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1440 North Ocean Way
Palm Beach, Florida

RE: Zoning in the North End

Town Council Meeting on June 9, 2021

Dear Members of the Town Council,

We request that you include funding in next year's budget to review and revise the residential zoning code in order to preserve the unique character of our North End neighborhood.

We are 30 year residents of the North End. We were attracted by the casual and friendly atmosphere that exists at the far North End. We love the narrow streets that promote bicycling, walking, and friendly interactions with neighbors. Dog walkers, cyclists and walkers keep the streets busy from morning until night.

Recently, the residential construction has changed the streetscape. New homes are much larger than the older ones. They are out of character. Green space is disappearing as the homes grow to be outsized. While I understand that the character of Palm Beach as a whole is changing, and do not propose to carve out a neighborhood that never evolves, I would like to see some checks and balances to allow for change and growth while still preserving the essential character of the far North End.

It has been fifty years since the Town Zoning Code has undergone a substantial revision. A lot has changed in five decades, which are not reflected in our zoning code. We ask that you undertake that now.

Yours truly,

Ron and Miriam Silverman