



May 19th, 2020

Petition to Mayor and Town Council

Town of Chapel Hill

Christ Community Church (CCC) respectfully requests that the Town Council conduct a legislative public hearing for our new worship facility on June 10th, 2020. LUMO does not currently allow legislative/ conditional use hearings in our zoning district (R2).

Statement of the Problem: Over the past eighteen months, CCC has diligently pursued a SUP application for a new worship facility at 141 Erwin Road (corner of Erwin and Old Oxford Roads). As of May 14th, the application has been favorably reviewed and recommended for approval by all five Town Advisory Boards (Planning Commission, Community Design Commission, Transportation and Connectivity, Environmental Stewardship, and Stormwater Management). The application is now ready for a Public Hearing. Due to COVID-19, a quasi-judicial hearing cannot occur. The only way that our project can proceed at this time is via a legislative public hearing.

Proposed Solution: That Town Council direct the Staff to bring to the June 10th public hearing for consideration the following text addition to LUMO as shown in **RED** :

“3.4.3... districts: **R-2, for a place of worship only.**”

Discussion: If such a text addition is heard at the public hearing on June 10th, and if it is favorably received by Town Council on June 10th, then a legislative public hearing for Christ Community Church could occur as a subsequent agenda item on June 10th. This would solve the problem.

Request: That Town Council direct the Staff to bring forward such a text change to LUMO for consideration on June 10th. The text change should have a sunset provision.

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