

# Jericho Town Plan – Community Survey 2015

## Summary of Results

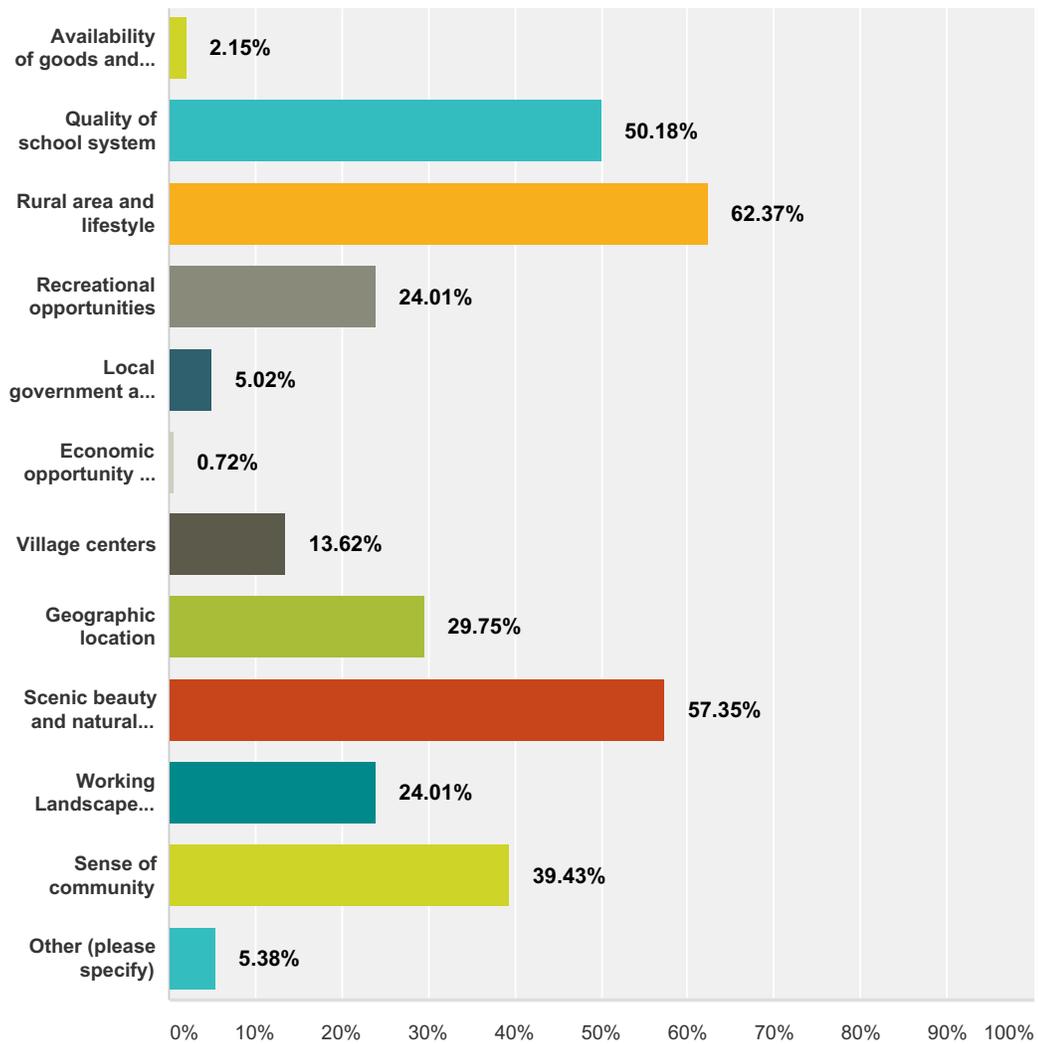
(Includes Open-ended Responses)

Total Responses: **280**

Survey Open March 3 through April 15, 2015

## Q1 What do you like most about Jericho? Select up to three.

Answered: 279 Skipped: 1

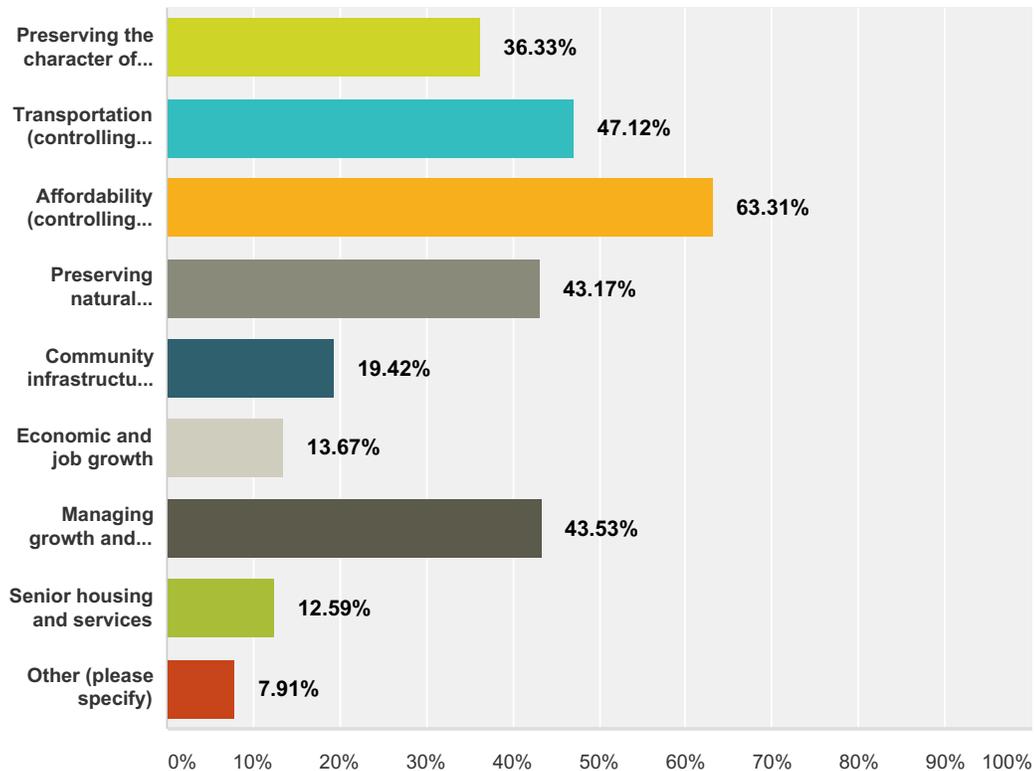


#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	More Senior Housing that's not too much money.	4/20/2015 10:25 AM
2	my siblings are here	4/15/2015 10:18 PM
3	Community Spirit	4/8/2015 9:39 PM
4	low crime rate	4/1/2015 7:07 PM
5	we need businesses	3/27/2015 2:35 PM
6	The friendly people who live here.	3/26/2015 3:28 PM
7	Why we moved here: schools, rural area/lifestyle, local govt. Why we stay: beauty/natural resources, working landscape, sense of community. Why we stay is our top 3 like most.	3/21/2015 11:57 AM
8	Close to real Vermont	3/21/2015 11:35 AM

9	Jericho Center	3/20/2015 1:09 PM
10	the potential for not being like Greenwich, Conn.	3/20/2015 1:00 PM
11	great neighbors -- caring community	3/19/2015 1:44 PM
12	The house/property was the motivator to live here. Actually other towns were higher on the list for many of the other choices listed.	3/19/2015 1:16 PM
13	FEW SIDEWALKS!	3/19/2015 11:21 AM
14	Hard to pick just 3	3/19/2015 9:38 AM
15	We haven't been malled or development-stripped with "Miracle Mile"!	3/19/2015 8:52 AM

## Q2 What do you feel are the top three challenges facing Jericho over the next 5-10 years? Select up to three.

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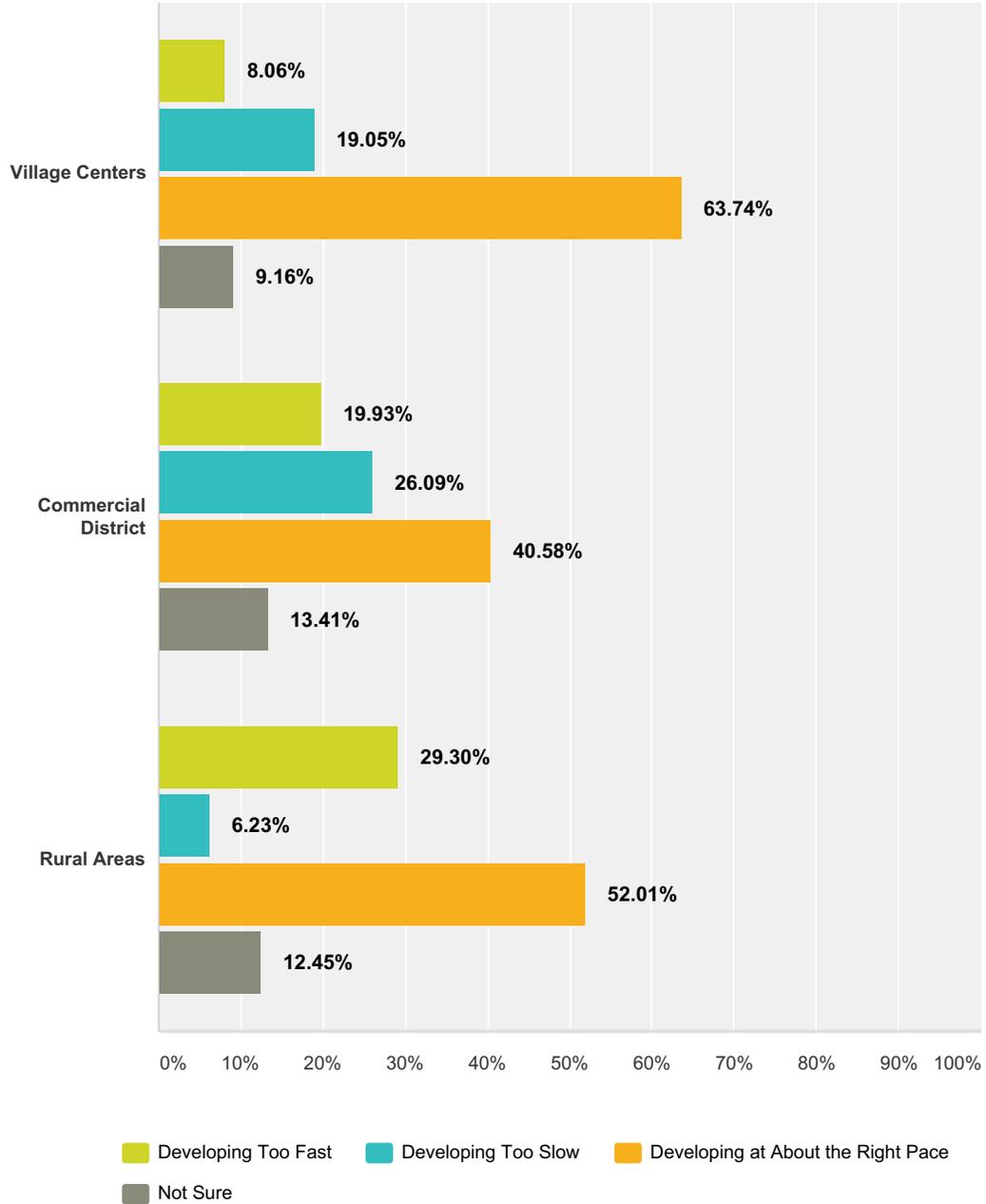


