a plan.
(d) The Director of Community Development may waive or defer the requirement for the Conceptual Site Plan for: a) City initiated rezonings, b) rezonings related to an annexation, and c) other situations for which the Director determines that the requirement for a Conceptual Site Plan at the time of rezoning is not in the best interest of the City. If the requirement for a site plan is deferred, the Planning Commission shall consider the Conceptual Plan at a subsequent public hearing prior to the issuance of building permits. The reasons for waiving or deferring the Conceptual Site Plan requirement shall be incorporated into staff recommendations to the Planning Commission on the rezoning request. The Planning Commission or City Council may require a Conceptual Site Plan even if it has been waived or deferred by the Director of Community Development.

(e) Decisions of the Director of Community Development may be appealed to the Planning Commission by the applicant.

(f) The Final Site Plan shall conform to the approved Conceptual Site Plan, or the Director of Community Development must determine that the changes are minor. Decisions of the Director of Community Development may be appealed to the Planning Commission. If the changes are substantial, a public hearing on the Final Site Plan will be held by the Planning Commission. The decision of the Planning Commission on a final site plan is final.

Criteria to be used by the Director of Community Development in determining whether a change is substantial are as follows:

1) Whether or not the plan has the same character and same basic arrangement of buildings, parking and open space.

2) Whether or not the change adversely affects the surrounding area.

3) Whether or not the change constitutes more than a 5% increase in gross floor area or the number of dwelling units.

4) Whether or not the change reduces the amount of usable open space, reduces the recreational amenities, or amount of landscaped area by more than 5% or does not adversely affect natural features which were preserved with the Conceptual Site Plan.

(g) If City regulations have changed since the approval of the Conceptual Site Plan and the submittal of the Final Site Plan; and if the regulations cannot be met on the Final Site Plan without major deviation from the approved Conceptual Site Plan, a public hearing before Planning Commission will be held on the Final Site Plan.

(4) If an application proposes a rezoning to a zone district listed in 17-15-1, a Final Site Plan which complies with selected requirements of Article 15 may be required rather than a Conceptual Site Plan.
(a) By the Director of Community Development, to be filed along with the application for rezoning;

(b) By the Planning Commission, to be filed prior to completion of its fact-finding hearing on the application;

(c) By the City Council, to be filed prior to completion of its hearing on the rezoning ordinance. If the City Council requires the Final Site Plan, the Council must remand consideration of the application to the Planning Commission for further proceedings prior to voting upon the rezoning ordinance on second reading.

(d) No final site plan may be required pursuant to subsection (3) above unless the Director of Community Development, Planning Commission, or City Council determines that the final site plan is essential to a determination that the proposed rezoning and method of development of the property will be compatible and consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.

(5) The application shall be signed by the applicant or his duly authorized representative and shall be accompanied by the necessary fee as shown within the applicable fee schedule adopted by Council resolution. No fee shall be charged for a City-initiated rezoning.

(6) The Department of Community Development shall study the application and shall make a written report of its findings within forty-five (45) days after acceptance of a complete application and at least two (2) days prior to the fact-finding hearing on the application. This report shall include a determination of the compatibility of the proposed rezoning with policies and standards contained in the Comprehensive Plan. (Amended by Ordinance 0-88-10 effective date 4/30/88)

17-17-4. FACT-FINDING HEARING. For the purpose of reducing costs, reducing time required to grant or deny rezoning applications, and ensuring full protection of the applicant's rights as well as the interests of other property owners and residents, and except as otherwise specifically provided herein, the Planning Commission shall function as the City Council's fact-finding hearing agency on all rezoning applications. Procedures to be followed by the Planning Commission are as follows:

(1) The Secretary to the Planning Commission shall schedule a public hearing on a rezoning application, to be held not later than forty-five (45) days after the Department of Community Development accepts a completed application unless the hearing is continued by action of the Commission. Notice of the hearing shall be provided as follows:

(a) The Secretary shall give written notice of the date, time and place of the hearing, by first class mail, to the applicant.
(b) Upon receipt of such notice, the applicant shall prepare notices on forms provided by the department of Community Development, including the date, time, and place of the hearing, to be mailed by first class mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, addressed to all persons, firms, or corporations who or which hold fee title to the property to which the application applies and to owners of all abutting property, disregarding any intervening public right-of-way. If the abutting property is a common element of a condominium or townhouse development, the condominium or townhouse homeowners association and the individual unit owners which are closest to the property to which the application applies shall be notified. However, the Director of Community Development may waive notification requirements to individual condominium or townhouse owners if he determines that they would not be adversely affected by the proposed development. Such notices shall be mailed by the applicant at least fifteen (15) days prior to the date of the hearing. The applicant shall notify in writing to the Secretary to the Planning Commission, at least nine (9) days prior to the date of the hearing, that the required notice was given. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective date 8/28/89.)

(c) Upon notification by the Secretary of the date of hearing, the applicant also shall erect upon the property or aggregate of properties described within the application and to which the application applies, one (1) or more signs containing notice of the public hearing and stating the date, time and place the hearing will be held. Such signs shall be provided by the City, with the mounting boards and supports provided by the applicant, and shall be posted for a period of at least fifteen (15) days prior to the date of such hearing.

(d) The Secretary shall cause notice of the hearing, including date, time and place, to be published in full in an official paper or paper of general circulation in the City at least six (6) days prior to the date of the hearing.

(e) Failure of the applicant to provide the certification required in paragraph (b) of this subsection (1) shall cause the public hearing to be postponed for at least fifteen (15) days and until the applicant provides the certification. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-54 effective date 9/25/87)

(2) During the fact-finding hearing, the Planning Commission shall hear any relevant evidence or statement provided by the applicant or his representative, by the Director or any member of the staff, and by any person in attendance at the hearing. The Planning Commission may, in its sole discretion, hear and consider any other relevant statement or evidence, written or oral.
(3) The Planning Commission shall cause the hearing to be recorded by a reporter or by an electronic recording device. When required pursuant to section 17-17-5, the Planning Commission shall cause the hearing proceedings, or any portion thereof, to be transcribed, the cost of the transcription to be paid by the person or entity requesting the transcription. If the City Council acquires a copy of the transcription of the proceedings, its copy of the transcription shall be made available to any person at reasonable times for inspection and study.

