A “slot home” is a multi-unit residential structure consisting of attached dwelling units arranged side-by-side and primarily perpendicular to the street. Most dwelling units have an individual, direct entrance to the exterior facing a side lot line or center pedestrian court. Individual vehicular garages are generally located beneath each unit. Slot homes are also sometimes called “sideways-facing town homes” or “fraux homes.” As illustrated below and on the reverse side, slot homes have been built throughout Denver’s neighborhoods using a variety of configurations.

A. SINGLE ROW OF SLOT HOMES

mid-block or corner-lot drive aisle between units
attached garages below each unit

B. SLOT HOMES WITH A CENTER DRIVEWAY

mid-block or corner-lot drive aisle between units
attached garages below each unit
Slot homes occur in a variety of zone districts, from lower-scale Row House (RH) districts to multi-unit residential districts, mixed-use commercial districts. Depending on the zone district, slot homes are built using a range of Denver Zoning Code building forms, including the Duplex, Town House, Row House, Garden Court, Apartment, General and Shopfront forms.

C. SLOT HOMES WITH A CENTER PEDESTRIAN COURT OR MEWS

D. SLOT HOMES WITH DETACHED PARKING IN THE REAR

SLOT HOME EVALUATION PROJECT TIME LINE

Denver’s Department of Community Planning and Development (CPD) is conducting research, analysis and public outreach to identify the slot home problem more clearly, explore alternatives and identify tools to promote improved design outcomes. The process will lead to proposed text amendments to the Denver Zoning Code to address slot homes in early 2018 as illustrated on the project time line below.