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MEMORANDUM

Planning Commission Meeting of March 29, 2023

TO: Planning Commission

FROM: Heather Ferris, Planning Manager

DATE: March 23, 2023

SUBJECT: Public comment for non-agendized items

Staff has received the attached public comment related to matters not on the agenda.

From: [Lena Reseck](#)
To: [Heather Ferris](#)
Subject: FW: You have been assigned a new Request #: 5205
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 11:51:21 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Have a good day,
Lena Reseck
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From: Carson City Connect <noreply@user.govoutreach.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 11:45 AM
To: Lena Reseck <LReseck@carson.org>
Subject: You have been assigned a new Request #: 5205

Request # 5205 from the Government Outreach System has been assigned to you.

Request type: Problem

Request area: Carson City Municipal Code

Citizen name: Anonymous

Description: Request to the Planning Commission:

If someone could have this read during public comment at the next Planning Commission that would be great. I am requesting that with the forthcoming changes to code, that the following issue be addressed. Planning land use codes require special use permits for churches. However, there does not appear to be a definition of "church". I feel that there should be an exception for in-home religious gatherings. Many citizens host religious gatherings, such as bible studies, in their homes that include reading and discussion of religious texts, prayer, singing, taking communion, etc (all of which describe a church). These gatherings should not be required to obtain a special use permit, but without an exception in the code or a definition, they technically would be. My suggestion is that the code be updated to replace "church" with "religious assembly". This would be more inclusive of all religions and

would limit the applicability to gatherings in excess of the limits of an "assembly" as set forth in building code to no more than 50 persons. Also, it could be stated that "a religious gathering that takes place in a legally established residence, where the religious gathering is not the primary use of the structure, is exempt from this requirement." Or something like that. This would create a logical distinction between smaller in-home gatherings such as bible studies and the more impactful gatherings that occur in church buildings.

Expected Close Date: March 24, 2023

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