

What are some positive characteristics or perceptions of multi-family housing?

Positive characteristic or perception	VOTES			
	Study Group		Open House	
	Count	%	Count	%
Opportunity / options – places for people to live	7	22%	3	5%
Attracts professionals, seniors, people who want maintenance free living – can serve non-transitory populations	4	13%	14	21%
Mixed-income – option for some % affordable	4	13%	2	3%
Opportunity for multi-family options beyond apartment-style units [i.e. townhomes]	4	13%	4	6%
Opportunity for owner-occupied multi-family housing	4	13%	21	32%
Lifecycle housing opportunities for all ages	3	9%	6	9%
Activities/community resources/ amenities	2	6%	0	0%
Promotes community / sense of community	2	6%	2	3%
Security	1	3%	2	3%
Workforce housing	1	3%	3	5%
3 bedroom units for the “family”	0	0%	1	2%
Can add aesthetically to the community	0	0%	0	0%
City regulations apply to multi-family (i.e. rental inspections, disorderly behavior)	0	0%	0	0%
Cost effective	0	0%	0	0%
Inclusive – diversity	0	0%	1	2%
Less infrastructure	0	0%	0	0%
Less sprawl	0	0%	1	2%
Lower cost to live/family	0	0%	2	3%
Maintenance is more controllable (professional management or homeowners associations with regulations and maintenance reserves)	0	0%	4	6%
Total	32	100%	66	100%

What are some negative characteristics or perceptions of multi-family housing?

Negative characteristic or perception	VOTES			
	Study Group		Open House	
	Count	%	Count	%
Unique Brooklyn Park history with apartments – community perceptions	7	21%	8	10%
Poverty concentration / concentration of people	7	21%	10	13%
Crime	5	15%	17	21%
Perception that it lowers property values	5	15%	5	6%
Transitory residents - less community ownership creates city problems and school problems (high mobility)	3	9%	13	16%
Perception of low socio-economic status	3	9%	1	1%
Apartments and public infrastructure don't match up	2	6%	1	1%
Some people just do not want apartments near their home	1	3%	2	3%
Density	1	3%	0	0%
Concern about unequal use of city services	0	0%	0	0%
Deterioration of properties	0	0%	3	4%
Landlords/lack of management (standards not applied or poor lease enforcement)	0	0%	10	13%
Public costs/investment	0	0%	0	0%
Concentration and quantity of 1 bedroom units	0	0%	1	1%
Rental	0	0%	3	4%
Parking issues	0	0%	3	4%
Aesthetics	0	0%	0	0%
Traffic	0	0%	3	4%
Total	34	100%	80	100%