## What is Residential Density

- Residential density refers to the number of dwelling units per acres of land (DU/Acres)
- Density is used in planning for new residential development to measure the amount of new housing to go on a specific site.



## Calculating Density

- There are two ways to calculate density

1. Gross Density is the number of units divided by the acreage of the entire area
2. Net Density is the number of units divided by the acreage of residential area

Gross density can result in the same traffic congestion that can be a major concern of density


- Badly designed high density can lead to various issues
- Cramped
- Traffic congestion
- Increased parking demand
- Lack of privacy
- Reduced open space
- Inability to fit in with the surrounding community
- Low Density can lead to
- Urban Sprawl
- Feelings of isolation
- Car dependency
- Difficulties in offering a wider range of housing options
- Affordability issues


## Ways density is observed

- Visually
- Height
- Setbacks
- Impervious cover
- Open space
- Traffic congestion

High Density - Texas Heritage


Low Density - Hidden Springs



## Density Map



| Development | City Limits/ETJ | Single Family Lot or LUDs | Wastewater | Acreage | Density per Acreage | 34/35 | 40 | 45 | 50 | 60 | 65/70 |
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| Anarene | ETJ | 1677 | WW-CODS | 1677.61 | 1 |  |  |  | X |  |  |
| Arrowhead | City Limits | 403 | WW-CODS | 374.2 | 1.08 |  |  |  | X | X | X |
| Big Sky Ranch | City Limits | 805 | WW-CODS | 200 | 4.03 | X |  | X |  | X |  |
| Caliterra | ETJ | 567.7 | WW-CODS | 592 | 0.96 |  |  |  | X |  |  |
| Cannon Tract | City Limits | 400 | WW-CODS | 97.049 | 4.12 |  | X | X |  |  |  |
| Carter Tract | ETJ | 235 | WW-CODS | 196.8 | 1.19 |  |  |  | X |  |  |
| Cynosure | ETJ | 985 | WW-CODS (Proposed) | 283 | 3.48 |  | X |  | X | X |  |
| Founders Ridge | City Limits | 204 | WW-CODS | 102.479 | 1.99 |  |  |  |  |  | X |
| Headwaters | ETJ | 1000 | WW-MUD | 1336.7 | 0.75 |  |  |  | X | X | X |
| Heritage | City Limits | 595 | WW-CODS | 188.13 | 3.16 | X | X | X | X | X |  |
| Legacy Trails | City Limits | 54 | Septic | 55.7026 | 0.97 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Texas Heritage | City Limits | 139 | WW-CODS | 29.784 | 4.67 | X |  | X |  |  |  |


| Zoning Districts |  | Lot Size |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Units per acre* | parkland per acre** |  |
| SF-1 | 1 acre | 1 | 0.04 |
| SF-2 | 0.5 acre | 2 | 0.08 |
| SF-3 | $3,500 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft}$ | 12.5 | 0.5 |
| SF-4 | $10,000 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft}$ | 4.35 | 0.174 |
| SF-5 | $2,500 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft}$ | 16.67 | 0.6668 |
| MF | $1,815 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft}$ | 24 | 0.96 |

1 acre= 43,560 sq ft
*Maximum density a subdivision can build to
** Based on SF= 1 LUE

ETJ Minimum Lot and Unit Sizes

| Wastewater System | Aquifer Zone | Surface or <br> Rainwater | Public Water Supply | Private <br> Well |
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| Public Sewer | Recharge | 1.5 | 1.5 | 2 |
|  | Contributing | 0.75 | 0.75 | 1.5 |
|  | WQBZ | $2.0 / \mathrm{Av} 3.0$ | $2.0 / \mathrm{Av} \mathrm{3.0}$ | $2.0 / \mathrm{Av} 3.0$ |
|  | Recharge | 2 | 2 | 2 |
|  | Contributing | 1.5 | 1.5 | 2 |
|  | CWQZ | 2 | 2 | 2 |
|  | WQBZ | $2.0 / \mathrm{Av} 3.0$ | $2.0 / \mathrm{Av} \mathrm{3.0}$ | $2.0 / \mathrm{Av} 3.0$ |

