

Housing

The Denham Strong Housing Team is composed of City staff and community volunteers who are working together on housing issues, needs and opportunities as we recover from the August flooding.

The following comments were made at a community meeting on June 15, 2017.

Apartment/Affordable Housing	Planning and Infrastructure	Mixed Use	Large Homes
Villages of affordable tiny homes (vets, elderly, single, young couples)	Increased housing, needs better infrastructure -- road, drainage	Commercial w/ residential	This is Denham Springs! Country homes & open places (yards - trees - space)
Affordable housing for working adults	Improve drainage, strict building codes	Mixed use development please	These houses are a waste of space and natural resources, why not smaller houses/large yards? Your neighbors need binoculars to see you in an - actual- country home.
Not a lot of affordable housing for young adults	Habit for Humanity	Commercial over residential	Larger houses with yard, 4-5-6 bedrooms, pet friendly
More affordable housing (renting) for young professionals	I am concerned about lack of planning when areas are developed	Mixed use development like Perkins Rowe	
No more apartments in city of D.S., Apartment complexes will be run down in 10 years	Please don't get rid of blighted properties in city limits	Mixed use development	
More apartments for young families and single professionals	Not interested in codes or apartments inside the city limits		
Not a fan of multi-family housing	Correct Drainage problems first		
Please do not open our quiet street to access the apartment developments! Small town/safe/neighborhoods please!	Get rid of blighted properties!		
We need more efficient, 55+ senior condo housing	Planning and drainage (x2)		
Enough already - too crowded already	Sidewalks x2		
Perfect family homes, cozy + room to grow	Gutters		
Need more financial literacy classes to be even be able to understand affordable housing	roads need sidewalks, beautify D.S.		

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This is NOT Denham Springs!!!	Do you think all the building in D.S. has something to do with the flooding and drainage, and traffic?		
NOT for the city of Denham Springs, fire hazards! (x2)	Increased housing, needs better infrastructure -- road, drainage		
Seeing comfortable spacing between homes fill in is sad, most people get the house because they liked the space			
Tiny house community for elderly, veterans, young people.			
Small houses with small yards fit everyone's (almost) budget needs and fit in old uninhabited area of town			

General Comments:

- What's happening for blighted flooded houses?
- Recycling for regular and hazardous materials
 - It's enough, stop being politically correct
- Stop wasting time and rebuild Southside Jr. High, Homebuyers need schools.
- In such events as the flood of 8/16, rather than deal w/ FEMA trailers (costing taxpayers \$138+), issue checks to home-owners a check for \$138k and allow them to choose how they will live - tax dollars would be cut & dry (no additional \$ spent on maintenance
 - God
- Protect citizens from companies that has hazardous material like LARD OIL, Make sure they don't contaminate US.

What Kind of Housing Do We Need? - Denham Springs Community Event on 6/15/17					
	Dislike		Like		Total respondents per question:
	Total	%*	Total	%*	
Small homes with small yards	1	9%	10	91%	11
Townhomes	4	40%	6	60%	10
Multi-family (condos or apartments)	6	46%	7	54%	13
Large houses with large yards	1	7%	14	93%	15
* = % of respondents to each respective question.					
Total respondents for all questions:		49			
Most frequent response to each question circled in blue.					