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Sent: Friday, August 19, 2022 1:53 PM

To: Dan Bridget <dbridget@townofplainfield.com>; John Haley <john.haley28@gmail.com>; Tim Belcher <tbelcher@townofplainfield.com>

Subject: RE: Daytime homeless shelter/resource center at Hope United Presbyterian Church

John,

The use of the property will require a rezone which would involve a public hearing with the Plan Commission, followed by adoption of an ordinance by the Town Council. At this point in time, we do not have a completed application for a rezone of this property. All information pertaining to the petition will be available for review on the Town's website after it has been submitted. Notice of the hearing will be sent to surrounding property owners within 600' of the property, or a depth of two property ownerships, whichever is less. Signs with information about the hearing date and time will also be posted along each street frontage at least 10 days prior to the meeting. At the public hearing anyone who wishes to support or remonstrate against the petition will have an opportunity to be heard.

Written comments may also be submitted prior to the hearing, but as I mentioned we have not yet received a completed application with accompanying documentation. Once the information has been received and made available to the public, we will accept comments to be added to the file.

It is my understanding that the petitioner (Family Promise) has scheduled an informational meeting at the site on August 23rd from 6-8pm. These types of meetings are not required as part of the rezone process but are strongly encouraged by staff. This format provides an additional opportunity for the public to gather information about a potential project and provide feedback or input directly to an applicant.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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"A Community of Values"

From: Dan Bridget <dbridget@townofplainfield.com>

Sent: Friday, August 19, 2022 1:07 PM

To: John Haley <john.haley28@gmail.com>; Kevin Whaley <kwhaley@townofplainfield.com>; Tim Belcher <tbelcher@townofplainfield.com>

Subject: Re: Daytime homeless shelter/resource center at Hope United Presbyterian Church

John,

I have been in contact with the Direct of the area today and am forwarding our email string to them.

Kevin will in touch with you

Dan

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From: Dan Bridget <dbridget@townofplainfield.com>

Sent: Friday, August 19, 2022 12:10:42 PM

To: John Haley <john.haley28@gmail.com>

Subject: Re: Daytime homeless shelter/resource center at Hope United Presbyterian Church

The folks in Planning haven't gotten back me yet. I'll share your concerns.

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From: John Haley <john.haley28@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, August 19, 2022 12:03:46 PM

To: Dan Bridget <dbridget@townofplainfield.com>

Subject: Re: Daytime homeless shelter/resource center at Hope United Presbyterian Church

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Thanks. I fully support helping families that are the victims of domestic abuse, or need help due to the loss of a spouse, etc. My concern is that the facility will also attract the chronically homeless. Those that are not interested in working or changing their lifestyle. My fear is they will be attracted to Plainfield and the neighborhood due to the things the facility has to offer - showers, free laundry facilities, etc.

That's why I feel it would be better to locate the facility in an area that is not in a residential neighborhood close to schools.

On Fri, Aug 19, 2022 at 10:09 AM Dan Bridget <dbridget@townofplainfield.com> wrote:
Good morning John,

In terms of zoning, I am not sure how that applies. I will get with our planning and zoning people and get back to you.

As this sale is a private transaction, I don't know if any other barrier available to the neighborhood at large.

I'll get back to you shortly.

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From: John Haley <john.haley28@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2022 3:45:55 PM

To: Dan Bridget <dbridget@townofplainfield.com>

Subject: Daytime homeless shelter/resource center at Hope United Presbyterian Church

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It has come to my attention that the Hope United Presbyterian Church located at [1331 Section St.](#) in Plainfield is in negotiations to sale the church and surrounding property to a Hendricks County Organization (Family Promise of Hendricks County) that works with the homeless and those struggling for stability. The intent is to use the facility/grounds as a daytime shelter/resource center that will be staffed with case managers, counselors, therapists and other professionals. It will have showers, food, and laundry facilities. It will operate 7 days a week

While I'm not opposed to a facility like this being located in Plainfield, I am opposed to putting it in a residential neighborhood. I think places like the old Walmart building or similar would be a preferred location. I'm concerned that the desirability of my neighborhood and property values surrounding this facility will be severely negatively impacted. I'm also concerned about personal safety for myself, my family, and my neighbors due to a likely increase

in crime, vagrancy, drug paraphernalia/drug use, etc. I don't want to move, but I do not want this facility in my neighborhood. Is there anything I can do to stop this purchase? Are there any zoning rules that can be used to prevent this purchase? Information below supports my concerns.

Thank you,
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Based on a 2010 HUD Annual Homeless Assessment Report to Congress

85% of homeless are single

Over 60% are males between 18-50 years old

14% of homeless are families of which 78% have a woman head of household

1.1% of homeless are unaccompanied youth (under 18)

10% of homeless are veterans (45% experience mental illness, 70% experience alcohol and/or drug abuse problems)

About 1/2 of homeless veterans are located in just four states - CA, FL, NY, TX

Over 21% of homeless are chronically homeless

26% of all sheltered adults who were homeless had a severe mental illness (this increases to 60% for the chronically homeless)

34.7% of all sheltered adults who were homeless had chronic substance abuse problems (this increases to 85% for the chronically homeless)

1996 NSHPAC showed 54% of homeless experienced one or more type of incarceration

Arrest rates for a sample of homeless adults over a 12 month period range from 10% for those without substance use disorders to 20% for those abusing alcohol or other drugs