Human Scale
Equity
Agency
Human Scale (= walkable)

Equity (= socially diverse)

Agency (= neighborhood-based)
“Tailgating – The last great American neighborhood”
www.tailgating.com
“Neighborhood is a word that has come to sound like a Valentine.”

-- Jane Jacobs, 1961, *The Death and Life of Great American Cities*
Chicago Wards 1 and 2
A neighborhood needs 3 things
Identity
Connection
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Why?
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Bronze Age neighborhoods excavated in Aşıkh Hoyuk, Turkey
Neighborhood units in 8th century Chang’an, central China; Source: Heng Chye Kiang
Fig 2  Average Rents per Block Face in Alkmaar, 1632
The City Club of Chicago, neighborhood design contest, 1912
Walter Burley Griffin, Plan of Canberra, 1912
Clarence Perry, 1929
Le Corbusier, Plan for Chandigarh, India, 1950
Urban Land Institute, 1947
Mikrorayon, Tbilisi, Georgia, 1960s

Caoyang, Shanghai, 1951
Design debates
Neighborhood Boundaries, 1960
Can neighborhoods be planned?
Cognitive neighborhoods

Sweetser, 1941

Figure 3
PERSONAL NEIGHBORHOODS
OF IV B (Widow: Age 53)
Neighborhood self-governance: good or bad?
"Immigrant Neighborhood Gathering" 1920, Chicago
“The neighborhood as an organizing mechanism is dead!”

Edward T. Chambers, 1988
Exec. Director, IAF
Social confusion
The neighborhood is the basic unit of any town, city, or region. It must be small enough to allow for a good social life. It must be large enough to support a good elementary school, (i.e., 1000 to 1500 families). It must have its park, its social center, its stores, its opportunities for work. It must provide for people with different interests, jobs, and incomes. In such neighborhoods people will want to work together to solve their mutual problems. They will have the chance to become a real community of responsible citizens.
Eliel Saarinen, 1943
Donald Appleyard, 1980
Social segregation
Fig 2  Average Rents per Block Face in Alkmaar, 1632
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