(4) Within sixteen (16) days after the hearing, the Planning Commission shall provide to the applicant its written findings and recommendation on the application. The written findings and recommendation shall include a statement of the Commission's findings and conclusions upon all relevant issues of fact or law raised by the application, and a recommendation for approval or denial thereof. A copy of the written findings and recommendation also shall be mailed to any other person who requested in writing a copy thereof.

(5) If the recommendation of the Planning Commission is to approve the rezoning, the Planning Commission shall transmit to the City Council a copy of its written findings and recommendation and a notice of the availability, at a location convenient to the Council, of the entire record of the application and hearing, including the application itself and any written evidence, exhibits, and other papers or matters considered by the Planning Commission. The applicant may request that such materials not be transmitted to the City Council for a period of time not to exceed six (6) months from the date of the Planning Commission's written findings and recommendation, or the applicant may withdraw his application at any time.

(6) If the recommendation of the Planning Commission is to deny the rezoning, the materials described in subsection (5) shall be transmitted to the City Council only upon written request of the applicant filed with the Secretary to the Planning Commission not later than thirty (30) days after the public hearing at which the Planning Commission recommended the denial. (As amended by 0-82-19)

(7) No substantial amendment to an application for a rezoning may be made after a decision on the rezoning has been made by the Planning Commission. (As amended by 0-81-108)

17-17-5. WRITTEN OBJECTIONS AND TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING. (1) After receipt by the City Council of the written findings and recommendation and notice described in 17-17-4(5), an ordinance embodying the proposed rezoning shall be placed on the agenda of a meeting of the City Council for first reading. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-54 effective date 9/25/87).

(2) Any person who objects to a finding or the recommendation of the Planning Commission may file a written statement with the Secretary to the Planning Commission specifying in detail the finding or recommendation subject to objection, the reasons for the objection, and all parts of the transcript of the hearing proceedings before the Planning Commission relevant to such
objection, and shall advance the cost of such transcription. A copy of the written objection shall also be served upon the applicant (if other than the objector), the Director, and any other person who requests in writing, a copy of the written objection. This objection must be filed with the Secretary to the Planning Commission at least ten (10) days prior to the public hearing before City Council. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-54 effective date 9/25/87)

(3) Within five (5) days after receipt of a written objection, the staff of the Department of Community Development, the City Council, or any other interested person may file a designation of additional parts of the hearing Proceedings which are to be transcribed.

(4) No transcript shall be required in any case where the objector does not seek to amend or reverse a basic finding of fact set forth in the Commission's written findings of fact and recommendation, as distinguished from the recommendation of the Commission or its ultimate findings as to the matters set forth in 17-17-7.

(5) If a transcript would otherwise be required pursuant to this section, the applicant, objector (if different from the applicant), and Director of the Department of Community Development may approve a written summary of the relevant testimony and evidence presented at the Planning Commission hearing in place of the transcript.

(6) The transcript or approved written summary shall be filed with the City Council at least three (3) days prior to its consideration of the rezoning ordinance on second reading. If no transcript or approved written summary is provided to the Council as required herein, the Commission's basic findings of fact are conclusively presumed to be complete and accurate.

17-17-6. CITY COUNCIL HEARING AND DECISION. (1) Notice of the Council's consideration of the rezoning ordinance on second reading, and of the Council's consideration hearing thereon, shall be provided pursuant to the procedures set forth in 17-17-4(1) except that the City Clerk shall perform the responsibilities assigned therein to the Secretary to the Planning Commission. However, notwithstanding the provisions of 17-17-4(1)(d), the public hearing and consideration by the City Council of the rezoning ordinance shall not be less than ten (10) days from the date of publication in an official paper or paper of general circulation in the City. (As amended by Ordinance 0-87-54 effective date 9/25/87).

(2) The Council shall establish a period of time, prior to voting upon the rezoning ordinance on second reading, during which the applicant, any person filing a written objection, or any other interested person may comment and be heard upon the findings and recommendation of the Planning Commission. Upon consideration of the rezoning ordinance on second reading, the Council may consider only the record before the Planning Commission, the written findings and recommendation of the Planning Commission, any previously filed written objections to those findings and recommendation, and the comments related thereto made during the Council hearing. In addition the City Council
may, in its sole discretion, hear any other relevant written or oral statement regarding the findings and conclusions of the Planning Commission. No other materials or evidence shall be considered by the Council.

(3) If it is shown that the written findings and recommendation of the Planning Commission contain a finding based on incorrect information, or if there is shown to be newly discovered information not available at the time of the Planning Commission's fact-finding hearing, and if the correct or newly discovered information could, in the opinion of the Council, change the recommendation of the Planning Commission, then the entire matter shall be referred by the City Council to the Planning Commission for its consideration. If there is shown to be a clerical mistake in the written findings or recommendation of the Planning Commission, the mistake may be corrected by Council action without referral to the Planning Commission.

(4) After its hearing, the Council may:

(a) Continue the matter by remanding consideration of the rezoning to the Planning Commission for further proceedings as the Council may direct; or,

(b) Revise the Commission's findings of fact only if such revision is supported by evidence in the record made before the Commission, and proceed to vote upon the rezoning ordinance; or,

(c) Adopt the Commission's findings of fact and proceed to vote upon the rezoning ordinance; or,

(d) Table its decision to a specified date.

(5) Final action by the City Council on the rezoning ordinance shall be taken within ninety (90) days after the date of the Council's hearing on the Ordinance, or within thirty (30) days after the date the Council receives the Ordinance after remand to the Planning Commission, whichever is later. Failure to take final action within such period shall be considered a final decision of the Council denying the rezoning. If the vote on any rezoning ordinance is tabled by the City Council pursuant to the provisions of City of Lakewood Municipal Code Section 1.20.030, an additional fourteen (14) days shall be added to the time limitation for each such tabling.

