

LWV-Woodland Housing Survey Results

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We received 24 responses to the LWV Housing Survey. The following is a summary of the results of the LWV Woodland Housing Survey:

- 1. What do you believe is the most significant housing issue facing Woodland?
 - Supply of housing: 58.3%
 - Cost of housing (both rental and sale): 66.7%
 - Homelessness: 66.7%
 - Condition of housing: 8.3%
 - I don't really know: 4.2%
 - People from outside Woodland coming here: 4.2%
- 2. Should Woodland increase the number of rental units?
 - Yes: 60.9%
 - No: 0%
 - Maybe: 30.4%
 - No knowledge to answer the question: 4.3%
 - For very low income households: 4.3%

2a. If yes to Question #2, what type of rental units are need:

- Affordable Housing: 65%
- Families: 20%
- Seniors: 0
- Co-housing: 5%
- All kinds: 5%
- All of the Above: 5%
- 3. Would you support any of the following options as they relate to housing?
 - Infill housing development: 91.7%
 - Sustainable/green design: 70.8%
 - Accessory dwelling units: 70.8%
 - Conversion of commercial property to housing: 70.8%
 - Mixed uses (commercial/residential: 54.2%)
 - Co-housing: 4.2%

- Emergency LGBTQ homeless housing: 4.2%
- 4. Do you think there should be more housing code enforcement in Woodland?
 - Yes: 21.7%No: 21.7%
 - Maybe: 39.1%
 - Yes, unpermitted projects and poorly maintained rental units need more oversight: 4.3%
 - I don't know/uninformed: 8.6%
 - I have spoken with Ken Hiatt about using a graphic code for proposed new development. I think we need a more enlightened code, one that protects older housing and extends the main street core to the east and west of the core.
 - 4.a. If yes to the about question, should housing code enforcement apply to
 - All housing, usually by complaint: 26.7 %
 - Rental units as they are rented: 26.7 %
 - Housing as it is sold: 13.3 %
 - Rental Units, annually: 6.6 %
 - Rental units as they are sold and Rental units as they are rented: 6.6%
 - I don't know: 13.3%
 - All Housing moving forward: 6.6%
- 5. How should Woodland address homelessness recognizing the City's requirement to serve the homeless?
 - More shelter beds: 54.2%
 - Increase supply of affordable units: 58.3%
 - Convert motel units to house the unhoused: 66.6%
 - Increase health services (both physical and mental health services): 95.8%
 - Provide other social services and job services as needed: 79.2%
 - Much of this is already being done: 4.2%
 - I would have to research the issue: 4.2%
 - A combination of solutions is needed: 4.2%
 - Emergency shelter for women, children and families: 4.2%
 - A combination of solutions to accommodate the need: 4.2%
- 6. Housing should:
 - Be located near transportation corridors including transit, pedestrian and bike pathways: 83.3%
 - Be built with easily accessible parks, schools, and open space: 58.3%
 - Include more work-force housing (Cost/Size adjusted to serve working income residents): 70.8%
 - Include more first-time homebuyers' programs: 58.3%

- Integrate rental housing in all residential neighborhoods, e.g., duplexes, garden courts, ADUs., etc.: 54.2%
- Include all types of housing: courtyard units, co-ops, senior complexes: 66.7%
- All new housing should be partially accessible: 33.3%
- Housing should be sustainable: 4.2%
- I have concerns about overbuilding of land: 4.2%
- All new homes should include accessibility/ADA: 8.3%
- What does partially accessible mean? 4.2%
- 7. Fair housing rules must be followed to avoid discriminatory practices in all types of housing and should be enforced by the City:

Agree: 100%Disagree: 0

8. City should explore ways to reduce cost of housing and support new methods to reduce the cost including shortening the time for the processing of development:

• Agree: 82.6%

• Disagree: 4.3%

- One should not skip regulations that impact safety and greenhouse gas emissions: 4.3%
- I agree with the first parts of the sentence don't know if length of time for processing development should be reduced: 4.3%
- I don't think these are the right options to answer this question: 4.3%
- 9. Do you support programs for the rehabilitation and preservation of the existing housing stock?

• Yes: 83.3%

No: 0

Maybe: 8.3%

- Assuming the housing unit is worth preserving case-by-case basis: 4.2%
- Sounds reasonable but I do not know the issue: 4.2%
- 10. What is needed to support affordable housing projects (usually rentals) within this community?

Good design: 65.2%

- Density/Number of units in development: 52.2%
- Management/maintenance of complex once constructed: 78.3%
- Education of the community as to need: 47.8%
- Funding: 47.8%
- On –going maintenance is really important: 4.3%
- Community education is key. LWVW could provide that education: 4.3%
- Don't know: 4.3%
- Multiple housing types (casitas, mixed use, etc.): 4.3%