

Greater Inwood Super Neighborhood Council (SNC5)

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The Greater Inwood Super Neighborhood Council (SNC5) after reviewing the presentation by Director Margaret Wallace Brown on the Livable Places housing recommendations and update to Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances approves of the proposed changes. It is our belief that the changes will increase the variety and affordability of home for Houstonians.

Those changes include the allowance of a second dwelling unit that is larger than currently permitted and provisions for parking based upon the unit size. Bringing back multi-unit residential allowing for 3-8 apartments with height restrictions and appropriate parking. Allowing a new courtyard style housing type with lots around a common courtyard and lots do not require a street frontage. Allowing narrow lot development that provide vehicle access from a shared driveway. Modifying the Code to allow market-based parking in proximity where other transportation options exist and make housing affordable.

We believe that while each of the proposed or updated housing styles may not be appropriate to each community or neighborhood, the flexibility of the housing options lends themselves to the City of Houston overall and increases both the availability and variety of housing options to Houstonians.

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