

## KINGSWOOD OXFORD

### **Description of Proposed Activity:**

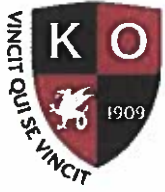
Kingswood Oxford School is seeking a Special-Use Permit for the purpose of using temporary, portable lights for one Friday and Saturday evening during the 2023 Fall season for athletic contests to be played on the Hoffman Turf Field on Friday, September 29, 2023 and Saturday, September 30, 2023.

The past few Falls at Kingswood Oxford have seen an evening community event around a particular sport, cultivating school spirit and community culture. We would like to continue the tradition of bringing together our community and town in 2023. The requested dates are back-to-back dates where we can allow for a few teams (due to home schedules) to have the opportunity to showcase their talents in front of the community. Friday, September 29, we plan to have the Varsity Girls Soccer team kick-off at 7:00 p.m. Saturday, September 30 the Varsity Football team is scheduled to kick-off at 6:00 p.m. The projected sunset for these dates in West Hartford is 6:35 p.m. The contests should both finish by 8:30 p.m. and the lights should be turned off by 9:30 p.m. following clean-up of facilities and all visitors safely off of campus. We have never run into an issue where lights have had to stay on later than this time and are confident that everything will be cleaned and turned off well before 10:00 p.m.

The school will use ten sets of portable lights around the field to illuminate the field and two portable lights in the surrounding areas including concession stand and access from the circular drive at the entrance to Kingswood Oxford School. Each light tower contains four lights and has a maximum extension height of 30 feet. The lights are powered by diesel fuel. These towers also measure roughly 58 dB at 23 feet away, allowing for a quieter experience off-campus and for surrounding homes. A more detailed description of the specifications of the portable lights, photo-metric test data and unit engine information is attached.

The rental company that is providing the lights will deliver them to Kingswood Oxford School the day before the scheduled event and will remove them from the field the following Monday. The lights will be provided by Kingswood Oxford School with no charge to the town. The approximate players on the two Kingswood Oxford teams is expected to be around 70 players and the total number of players, family, and friends attending these games would be approximately 200 people on Friday and 300 people on Saturday.

All campus parking will be open for full use. Last year we purchased and placed signs around the neighborhood (Outlook Avenue and Kingswood Road) that said "No Event



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*Parking*". We found these signs did help direct traffic off of the side streets nearest campus. We also notified our community via weekly communications that parking would be limited to our main Trout Brook parking lot. The same communications were shared with the Director of Athletics at our opponents schools. Our Director of Facilities will have a crew on staff that night and, in conjunction with our security company, will help to direct any overflow parking to grass fields as needed.