

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#3]
Date: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 10:59:36 AM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40245

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40202

Email

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * No

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? No

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? No

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? Don't Know

What size of childcare program do you prefer? 10 or less children

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#4]
Date: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 1:51:09 PM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40222

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40223

Email

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * Yes

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? No

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? No

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? 10 or less children

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

Please provide your comments and ideas:

Parents rely on safe, affordable child care to be able to work. Even before the pandemic, Louisville parents lacked child care options, especially families of color. Now with the pandemic, the fragile ecosystem of child care is under further threat. Regulated home-based family child care is a much-needed option for working parents and local economies.

In the last 10 years, Kentucky has experienced a dramatic decline in the number of family child care home providers. Planning and zoning requirements on in-home businesses have contributed to the decline. Recently, Kentucky has taken steps to encourage the growth of regulated family child care by offering start-up funds to providers. This regulated child care option is offered in private homes to a small number of children and must meet state health and safety standards. Regulated family child care complements the care offered by centers to fill gaps in access by:

- Being located closer to families in their neighborhoods
- Serving parents with nontraditional work hours, such as healthcare workers and first responders
- Strengthening the local child care infrastructure

- Adding new providers in child care deserts

In addition, parents may favor family child care because they can choose providers who share their cultural background, speak the family's language, or have the ability to address the individualized needs of the children, particularly for children with special needs.

I hope that any planning and zoning ordinances that prevent regulated family child care from opening in a residential area are removed.



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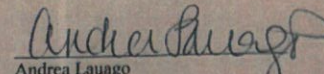
6512 Bridleview Circle

Re: Zoning Confirmation #17CERT1509

I, Andrea Lauago, Planning Supervisor, hereby certify the attached to be a true and exact copy of the official Zoning District Map, as said map appears in the office of Louisville Metro Planning Commission.

The property located at **6512 Bridleview Circle** is zoned **R-4 (Residential)**. This zoning classification does permit the operation of a home occupation including an in-home daycare. The Land Development Code (LDC) regulations of such operations have been given to the applicant, and with these standards, the facility must comply. Please note that the regulations only permit **one** non-resident employee to be present on the premises at a time and no more than **six** pupils/children (unrelated to the operator) at a time.

If you have any additional concerns, I may be reached at (502) 574-8662.


Andrea Lauago
Planning Supervisor

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#5]
Date: Friday, October 1, 2021 9:17:59 AM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40258

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40258

Email

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * No

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? No

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? Yes

If yes, how many children are enrolled in your childcare program? 6

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? 10 or less children

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

Please provide your comments and ideas:

I have been a state certified child care provider for 22 years. I looked into increasing my capacity to 12 children in my home from 6 and it was too expensive and to intense a process for me for zoning. I currently have about 10 people on a waiting list and people begging me for a spot. I would apply for more kids if it didn't cost so much, take so long or was such a laborious process. I have a wonderful home, driveway and space to be able to increase my child care size. I believe state certified child care programs should increase to 10 instead of 6 without any additional zoning or requirements. It would help alleviate the shortage of child care for children especially in Louisville.,

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#6]
Date: Friday, October 1, 2021 12:05:44 PM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40258

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40258

Email

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * Yes

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? No

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? Yes

If yes, how many children are enrolled in your childcare program? 6

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? 10 or less children

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

Please provide your comments and ideas:

I am a state certified family child care home. I have been certified since 1998. I currently have over 15 people on a waiting list. This is the most I have ever had. And sadly, I only anticipate having 2 opening next August (2022). I personally believe that one way to solve the child care crisis is to allow certified homes to care for more children. Simply adding 2 or 3 additional spots would allow parents have more options when it comes to child care. I am finding that many parents are reluctant to place their child in a center during a pandemic. They find the care a home provider can give to be a safer option.

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#7]
Date: Thursday, October 7, 2021 8:50:54 AM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40205

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40205

Email

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * Yes

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? Yes

If yes, how many of your children are currently enrolled in a childcare program? 1

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? No

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? No preference

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

Please provide your comments and ideas: As per NPR, "pre-pandemic, about half of U.S. families reported having trouble finding care for a young child. That number jumped to nearly two-thirds this spring as day cares closed and other caretakers, such as grandparents and nannies, were told to stay home." Louisville Metro should do everything in its power to expand the number of daycare providers in a variety of settings so that everyone can find the care they need. People aren't able to go back to work for a variety of reasons, but not being able to find affordable and convenient child care is a huge factor.

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#8]
Date: Friday, October 8, 2021 7:57:59 AM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40241

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40241

Email

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * Yes

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? Yes

If yes, how many of your children are currently enrolled in a childcare program? 1

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? Yes

If yes, how many children are enrolled in your childcare program? 150

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? 30+ children

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

Please provide your comments and ideas: I have a child in childcare, as well as have been trying to get zoning to open a preschool and it's been a big struggle. Current zoning is not conducive to childcare centers or preschools.

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#9]
Date: Friday, October 8, 2021 9:38:59 AM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40206

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40202

Email

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * Yes

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? No

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? No

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? Don't Know

What size of childcare program do you prefer? 10 or less children

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

Please provide your comments and ideas: If metro govt. could ease zoning restrictions either by allowing daycares in residential neighborhoods or raising the number of children limit to be classified as a daycare, we would hopefully see more small neighborhood facilities that can in theory increase competition in the industry thereby lowering costs, improving access and lowering the child to caregiver ratio, resulting in more attention per child. I know this has been done in other localities and has been successful.

