## What is Zoning?

Zoning determines Land Use, Minimum Lot Size, Lot Dimensions, and Setbacks.

| Zone | Lot Size (Min.) | Lot Width (Min.) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| R1 | $5.000 \mathrm{sa}-\mathrm{ft}$ | 50 ft |
| RS | $7.500 \mathrm{sa}-\mathrm{ft}$ | 60 ft |
| RE9 | $9.000 \mathrm{sa}-\mathrm{ft}$ | 65 ft |
| RE11 | $11.000 \mathrm{sa}-\mathrm{ft}$ | 70 ft |
| RE15 | $15.000 \mathrm{sa}-\mathrm{ft}$ | 80 ft |
| RA | $17.500 \mathrm{sa}-\mathrm{ft}$ | 70 ft |
| RE20 | $20.000 \mathrm{sa}-\mathrm{ft}$ | 80 ft |
| RE40 | $40.000 \mathrm{sa}-\mathrm{ft}$ | 80 ft |

For example, a lot zoned R1 would be a minimum of 5,000 square feet in area and a minimum width of 50 feet.

## What is a Height District?

A Height District establishes the maximum height, stories, and Floor Area for each zone.

| Height <br> Districts | 1 | 1 L | 1 VL | 1 XL |
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| Height | 33 feet <br> 45 feet for lots in <br> Hillside Areas or <br> Coastal Zone | 33 feet <br> 45 feet for lots in <br> Hillside Areas or <br> Coastal Zone | 33 feet <br> 45 feet for lots in <br> Hillside Areas or <br> Coastal Zone | 30 feet |
| Stories | n/a | 6 | 3 | 2 |
| FAR | $3: 1$ | $3: 1$ | $3: 1$ | $3: 1$ |

The table above illustrates the various height districts for the R1 zone. In Height District 1, the maximum height is 33 feet, an unlimited number of stories, and a Floor Area Ratio of 3:1.

## What are Yard Setbacks?

Yard Setbacks are designated areas for open space. The Front and Rear Yard Setbacks are generally fixed values, but Side Yard Setbacks vary by the building height.

Side Yard Setbacks by Height:

Height
Up to 18 ft
18 ft to 28 ft
28 ft to 30 or 33 ft 6
7 ft

R1 Zone- 5,000 sf lot size


## What is the Buildable Area?

The Buildable Area is the Lot Area minus the required Yard Setbacks. Structures are only allowed in this area.


## What is the Floor Area Ratio (FAR)?

The Floor Area Ratio sets the maximum square footage allowed.
FAR is expressed as a ratio.
An FAR of 3:1 means that for every square foot of Buildable Area, an owner may build up to three square feet of Floor Area.


## Total Development Potential: What can be built today?

| Zone | Story \& Height <br> Intervals | Existing <br> Development <br> Potential |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| R1 <br> $(5,000 \mathrm{sq}-\mathrm{ft})$ | Single Story <br> (Up to 18 ft) | $2,600 \mathrm{sq-ft}$ |
|  | Two Story <br> (Up to 28 ft) | $4,940 \mathrm{sq}-\mathrm{ft}$ |
|  | Three Story <br> (Up to 33 ft) | $7,020 \mathrm{sq-ft}$ |
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In an R1 zoned lot with a Lot Size of 5,000 square feet, the Total Development Potential for a one-story Single Family Dwelling is 2,600 square feet. For a twostory Single Family Dwelling, it is 4,940 square feet and for a three-story Single Family Dwelling it is 7,020 square feet.