(6) The City Clerk shall provide written notice to any person who has requested in writing to receive such notice, the results of the Council's final action adopting or rejecting the rezoning ordinance.

(7) The fact-finding hearing on the rezoning application shall be conducted by the City Council itself, rather than by the Planning Commission, only when the formal application for rezoning is initiated by the Planning Commission. Where the City Council conducts the fact-finding hearing, the Procedures for the conduct of the hearing, notice prior thereto, and written findings thereafter shall comply to the extent possible with section 17-17-4. The hearing shall be held prior to the Council vote on the rezoning ordinance on second reading.
17-17-7. **STANDARDS FOR ZONING AND REZONING.** (1) To promote stability in zoning and appropriate development of property within the City, no application for rezoning of property shall be approved unless it is demonstrated:

(Amended by Ordinance 0-88-10 effective date 4/28/88)

(a) That the proposed rezoning promotes the health, safety or welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Lakewood and the purposes of this Ordinance; and,

(b) At least one of the following additional factors exist:

(1) The proposed rezoning is consistent with the goals of the Comprehensive Plan;

(2) There has been a material change in the character of the neighborhood or in the City generally, such that the proposed rezoning would be in the public interest and consistent with the change.

(3) The property to be rezoned was previously zoned in error.

(c) That both of the following criteria are met:

(1) The proposal as evidenced by the Conceptual Site Plan, is compatible with surrounding uses; or in the case of redevelopment that the proposal is an improvement to the area.

(2) The proposal as evidenced by the Conceptual Site Plan, enhances significant natural characteristics of the site by preservation or incorporating the features into the development's open space.

(Amended by Ordinance 0-88-10 effective date 4/28/88)

(2) The requirements of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) shall not apply to the initial zoning of property annexed to the City or to rezonings which occur incidental to a comprehensive City-initiated revision of the City's Official Zoning District Maps.

17-17-8. **COMPREHENSIVE INITIAL CITY-INITIATED REZONINGS.** Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article 17, only the following procedures shall be required for the initial comprehensive City-initiated rezonings occurring subsequent to the effective date of this Ordinance:

(1) The rezonings may be initiated by the City Administrator in such form as the Planning Commission may direct.

(2) Public hearings on the rezonings, either individually or in groups, shall be conducted by the Planning Commission. Notice of the hearings, including date, time and place, shall be published in an official newspaper or
paper of general circulation in the City at least fifteen (15) days prior to the date of the hearings. In the discretion of the Planning Commission, additional notice of the hearings may be provided.

(3) The Planning Commission shall follow the procedures set forth in subsection (2) through (5) of section 17-17-4 except that the Planning Commission may recommend to the City Council a zone category for particular property different than the zone category proposed by the City Administrator.

(4) The provisions of sections 17-17-5 and 17-17-6 shall be followed except that the only required notice of the hearings before the City Council shall be publication of the date, time and place thereof in an official paper or paper of general circulation in the City at least fifteen (15) days prior to the date of the hearings. In the discretion of the City Council, additional notice of the hearings may be provided.

17-17-9. WHEN REZONING APPLICATIONS ARE NOT ACCEPTED. No application for rezoning property shall be accepted within six (6) months following a final decision on a prior rezoning application relating to all or any portion of that same property. A "final decision" shall mean.

(a) Denial by the Planning Commission of the rezoning application without an appeal to the City Council;

(b) Withdrawal of the rezoning application occurring after the Planning Commission has voted on the rezoning application and prior to the vote by the City Council on the rezoning ordinance; or

(c) The vote by the City Council denying or approving the rezoning ordinance. (As amended by 0-83-159)

17-17-10. ZONING CONDITIONS. The Planning Commission may recommend and the City Council may adopt an ordinance initially zoning or rezoning property which includes specific conditions binding upon the owner of the property, his successors, heirs and assigns. Examples of such conditions are the requirement that certain actions such as subdivision platting be completed prior to building permit issuance, further regulation of the use of the property itself such as specific use requirements, site plan requirements, height restrictions, or public improvement construction. (As amended by Ordinance 0-89-51, effective 8/28/89.)

(1) That the initial zoning or the rezoning becomes effective on the day that initial zoning ordinance or rezoning ordinance becomes effective, but that no building permit may be issued for the subject property until a plat of the subject property, together with such adjacent or continuous land under the same or identical ownership as shall be necessary to adequately show the matters and things required by the subdivision regulations, be approved by the City Council; or,
(2) That the initial zoning or the rezoning becomes effective on the day that the initial zoning ordinance or the rezoning ordinance becomes effective, but that no building permit may be issued for the subject property until a plat of the subject property, together with such adjacent or contiguous land, under the same or identical ownership, as shall be necessary to adequately show the matters and things required by the subdivision regulations, be approved by the City Council; provided, however, that said plat shall be filed with the Planning Commission by a specific date set forth in the zoning or rezoning ordinance. Furthermore, the initial zoning or the rezoning ordinance may provide that, if a plat is not submitted to the Planning Commission by said date set forth in said ordinance, the Planning Commission may initiate an application for a change in zone to determine if the zone district in which the property is included is still appropriate.
ARTICLE 18: SITE SPECIFIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN

17-18-1. PURPOSE. The purpose of this Article is to provide the procedures necessary to implement the provisions of Article 68 of Title 24, C.R.C., as amended. (As amended by Ordinance 0-88-11 effective date 4/28/88)

17-18-2. GENERAL PROVISIONS. The Planning Commission may recommend and the City Council may adopt, in conjunction with the rezoning of any property, an Ordinance approving a Site Specific Development Plan. Approval of a Site Specific Development Plan pursuant to this Article shall create a vested property right. The approval may include such terms and conditions as are necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare, and failure to abide by such terms and conditions may result in a forfeiture of the vested property rights.

17-18-3. APPLICATION. (1) An owner of property who seeks to cause rights to vest may file an application for approval of a Site Specific Development Plan, which application may only be submitted in conjunction with a Rezoning application. Each application shall be signed by the fee owner of the property, or his authorized agent. Each such application shall be accompanied by a fee to be established by City Council Resolution to cover necessary costs related to processing the application.

