

Community Input Package Richmond, VA

This package is one example of how information on occupant design preferences can be gathered. The package was prepared by the Richmond Housing Authority and was used to generate feedback on the design and amenity options that prospective residents preferred. Such surveys can provide valuable input to entire design/development process, particularly during the early phases.

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Revitalization
Area
Blackwell
Richmond, VA

**Community
Input
Package**

Thank you for participating in the design of
the New Blackwell.

Please check the appropriate box that
corresponds most closely with your opinion.

Write any comments on the back of the page.

Agree

Disagree

General Neighborhood

- Convenient to family amenities, such as an improved park, new grade school, community center, city bus transportation, churches and shopping, within a five to ten minute walking radius.
- Consider the development an extension of adjacent neighborhoods.
- Create a "neighborhood", in which everyone has the opportunity to enhance their self-esteem.
- Use the principles of "defensible space" and CPTED, crime prevention through environmental design, to create an overall safe environment
- Create "Gateways" from Jefferson Davis Highway into the new development.
- Create "A" Streets - Decatur, Maury and Dinwiddie - with extensive landscaping and facade treatment.
- Create landscaped pedestrian and bicycle pathways as linkages to other neighborhoods of the "New Southside" and to the River.
- Encourage new retail and commercial uses along Hull Street
- Improve sidewalks in area, plant more trees.

New single family detached units

Agree

Disagree

• New 3, 4 & 5 bedroom single family detached units, reflecting the character of Old Blackwell and the adjacent Oak Grove Neighborhood

• New 3, 4 & 5 bedroom single family detached units, along Decatur Street, reflecting the character of the adjacent Colonial Revival and Italianate single family units

• All units to be designed to have individuality.

• All units to be marketable, with an emphasis on landscape and curb appeal; modern light-filled interiors and many amenities (see pages 4, 5 & 6).

• Energy efficient (efficient heating & insulation, minimum air leaks)

• 3'-6" high wood picket fences

• 5'-0" wide front porches

• Rear decks

• Wall finishes: Brick
Vinyl Siding
Stucco
Wood Siding

Multifamily Housing

Agree

Disagree

- Units reflecting traditional units in area and around Richmond.
- Minimizing the difference between single family and multifamily housing by building to the same quality of construction and detail.
- Attention to the design of yards and alleys
- Location of units as a buffer to Commerce, Maury and Hull Streets
- Units to be built on the the existing grid street pattern, similar to the new single family units.
- Energy efficient
- Not more that 2 1/2 stories
- Each unit to have ground floor entry (townhouse)
- Parking at rear of unit
- Cluster parking near a group of units
- Balconies
- Wall finishes:
 - Brick
 - Vinyl Siding
 - Stucco
 - Wood Siding

LIVING AREAS AND BEDROOMS

**Basic
Amenity** **Optional
Extra** **Not
Necessary**

- Main floor level with 9-foot high ceilings
- Painted white colonial trim throughout
- Six-panel, painted white colonial-style doors
- Oak floors in entry areas
- Wall-to-wall carpeting
- Built-in security system with contacts on all operational ground floor doors and windows
- Conduit rough-in for cable television in living room, family room and master bedroom
- Prewired for telephone in kitchen, family room, living room and master bedroom
- Vinyl-clad wire closet shelving
- Ceiling light in living room

KITCHEN

- 18 cu ft frost-free refrigerator with ice maker
- Self cleaning oven and microwave
- Cooktop hood vented to outside
- Washer and dryer hook-ups
- Double-bowl stainless steel sink
- Single lever faucet
- High grade vinyl floor
- Undercounter fluorescent fixture over kitchen sink

BATHROOMS

- Ceramic tile floors
- Separate shower area
- Recessed medicine cabinets

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**New Housing
Amenity/Option Package**



