

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**PROPOSED ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS**  
**BOWNE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION**

On March 4, 2025, beginning at 7:00 p.m., at the Bowne Historical Hall at 8240 Alden Nash, Alto, Michigan 49302, the Bowne Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing regarding proposed amendments to the Bowne Township Zoning Ordinance (the “Zoning Ordinance”) involving new definitions for event venues and outdoor recreation facilities, and changes regarding uses permitted by right within AG-Agricultural zoning district, special land uses allowed within the AG-Agricultural zoning district, the deletion of existing Section 5.08, changes to the standards for special land uses in Subsection 14.05(R), an amendment to Subsection 14.05(S) regarding minimum lot size and lot width, and a new Subsection 14.05(U) regarding event venues and wineries. More specifically, the proposed amendments for the Zoning Ordinance would add a new definition to Section 2.29(a) for event venues, modify existing Section 2.59 (the definition of outdoor recreation facilities), amend existing Subsection 5.02(i) regarding uses permitted by right in the AG-Agricultural zoning district, amend existing Subsections 5.04(I), (N) and (O) regarding special land uses in the AG-Agricultural zoning district (and providing for outdoor recreation facilities, event venues, wineries and distilleries and distinguishing vineyards), delete existing Section 5.08 of the AG-Agricultural zoning district regarding rural recreation/amusement enterprises, amend Subsection 14.05(R) regarding standards for outdoor recreation facilities, amend existing Subsection 14.05(X)(1) regarding minimum lot size and lot width of outdoor recreation facilities involving zoos, wildlife parks and similar uses and add a new and additional Subsection 14.05(U) regarding event venues and wineries. A full copy of the proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance can be reviewed, inspected or purchased at the

Bowne Township offices located at 8240 Alden Nash during normal business hours (Wednesday - 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., 1 p.m.-3 p.m. and Thursday - 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., 1 p.m.-3 p.m.) or by contacting the Bowne Township Clerk at (616) 868-6846. Public comments are welcome at the public hearing. In addition, written comments will be accepted by the Planning Commission up until the time of the public hearing. In the interim, questions should be directed to the Bowne Township Clerk at (616) 868-6846 or by email: [clerk@bownetwp.org](mailto:clerk@bownetwp.org).

Respectfully submitted by,

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