(2) The Site Specific Development Plan shall include the following items unless a written request to waive or vary certain requirements has been approved by the Director of Community Development:

   (a) Site Plan meeting the requirements of Article 15 of this Zoning Ordinance;

   (b) Landscape Plan meeting the requirements of Article 15 of this Zoning Ordinance;

   (c) Building Elevations meeting the requirements of Article 15 of this Zoning Ordinance;

   (d) Preliminary Drainage Study;

   (e) Grading Plan;

   (f) Traffic Study;

   (g) Utility Plan;

   (h) Soils/Geologic Report; and

   (i) Preliminary Construction Plans for Required Public Improvements.
17-18-4. **NOTICE OF HEARING.** (1) No Site Specific Development Plan shall be approved until after noticed public hearing before the Planning Commission and City Council have been held. The Planning Commission hearing shall follow the procedures set forth in Section 17-17-4 of this Zoning Ordinance and the City Council hearing shall follow the procedures of Section 17-17-6. Such notices and hearings may, at the City's option, be combined with the notice and hearings for the rezoning of the property approved in Sections 17-17-4 and 17-17-6.

(2) A Site Specific Development Plan shall be deemed approved upon the effective date of the Ordinance relating thereto. Within 14 days following such approval, a notice describing generally the type and intensity of use approved, the specific parcel or parcels of property affected, and stating that a vested property right has been created shall be published once in a newspaper of general circulation within the City.

17-18-5. **DURATION OF RIGHT AND TERMINATION.** (1) A property right which has been vested, as provided for in this Article, shall remain vested for a period of three (3) years. In the event amendments to the Site Specific Development Plan are processed and approved, the effective date of such amendments, for purposes of the duration of the vesting period, shall be the date of the approval of the original Site Specific Development Plan, unless the amendments are approved by City Council and City Council specifically finds to the contrary and incorporates such findings in an approval of the amendment.

(2) The City may conduct periodic subsequent reviews of the development and require the owner of the property to demonstrate compliance with the terms and conditions of the original approval. Failure to establish such compliance may result in a notice of forfeiture from the Director of Community Development.

(a) Upon receipt of a notice of forfeiture, an owner or his authorized agent may file a written request, within five (5) working days of receipt, that the Director reconsider his decision. The request for reconsideration shall state the grounds therefor and shall specifically describe the actions which constitute compliance with the terms and conditions of approval. No appeal to the Planning Commission shall be permitted unless a request for reconsideration is timely filed with and denied by the Director.

(b) Denial or a request for reconsideration may be appealed according to the procedures set forth in Section 17-15-4 of this Zoning Ordinance.

17-18-6. **OTHER PROVISIONS UNAFFECTED.** (1) Approval of a Site Specific Development Plan shall not constitute an exemption from or waiver of any other provisions of the municipal code pertaining to the development and use of property. Nor shall it preclude the application of ordinances or regulations which are general in nature and applicable to all property subject to land use regulation in the City of Lakewood.
(2) Upon the discovery of natural or man-made hazards on or in the immediate vicinity of property on which a Site Specific Development Plan has been approved, which hazards could not have been reasonably discovered at the time of the approval, and where such hazards, if uncorrected, would pose a serious threat to the health, safety or welfare, the City may alter, amend, or repeal its approval of the Site Specific Development Plan as necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

17-18-7. DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS. In conjunction with approval of a Site Specific Development Plan pursuant to this Article, the City Council may enter into a Development Agreement with an owner providing that property rights shall be vested for a period exceeding three (3) years where Council finds such to be warranted in light of all relevant circumstances, including, but not limited to, the size and phasing of the development, economic factors, and market conditions.

17-18-8. LIMITATIONS. (1) Nothing in this Article is intended to create any vested property right, but only to implement the provisions of Article 68 of the Title 24, C.R.S., as amended. In the event of the repeal of said Article, or a judicial determination that said Article is invalid or unconstitutional, no vested property rights shall be deemed created by the approval by the City of any Site Specific Development Plan.

(2) No approval of any site plan, or other land use plan, by the City, other than a Site Specific Development Plan approved pursuant to this Article, shall be deemed to vest a property right pursuant to Article 68, Title 25, C.R.S., as amended. (Amended by Ordinance 0-88-11 effective date April 30, 1988).
ARTICLE 19: THE WEST COLFAX AVENUE OVERLAY DISTRICT

17-19-1. PURPOSE AND INTENT The West Colfax Avenue Corridor is of special and substantial public interest because it is Lakewood's oldest commercial area. As a business district, it contributes significantly to the City's tax base. However, without special attention, it may experience further economic and physical deterioration. Therefore, in recognition of the special needs of this corridor, the West Colfax Avenue Overlay District is hereby established as an interim plan until such time as a Land Use Plan can be developed and adopted. (See Section 17-19-2(5). This Overlay is established with the following objectives:

(1) To promote economic development, redevelopment and revitalization of the West Colfax Corridor.

(2) To have a design review process that provides an incentive for development, redevelopment and revitalization of the West Colfax Corridor.

(3) To create a unique identity for West Colfax through the use of special design standards.

(4) To ensure flexibility in the review of development plans and to substantially reduce regulatory impediments to revitalization.

(5) To create a more pedestrian-oriented environment.

(6) To encourage high-quality, high-density residential, commercial and mixed use development along the Corridor.

Within this District, specific design standards have been created for the West Colfax Avenue Corridor which are intended to create a unique identity for the area while enhancing and encouraging pedestrian use along the corridor. Although these standards are intended as a benchmark for development and should be applied to the fullest extent possible, it is recognized that in some revitalization situations, it will not be possible for all of the standards to be met. Therefore, the physical constraints of a particular site will be considered in determining which standards are applicable and the extent to which the standards should be adhered to for each particular project. A redevelopment or revitalization project will not be denied because one or more standards cannot be met due to the physical constraints of the site.