ENERGY EFFICIENCY

**Basic
Amenity** **Optional
Extra** **Not
Necessary**

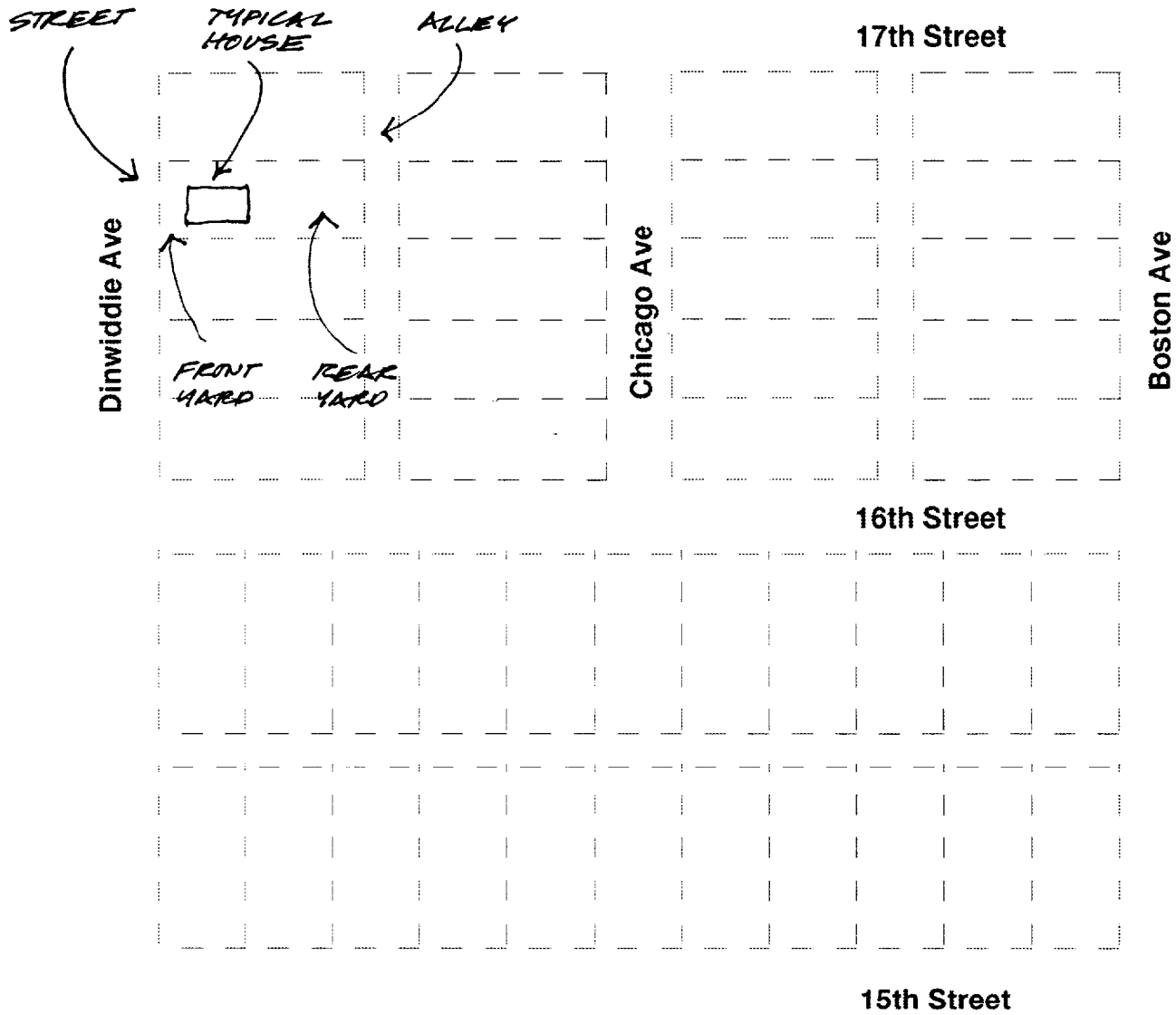
- Extra care in sealing all cracks
- High-efficiency gas-forced air heating
- High-efficiency electric heat pump
- Central air-conditioning
- Fireplace inserts
- Kitchen, bath and dryer venting to the outside
- Thermopane windows
- Insulated front & rear doors
- Storm doors
- 200 Amp electrical service

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EXTERIOR

- Completely landscaped yards
- Underground utilities
- Frost-proof hose bibs (water spigots) front & rear
- Weatherproof electrical outlet front & rear
- Architectural series shingle roof system
- Asphalt driveways
- Maintenance-free gutters and downspouts
- Vinyl siding & trim
- Garages

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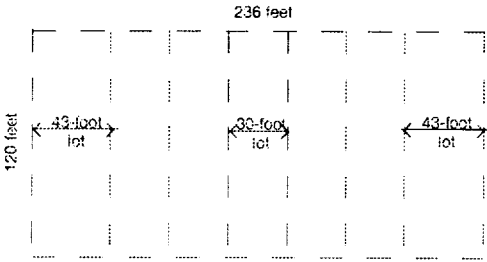


