

Housing Element Update Community Workshop #3: AFFH

March 16, 2022

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What We Heard

The following is a summary of key themes that emerged from feedback received at the Community Workshop on March 16, 2022. This summary reflects feedback that was most commonly shared, although it's important to note that this was not a representative sample of St. Helena residents, nor can we know to what extent the views of participants represent the views of residents overall. Key themes we heard include the following:

- *The city needs more housing units and people.*
- *There is no evidence that ADUs accommodate affordable units.*
- *The City of Napa has technical assistance and funding for people that agree to deed restrict ADUs and the City of St. Helena should look at this program.*
- *The city should have policies that promote both low and moderate income housing units.*
- *The cost of construction makes it difficult for the private market to accommodate affordable housing and public financing can help produce deed restricted units.*
- *Requiring a CUP for multi-family project in the Medium Density district limits opportunities for more units.*