17-19-2   APPLICABILITY AND EFFECTS:

(1) The standards contained in this Article shall apply to all property lying within the West Colfax Avenue Overlay District as defined on the Official Zoning Maps of the City of Lakewood. Underlying, existing zone district designations and allowed uses are not affected by this District.
except to the extent that this Overlay District conflicts with the existing zoning. For properties in the District zoned M.U., the owner will have the option to adhere to either the standards of this District or the approved Official Development Plan.

(2) Within this District the following shall apply: the West Colfax Design Guidelines, the Multi-Family Housing Design Guidelines, the City of Lakewood Flood Plain Ordinance, Colorado Department of Highways Access Code requirements, and applicable provisions of the Zoning Ordinance. Where there are conflicts, the provisions of this Overlay District shall supersede those of the Zoning Ordinance Chapter 14.13 of the Municipal Code, and the previously mentioned guidelines.

(3) Properties within this District shall be exempt from the requirements of the Park Land Dedication and Park Development Fee Ordinances for a period of three years from the effective date of this Ordinance (Effective date of this Ordinance: April 16, 1990).

(4) All properties within this district with Colfax frontage are subject to the City-wide Public Improvements Exaction Policies relating to the Colfax Streetscape.

(5) If an Urban Design or other special area study for the Colfax Corridor has not been adopted by the City of Lakewood within three years of the effective date of this Ordinance, this Overlay District shall be repealed as of that date. (Effective date of this Ordinance: April 16, 1990).

17-19-3. SITE PLAN APPROVAL AND FLEXIBILITY

(1) Intent: It is recognized that many different situations exist within the District which will require flexibility in the application of these standards. Each case will be considered on its own merits recognizing the attributes and constraints which are unique to each site. Flexibility will be administered through:

(a) The site plan approval process based on Table 3-C of the Flexibility chart.

(b) The trade-off provisions for building height. Unlimited building height is allowed if conditions contained in Section 17-19-6 are met.

(2) The Department of Community Development shall require a site plan in accord with the format requirements and procedures of Article 15 of the Zoning Ordinance and the standards herein for the following:
(a) Major addition to existing buildings (50% or greater building addition on any property, and 20% or greater building addition for properties with 150 feet or greater of Colfax frontage.) Increases in gross floor area are cumulative and are calculated from the size of the building as it existed on August 28, 1980.

(b) Rezonings to zone districts listed in 17-15-1 of the Zoning Ordinance; however, the Director of Community Development may authorize a conceptual plan to be substituted for a full Article 15 site plan.

(c) Redevelopment of an existing site;

(d) New development on vacant lots;

(3) The Department of Community Development shall require a Conceptual Site Plan as described in Section 17-17-3(a) of the Zoning Ordinance or any other pertinent information necessary for adequate review for improvements to the site or building which constitute a minor addition (less than 20% building addition for any property, and less than 50% building addition for properties with 150 feet or less of Colfax frontage) or which vary from the standards herein.

(4) Site Plans will be subject to the standards listed herein and the review and approval requirements of Article 15 of the Zoning Ordinance. Any requested variances from the standards of this District or the underlying zone district will be subject to the procedures of Articles 4 and 15 of the Zoning Ordinance as appropriate. For purposes of this District, the standards contained herein shall be subject to the Director of Community Development's administrative authority contained in Article 15 of the Zoning Ordinance.

17-19-4 STREETSCAPE STANDARDS

(1) Intent: Due to the diversity of land uses, architecture, signage, and building placement, a common design theme is critical to creating a unified appearance throughout the corridor. The design theme is based upon recognizing the concept of "urban" and "suburban" character areas which exist along the corridor. (See Figure 1.) The design for the "urban" area (east of Iris Street), is characterized by buildings constructed close to the street and a streetscape consisting of brick pavers, sidewalks, low brick walls, or planters, and a row of street trees in a landscaped strip. The design for the "suburban" area consists of a more informal streetscape treatment which includes brick pavers, a meandering sidewalk, and a row of street trees in landscaped areas.

(2) West Colfax Avenue Streetscape Treatment Standards (See Table 3-B, Landscaping Specifications for the Streetscape)
(a) **Urban Zone** (for the area fronting on West Colfax Avenue, east of Iris Street): A twenty (20) foot wide area shall be provided along the West Colfax Avenue frontage, extending around any street corner to include the full radius. This area shall be comprised of the following elements: (See Figure 2)

1. A two (2) foot wide, brick pavement strip adjacent to the curb; and
2. A six (6) foot wide concrete walk adjacent to the brick pavement strip; and
3. A planted area adjacent to the sidewalk, a minimum of twelve (12) feet wide, landscaped with approved ground cover, shrubs, and trees (see Appendix Table 3-A, Plant Materials List); and
4. Street trees, (in tree grates where appropriate), planted thirty-five (35) feet apart, and set back eleven (11) feet from curb flow line and twenty-five (25) feet back from the intersection.
5. Free-standing masonry, concrete or brick walls or planters, set ten (10) feet from the curb flow line, at a minimum height of twenty (20) inches, when parking lots or vehicle display areas front directly on Colfax.

(b) **Suburban Zone** (for the area fronting on West Colfax Avenue, west of Iris Street): A twenty (20) foot wide landscape area shall be provided along the Colfax frontage, extending around the corner to include full the radius. This area shall be comprised of the following elements: (See Figure 3)

1. A two (2) foot wide brick pavement strip adjacent to the curb; and
2. A five (5) foot wide sidewalk, meandering in wide curves, separated from the brick pavement strip by a planted area. The meandering sidewalk shall be placed no closer than four (4) feet from the curb. If there is insufficient space to meander the sidewalk, it may be attached to the brick pavers, provided it is widened to six (6) feet; and
SUBURBAN ZONE

URBAN ZONE

TRANSITION AREA

URBAN AND SUBURBAN TREATMENT ZONES
TYPICAL URBAN STREETSCAPE TREATMENT
TYPICAL SUBURBAN STREETSCAPE TREATMENT
(3) A planted area including the areas on either side of the sidewalk, a minimum of thirteen (13) feet wide, containing approved street trees, shrubs and appropriate ground cover (see Table 3-A, Plant Materials List); and

(4) Street trees, arranged in clusters or informal rows, averaging thirty-five (35) feet apart, planted eleven (11) feet (minimum) from the curb flow line and twenty-five (25) feet from the intersection; and

(5) Landscaped berms, walls, evergreen shrubbery or planters shall be provided to screen parking and vehicular display areas which front on Colfax. Walls shall be set back ten (10) feet from the curb flow line and be a minimum height of 20 inches.

