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POSSIBLE VERSIONS OF ~~EXISTING~~ HOUSE-CLUSTER-WHOLE

1. A main street, with well defined clusters opening off it, each cluster with a common area, say 50x100, with private lots around, each say 40x70, with the house itself towards the outside of the private land, to make positive space at garden level, and with arcades or trellises, around common land, connecting houses, to make positive space for the cluster as a whole. Assume clusters are connected laterally, to make connections between clusters, not merely via main street.
~~On a main street~~ This means there is a secondary form of circulation, parallel to mainstreet, but very informal, squeezed between houses, etc.
2. A main street, which is formed, by a chain of houses, like Martinez house. These houses ~~xxx~~ have a back side, opening on the open country. The houses exist in short chains which form clusters. The land inside these clusters, surrounded by the houses, is ambiguous, sort of private, sort of public, in sense that cluster members share it. Main street space is very strong, cluster not so strong in this case.
3. A version similar to type 1, in which clusters are clearly defined, ~~x~~ open off a main street, and have lateral ~~aa~~ connection parallel to main ~~x~~ street: but in this case there is no private land (except perhaps a tiny area, nestled in corner of each house). Essentially, in this version, all land is common, and houses are placed in such a way as to form the common land most effectively. The good thing about this version

is that common land is evry strong; private land ~~is~~ only exists where needed. Provisions have to be made, to assure each person of expansion space into ~~sublim~~ open land, for extra bedrooms, rasiing chickens, flower garden, whatever...

4. A version in which ~~there~~ there is a main street, and a secondary street on each side, parallel to main street, with houses on either side of this ~~main street~~ ~~a~~ secondary street. In ~~a~~ this version, there are, again, private lots, with houses courtlike around these lots, to form "good" private garden space. Cluster exists as a loose informal grouping of these houses, probably in fours or sixes, two or three on either side of the secondary road. There is a ~~problem~~ problem, in this version, that front of house is not on main street, so main street made up of lots of backs. (Actually this problem exists also in version 1 and 3, though not so acutely).
5. Similar to 4, but without private lots. In this case, we have an imaginary ~~road~~ secondary road, parallel to main street, we place houses in clusters, around this ~~road~~ "road", This becomes quite similar to versions 1 and 3, except that secondary ~~movement~~ movement parallel to main street is more pronounced, and again, as in 4, ~~the~~ main street suffers, perhaps, from houses not knowing which way to face.