#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Possibly the relationship with the Range	4/8/2015 8:29 PM
2	Expansion, we need new development	4/4/2015 10:23 PM
3	we need more affordable housing	4/3/2015 10:01 AM
4	Too much driving needed to live here. No shops, services in town	3/31/2015 9:55 PM
5	we need to have comercial property	3/27/2015 2:35 PM
6	people move here , change things, and move back were they came from, leaving us with something we never wanted, example Margaret Hummel.	3/27/2015 8:47 AM
7	Preserving open land and avoiding unsustainable development	3/26/2015 10:03 PM
8	And again.. Doing something to reduce the out of control property taxes	3/26/2015 9:42 PM
9	Urban sprawl	3/26/2015 3:53 PM
10	Fire protection in Jericho Center (lack of hydrants).	3/26/2015 3:28 PM
11	Preserving the excellence of the schools in light of efforts to cut funding	3/22/2015 9:06 PM
12	avoiding sprawl - e.g on RT 15	3/21/2015 5:36 PM
13	Natural gas in Jericho Ctr, water!	3/20/2015 5:11 PM

14	The threat of total government control	3/20/2015 1:00 PM
15	Mixed use development	3/20/2015 9:36 AM
16	availability of goods and services	3/19/2015 7:28 PM
17	Grow village centers without destroying charm - it can be done.	3/19/2015 1:44 PM
18	It would be nice to think that Jericho was a progressive town and address issues before it's too late. How about a pet waste law to protect the environment, commercial building reg's to maintain the character desired (the argument shouldn't be what the store's name is but rather the exterior appearance), energy conservation by regulating waste carters to a specific area/district (I believe my neighborhood has at least 4 carters that come in 2 times a week and this certainly causes more road maintenance). I also believe Vermont as a whole should require trash pick up to avoid illegal dumping and as a progressive town it is something to consider. These few ideas help preserve water, town aesthetics, roads etc.	3/19/2015 1:16 PM
19	Maintaining local support for our schools and libraries as our population ages and becomes less engaged/interested in paying for services for families (schools, libraries, preschool) when they don't have children themselves.	3/19/2015 12:28 PM
20	Lots of houses for sale-Yet many being built !	3/19/2015 9:20 AM
21	New side walks/bike paths on roads newly paved and dangerous to walk or ride on	3/8/2015 11:04 AM
22	Pedestrian Bridge by the Old Red Mill	3/6/2015 10:00 PM

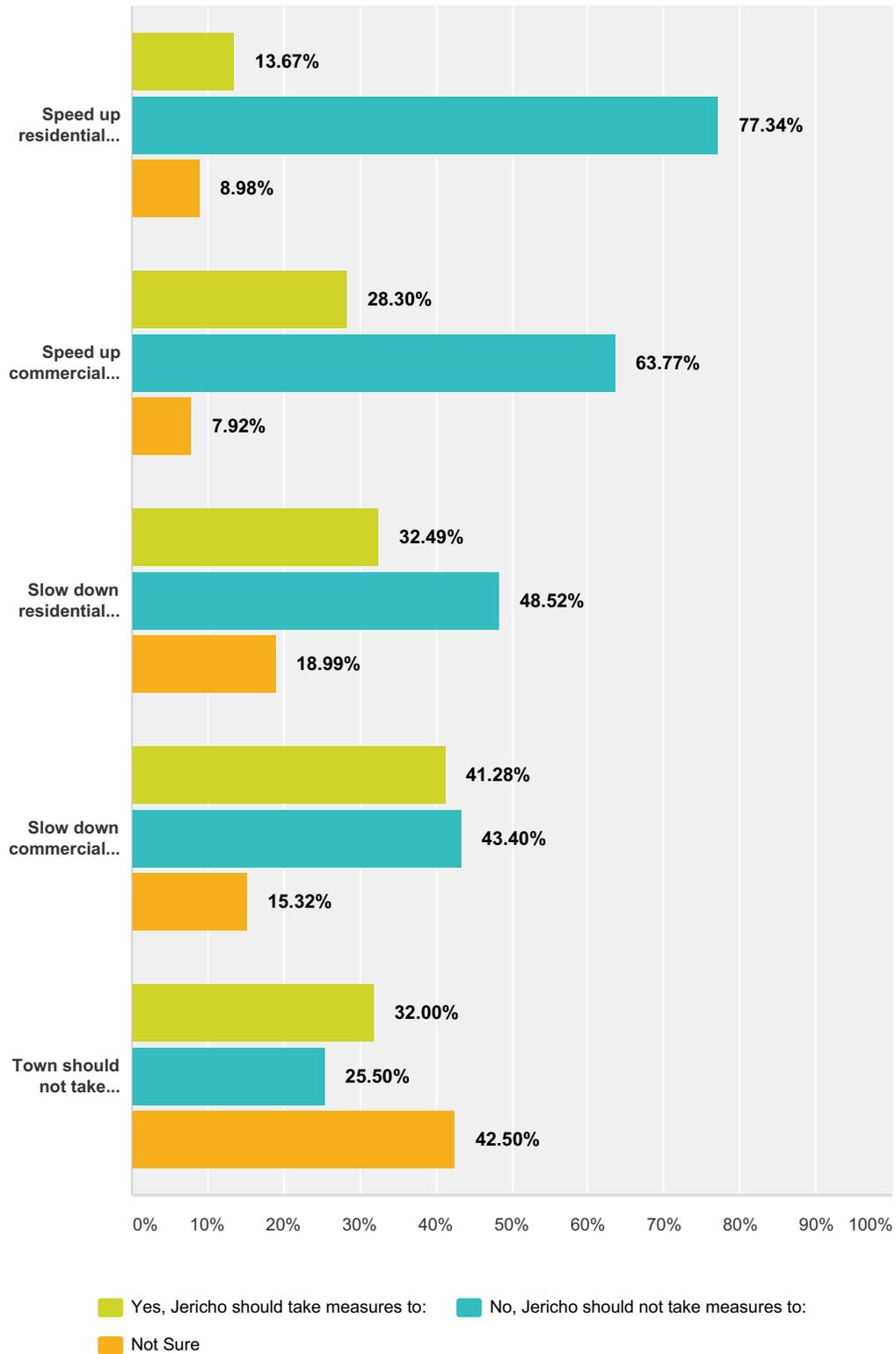
### Q3 In your opinion, are the following areas of Jericho developing too fast, too slow, or about the right pace? (refer to map)

