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Welcome	

On behalf of the Lakewood Advisory Commission (LAC) Executive Committee, I wanted to extend congratulations on your appointment to the LAC. Made up of three committees; the LAC was established in 2007 to serve in an advisory role to City Council, involving citizens more directly to provide public input. Fast Fact List and Assignment Flow Chart are attached.

Due to COVID-19, our meetings are held virtually since March 2020 as follows:

- Second Wednesday of each month at 6:15 pm Neighborhoods Committee
- Third Tuesday of each month at 5:00 pm Civic Awareness Committee
- Third Wednesday of each month at 5:30 pm Sustainability Committee
- Third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm LAC Full Commission

Once we are back in person on the third Wednesday of each month; Individual committee meetings are from 5:30–7:00 pm. These are followed by a full commission (all three committees) meeting that may last approximately 1 hour. You will be notified in advance if there is a full commission meeting scheduled for that month; Rosa will send each Commission member the agenda and packet approximately one week before the meeting.

The LAC also has a portal on the City of Lakewood website (Lakewood.org), which is hidden from everyone except those with the link. The Portal is under virtual construction and will be unveiled to all members by the end of 2021 or early 2022. At the time, the link will be shared with all members. The site will host past meeting documents, project documents, rosters past and present, a meeting calendar, etc.

Although committee assignments are based on availability and need, please let me know which committee below you may prefer to join, and we will do our best to accommodate your wish. Currently, the greatest need is on both the Neighborhoods and Civic Awareness Committees.

<u>Civic Awareness Committee:</u> As advisors to City Council and ambassadors to the community, the Civic Awareness Committee of the Advisory Commission (LAC) will make recommendations that promote civic responsibility and participation through education to create a more connected citizenry.

<u>Neighborhood Committee:</u> As advisors to City Council and ambassadors to the community, the Neighborhoods Committee of the Advisory Commission (LAC) will make recommendations that create relationships and encourage involvement within diverse populations to improve neighborhood pride and quality of life.

<u>Sustainability Committee:</u> As advisors to City Council and ambassadors to the community, the Sustainability Committee of the Advisory Commission (LAC) will make recommendations that support and encourage a balanced vision of conservation and renewal.

As you begin your committee work, the need for input from the City of Lakewood staff might become necessary. City staffing is thin, and we mustn't add to their workload with phone calls and emails from LAC members. All communication between City staff and LAC members must go through the City Clerk, who will coordinate the communications.

Thank you, and on behalf of the entire LAC Commission, we look forward to having you join us to make Lakewood a model community of the future. Please reach out to me if you have any questions.

Thank You,	
Peggy Ralph, Chair	Casey Hensley, Vice Chair
Jamie Cornell, Secretary	
Bruce Roome, City Clerk	Rosa Tate, LAC Coordinator