



AGENDA ITEM # 6.4

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

Report Prepared by: Dawn Bittner

Date: March 5, 2020

Subject: Request to Waive Conditional Use Permit Fees

Report: Sharon Thorson, owner of It's a Wing Ding Thing on Government Drive, has applied for a Conditional Use Permit to operate a seasonal outdoor farmers market, offering locally farmed, grown, harvested and produced goods for our community. She plans to hold this market one day a week from late May to early October. Mrs. Thorson has provided the attached written request to waive the application and recording fees.

Council Action Requested: Council motion waiving the \$450 Conditional Use Permit Application Fee and \$46 Recording Fee.

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City of Pequot Lakes

Zoning Department
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Dear City Zoning and Planning Board,

I have attached a completed Conditional Use Permit application for the intended purpose of offering a Public Farmers Market at my existing place of business, It's a WING DING thing. My hope is to hold this market one day a week from late May to early October,

I am asking that you consider foregoing the application fee. I am requesting this because after talking to other surrounding communities I have learned that their fees were waived because of the added benefits & enhancements it brought to their community.

After having several conversations with other members of our community, many people agree that having a Farmers Market in downtown Pequot Lakes will be a great amenity to bring to our town. This market would provide opportunities to local farmers/growers and small businesses alike by bringing more people into our town to share in our community values.

Thank you for considering my goal for our community and looking forward to this evolving,

Sincerely,

Sharon Thorson