Answered: 277 Skipped: 3



## Q4 Should Jericho be taking measures to:

Answered: 272 Skipped: 8



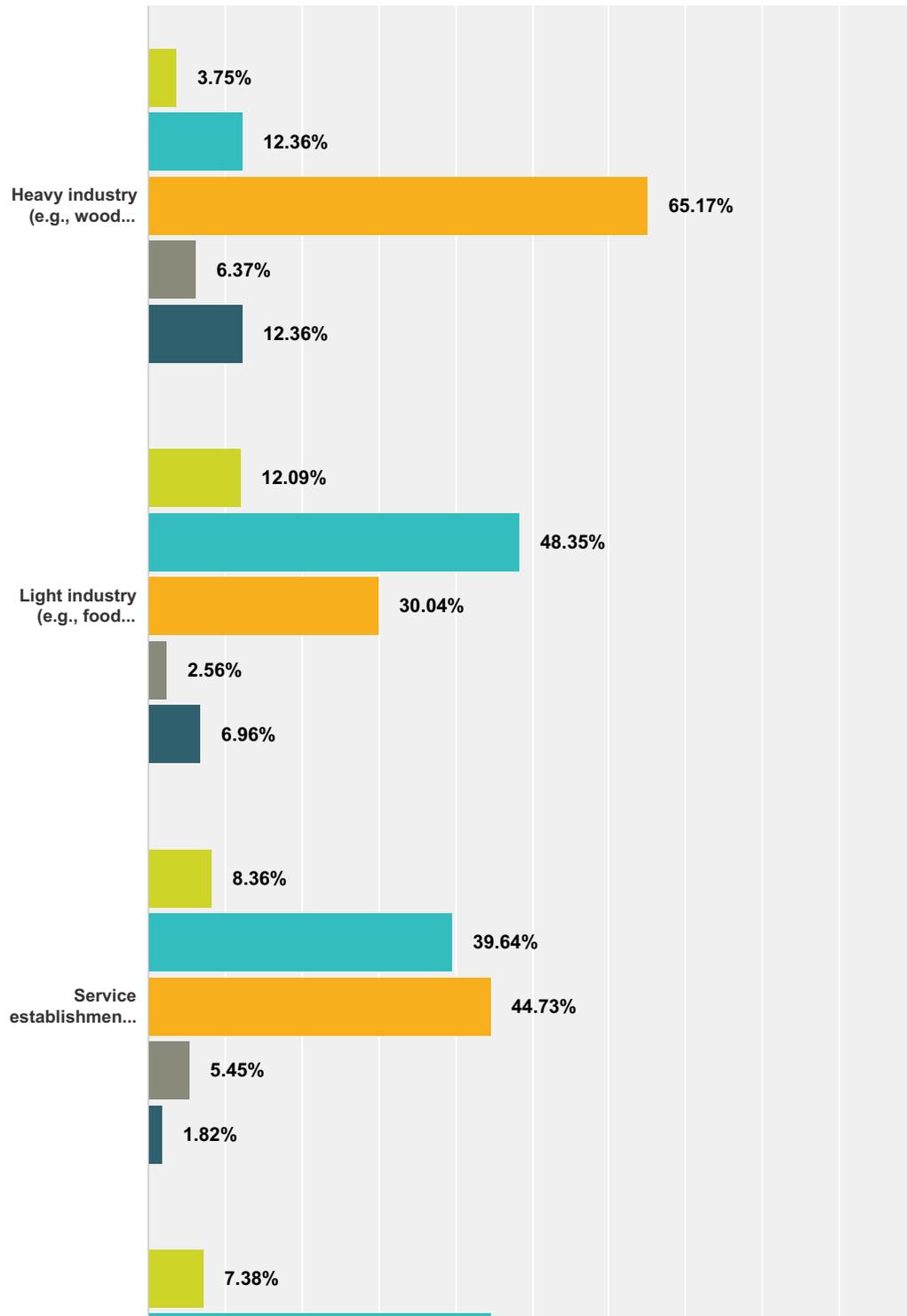
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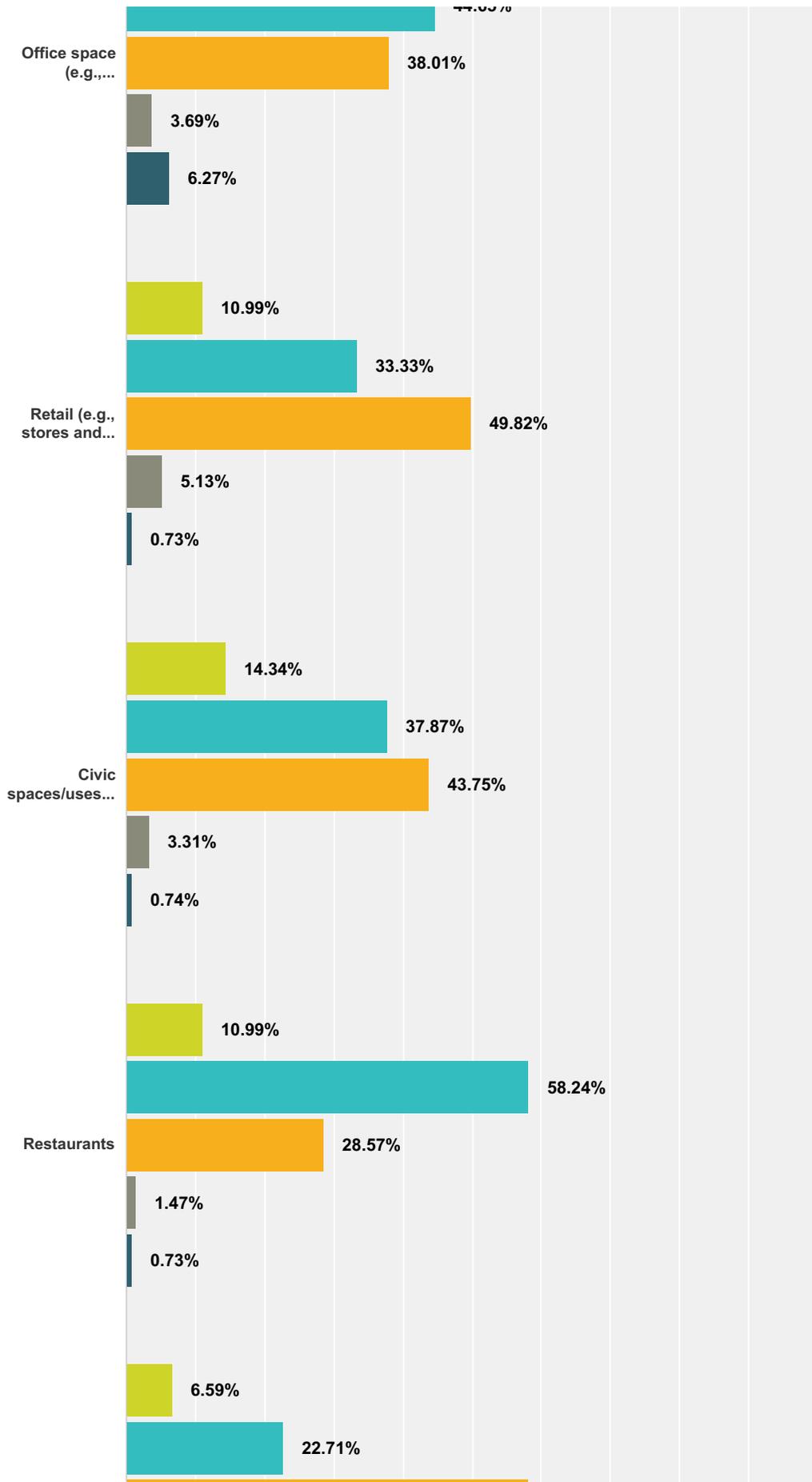
1	Control growth (neither speed up or slow down)	4/9/2015 10:01 AM
2	not black/white, need to balance town benefit against growth impact	4/9/2015 9:03 AM
3	That previous question is unclear	4/8/2015 9:39 PM
4	Commercial development must be properly zoned	4/8/2015 8:56 PM
5	any development must go hand in hand with better public transport and/or attention to traffic	4/6/2015 7:17 AM
6	Jericho and Underhill need to find a way to increase the tax base without increasing individual taxes	4/3/2015 10:01 AM
7	I would love a sidewalk on browns trace rd and possibly lee river for rec purposes. Cars travel too fast on these roads and make it unsafe to run/walk on the shoulder	4/2/2015 8:41 AM
8	Preserve open land and provide more land for farm education.	3/26/2015 10:03 PM
9	New growth should not add burden to existing roads. New developments should be required to provide pass-through roads, from one artery to another.	3/26/2015 1:32 PM
10	Make sure ALL neighbors impacted by a zoning permit change are notified by mail, not just those who abut.	3/23/2015 2:08 PM
11	We need more AFFORDABLE housing, not more expensive developments. We need to provide a way for seniors who have lived in this area for most of their lives to be able to continue to live here and currently we don't offer anything for them. So I am checking yes to residential development but ONLY for affordable housing.	3/22/2015 12:47 PM
12	Very confusing question eh?	3/22/2015 12:28 PM
13	Not thrilled about having a dollar general store in Jericho!	3/22/2015 7:53 AM
14	Fifth question is a double negative ! The town should control growth.	3/22/2015 7:10 AM
15	Town should not take measure to impact rate, but should take measures to impact quality of growth	3/21/2015 3:48 PM
16	The commercial district is ill-conceived.	3/21/2015 11:52 AM
17	Commercial development should be in designated areas.	3/21/2015 11:40 AM
18	Jericho should be monitoring areas for growth, determine nature of growth.	3/21/2015 11:26 AM
19	No to strip development. Do not try to be Essex.	3/20/2015 5:58 PM
20	The issues are not speed of development in residential or commercial areas, but the type of development and guidance the Town should provide to ensure long-term viability and sense of community. Proper process and participation is critical.	3/20/2015 5:18 PM
21	traffic, noise, air, light pollution	3/20/2015 5:11 PM
22	The town should speed up development in village centers and slow development in rural areas	3/20/2015 5:09 PM
23	Control Development to Maintain Open Land	3/20/2015 1:09 PM
24	Town should control none of the growth, not rate	3/20/2015 1:01 PM
25	slow down rural/open lands development	3/20/2015 12:54 PM
26	Quality Senior Housing complex that will also increase tax revenue	3/20/2015 12:08 PM
27	the last choice makes no sense in the context of the options for answers provided.	3/19/2015 6:19 PM
28	That last one is a bit ambiguous. I think the town "should" "take measure to impact rate of growth."	3/19/2015 3:36 PM
29	I think we can GROW commercially and maintain strict development requirements to maintain Jericho's charm	3/19/2015 1:44 PM
30	Not sure how to answer last question, given the choices, but I think the town should take measures to impact rate of growth	3/19/2015 1:17 PM

