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CONDITIONAL USE HEARING AGENDA

Thursday, May 14, 2026, at 3:30PM

Meeting Location:
Township Administration Building, 2nd Floor Board Room
75 East Lancaster Avenue, Ardmore, Pennsylvania 19003

Hearing Officer: Pamela M. Loughman, Esquire
Revised Conditional Use Plan: 223 N. Highland Avenue, Merion Station, Ward 13, Application #3927C

The Applicant is seeking to modify a condition imposed by the Zoning Hearing Board, pursuant to Zoning Code Section [§155-4.4.C\(6\)](#) to expand the current approved usage on the property has been submitted to the Department of Building and Planning. The applicant seeks to modify conditions imposed by the Zoning Hearing Board in connection with a special exception approval (Appeal No. 4362) and then later modified by Conditional Use Application (No. 3896C) in order to use the facilities principally for religious worship at Kohelet during times when they are not being used by Kohelet students including:

- 1) Sabbath Evening Prayers on Fridays and Saturdays weekly for a maximum of 1.5 hours for no more than 60 attendees.
 - a. Attendees will not drive.
- 2) Sabbath prayers on Saturday morning weekly with an increase from 90 to 200 attendees.
 - a. Attendees will not drive.
- 3) Holiday Prayer Service increases from 3-4 times per year to no more than 13 times per year for no more than 200 attendees.
 - a. Attendees will not drive.

The property is located in the IE1 (Institutional Education 1) Zoning District. Kohelet Yeshiva High School, (Property Owner) c/o Jennifer Groen, Executive Director and The Merion Shtiebel, c/o Avi Weiner, President & Board of Directors is the Applicant.

Public participation is permitted in person. If you have a disability and require auxiliary aid service or other accommodations, please contact Charles Doyle, Assistant Director of Planning, via phone at 610-645-6117 or email (cdoyle@lowermerion.org) to determine how the Township can accommodate you.

If you are interested in reviewing the application & plans, you may at the Planning Division in the Township Administrative Building weekdays between 8:15AM-4:30PM.