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TO BE COMPLETED BY ANYONE
WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL OR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

Names of individuals making the presentation:

Shana Newell - Chair of Oceanview Christian Academy Board
Cheryl Devine - Principal of Oceanview Christian Academy

Points to be made:

Oceanview Christian Academy wishes to rent the VIC with intentions to purchase the VIC to utilize as a school, while working out all details with Council, when the timing is right for Council

Purpose and any requests that may be forthcoming from the presentation:

To be able to rent the VIC building, as soon as possible, for the growth of Oceanview Christian Academy.

Please attach a copy of your written or power point presentation.

Time requested for presentation:

15 minutes 30 minutes

Shana Newell
Signature

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Will you require a projector and computer for your presentation? No

NOTE: Individuals or groups making presentations are required to address their comments and questions to the Chair of the Meeting only. No decision will be made at the same meeting as your presentation.

Dear Barrington Municipal Council Members,

Oceanview Christian Academy is going into its fourth year with 54 students and 10 staff. We are a charitable organization that has been growing a lot over those years and it has had a great impact on our community. We have a variety of families who attend and are a part of OCA. Anyone can choose a private education for their children at our school; it gives our families another option on how to educate their children.

Like any school environment, OCA seeks to offer a rigorous and fulfilling academic education, but we also thrive on character development and creating good citizens of our students to impact their community. We offer French from grade primary onward and have developed an amazing Performing Arts curriculum. We strive to offer value to our families and bring positivity to all those who attend.

The Oceanview Christian Academy (OCA) Board is seeking to rent the VIC building, as soon as possible, for the education of OCA students because we are in need of a building of our own. The OCA Board would like to rent the VIC building with the option to purchase as soon as it is convenient for Council, which will allow us to grow our entire school within our community; it is another option available to our community for education with our school in operation. We need this building for the following reasons:

1. The Centreville United Baptist Church (CUBC) has been excellent to OCA in allowing us to use their building to grow the school; however, we are two separate organizations that are using the same space and both organizations are growing rapidly, therefore making space limited.
2. Classrooms are being filled and there will soon be lack of space to allow more students to attend (we want to expand to offer later grades- grades 11 & 12 specifically).
3. For the current year, OCA would love to be able to socially-distance all of our classes so that they don't have to wear a mask all day at school.

We want to submit a proposal that the Oceanview Christian Academy Board would rent the VIC building, as soon as possible, for OCA to move a few classes into the building to allow more space for CUBC to grow and for OCA to grow, as well. OCA sees the VIC building as a possible permanent location for at least half our school to plant. Such a move will give CUBC back some of their space that they have graciously allowed us to use for the last three years and going into the fourth. Even in the short term, moving a number of our students over to the VIC building for the coming months would be beneficial for OCA if the Council will consider selling the building to us when it is a more convenient time for Council to consider this matter. We can work with Council as a school to come up with a plan that works for everyone.

We are grateful for your time and consideration in this matter, and we look forward to hearing from Council.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "S. Newell" with a small star symbol at the end of the name.

Shana Newell
Chair of the Oceanview Christian Academy School Board
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