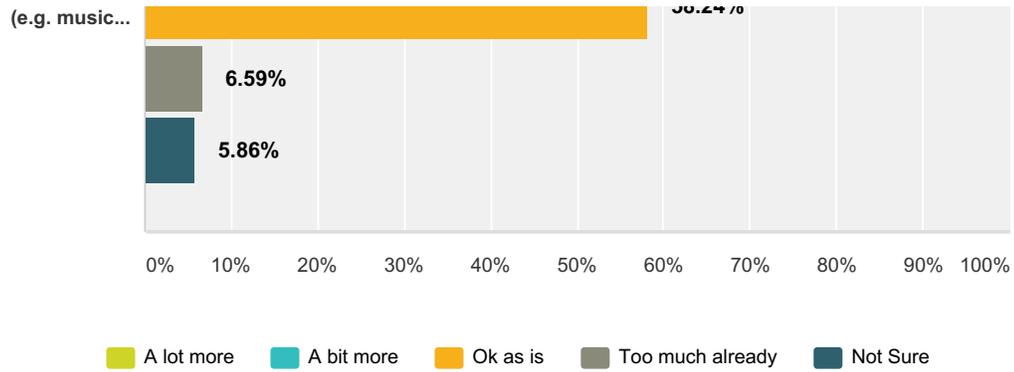
31	It is not realistic to think we should have little to no commercial development which then creates a greater traffic flow through Jericho as there is very few businesses between Cambridge and Essex. It is a crazy idea to think we can stop development but we could also protect town aesthetics by not allowing a developer to come in and clear land as what has come to the condo development off Packard Road. If we are not setting regulations up now the character of the town will change for the worse. In my travels, the towns that commanded highest home values had regulations in place to maintain the desired character and everyone benefits when home values increase. To date, I think Jericho fails on a number of fronts and it will only get worse since this town is just on the outskirts of Williston/Essex that allowed every farm or landowner to cash out on their land. If we get real now, we can prevent problems before they get worse. How far off are we from putting up more stop signs and traffic lights, widening Route 15, etc.? Why do we keep trying to fight the inevitable.	3/19/2015 1:16 PM
32	we need to improve our retail market place, commercial yes, but aesthically pleasing, tax paying with low sqft impact growth-think woodstock VT as an example, artsy shops resuarants, book stores all in walking distance	3/19/2015 1:05 PM
33	The last item is poorly worded: Should Jericho be taking measures to Town should not take measures to impact rate of growth. Not sure how to answer.	3/19/2015 1:04 PM
34	Not always as simple as slowing down growth, but planning and designing for smart growth that can develop over time.	3/19/2015 12:45 PM
35	I do not want to see chain stores popping up all along Route 15! Stores and businesses should be planned in the village center where customers can park in one place and walk from one business to another (thinking long term)-not near historical sites or scenic routes each business with their own parking lot. Long term, the businesses should be clustered near each other in the village center, not spread out all over town.	3/19/2015 12:28 PM
36	increase the amount of affordable housing	3/19/2015 12:15 PM
37	The last part is poorly worded. The town should take measures to impact rate of growth.	3/19/2015 11:46 AM
38	NO SIDEWALK. WE NEED PUBLIC SEWERS	3/19/2015 11:21 AM
39	Please keep shops local-style, not from corporations.	3/19/2015 8:52 AM
40	worded very confusingly to answer	3/19/2015 7:53 AM
41	Double negative on last question	3/8/2015 11:04 AM
42	Question #5 is a double negative..take measures to slow down growth!!	3/7/2015 10:51 AM
43	we should also encourage industrial development	3/7/2015 6:15 AM
44	last item was very confusing not sure how to answer it	3/6/2015 5:48 PM

**Q5 Does Jericho need more of the following commercial, industrial or civic uses? (For the purposes of this question, assume proper vetting/review by the Development Review Board of any new use regardless of the category.)**

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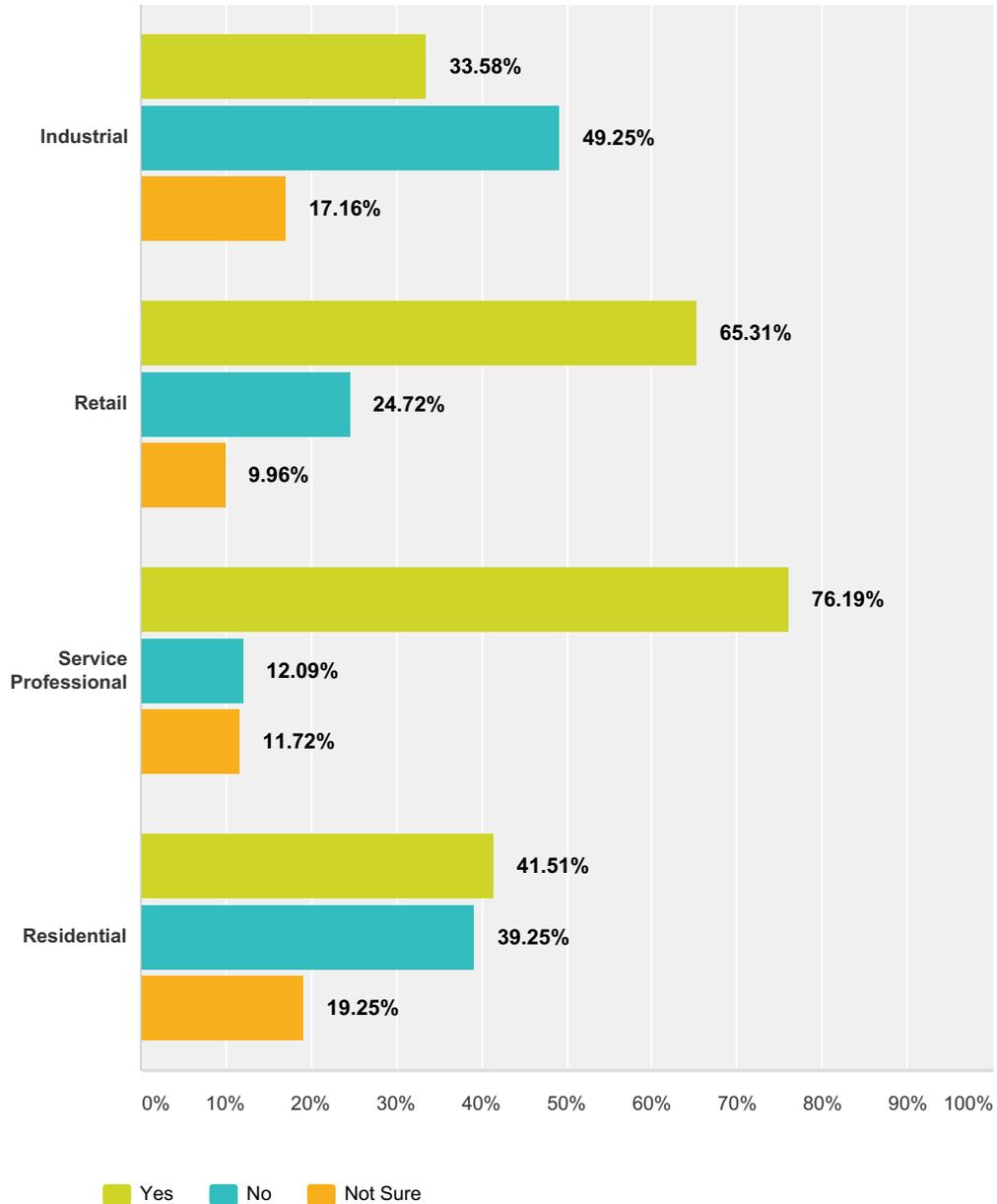


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1	Restaurants, brewery, and a decent grocery store would really help.	4/8/2015 8:56 PM
2	walkability ....sidewalks	4/6/2015 7:17 AM
3	I'm in favor of the above if it isnt "strip mall" style and China import junk stores	4/2/2015 7:54 AM
4	Community outdoor kitchen, accompanying a community garden.	3/26/2015 10:03 PM
5	Would be good to have medical office in town.	3/26/2015 2:58 PM
6	We need a nice park and rec program like essex has	3/26/2015 2:52 PM
7	Please provide a public swimming area!!! Pool preferred.	3/26/2015 1:32 PM
8	Need a grocery store!	3/23/2015 10:35 PM
9	Would be nice to use some existing old buildings to maintain town character.	3/23/2015 2:08 PM
10	There are plenty of shops, cinemas & retail business' in Essex, Williston & BTV. No more needed in Jericho.	3/22/2015 10:42 AM
11	Mills River Park is awesome for all it offers to the town!	3/22/2015 7:53 AM
12	we need sidewalks and bike paths	3/21/2015 3:48 PM
13	Nail salon? Really?	3/20/2015 5:18 PM
14	car wash, laundry mat	3/20/2015 1:03 PM
15	Town officials should be neutral	3/20/2015 1:00 PM
16	Grocery Store	3/20/2015 12:54 PM
17	Senior Housing complex that will also increase tax revenue	3/20/2015 12:08 PM
18	there should also be a community pool	3/19/2015 6:19 PM
19	Wouldn't it be nice to think that Jericho can supply food/services relative to our population as it is not always going to be as rural as we know it today?	3/19/2015 1:16 PM
20	bike and in-line skating path	3/19/2015 1:09 PM
21	see section 4 notes	3/19/2015 1:05 PM
22	No chain stores specially Dollar stores. Would ruin town character.	3/19/2015 1:04 PM
23	I think the location of all these things factors in to whether or not I would say we need more.	3/19/2015 12:28 PM
24	please no Family Dollar / Dollar General stores	3/19/2015 11:46 AM
25	Grocery Store	3/19/2015 11:21 AM
26	NO SIDEWALK. WE NEED PUBLIC SEWERS	3/19/2015 11:21 AM

27	Athletic Facilities- We need another gym	3/19/2015 9:16 AM
28	Small, local supermarket - Yes!	3/19/2015 8:52 AM
29	small grocery store	3/19/2015 7:53 AM
30	Allow these uses to hopefully get taxes to go DOWN!	3/7/2015 11:35 AM
31	we should have town sewer in all the village centers	3/7/2015 6:15 AM

