

Soon a Survey About a Covenant Issue

Ask yourself if the covenants have made Sugarhill the gem of Jensen Beach as we hear it referred to often.

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In 2018 when the new board came in by recall we presented a strong intent to use community surveys to resolve issues that might affect everyone in Sugarhill. We have been fortunate to have strong cohesion in the community and good understanding as to what it means to own a home in a covenant controlled community making survey a tool we didn't need until now.

We tried our best to open transparency on all issues that would allow Sugarhill residences to know the covenants and how they legally affect owners and Board members. We developed the website to meet that goal. We developed an internet processing procedure to expeditiously improve the approval process bringing approvals into a previously unheard of speed and allowing owners to easily see what the covenants required. We basically moved the association into the digital age.

We have approved over 150 projects and have rejected only 4. We believe this is because of the transparency we have developed in the approval process and an easier ability to access covenants and requirements using the website with it's online approval forms.

So as with all good things there can always be the old wrench thrower. A relatively newer owner used the online approval process to request a repaint

for his house. He wanted an almost pure white for his trim and the same white for the body of the house, something that had never been done in Sugarhill on the body before and way off covenant intent.

We decided to send a disapproval of the white house body and requested he choose a body paint more subdued that would help the house **to not stand out as a high contrast to Sugarhill's natural surroundings, a requirement of the covenants.** After enough days for him to get the disapproval he decided to ignore the Board and painted his house all white.

The upcoming survey is designed to determine if the community wants such a strong contrast color that goes far beyond the Sugarhill historic **"colors that don't stand out in intense contrast to the natural surroundings"** as described in the covenants.

Also, in this survey, we would like to determine if the community feels that the way to change covenants is by ignoring them and ignoring the 40 year old process of having the community vote on changes as this board has done with other items.

At the end of the photo gallery coming up you will find an example of the survey questions coming soon to your inbox.

2 PHOTOS ON THIS PAGE SHOWS THE HOUSE PAINTED WHITE



THE ABOVE TWO PHOTOS SHOW THE HOUSE AS IT IS TODAY.

AND THESE PHOTOS ARE OF THE HOUSE 5 YEARS AGO



PHOTOS ON THIS PAGE SHOW THE HOUSE FIVE YEARS AGO WITH A MORE NATURE BLENDING COLOR. This is an example of the 2 survey questions coming to your inbox soon.

Is high contrast white like with this incident a good color for Sugar Hill?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Is disregarding the covenants and doing your own thing fair to your neighbors?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

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