

Other Land Use Action for publication in the Seattle Services Portal & DJC on  
April 27, 2020

**NOTICE OF LAND USE CODE AMENDMENTS TO IMPLEMENT THE  
CHILDCARE NEAR YOU PROPOSAL  
AND SEPA DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE**

Pursuant to SMC 25.05.340 and WAC 197-11-340

The City of Seattle is proposing to amend the Land Use Code (Title 23 SMC) to update child care center requirements. The legislation includes the following:

- Remove limits on child care centers in home occupations.
- Allow child care centers as a permitted use in single-family zones.
- Remove dispersion requirements for child care centers in multifamily areas.
- Exempt child care centers from floor area limits in multifamily zones and commercial zones.
- Remove maximum size limits for child care centers in some commercial zones.
- Add code flexibility for child care centers in Seattle Mixed zones.

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION**

After review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file, the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (SDCI) has determined that the amendments described above will not have a probable significant adverse environmental impact, and has issued a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) under the State Environmental Policy Act (no Environmental Impact Statement required).

**HOW TO COMMENT**

Comments regarding this DNS or potential environmental impacts may be submitted through May 11, 2020. Comments may be sent to:

**City of Seattle, SDCI  
Attn: Gordon Clowers  
P.O. Box 94788  
Seattle, WA 98124-7088  
[gordon.clowers@seattle.gov](mailto:gordon.clowers@seattle.gov)**

**HOW TO APPEAL**

Appeals of the decision to issue a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) must be submitted to the Office of the Hearing Examiner by 5:00 p.m. May 18, 2020. Appeals should be addressed to the Hearing Examiner and must be accompanied by an \$85.00 filing fee in a check payable to the City of Seattle. The appeal must be sent to:

**City of Seattle  
Hearing Examiner  
PO Box 94729  
Seattle WA 98124-4729**

**INFORMATION AVAILABLE**

Copies of the DNS and the proposal may be obtained online at  
<https://www.seattle.gov/council/committees/land-use-and-neighborhoods>

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or at the SDCI Public Resource Center, 700 5th Avenue, Suite 2000 in the Seattle Municipal Tower. The Public Resource Center is open 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday.

Questions regarding the proposed amendments and environmental determination can be directed to Lish Whitson, Council Central Staff, at (206) 615-1674 or [lish.whitson@seattle.gov](mailto:lish.whitson@seattle.gov).