## Q6 Should future growth in the commercial district (refer to map) include the following uses:

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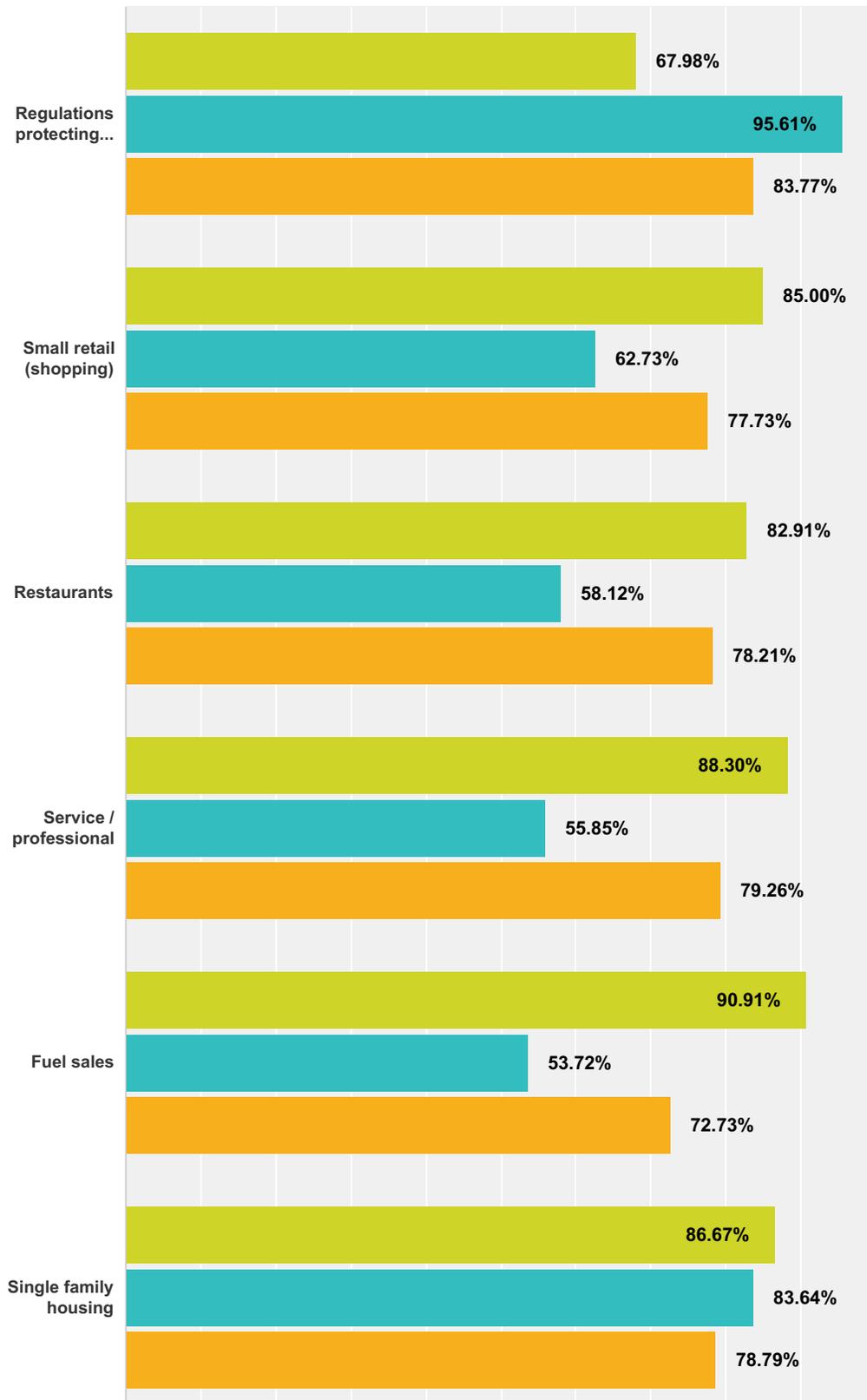


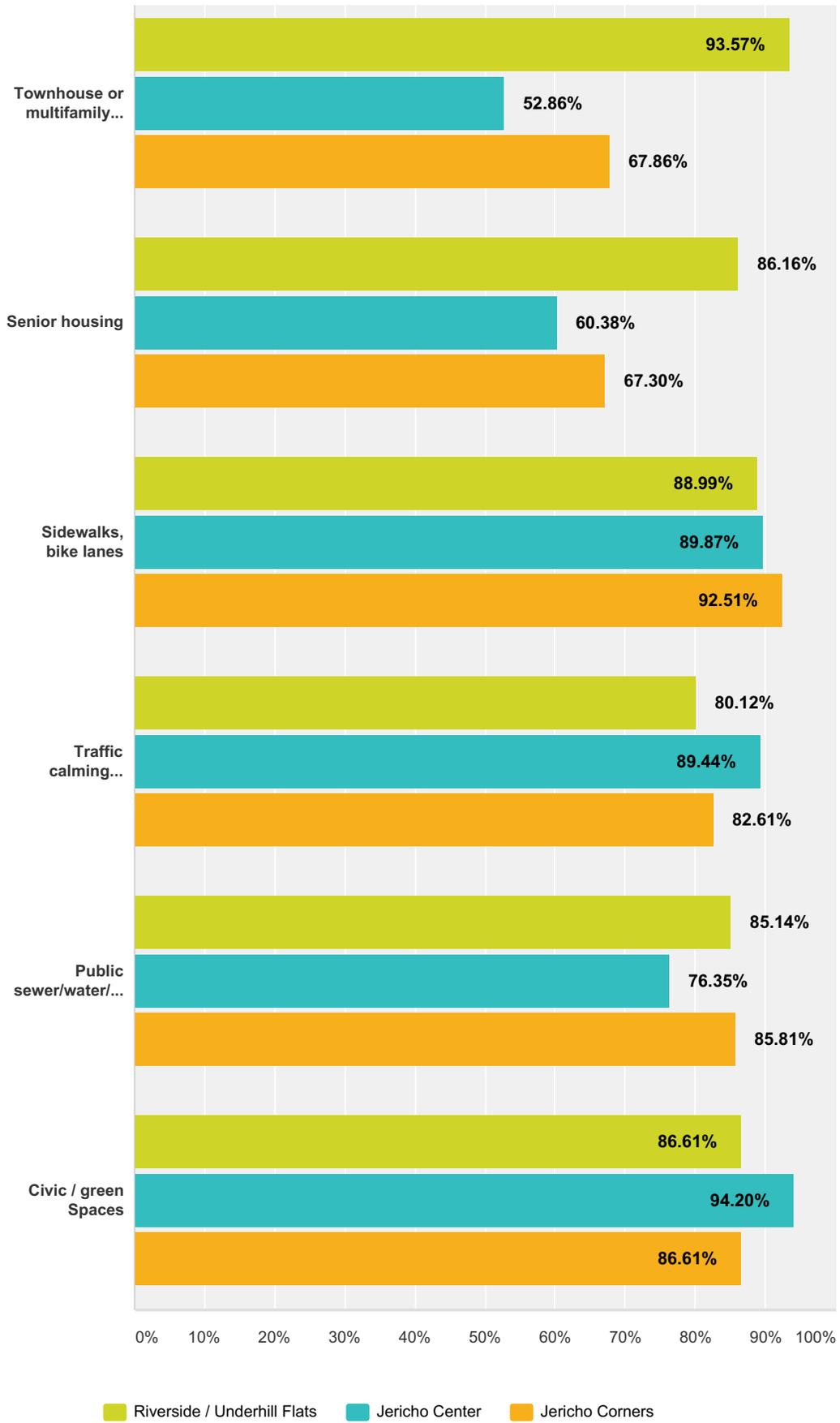
#	Other use that should be included (please specify)	Date
1	community multipurpose space	4/9/2015 9:03 AM
2	The commercial zoning on the north end of the Jericho East development seems wrong.	4/8/2015 8:56 PM
3	mixed use - services, retail, residential mixed	4/6/2015 7:17 AM
4	I want a grocery store	3/27/2015 8:54 AM
5	Health club!	3/26/2015 1:32 PM

6	Not residential today, but open to many years down the road as needs change	3/25/2015 3:49 PM
7	affordable housing and small shops for people to walk to. A store like the Richmond Market would be nice. Maybe a small restaurant. We don't need retail stores like Dollar General, etc.	3/22/2015 12:47 PM
8	If limited to this area only than I might be more sure.	3/22/2015 7:53 AM
9	I believe that the village centers should be where Retail and Service Professionals should be located. The current Commercial zone is located between two town centers, which I dislike. Development in that area means that the distinction of open land between the town centers would be lost. One of the valuable aspects that our state still has is that our towns have not merged into one large suburb. I believe that allowing development between village centers, instead of concentrated within village areas means we'll lose that.	3/21/2015 7:30 PM
10	town rec center/pool/gym	3/21/2015 3:48 PM
11	Commercial district could be most scenic area of Jericho. Should be re-zoned as open space with great bike/walk paths to connect village centers. Need to get rid of this designation here & focus development in village centers. This is bedroom community, not employment center.	3/21/2015 11:52 AM
12	mix, balance	3/21/2015 11:26 AM
13	Residential should not interfere w/ability to provide retail/services	3/20/2015 1:01 PM
14	It's commercial district.where else would it go?	3/20/2015 1:00 PM
15	Senior Housing complex that will also increase tax revenue	3/20/2015 12:08 PM
16	auto smith buidlings are a great example of respectful growth for the area. Functional and unobtrusive	3/19/2015 1:44 PM
17	I don't think we want to see anything that would create an eyesore, because one of the defining characteristics of Jericho is that beautiful view of Mt. Mansfield as you drive up Rt. 15. Commerical business are fine as they are, and others like them would be fine. The growth and decisions about what to put in seems like it has been well managed in the past. But gigantic (or just ugly) industrial buildings would bring our property values down and dramatically change the character of the community.	3/19/2015 12:28 PM
18	low cost housing	3/19/2015 12:15 PM
19	NO SIDEWALK. WE NEED PUBLIC SEWERS	3/19/2015 11:21 AM
20	smaller retail bot big box type stores	3/19/2015 9:58 AM
21	Yes - small supermarket, bike shop, law office, doctors, local restaurant (not chain!) No, junk-retail please! No chain stores!!	3/19/2015 8:52 AM
22	Brewery or pub or both	3/7/2015 6:55 AM
23	mix uses in all areas	3/7/2015 4:39 AM

