

## **Info for Affordable Housing Committee re: 2019 Cornwall Survey**

**Respondents:** 218 full-time residents, 103 part-time residents

### **Summary of Responses to Housing Related Questions**

#### **Top Town Priorities in the Next Ten Years**

- 58% attracting and retaining young adults and young families
- 34% create more housing options

#### **Rate 18 Town Amenities and Services**

- Affordable housing ranked second to last behind Recreation and Activities for Teens

#### **What Types of Housing Does Cornwall Need More of?**

- 59% rental options that are affordable for a family of four
- 55% housing options that allow older adults to downsize
- 52% more opportunities for small, less expensive homes on smaller lots
- 44% rental options for a single person earning less than 80% of AMI (area median 42
- 42% housing options that allow older adults to remain in their including rehabilitations and accessibility modifications

#### **Rate 7 Statements Regarding Housing with 4 categories of agreement: agree, neutral, disagree, don't know/not sure "**

- 66% agreed with "develop flexible zoning regulations to allow for a greater variety of housing opportunities including co-housing, cottage style housing and smaller homes". 16% disagreed.
- 51% agreed with "decrease the no. of acres needed to build a home where septic and well can be safely accommodated (currently in most of Cornwall you need 3-5 acres for a buildable lot). 31% disagreed
- 46% agreed with "create regulations to allow two-family or three-family homes" 27% disagreed
- 42% agreed with "provide website resources to assist residents in finding low-cost mortgage and down-payment assistance". 18% disagreed
- 37% agreed with "promote the development of rental housing options (up to 15 apartments per property)". 36% disagreed
- 30% agreed with "establish a town fund for downpayment assistance". 32% disagreed
- 25% agreed with "create seasonal housing opportunities for seasonal workers". 22% disagreed.