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Sent: Monday, June 26, 2017 2:56 PM **To:** Planning < <u>Planning@a2gov.org</u>>

Subject: UMS at U-M / New York Philharmonic Orchestra Event at Ann Arbor Distillery

Hello,

I am writing from the University Musical Society (UMS) at the University of Michigan supporting Ann Arbor Distillery's ability to host special events in their space on Felch. We had been hoping to host a performance in their space by members of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra on Thursday, November 16 in advance of their 3 concerts at Hill Auditorium November 15-19, and recently learned of potential zoning concerns prohibiting this from happening.

There are fewer and fewer special events spaces in Ann Arbor, fewer still run by folks interested in community collaboration. We at UMS sincerely hope Ann Arbor City Planning allows them to continue hosting events.

Thank you, Mary Roeder

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