### Q7 What should be in our three village centers? (Check all that apply for each village center)

Answered: 273 Skipped: 7



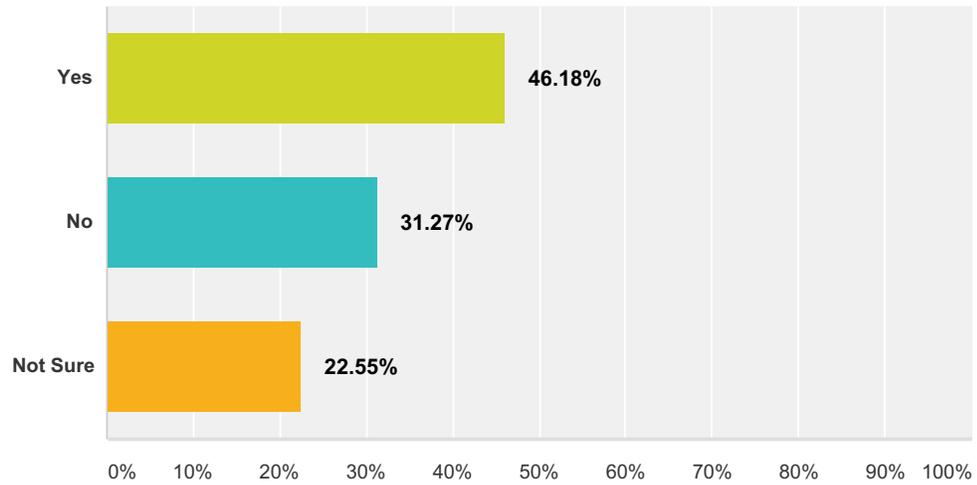


■ Riverside / Underhill Flats
 ■ Jericho Center
 ■ Jericho Corners

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	No more gas stations anywhere	4/8/2015 9:39 PM
2	Please ask the eyesore dwellings near JES to clean up their crap it is an embarrassment to all of us as folks drive through. Perhaps a community help group could donate time and materials to help those folks if they are unable physically or don't have the means	4/8/2015 8:56 PM
3	There is already fuel sales at these locations. Dont need more	4/2/2015 7:54 AM
4	I don't like trying to break them out individually to say what is right. It is more infrastructure that will determine what can go where and I would rather see some view of how they compare on that view spell out the level of what could go there.	3/31/2015 1:13 AM
5	This is a difficult question to answer. I can imagine lots of these uses if the presentation had a small town or community center feel to it ie. maple tree place, some of the buildings at Severance in Colchester	3/27/2015 10:04 AM
6	Part of the green spaces, fruit and nut trees, and berry bushes, with a community garden.	3/26/2015 10:03 PM
7	We need parks, bike paths and a large rec center that has gym space the athletic programs could use	3/26/2015 2:52 PM
8	Public recreation such as a pool, please	3/26/2015 1:32 PM
9	Think mixed use and walkability	3/25/2015 3:49 PM
10	Sidewalks are horrid in winter - ice! No fuel sales in Jericho Corners	3/23/2015 2:08 PM
11	I support limited retail and professional services as needed	3/22/2015 7:53 AM
12	Yes, all these things for all the town centers. I do believe that the historical district within each should perhaps be more focused rather than covering the whole village center area.	3/21/2015 7:30 PM
13	an ice rink would be nice in Jericho Center green in winter	3/21/2015 3:48 PM
14	No drive throughs, no more gas stations, no crap big box/small box stores.	3/21/2015 11:52 AM
15	They should be living, mixed-use spaces	3/20/2015 12:54 PM
16	Need a larger business / commercial tax base but on a moderate cautious level and Quality Senior Housing that will increase town tax revenue. Also better CCTA bus links: suggest: CCTA bus MMUHS to Downtown Burlington on Saturdays	3/20/2015 12:08 PM
17	auto smith example. refurbished buildings. Minimal respectful new construction. I'd ban all out of state chains.	3/19/2015 1:44 PM
18	We should have every amenity required for survival. As it currently stands, the town of Jericho has not accommodated those in need. Anyone without an automobile, (old, sick, or poor included) cannot buy medicine or even reasonably priced food locally.	3/19/2015 1:16 PM
19	I'd rather see all the money that went into speed bumps and medians spent on books for kids in our schools.	3/19/2015 12:28 PM
20	Please, Please, PLEASE No more "traffic calming measures"	3/19/2015 11:21 AM
21	NO SIDEWALK. WE NEED PUBLIC SEWERS	3/19/2015 11:21 AM
22	Stormwater only.	3/19/2015 8:58 AM
23	Supermarket - Riverside. No chain restaurants	3/19/2015 8:52 AM
24	NOTHING THAT WILL INCREASE TAXES!	3/7/2015 11:35 AM
25	affordable housing	3/6/2015 9:36 PM

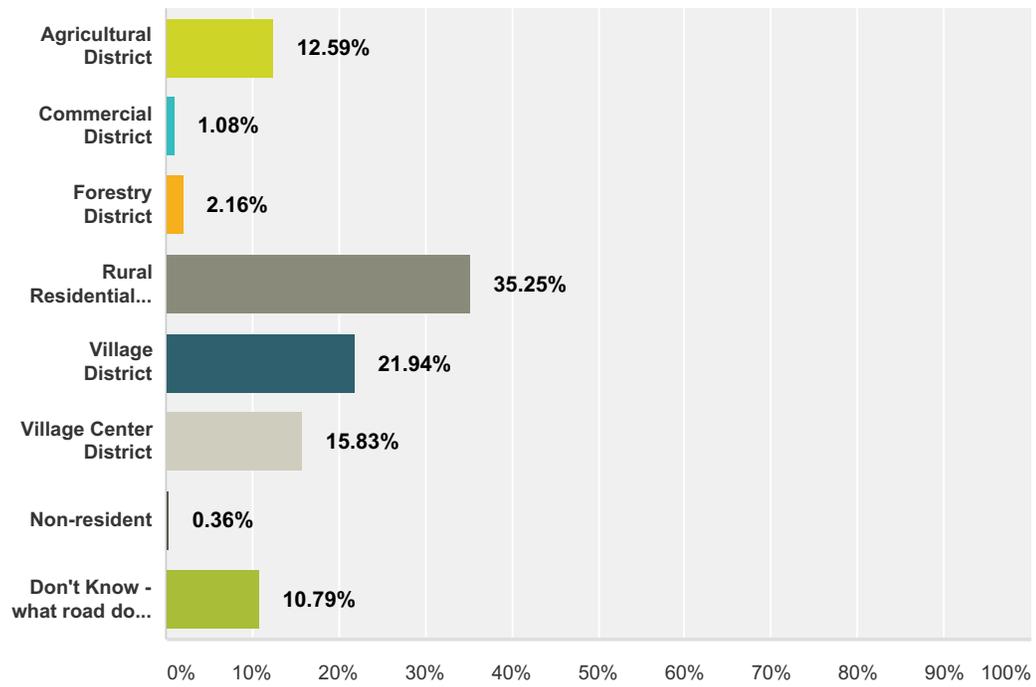
**Q8 Would you support raising property taxes by 1%, to raise money for an “open space fund”, which could be used by the Town to acquire the development rights for certain properties that contribute to Jericho’s scenic and rural character?**

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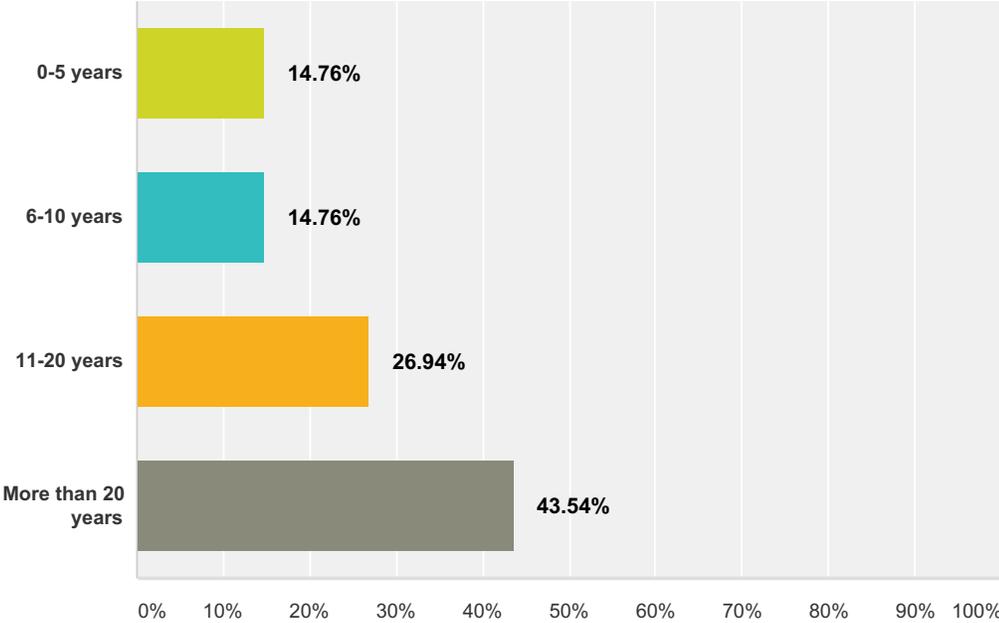
## Q9 What part of Jericho do you live in? See map.

