

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing during a meeting on Wednesday, December 7, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Hall Board Room at 2010 South Lincoln Road, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858 for the purpose of receiving public comments on the Thrive Community Church request for a Zoning Ordinance text interpretation. The applicant intends to purchase parcel 14-012-30-009-00, 10 acres located on the northeast corner of S. Isabella Road and Bud Street in the SW ¼ of Section 12 and in the B-7 (Retail and Service Highway Business) zoning district [Legal Description: T14N R4W, SEC 12; N 10 A OF SW ¼ OF SW ¼].

The interpretation is to determine if all the following uses that Thrive Community Church included in their Statement of Use are fully consistent with the definition of “religious institution” in Section 2.2 (Definitions) and the allowable land uses listed in Section 3.15 (B-7, Retail and Highway Service Business District) of the Zoning Ordinance, and that none of the listed uses are consistent with “Theaters, Assembly Halls, Concert Halls, and Similar Places of Public Assembly” or “(Outdoor Recreation Facilities” which are not allowable uses in the B-7 District:

Summary of Proposed Uses:

1. Worship services in our worship center/assembly hall on a weekly basis
2. Classrooms for weekly religious education
3. Meeting rooms and church offices
4. Kitchen and café
5. Host weddings, baptisms, funerals, and other religious and secular ceremonies and celebrations
6. Host Christian music artists
7. Host religious and secular community gatherings, conferences, meetings, public events, social events, and outreach activities
8. Community piano recitals or school graduation ceremonies
9. Outdoor recreation facilities for both Thrive Church and community members
10. “If the Girl Scouts, members of a yoga or exercise studio or members of a non-profit organization desire to meet or host an event in our space, we would love to accommodate such a request, just as a private school, a fraternal organization, or lodge hall in our zoning district would do.”

The application and Zoning Ordinance may be inspected during business hours at the Township Hall. The Zoning Ordinance and Map are also available for viewing on the Township’s website at: <http://www.uniontownshipmi.com/Departments/ZoningandPlanningServices.aspx/>.

Any interested person may submit their views in person, in writing, or by signed proxy prior to the public hearing or at the public hearing. Written comments may be sent to the Charter Township of Union Zoning Board of Appeals, 2010 South Lincoln Road, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858, sent via email to [info@uniontownshipmi.com](mailto:info@uniontownshipmi.com), or dropped off in the drop box next to the Township Hall entrance.

For additional information, and for individuals who require special accommodations per the Americans with Disabilities Act, please contact Peter Gallinat, Zoning Administrator, by phone at (989) 772-4600 extension 241.