

SECTOR SIX GOAL SETTING- PRIORITIES
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Land Use/Housing

Original Goal: Maintain and protect housing stock

Question: What are the one or two most significant issues related to housing in the sector?

Key: Each item mentioned at the brainstorming is included. Similar ideas are grouped, separated by “/”. Items getting votes (blue dots) have score in “()”
Score = Number of times an idea was proposed + votes for the idea
Sample goal statements are written for the top scorers and are a first draft of a goal to be included in the final plan.

- Absentee landlords/ Need fewer absent landlords, require landlords to have contact information with NET (2)/Negligent and absent owners (8)/ absentee ownership of rental units send \$ out of the city – **Score = 14**
Sample Goal Statement: All residences in Sector Six neighborhoods are maintained with a sense of pride regardless of ownership.

- Replace 3-15 of municipal code that holds investor owners responsible for tenant behavior (2)/ Advertise services available to tenants/“Code of Conduct” for all property for landlords, Renters, etc. (6)/Maintenance of rental – **Score = 12**
Sample Goal Statement: Residents of Sector Six, both renters and homeowners, are good neighbors that take good care of where they live and are respectful of their neighbors.

- Code enforcement/ Code Enforcement (7)/Create an alternative way of enforcing codes/ Code enforcement re: exterior appearance - **Score = 11**

- Vacant/ Fix up vacant properties/ Convert vacant lots into parks, gardens, water for gardens and people/ Better use of public land, vacant land, city and or county properties/ Gardens for vacant properties – **Score = 5**

- City to come to neighborhood first before they decide future of land/ More interaction with developers/ Better utilization of not for profit land, review of use/ Hospital in residential community; more involvement with neighborhood organizations (1) - **Score = 5**

- Lack of landlord incentives/Encourage landlords to join neighborhood association/ Realize that investor housing is an econ engine that needs to be partnered with/ Promote good landlords - **Score = 4**

- Need more positive incentives for folks with resources (1)/ Home Improvement Tax Exempt/Housing Grant Availability - **Score = 4**

- Street reconstruction need improvement (1)/ Inadequate storm sewers/ No room for leaves from some tree lawns - **Score = 4**

- Maintain diverse housing stock; mix it up/ Mixed income housing/ Increase amount of affordable housing – **Score = 3**
- Neighborhood group can help owners/ Work on having people be good neighbors/ Help your neighbor – **Score = 3**
- Rental conversions/ Flipping former resident to institutional/ Turning singles or doubles into rentals for college students – **Score = 3**
- Homeowner pride/ Maintenance of non-rental/ Reward and promote better landscaping - **Score = 3**
- Maintain historic character/ Historical pride – **Score = 2**
- Get rid of lead paint/ Lead paint - **Score = 2**
- Foster more home ownership vs renters/ Volume of rental units - **Score = 2**
- Beautification teams; paid position for youth; clean sweep year round (1) - **Score = 2**
- Design standards with incentives - **Score = 1**
- Deal with litter/Graffiti is back!/ Broken windows, trash, lawn maintenance/ Littering - **Score = 1**
- Business and contractors list and ratings - **Score = 1**
- Mixed use - **Score = 1**
- Not enough housing for homeless - **Score = 1**
- Urban pioneering re-established - **Score = 1**
- Need a community swimming pool (*aligns with youth goal*) - **Score = 1**
- City needs to partner more with other organizations and state that have resources/data - **Score = 1**
- Foreclosures and inability to reclaim houses in a timely fashion - **Score = 1**
- Zoning inconsistencies/inconsistent application - **Score = 1**
- Recycling - **Score = 1**
- Unnecessary building - **Score = 1**
- Gardening/tomatoes - **Score = 1**