

# FutureHeights

## Crowdsourced Conversations #2: Housing & Neighborhood Preservation Forum

### SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

**ICE BREAKER:** Group members share their name/neighborhood/identifiers and a short anecdote about how they chose their neighborhood/dwelling OR what brought them to tonight's event.

**SENSE OF BELONGING:** The majority of our survey respondents reported being homeowners – and more than 50% of survey respondents said they feel “very at home” in their neighborhoods. When we looked at this question with renter responses only, the number dropped to 23% of respondents saying they felt “very at home” in their neighborhoods. What might cause this disparity? What actions can we take to make everyone in our neighborhood feel welcome and “at home” there?

**CIVIC ENGAGEMENT:** Many survey respondents noted challenges with communication or response rate from the city, whether it had to do with vacant properties, issues with absentee landlords, trash pick up, or infrastructure repair. What are some methods or strategies everyday residents can employ to overcome these challenges?

**ACTION:** The top three things survey respondents were interested in taking action on were 1) getting to know their neighbors better; 2) litter/trash pickup; and 3) improving safety. What are some ideas to do all three activities at once?