(c) Transition Zone (for the area between Carr and Simms Streets): Due to existing conditions, it may not be possible to construct the Urban or Suburban treatment in its entirety. The streetscape treatment for this area may include a combination of both the Urban and Suburban treatments. (See Figures 1-3.)

(d) When necessary, due to insufficient space, the width of the landscaped area may be reduced if an approved alternative treatment is provided. The streetscape treatment shall, in all cases, include the brick pavers, the sidewalk, and a row of street trees.

(e) Whenever the sidewalk portion of the public improvement part of the Colfax Streetscape is required to be installed pursuant to the City-Wide Public Improvements Exaction Policies, the private portion of the streetscape shall also be required to be installed.

(f) In connection with any discretionary action (such as a Rezoning or a Special Use Permit) by the Planning Commission on any property within the West Colfax Overlay District, the Planning Commission shall consider the criteria set forth in the City-Wide Public Improvement Exaction Policies. However, the Commission shall evaluate the facts of the case before them and, as a condition of approval of the case, the Commission may make requirements that are different than would be suggested by the City-Wide Public Improvement Exaction Policies.

17-19-5 BUILDING SETBACK AND SEPARATION STANDARDS

(1) Intent: The setbacks in the Urban Zone are designed to create an urban character on Colfax and to reflect the existing setbacks in that zone. Buildings setback close to the curb are strongly encouraged. The setbacks in the Suburban Zone are intended to permit maximum flexibility; recognizing that buildings will frequently be set back further than the minimum with parking in
front of buildings. However, buildings setback closer to Colfax are also permitted. Building separations are designed to buffer residential uses from the increased height which is being encouraged along Colfax.

(2) Standards

(a) Front Setbacks

(1) Along all streets except West Colfax Avenue: a minimum of thirty (30) feet from back of curb.

(2) Along Colfax:

(a) Urban Zone: A minimum of twenty (20) feet from back of curb to building wall; a maximum of twenty (20) feet is also strongly encouraged. If the building is set back more than twenty (20) feet, other means of continuing a visual line along the street must be provided such as: a plaza, walls or planters, a row of pedestrian lights, or other acceptable, special treatments.

(b) Suburban Zone: A minimum of twenty (20) feet from back of curb.

(c) Setbacks for Building Projections: Coverings over walks leading to the street, (such as awnings), building projections (including bay windows, cantilevers above the first story, decks, eaves of roofs and awnings hung parallel to the street), and roofs or overhangs to entrances may extend up to six (6) feet into the front setback provided that the streetscape is installed. However, utilities must be cleared by the building or cantilevered overhang, and no building projection may negatively impact the streetscape.

(d) Fuel Pump Islands for Service Stations: A minimum setback of thirty (30) feet from the back of the curb.

(e) Canopies for Fuel Pump Islands: A minimum of twenty (20) feet from the back of curb.

(b) Building separations and side and rear setbacks

(1) For all uses, building and setbacks separations shown in Table 1, shall apply.

(2) See Section 17-19-9 Landscaping Standards, 2-D for buffer requirements.
**TABLE 1**

**BUILDING SETBACKS AND SEPARATIONS**

<table>
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*See Section 17-19-9, 2.D, for buffering requirements.

**For proposed buildings over 30 feet in height, the building separation from existing residential buildings shall be 45 feet plus one-half foot for each foot of proposed building height over 30 feet.

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**17-19-6. BUILDING HEIGHT STANDARDS**

(1) Intent: To encourage high intensity office and residential and mixed-use development along Colfax, while promoting the pedestrian scale on the street and protecting surrounding uses as shown in Figure 4.

(2) Standards

(a) Except as provided below, the maximum height of any structure within this District shall be determined by the regulations for the particular zone district for that site.

(b) Structures within the District may have unlimited height provided all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The first floor along the Colfax frontage is made sixty percent (60%) transparent by use of windows; and
(2) Canopies, arcades, horizontal bands or other appropriate means of reducing the visual impact of height are provided to establish a pedestrian scale along the Colfax frontage, and at least one of the following is met:

(a) A glass atrium is provided fronting on Colfax and stepped back a minimum distance of thirty (30) feet. (See Figure 5A)

(b) The structure is stepped back horizontally or at a forty-five (45) degree angle above the second story. (See Figure 5B)

(c) A landscaped plaza is provided along the Colfax frontage. This plaza must function visually as an extension of the building and have at least one entrance to the building.

(d) The structure does not cast shadows on public sidewalks, cafes, open air plazas, other special situations requiring sunlight, or all impacted properties for more than 4 hours of the day.

(c) The impact of the bulk or mass of buildings adjacent to low and medium density residential neighborhoods shall be lessened by scaling buildings down at the edges of the development as shown in Figure 6.

17-19-7. PARKING STANDARDS

(1) Intent: To encourage safe, attractive and adequate parking and to encourage shared and combined parking. To encourage parking to be placed to the side and rear of buildings to increase safety and improve the appearance of the corridor. To allow for maximum flexibility in parking requirements in order to encourage development to occur on West Colfax Avenue.
FIGURE 4

PEDESTRIAN SCALE TREATMENTS
FIGURE 5 A

WITH GLASS ATRIUM OR PEDESTRIAN PLAZA

FIGURE 5 B

ALTERNATIVE TREATMENTS FOR BUILDINGS FRONTING COLFAK
FIGURE 6
ORDINANCE 0-90-9

APPROPRIATE SCALING DOWN OF BUILDINGS

LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (EXISTING)  COLFAX COMMERCIAL/OFFICE/HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL CORRIDOR  LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (EXISTING)

APPROPRIATE

APPROPRIATE SCALE BUILDING

LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (EXISTING)  COLFAX COMMERCIAL/OFFICE/HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL CORRIDOR  LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (EXISTING)

LACK OF APPROPRIATE SCALING DOWN OF BUILDINGS

TRANSITIONING BUILDING SCALE ADJACENT TO EXISTING LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL USES

NOT APPROPRIATE
(2) Standards

(a) Numeric requirements of Article 9 of the Zoning Ordinance shall not apply to commercially zoned properties in the Urban Zone. For these properties, parking shall be provided in the amount determined necessary by the developer for the proposed use.

