CodeNEXT Listening Sessions Summary Results

Table Discussion Worksheets

At the listening sessions held on September 23-25, each participant was asked to fill out a worksheet addressing three key topics: the Places, the Code, and the Questions. The most frequent responses are summarized below, listed in order from most to least frequent.

Topic One – The Places. Each person was asked to identify what they like and dislike about the places they live, work or go to school, and hang out.

What I really like about the area where I live:

- Parks, natural areas
- Neighborhood character and activities
- Walkable
- Trees
- Shopping
- Variety of people
- Convenient access
- Transit service
- Close to downtown
- Friendly
- Restaurants
- Bicycling
- Family-friendly
- Affordable
- Schools
- safe

What I don't like or wish was different about the area where I live:

- traffic/accessibility/lack of transit and bicycle options
- lack of convenient commercial areas
- not walkable
- not affordable
- too little diversity
- not enough variety of housing

What I really like about the area where I work or go to school:

- Convenient/good access
- Walkable
- Clean, aesthetic
- Variety of activities
- Near shopping, parks, or downtown
- Schools
- Transit service
- Bicycling
- Restaurants

What I don't like or wish was different about the area where I work or go to school:

- Traffic
- Lack of transit
- Not walkable
- Lack of parking
- Lack of bicycle facilities
- Not affordable
- Schools

What I really like about the area where I hang out:

- Variety of activities
- Parks and outdoor activities
- Walkable
- Close to home
- Downtown
- Local businesses/restaurants
- Bicycle facilities

What I don't like or wish was different about the area where I hang out:

- Traffic/accessibility
- Not walkable
- Lack of parking
- Lack of transit
- Lack of bicycle facilities
- Crowded
- Crime
- Lack of diversity

Topic Two – The Code. Each person was asked to list what they consider the most important issues to address during the revision of the Code. The most frequent responses were:

- Steamline, simplify, eliminate conflicts
- Mobility (bikes, parking, traffic, transportation, transit)
- Affordability
- Density
- Neighborhoods
- Diversity of housing
- Walkability
- Open space, parks
- Environment
- Process
- Compatibility

Topic Three – The Questions. Each person was asked what questions they have about the Code, the Process, and how the Code affects them. During the small group discussions, each group selected their top two questions, and responses to those questions are posted <u>here</u>. Most questions fell generally into the following categories:

- Neighborhood plans
- Affordability and housing choices
- Ensuring diversity of interests
- Simplification
- How public input will be used