

# **HARMONY COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS**

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## **COMMUNITY PRIORITIES ON SIZE LIMITATIONS**

To what extent are size limitations important in preserving Juno Beach's character?

- 95% Size limitations are important in **Multifamily Zoned Areas** (185 responses)
- 94% Size limitations are important in **Commercial Zoned Areas** (183 responses)
- 93% Size limitations are important in **Residential Zoned Areas** (180 responses)
- 1% No limitations necessary; developers should decide (3 responses)

## "HARMONY" CODE: SHOULD IT BE MAINTAINED?

Regulates size relative to surrounding buildings within 300 feet.

- 79% Do **not** repeal the harmony code; support incremental, regulated growth (154 responses)
- 77% Keep the harmony code and await consultant recommendations (149 responses)
- 76% Keep the harmony code and provide staff guidance for consistent application (148 responses)
- 4% Repeal the code; developers should have full discretion (8 responses)

### TOOLS FOR SIZE EVALUATION

What should the Planning and Zoning Staff/Board use during its review of new structures?

- 89% Maintain existing harmony provisions for evaluating bulk, mass, scale, and proportion (171 responses)
- 75% Use **3-D GIS Scene View** technology for visual comparison (144 responses)
- 69% Use Floor Area Ratio (FAR) to regulate building volume based on lot size (134 responses)
- 3% None of the above; developers should decide scale (7 responses)

### RESIDENTIAL CHARACTER & PROPERTY VALUES

What approach best protects property values and character in single-family areas?

- 96% Use land development codes to guide appropriate context-sensitive development (183 responses)
- 3% Eliminate codes; give developers full discretion (7 responses)

## PROTECTION OF EXISTING RESIDENT PROPERTY RIGHTS

Support for protective code provisions during site plan reviews:

- 94% Require setbacks and soil stabilization for excavation near property lines (182 responses)
- 90% Require architectural standards for quality and aesthetic appeal (175 responses)
- 90% Limit fill to prevent drastic elevation differences (175 responses)
- 87% Use visual screening (berms, fences, vegetation) to reduce neighbor impacts (169 responses)
- 1% Developers should have full discretion (3 responses)

## **SUMMARY**

- Residents overwhelmingly support maintaining and strengthening regulations on building size across all zoning categories.
- The "harmony" provision is strongly supported, along with enhancements for clarity and consistency.
- There is clear interest in modern tools (like 3-D modeling and FAR) for evaluating proposals.
- Property owners favor context-sensitive development to protect values, maintain aesthetics, and uphold Juno Beach's character.
- Strong support exists for protecting existing residents' rights through clear, enforceable building standards.