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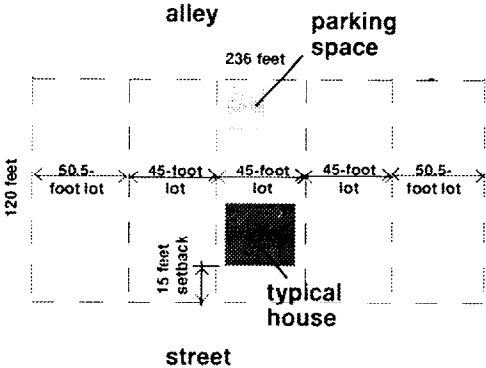
Typical Neighborhood Blocks and Streets

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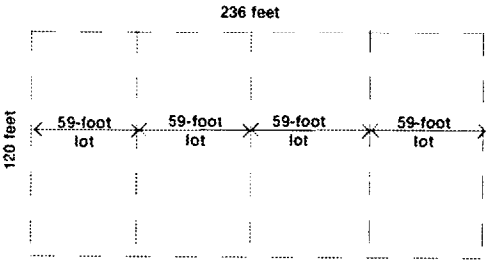
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Layout A - 7 lots, most 30 feet wide

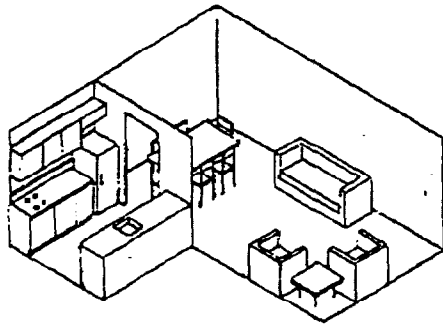


Layout B - 5 lots, most 45 feet wide



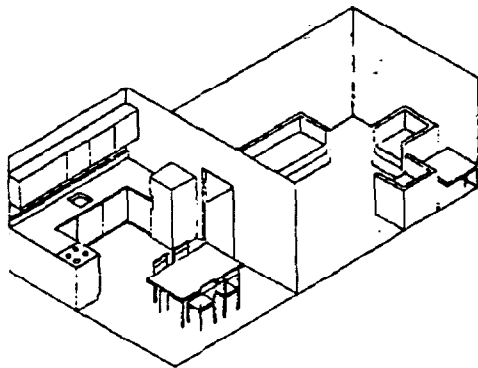
Layout C - 4 lots, all 59 feet wide

LIVING , DINING, KITCHEN CONFIGURATIONS:

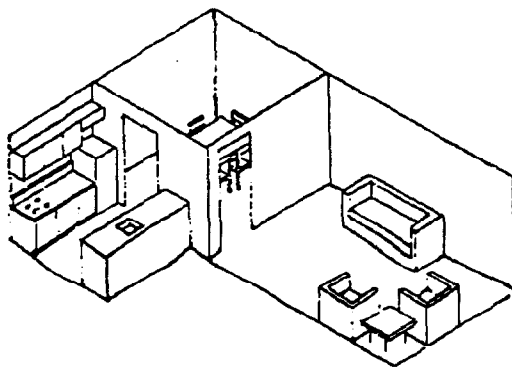


living - dining & kitchen

Basic Optional Not
Amenity Extra Necessary

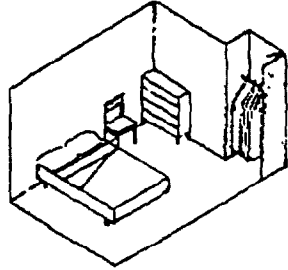


living & dining - kitchen



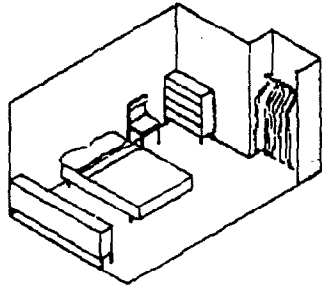
living & dining & kitchen

PARENTS' BEDROOM CONFIGURATION:



parents bedroom

**Basic Optional Not
Amenity Extra Necessary**



large parents bedroom

Like

Dislike



5 bedrm



3 or 4 bedrm



3 or 4 bedrm



3 or 4 bedrm



3 bedrm



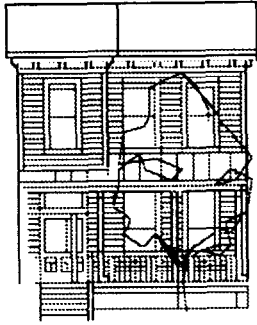
3 bedrm

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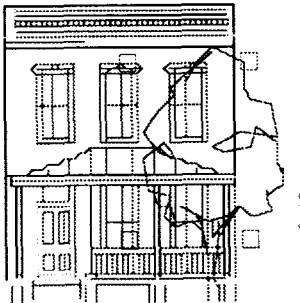
Single Family Detached
"Oak Grove" Models