(b) For residentially zoned properties in the Urban Zone and all properties in the Suburban Zone, all standards and processes of Article 9 of the Zoning Ordinance shall apply.

(c) Where parking areas are being added or modified after the effective date of this Ordinance, they shall be set back a minimum of twenty (20) feet from the back of the curb along West Colfax Avenue or as allowed by the approved streetscape treatment.

(d) The design of parking areas shall conform to the standards in Article 9 of the Zoning Ordinance.

17-19-8. OPEN SPACE STANDARDS

(1) Intent: To encourage adequate on-site open space along the Colfax Corridor, while allowing maximum flexibility. Plazas and seating areas are strongly encouraged.

(2) Standards

(a) For multi-family uses the following shall apply:

(1) Forty-five percent (45%) of the total site area shall be open space (landscaped right-of-way which is outside property lines may be included).

(2) The total open space requirement may be reduced to thirty percent (30%) of the site area provided that one hundred percent (100%) of the required parking is structured (see definition of structured parking). If less than one hundred percent (100%) of the parking is structured, the open space requirement will be proportional to the percentage of structured parking provided as determined by the following formula:

Formula:

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(3) Interior recreational facilities, a club house, a pool, tennis courts, ponds, water features, and appropriately designed and landscaped courtyards may be counted toward the usable open space requirement.

(b) There is no minimum percentage open space requirement for non-residential zoned sites within the District. Open space shall be provided in the amount necessary to meet the intent of the District, as described in Sections 17-19-4 and 17-19-9.

(c) Mixed-use residential/commercial/office developments composed of over 75 percent residential shall be required to meet residential open space requirements. Such developments composed of 75 percent or less residential shall not be required to meet any minimum open space requirements.

17-19-9 LANDSCAPING STANDARDS

(1) Intent: To assure that adequate landscaping is provided to soften the negative visual effects of development, to screen parking areas, and to provide a buffer for adjacent uses.

(2) Standards The following landscaping requirements apply:

(a) The Urban Zone or Suburban Zone streetscape landscape requirements of this District along the Colfax frontage.

(b) Perimeter Landscape Areas - Adjacent to an arterial or collector street, a landscaped strip along the entire perimeter area averaging at least twenty feet in width but not less than fifteen feet at any point, as measured from the eventual cross section of the street, shall be provided. Any bikeways and walkways shall be included in the perimeter landscape area and counted as part of the twenty feet. The eventual cross section shall be based upon the Transportation section of the Comprehensive Plan. Landscaping within this area shall include two trees for each one thousand square feet, and four shrubs for each one thousand square feet and ground cover over the entire area.

Adjacent to a local street, a landscaped strip along the entire perimeter area averaging at least fifteen feet in width, but not less than eight feet at any point, as measured from the eventual cross section of the street, shall be provided. Any bikeways and walkways shall be included in the perimeter landscape area and counted as part of the fifteen feet. The eventual cross section shall be based upon the Transportation section of the Comprehensive Plan. Landscaping within this area shall include two trees and four shrubs for each one thousand square feet, and ground cover over the entire area.
(c) Parking Lot Landscaping - Any parking area in excess of one hundred spaces or four parking rows shall require interior landscape islands. Landscape islands shall be a minimum of nine feet in width and eighteen feet in length with a minimum of one tree and four shrubs per island. If the island is larger than two hundred square feet, landscaping shall include one additional tree and four additional shrubs for every additional two hundred square feet or fraction thereof.

(d) A minimum ten foot wide landscape buffer is required along side and rear lot lines of non-residential developments and multi-family developments adjacent to existing residential and office uses or zones. Plantings are required as provided in Article 15 of the Zoning Ordinance. One of the following treatments may be used to reduce this width requirement:

1) A continuous screen of "Approved Screening Plant Materials" which are a minimum of four (4) feet high at installation. These materials shall be planted in an area large enough to accommodate mature growth. (See Table 2).

2) A combination of Approved Screening Plant Materials (see Table 2) and fencing to create a continuous buffer eight feet high at mature growth of the plant materials.

3) An existing continuous hedge, of approved plant materials, in good condition, eight feet high.

4) A combination of berming and approved plant materials, eight feet high at installation.

TABLE 2
APPROVED SCREENING PLANT MATERIALS

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17-19-10. LIGHTING STANDARDS

(1) Intent: To promote the use of attractive pedestrian-scale lighting standards and to provide for other appropriate types of lighting.

(2) Standards These standards apply to all site and parking lot light standards including pedestrian light standards and lighted bollards. (See Figure 7.)

(a) All types of illumination shall be downcast and shall not overflow to adjacent property.

(b) Attached wall fixtures shall be mounted no higher than five (5) feet above the first story. Such fixtures shall not be located on building roofs.

