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Project Information

benton Mennonite Foyer Addition  
15350 CR 44

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County ELKHART

Project Type New ☐ Addition ☒ Alteration ☐ Existing ☐ Change of Occupancy ☐

Project Status ☒ U F=Filed U or Null=Unfiled

IDHS Issued Correction order? ☒ No Has Violation been Issued? ☒ No

Violation Issued by: NA

Local Building Official

Phone:

Email:

Local Fire Official

Phone:

Email:

### Variance Details

Code Name: Other Code (Not in the list provided)

903.2.1.3 , 2014 IBC

Conditions: An existing non-sprinklered church with a basement currently has 5,937 square feet on the first floor and 5,122 square feet on the basement level. A new commons addition of approximately 2,150 square feet to the first floor will increase the fire area and put the church into further noncompliance with the code's requirement for an automatic fire sprinkler system.

#### DEMONSTRATION THAT PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE ARE PROTECTED:

1=Non-compliance with the rule will not be adverse to the public health, safety or w

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2= Applicant will undertake alternative actions in lieu of compliance with the rule to ensure that granting of the variance will not be adverse to public health, safety, or welfare. Explain why alternative actions would be adequate (be specific).

Facts: 1. The building be provided with an automatic fire alarm system with smoke detection.  
2. The new commons addition will not increase the occupant load of the building. The commons area will not be used simultaneously with the sanctuary.  
3. The new addition will additional egress capacity as well as providing a third exit for the first floor. The new egress capacity will be capable of accommodating 540 people. The actual occupant load of the church is 124.

#### DEMONSTRATION OF UNDUE HARDSHIP OR HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT STRUCTURE:

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Imposition of the rule would result in an undue hardship (unusual difficulty) because of physical limitations of the construction site or its utility services.

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Imposition of the rule would result in an undue hardship (unusual difficulty) because of major operational problems in the use of the building or structure.

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Imposition of the rule would result in an undue hardship (unusual difficulty) because of excessive costs of additional or altered construction elements.

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Imposition of the rule would prevent the preservation of an architecturally or a historically significant part of the building or structure

Facts: The hardship is the cost of \$300,000 to \$350,000 for providing a sprinkler system for the building. The project cost is only \$400,000 and the cost of the sprinkler system is an undue hardship.