Answered: 278 Skipped: 2



# Q10 How many years have you lived in Jericho?

Answered: 271 Skipped: 9



## Q11 How many people in your household are in the following age groups:

Answered: 270 Skipped: 10

Answer Choices	Responses	
Under 18	50.74%	137
18 - 65	84.07%	227
Over 65	32.96%	89

## Q12 Is there anything else you would like the planning commission to know as we prepare to update the Town Plan?

Answered: 120 Skipped: 160

#	Responses	Date
1	please update the zoning regs to support the intent of the Town plan	4/15/2015 10:28 PM
2	Consider more of Barber Farm Road for Rural Residential.	4/9/2015 10:01 AM
3	I love Jericho very much. This has been my home for 43 years. One thing that needs to be changed is the intersection by Joe's Snack Bar. That was a poor design. The war memorial should be moved. They are to be looked at, reflected upon and respected. It needs to be put in a more honorable place. Another issue I see is the town allowing home building on less than 1 acre. How was a resident of Jericho Center allowed to squeeze a home inbetween theirs and their neighbors?	4/9/2015 8:50 AM
4	N/A	4/8/2015 11:27 PM
5	Widening for passing lanes to allow flow on Rt15 near intersections and the school could be considered. I am a strong supporter of a technology or light industry park to provide higher paying jobs and support the light retail which I would also like to see in town. We have the population and the skills in the area thanks to IBM. There are years of experience in town that we can take advantage of if we can find a developer or provide incentives.	4/8/2015 10:00 PM
6	Protect the floodplains Develop alternatives to the automobile Make Nashville Rd safe for pedestrians, bikers, & horseback riders	4/8/2015 9:39 PM
7	Good Luck pleasing everyone. I appreciate your work	4/8/2015 8:56 PM
8	Instead of raising taxes to buy land, could the Town do more in terms of applying for and receiving grants? There should also be increased transparency in all aspects of town operations before the citizens are asked to fund the sales of other taxpayer's properties.	4/8/2015 8:29 PM
9	I would like the town to look into building internal phone/data wiring so we can hire companies to connect with our network, but we manage the infrastructure. This would isolate us from companies such as FairPoint and Comcast technical and services issues.	4/8/2015 7:01 PM
10	I feel that we need to address infrasturcture. We need a more walkable community and we need to address: sidewalks, public transportation, bikability, carpooling, traffic reduction measures, etc. Sidewalks in Jericho Village to slow traffic (the curb effect) and promote walking to school, shops, etc. and to increase face to face contact.	4/6/2015 7:17 AM
11	We need to develop Riverside area and Rovers property.	4/4/2015 10:23 PM
12	Taxes need to be held to lower increases: 2-4% per year. It would be nice if Nashville road were paved, so that was still navigable in mud season.	4/4/2015 3:42 PM
13	We can't continue to do things the way that have always been done just because we have always done them that way. Please be thoughtful and forward thinking in the planning and not wishing things were the way they were 50 years ago.	4/4/2015 2:56 PM
14	Definitions.....have definitions for any terms with regulatory weight...nice work...miss you guys!	4/2/2015 9:13 PM
15	I think it's important to keep jericho rural! It's one of the best parts of the town :)	4/2/2015 8:41 AM
16	I'd like to see more small farms for local food production but the land is no longer affordable here and the tax rate is high. The Rivers property is a classic example. Also, could we save some money by contracting fire services with Essex and dumping the current fire dept?	4/2/2015 7:54 AM
17	I think it's important to improve and maintain the out ward appearance of commercial buildings along Rt. 15, to keep the character and quality of Jericho. One example is Joe's Snack Bar which is aesthetically pleasing in the warm months and an eye sore in the winter.	4/1/2015 7:07 PM
18	More stores, more bike paths	3/31/2015 9:55 PM

19	Question 8 is too open ended. I would support a raising property taxes if there was a specific project / goal, but putting money aside sets us up to be looking for land. We already have	3/31/2015 1:13 AM
20	keep the cheap Chinese crap outlets out of town	3/30/2015 8:39 PM
21	Continue to protect the natural beauty of our communities and our natural resources.	3/30/2015 4:51 PM
22	I like businesses like the Village Cafe, Snowflake Chocolates, Village Gifts (sewing), the maple store hairdressers, and other small, family or locally owned businesses. I believe that fits the somewhat rural nature of Jericho. I do NOT want to see a Dollar store, or any other national chain, nor a grocery store at the former lumberyard. There's a lot of traffic already by the intersections of Raceway, Rte. 15 and Dickinson which is where children cross on their way to school. We enjoy Jericho as a more or less pedestrian and bicycle friendly town, and more traffic would hinder that. We live on an unpaved road, which has advantages as well as inconveniences, and we do not want to see more roads paved.	3/30/2015 12:52 AM
23	Enable growth; do NOT stunt it with local regulations	3/27/2015 2:34 PM
24	"Open Space" needs attention. Lots of confusion here.	3/27/2015 1:34 PM
25	Allow it so I can have opportunities to be able to work closer to home and not have to travel so far for work. I feel it's wrong for a planning commission to be against growth in our town. I think it should be welcomed and embraced not only for the convenience of towns people but also in the aspect of lowering taxes in our town. Remember your on the planning commission for the good of the people, not the good of yourself.	3/27/2015 12:42 PM
26	My strongest wish is to control development and to preserve agricultural land and open fields - and thus views and a sense of our agricultural history. I understand the pressures on Jericho to grow and develop but I came for the sense of agriculture and open fields and want most to preserve as much of that as possible. Preserve our few working farms and invite more agriculture here. That's my wish.	3/27/2015 12:13 PM
27	Thank you for the outreach. I'll stay tuned - these are important conversations. I find that I can tolerate lots of different uses for a space, though how it LOOKS and feels matters a lot to me -- prefer spaces that look lived in/walked in/enjoyed rather than spaces where parking lots predominate.	3/27/2015 10:04 AM
28	Increase in business revenue could help with property tax burden, especially for retirees	3/27/2015 8:54 AM
29	Jericho has already been over developed. Too many outsiders moving "out to the country" and trying to change it to the "cities" they left	3/27/2015 7:29 AM
30	I want to put emphasis on the importance of community space where there is more to do than simply walk a dog. Outdoor kitchens would be wonderful. Wood fired pizza oven and wood fired bbq, gravity fed rainwater sink, and compost for the community garden.	3/26/2015 10:03 PM
31	No new taxes	3/26/2015 9:42 PM
32	Do not let big businesses come in and deplete the iconic small town feel of Jericho. If you do, Jericho will lose its tourist traffic and be just another cut through town like so many in Vermont that have succumbed to economic pressures.	3/26/2015 3:53 PM
33	Important to connect Jericho recreation/commuting paths with remainder of Chittenden County.	3/26/2015 2:58 PM
34	Traffic is a huge issue for the Riverside/Underhill flats. There should be a combined DRB for this area because both towns are affected but currently don't seem to be on the same page. It would be nice to work with Underhill and look into the possibility of having a police station as the sheriffs are not pleasant to deal with and are usually seen sitting in the same areas.	3/26/2015 2:52 PM
35	The Town plan needs to allow for the fact that there are certain locations ( i.e. Flats area ) that are already impacted adversely by traffic. Issuing a plan that has no funding to fix the current problems while allowing further development is just ridiculous.	3/26/2015 2:05 PM
36	Get the Jericho Market Built so we don't have to take all our business to Essex and Williston.	3/26/2015 1:52 PM
37	Yes, I think River rd needs to merge with Dickinson Street and not continue past school for through traffic. That would make one intersection instead of two. The corner by Jolley is more dangerous than if it were to be rerouted through the town center. It's also baffling we have local people trying to develop and open new business in the village center but are faced with obstacles every step. There is a plan, enforce it. Stop the delay, bring jobs and walk ability to Jericho. I think it was 7? Years ago we were asked what we wanted built in the town center / Greenmont Lumber yard... why is nothing being built??	3/26/2015 1:49 PM
38	New business should be built to blend with the existing flavor of the area.	3/26/2015 1:40 PM

39	Yep, please add that public swimming facility. Jericho has a small town neighborly planning and zoning office and town clerk. Please keep up the good work!	3/26/2015 1:32 PM
40	There is confusion over the notion of three village centers. I like a town that has a plan in place for walkability, good traffic flow, a nice mix of professional services, areas for business growth and areas for residential growth, good resources to build a sense of community, and thoughtful planned growth. We are a corridor town for a lot of traffic going out toward Underhill and Cambridge. We lack a lot of rental housing in the mix and affordable housing. With that lack comes a lack of economic and cultural diversity.	3/25/2015 3:49 PM
41	Pressure GMP to bury the 3-phase electric line along Rt 15 from the Flats to the Essex town line	3/24/2015 3:32 PM
42	preserving the agricultural and forestry, once it is gone it is gone	3/24/2015 8:35 AM
43	I would love to see a bike path developed as riding on rt. 15 is extremely dangerous.	3/23/2015 3:10 PM
44	Sidewalks are almost unusable and treacherous every winter.	3/23/2015 2:08 PM
45	Sidewalks in winter are unusable because of ice-snow-especially between Town Clerk & post office.	3/23/2015 2:03 PM
46	I am not opposed, or really in favor of, a grocery store in Underhill Flats. But I like the idea that it is a smaller establishment like the Richmond Market and I would enjoy the convenience of shopping there. I am not in favor of things like the Dollar Store that don't add to the character of the town. So I'm in favor of planned development that enhances community, but against development that is strip development by large chains.	3/23/2015 9:48 AM
47	Don't turn Route 15 into a 'strip' by bringing in franchises like Dollar General. If a small store comes in, let it be tied to a small business owner, not a large corporation.	3/22/2015 12:47 PM
48	No Dollar Stores! No strip malls, no Walgreens, but maybe a grocery store.	3/22/2015 12:28 PM
49	Change the membership of the DRB	3/22/2015 7:10 AM
50	While I have only lived in Jericho for about 6 years, I grew up in Underhill.	3/21/2015 7:30 PM
51	I support expanding the village center up to the rivers property	3/21/2015 5:35 PM
52	Bike paths and side walks-we have a tremendous natural resource in the beauty of Jericho and it would be great to see a bike path along Lee River like the Stowe bike path-it would also support restaurants and low-level commercial development-yet maintain Jericho as a great place to live.	3/21/2015 3:48 PM
53	Let's keep it simple. This is a great community the way it is. I'd be fine with a few small businesses but no national chain stores. They would not fit with the character of our community.	3/21/2015 3:47 PM
54	Jericho and Underhill are in desperate need of affordable housing. Way beyond scenic views, or landscapes, affordable safe housing is the most important issue for us.	3/21/2015 1:49 PM
55	I may be a dinosaur but I like the Town the way it is. Keep green spaces, forest, limit development, the more developments the more associated costs.	3/21/2015 11:57 AM
56	We moved to Jericho because it was rural. We are close to Essex & Williston & don't need to replicate those towns. Work at home, small local businesses to make residents' life better is fine. Becoming a manufacturing facility or employment center or shopping center should not be our goals.	3/21/2015 11:52 AM
57	Jericho has a great vision in the Town Plan. I hope this will be maintained - community center, open space, concentrated mixed use development.	3/21/2015 11:26 AM
58	We're only minutes from Essex. Don't give us things we could get just a short drive away. Preserve the character of rural and village Jericho.	3/20/2015 5:58 PM
59	Preserve open spaces. Do NOT allow non-buildable acreage to count towards PUD bonus density. And do NOT allow senior housing in isolated areas with limited access. It is a disservice to our seniors to do so.	3/20/2015 5:18 PM
60	Discourage development in rural/agricultural/forestry zone areas. You could limit driveway length You could allow only 2 acres to be developed on 25 acre parcels. See language in Middlebury,VT regulations and town plan	3/20/2015 5:09 PM
61	Less laws, regulations as you put it. A NEUTRAL, UNBIASED leadership in Jericho.	3/20/2015 1:00 PM
62	Please, please plan in a safe network of bike/ped transportation. As a general goal, I'd like to see any elementary school child being able to bike to all our schools and libraries without sharing space with motor vehicles.	3/20/2015 12:58 PM
63	Concern for natural resources is less of a concern as relatively minor tax (per individual household). Neither is healthy, safety matters related to allowing our kids to walk/bike to schools.	3/20/2015 12:54 PM