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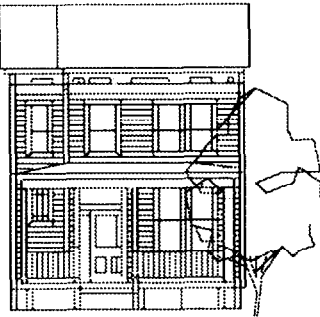
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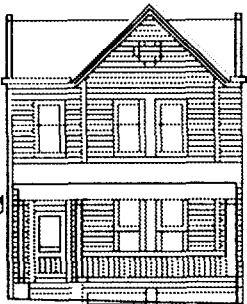
3 or 4 bedrm -



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Single Family Detached
"Decatur" Models

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Like

Dislike



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Multifamily Townhouses
Models

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Dislike



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**Multifamily Townhouses
Models**



"Oak Grove" Porch

Like

Dislike



"Decatur" Porch

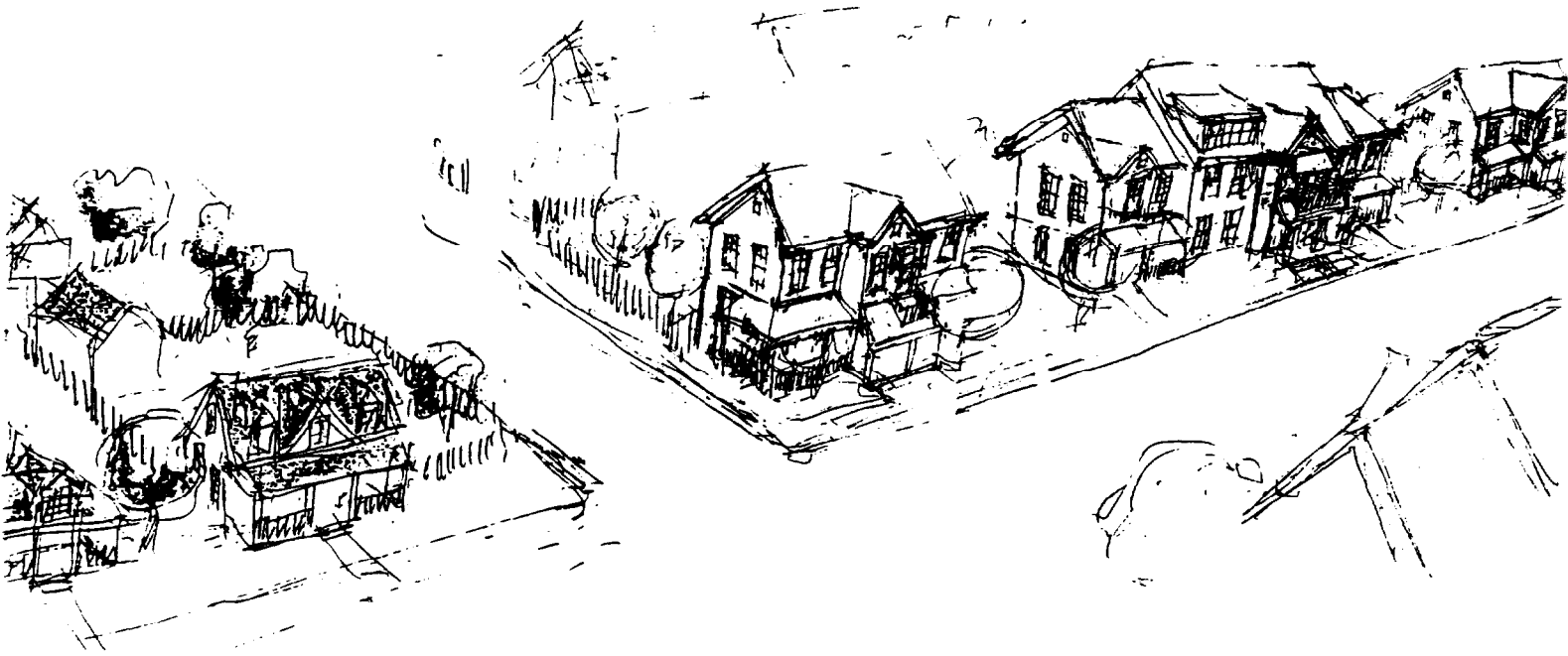
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Porch
Configurations

Like Dislike



SINGLE FAMILY DETACHED

MULTI FAMILY TOWNHOUSES

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View of Single Family & Multifamily Units