(c) Parking lot light standards shall be a maximum of twenty-five (25) feet high, shall set back a minimum of twenty (20) feet from flow line, and shall be located a minimum of forty (40) feet apart.
FIGURE 7
ORDINANCE 0-90-9

STREET AND SITE LIGHTING
## TABLE 3A
### PLANT MATERIALS LIST

1. **STREET TREES**

   Boulevard street trees, planted thirty-five feet apart along the street, 3” caliper in size or larger as measured at one foot above ground level and limited to the following species:

   a) **For the Urban Zone**
      
      Shademaster Honeylocust  
      Marshall's Seedless Ash

   b) **For the Suburban Zone**
      
      Marshall's Seedless Ash  
      American Linden  
      Norway Maple  
      Green Ash  
      Common Hackberry  
      Sugar Maple

2. **PLANT MATERIALS IN LANDSCAPED AREAS:**

   a) **Shade Trees**
      
      Street trees listed above  
      Littleleaf Linden  
      Autumn Purple Ash  
      English Oak  
      Kentucky Coffee Tree  
      Western Catalpa  
      Northern Red Oak  
      Ohio Buckeye  
      Pin Oak  
      Red Oak

   b) **Ornamental Trees**
      
      Amur Maple  
      Black Locust  
      Bradford Pear  
      Canadian Red Cherry  
      Cutleaf Weeping Birch  
      Downy Hawthorn  
      Eastern Redbud  
      European Mountain Ash  
      European White Birch  
      Flowering Crab  
      Gambel's Oak  
      Golden Raintree  
      Newport Plum  
      Purpleleaf Plum  
      Quaking Aspen  
      Rocky Mountain Birch  
      Sargent Cherry  
      Taterian Maple  
      Washington Hawthorn
c) **Evergreen Trees**

- Austrian Pine
- Bristlecone Pine
- Colorado Blue Spruce
- Douglas' Fir
- Eastern Red Cedar
- Norway Spruce

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d) **Shrubs**

- A.W. Spirea
- Alpine Currant
- Beautybush
- Bridalwreath
- Broadmoor Juniper
- Buffaloberry
- Bush Cinquefoil
- Chinese Lilac
- Chokeberry
- Columnar Buckthorn
- Common Buckthorn
- Common Flowering Quince
- Common Lilac
- Cotoneaster
- Creeping Juniper
- Dwarf Euonymus
- Euonymus
- Golden Currant
- Honeysuckle
- Greenleaf Barberry
- Honeysuckle
- Japanese Barberry
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e) **Ground Covers**

- Ajuga
- Avena
- Clematis
- Creeping Holly Grape
- Creeping Mahonia
- Englemann Ivy
- Indian Strawberry
- Kinnickinnick
- Moss Sandwort
- Phlox
- Polygynm
- Potentilla
- Snow on the Mountain
- Spurge
- Stonecrest
- Stonecrop
- Thyme
- Wild Strawberry
### TABLE 3B. LANDSCAPING SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE STREETScape

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<td><strong>Concrete Walk</strong></td>
<td>Urban: 6 foot width; poured 6 inch depth</td>
<td>Along entire Colfax frontage</td>
<td>See Engineering Design Standards</td>
<td>Urban: Attached to brick pavers</td>
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<td>Suburban: 5 foot width; poured to 6 inch depth</td>
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<td>Suburban: Detached meandering where space permits</td>
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<td><strong>Brick Pavers</strong></td>
<td>2 foot width: 3 5/8&quot; x 7 5/8&quot; x 2 1/4&quot; brick</td>
<td>Along entire Colfax frontage</td>
<td>See Appendix Section C</td>
<td>Attached to curb</td>
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<td><strong>Street Trees</strong></td>
<td>3 inch caliper min., measured one (1) foot above the ground</td>
<td>35 ft. apart along street frontage</td>
<td>Urban: Street trees only, as per Specifications List A</td>
<td>Urban: 35 ft. apart, located eleven feet from curb flow line.</td>
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<td>Shade: 25 inch caliper minimum.</td>
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<td>Suburban: Shade trees only, as per Specifications List A</td>
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<td>Ornamental: 2 inch caliper.</td>
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<td>Evergreen: 6 ft. height minimum.</td>
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<td><strong>Other Trees</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Shrubs</strong></td>
<td>5-gallon container size or larger.</td>
<td>Eight (8) shrubs per 1,000 square feet of total landscape area.</td>
<td>Spec. List A</td>
<td>Plant in groups and located in planter beds.</td>
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<td><strong>Ground Cover</strong></td>
<td>1-gallon container size or flats.</td>
<td>Amount necessary to cover planted areas.</td>
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<td>Used in lieu of turf unless planted area is very large.</td>
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<td><strong>Turf</strong></td>
<td>Sod cut to 1/4-inch thickness minimum.</td>
<td>Amount necessary to cover planted area.</td>
<td>Blended bluegrass sod.</td>
<td>Used only in very large planted areas.</td>
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<td><strong>Rock</strong></td>
<td>Minimum 2 inch diameter.</td>
<td>Minimum 3 inch depth</td>
<td>Washed river rock.</td>
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<td><strong>Planter Walls</strong></td>
<td>20 inches in height: 3 5/8&quot; x 7 5/8&quot; x 2 1/4&quot; brick</td>
<td>As needed to screen parking.</td>
<td>Medium buff color brick.</td>
<td>Between walk and parking or auto display areas.</td>
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<td><strong>Mulch</strong></td>
<td>1 inch in diameter or larger.</td>
<td>Minimum 3 inch depth</td>
<td>Pine, cedar, aspen, or spruce bark.</td>
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<td><strong>Berms</strong></td>
<td>Suburban area only: 3 1/4:1 side slopes and 32 inches in height.</td>
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<td>Landscaped with trees, plantings, living ground cover and turf.</td>
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**SITE CHANGES**

E. REZONING WITHOUT BUILDING OR COMPLEMENTS, ACCESSORY STRUCTURES (parking, walk, storage areas)

D. MISCELLANEOUS SITE IMPROVEMENTS

C. MINOR BLDG. ADDITIONS (under 20% of site)

B. MAJOR BLDG. ADDITIONS (20% plus)

A. DEVELOPMENT OF VACANT LOT

NOTE: MINIMUM FLEXIBILITY = 1
N/A = NOT APPLICABLE
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Linda Shaw, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen Goldman, City Clerk

INTRODUCED, READ AND ADOPTED by the City Council the 26th day of March, 1990.

APPROVED AND SIGNED THIS 27th day of March, 1990

Kathy Stapleton, Mayor pro-tem

I hereby certify and attest that the within and foregoing Ordinance was introduced, read and passed on first reading on the date hereinabove set forth, published in full in the Lakewood Sentinel on the 16th day of March, 1990; introduced, read, finally passed and adopted by the City Council, and signed and approved by the Mayor on the dates hereinabove set forth.

ATTESTED AND CERTIFIED:

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Approved as to form:

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