64	Age demographics show a real need to incorporate high quality senior housing (that includes open space and recreational facilities) that will also increase town tax revenue. Transportation links (i.e., with CCTA) need to be increased. Need to develop a small reserve fund for low cost loans for water emergencies when private or joint neighborhood water wells fail. Must work with the Town of Richmond and VDOT to improve Gov Peck Hwy at the RT 117 River Rd intersection access. Improve medical and fire emergency services.	3/20/2015 12:08 PM
65	Get rid of Papalooza for the riverside district!!	3/20/2015 7:26 AM
66	Stop overregulating , we need free enterprise not overbearing gov't	3/20/2015 6:47 AM
67	While small retail business, preferably local fit well in our town, I strongly feel that larger commercial chain stores do not fit in with Jericho's character. I do not believe the marginal advantage of convenience outweighs the image of Jericho that I would like to maintain, especially when we are geographically so close to multiple towns that offer anything we could possibly need on the commercial front.	3/19/2015 9:26 PM
68	We should consider a traffic light at the intersections of Lee river rd and rt15 and Brown's trace rd and rt 15.	3/19/2015 6:19 PM
69	The islands on skunk hollow only make it hard to walk down the road safely, theres no edge of the road, its hard to walk my dog!	3/19/2015 4:52 PM
70	Can the establishment of a school be expanded to an Allowed Use in place of Conditional in any zones other than Town Center?	3/19/2015 4:36 PM
71	The town needs a retail and commercial district that should include restaurants and food stores of various kinds. Would prefer it not include national chains or fast food. We also would benefit from light industrial such as furniture, crafts, and so on.	3/19/2015 4:20 PM
72	No more development. Jericho does not need any more commercial development and major restrictions should apply to residential. No one wants to be the next Williston.	3/19/2015 4:14 PM
73	a grocery store	3/19/2015 2:28 PM
74	We MUST have some retail development like the new market in the flats and hopefully some restaurants there as well. Development can occur without sacrificing the character of the town.	3/19/2015 2:13 PM
75	Progressive - Reflect the populous that lives here.	3/19/2015 1:50 PM
76	I am all for respectful development. and have been horrified by the distructive development seen in Essex Center and Williston. I think Jericho can grow and attract businesses without sacrificing our soul. We are the gateway to senic Vermont. RT. 15 heading west is breathtaking. Lets perserve this bit of quientential Vermont village.	3/19/2015 1:44 PM
77	Jericho needs a greater commercial tax base. But commercial development should be scaled and well-integrated to protect current community character.	3/19/2015 1:36 PM
78	Be progressive and do take a look at what other towns across the country have done to maintain the character and aesthetics. This is something we all benefit from as people will look to move here over the surrounding towns therefore increasing home values.	3/19/2015 1:16 PM
79	As important as jobs and industry are to the economic health of our community, we also need to think about why people move to Jericho, what makes day to life in Jericho pleasant, and what drives the value of our homes. The quality of our schools, as well as the public spaces (parks, trails, libraries), and the natural beauty of our town are what attract people to Jericho.	3/19/2015 12:28 PM
80	If you ever expect to see any commercial growth you have to lighten up a bit. Like allow drive thrughs and reasonable signing.	3/19/2015 12:15 PM
81	In the J/U area we have a goodly amount of park spaces...Old Mill, Mobbs Hill, Mills Riverside Pk, Underhill State Park, The Long Trail, Jericho Ctr Green. I don't think we need a 1 % tax for more open space accumulation. When is enough is enough? I think it is now.	3/19/2015 12:15 PM
82	Flood plain and/or overlay on Old Pump Rd should be expanded - floods often and beyond the boundaries of the current flood plain/overlay.	3/19/2015 12:12 PM
83	Have the State be more responsible for moving traffic through Jericho. We shouldn't have to pay to upgrade the roads and calm traffic so commuters can take shortcuts through Skunk Hollow and Barber Farm.	3/19/2015 12:01 PM
84	encourage / incentivize new businesses to buy up vacant or derelict properties before new construction. I like that some businesses in town are in old buildings (snowflake chocolates, toy store, Palmer's, GTG in Underhill) It makes the shopping a little more quirky and less like a strip mall laden street in anytown USA	3/19/2015 11:46 AM

85	It's frustrating to have development stymied by new residents seeking "rural Vermont living". Jericho is basically a suburb of Burlington at this point and a grocery store, a restaurant/bar (that serves past 10:00) will not have a negative effect on the character of our town. Just give us a little more to convenience and night life. JCAT is thriving and though they "try" to do some live music, it is often too crowded (because people are eating and trying to enjoy music) to really enjoy the music and then it's over before it even started.	3/19/2015 11:21 AM
86	NO SIDEWALK. WE NEED PUBLIC SEWERS	3/19/2015 11:21 AM
87	Please allow more development it diversifies the tax base and allows economic opportunities for our young people that at this point need to leave the area to find jobs	3/19/2015 11:20 AM
88	A view towards enforcement. The town plan is a useless document without proper zoning enforcement	3/19/2015 10:03 AM
89	I'd like to encourage bldg. efficiency and energy independence, and a greater proportion of senior/low income housing	3/19/2015 9:53 AM
90	Keep the taxes as low as possible	3/19/2015 9:48 AM
91	We should have a pro-active open space plan. I would volunteer to help with that.	3/19/2015 9:38 AM
92	I appreciate that Jericho is slower growth town It would be tragic if Jericho turned into Williston and all its development.	3/19/2015 9:31 AM
93	Natural gas to the center!	3/19/2015 9:16 AM
94	Just, please, no chain stores at all!! Nothing from China, Indonesia, etc. Let's support local people offering Vermont products. Thank you.	3/19/2015 8:52 AM
95	Plan for alternative transportation! Ski/snowshoe/bike trails connecting parts of town!	3/19/2015 8:39 AM
96	1% tax is too high but support concept of open space fund	3/19/2015 8:37 AM
97	Would accept tax of less than 1% We need more multi-modal: walk, bike, xc ski	3/19/2015 8:31 AM
98	please figure out how to keep out things like "Dollar Stores"	3/19/2015 7:53 AM
99	I think we have enough open spaces to maintain right now. 1% for a bike path I would support.	3/9/2015 11:08 AM
100	In terms of development, we need to keep in mind that once habitat is destroyed and species are eliminated, there is often times no correcting that wrong. We need to be stewards of the land. Let's think long-term and not just about our own human interests.	3/9/2015 9:09 AM
101	walking/biking path to get around all of Jericho and that it can be plowed to have use all year round.	3/9/2015 9:00 AM
102	I would love to see Pedestrian and Bicycling Safety take a priority.	3/9/2015 8:37 AM
103	We need a grocery store.	3/8/2015 8:03 PM
104	thanks for volunteering to help all of us.	3/7/2015 8:45 PM
105	Keep development to a minimum and keep Jericho rural.	3/7/2015 7:01 PM
106	incorporate shops, restaurants, businesses but keep the small town feel of Jericho. Use existing structures. Love what Palmer Maple store did.	3/7/2015 12:07 PM
107	Too many unused sidewalks to nowhere.	3/7/2015 11:39 AM
108	Lower the tax rate!	3/7/2015 11:35 AM
109	We moved to Jericho because we were searching for a rural town with VT character. We did not move here expecting wild growth and development- we moved here, in fact, for the opposite. Please keep Jericho a quiet and unspoiled town.	3/7/2015 11:04 AM
110	Slow the traffic on Skunk Hollow!!!!	3/7/2015 10:51 AM
111	no	3/7/2015 9:39 AM
112	I know it's a state road, but rte 15 must have a traffic light! There is a serious problem today particularly early am. People are taking risks to merge onto rte 15, and it's only a matter of time when a disastrous accident will happen in the morning commute. There needs to be regulated breaks in the traffic to allow cars to safely enter rte 15	3/7/2015 8:41 AM

113	The year round tag sale on Browns trace near jericho center needs to be dealt with. It is an eye sore in our other wise beautiful town. It is gross. Also something needs to be done about the parking situation at the jericho cafe and tavern it's out of control. We need a few more restaurants or a brewery.	3/7/2015 7:46 AM
114	We need another place to eat out in town and get a beer with friends. Also something needs to be done about the ridiculous amount of traffic/parking situation at jericho cafe on busy nights.	3/7/2015 6:55 AM
115	We should build a municipal swimming pool and rec center with the town of underhill.	3/7/2015 6:15 AM
116	the development regulations are to restrictive, and difficult to navigate. We should be welcoming new development and construction to help bring taxes down.	3/7/2015 4:39 AM
117	more sidewalks around town (Lee River Rd) for walking	3/6/2015 9:36 PM
118	Would like an emphasis on cluster development and less dissecting of large open spaces, wildlife corridors and public lands	3/6/2015 7:45 PM
119	the town zoning regulations must match the town plan. Today that is not the case. The plan doesn't have much value to updating them plan, if there is not follow up with changes in town regulations.	3/6/2015 5:48 PM
120	Gas stations in villages as is ok, but don't need a lot of expansion. Don't make preservation of historic areas onerous, but ok to encourage it. Go easy on traffic calming (no more of the Skunk Hollow speed bump & island farces)	3/3/2015 8:09 PM