

## Springdale Planning Commission Work Session Update- October 25, 2018

### VOICE YOUR OPINION TODAY!!

Members and associates of the NWA Home Builder's Association, as well as concerned Springdale residents attended the Springdale Planning Commission work session on October 25<sup>th</sup>. Over 60 builders, suppliers, and concerned members voiced their opinions of the plan, which would drastically increase the cost of building a new home in Springdale and discourage builders from building in Springdale, and potential homeowners from moving into the city. The National Vinyl Siding Institute gave a presentation, and attorneys from the National Association of Home Builders were in attendance at this very important meeting.

Springdale's proposed plan affects our entire community. If the measure passes, it will mean higher building costs for our local builders, which may discourage them from building in Springdale. It also affects our local suppliers- if a builder has to spend more money to build the outside of the house to stay within the guidelines of the law, then it leaves less money for the interior features, such as flooring, countertops, and lighting features. Most importantly, this would mean that less potential homeowners could realize their dream home ownership in Springdale. A large part of our middle, and lower-middle class, who could afford a home at this moment without these measures in place, would be "priced out" if they have to build their home to abide by this proposed design plan or at the very least, compromise the interior of their home so that the outside meets Springdale's proposed standards.

Citizens of Springdale, builders, suppliers, trades people, and potential home buyers in Northwest Arkansas are encouraged to email the planning commission to voice your concerns. Please email Patsy Christie at [pchristie@springdalear.gov](mailto:pchristie@springdalear.gov) to give your opinion about the proposed plan.