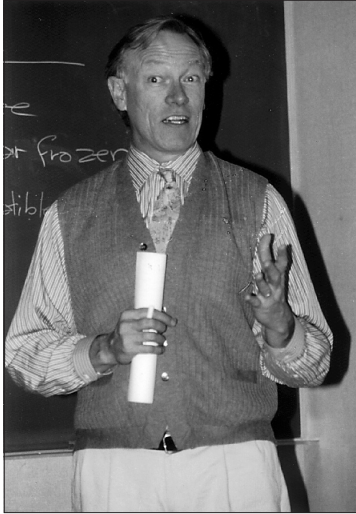


Design Review Training



Noré Winter, Principal of Winter & Company leads many of the training workshops.

Services

- Design review training
- Mock review sessions

In many communities during the 1980s a variety of boards and commissions, as well as city staffs, were conducting design review for historic and conservation districts and other special overlay zones. In some cases, this diversity of review bodies was believed to have led to the appearance of inconsistent review procedures and policies. Concerned that such an appearance would undermine the review processes, the City of Boston asked Noré Winter to stage a series of training workshops for the Boston Landmarks Commission and related neighborhood design review boards, as well as for City staff. Shortly afterwards, Winter was asked by the Cities of Indianapolis, Nashville and New York to conduct similar training workshops. Many others have followed.

Design review training workshops are now a significant area of expertise for Winter & Company. Our staff conducts training workshops for city staffs and policy makers across the country. A number of state offices have engaged Winter & Company to hold periodic statewide training workshops in design review as well.

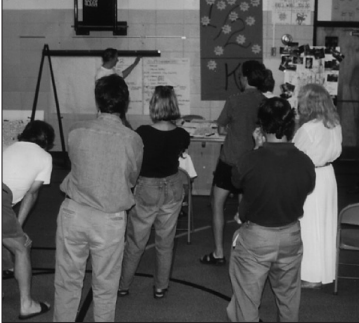
Design review training is included in most of the firm's design guidelines and design standards projects. After creating design guidelines or standards for a community, we train city staff and regulators how to conduct design review, how to run a review meeting, and how to handle appeals. We also assist



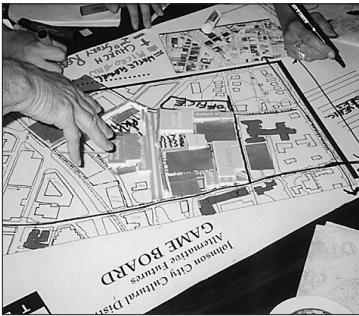
Participants take notes on their group's discussion.

DESIGN REVIEW TRAINING SERVICES

Design Review Training (continued)



Team members ponder their assignment.



"Game playing" helps participants visualize the effects of their recommendations.

cities to structure their design review systems to accommodate shared responsibilities between staff and policy makers, outline submittal requirements, and establish procedures to accomplish the desired results.

Training sessions typically include group discussions about how the various review bodies relate to each other and how basic design principles act as an umbrella for more specific guidelines or standards. Participants engage in exercises to understand basic urban design concepts and principles and to understand how the standards should be applied. Trainings often include mock design review problems.



Workshop participants complete an exercise.