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#10]
Date: Friday, October 8, 2021 9:52:13 AM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 47172

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40228

Email

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * Yes

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? No

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? No

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? 30+ children

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

Please provide your comments and ideas:
I work at an elementary school and do a LOT of referrals to child care.
I know that we need more locations and more choices...especially for before and after school care for those children 5 to 12.

I am hoping that you can send me a recording of the virtual meeting last Tuesday.
thanks!

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#11]
Date: Friday, October 8, 2021 10:20:33 AM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40220

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * No

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? Yes

If yes, how many of your children are currently enrolled in a childcare program? 1

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? No

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? 10 or less children

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

Please provide your comments and ideas:

I currently send my toddler to a small in-home daycare that is operated in a residential neighborhood – they do not exceed the 8-child limit, but this seems an arbitrary number that should be based on the space available in the house, not the type of neighborhood. Easing that restriction could help more small family-run businesses operate this way and provide more options for childcare in neighborhoods. This is essential for working parents like me, especially as the cost of daycare centers can be so high and many have restricted or shut down operations during the pandemic. Smaller, in-home daycare options like mine are not only more affordable and accessible, but can be safer and less prone to outbreaks of infections like Covid-19 and RSV, so there is also a public-health rationale for supporting more small-scale childcare programs in our city.

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#12]
Date: Friday, October 8, 2021 6:05:13 PM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40205

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40205

Email

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * No

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? No

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? No

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? No preference

Please provide your comments and ideas:

You have 2 children in child care for what reason?
You work, and can afford the cost of child care.
If you can't afford child care, DON'T HAVE CHILDREN!!!!
I heard on the news this morning, 49% of the unemployed are not looking for work.
The reason – child care was more costly than what they could earn.
If you can't afford childcare, housing or healthcare, get a better paying job.
My parents could barely afford me, so they didn't have any more kids.
Could someone explain this to you, and all the people who want our tax dollars to pay for their wishes?

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#13]
Date: Saturday, October 9, 2021 1:28:03 PM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40204

Email

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * Yes

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? Yes

If yes, how many of your children are currently enrolled in a childcare program? 2

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? No

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? No preference

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

Please provide your comments and ideas: Child care centers should be able to operate in far more locations than they are today. We should eliminate parking requirements for child care centers entirely.

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#14]
Date: Saturday, October 9, 2021 1:57:47 PM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40205

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40203

Email

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * Yes

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? No

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? No

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? 10 or less children

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

Please provide your comments and ideas:

I think if you allow commercial and what I consider frivolous commercial uses like STR's in residential neighborhoods,

You can also allow walkable childcare for parents of all means and locations. Perhaps there's a lower cap on "child density" in residential than in commercial zones. Maybe you can have mini day cares in ADU situations. Maybe they have a distance requirement to ensure you don't get a string of Pearls effect. As an old person who had a working mother in the 1950's, my momma had no issue sending me down to Dorothy's daycare. She was just a neighbor who took care Of neighborhood kids.

Instead of mega multi use dinosaurs with dog parks and gyms and all the internal "amenities" of a country club.....consider mandatory daycare for residents as a

Perk. "Lifestyle" developers seldom take such needs into account and therefore the clientele is one note rather than mixed ages and circumstances. The best generation may be more single parents in situ who could benefit from on site

Care. While they work at home..... until we get creative in all zones this will remain an obstacle to Work freedom. And of course the govt should subsidize childcare.

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#15]
Date: Saturday, October 9, 2021 6:59:47 PM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40059

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40202

Email

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * No

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? Yes

If yes, how many of your children are currently enrolled in a childcare program? 2

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? No

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? No preference

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

Please provide your comments and ideas: I cannot think of one reason why childcare wouldn't be allowable by right in every zoning? It makes sense in residential (see Norton commons?) office, office towers and complexes would benefit greatly from having childcare. Commercial, not sure what the argument against it would be? Industrial? Large facilities with lots of employment would benefit from having onsite childcare? Can someone share any valid reasons why the use isn't just allowed everywhere?

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#16]
Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2021 11:30:43 AM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40205

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40202

Email

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * Yes

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? Yes

If yes, how many of your children are currently enrolled in a childcare program? 1

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? Yes

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? Don't Know

What size of childcare program do you prefer? No preference

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

Please provide your comments and ideas:

Childcare facilities are needed in both residential and commercial districts. Placing childcare facilities in commercial districts allows working parents to include childcare on their commute, and also keeps their children close in the event of an emergency. Childcare in residential neighborhoods recognizes that in the modern economy, a growing segment of the workforce will work from home, away from commercial districts. This allows remote workers to place their children in close childcare centers without creating long commutes to those facilities which would eliminate the environmental benefits of remote work. Yes In My Backyard!

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#17]
Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2021 12:04:10 PM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40212

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40203

Email

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * No

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? No

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? No

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? 11-20 children

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#18]
Date: Wednesday, October 13, 2021 11:27:46 AM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40205

Email

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * Yes

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? No

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? No

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? 11-20 children

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

Please provide your comments and ideas: I am retired after 35 years in education, most of those in early childhood --some private, some with JCPS. My concern is that the expansion of child care programs include standards and training that insure the highest quality of care and teaching for our youngest learners. Please let me know what I can do to assist with this effort.

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#19]
Date: Friday, October 15, 2021 9:17:25 PM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40205

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40205

Email

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * Yes

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? Yes

If yes, how many of your children are currently enrolled in a childcare program? 2

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? No

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? 11-20 children

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#20]
Date: Thursday, October 21, 2021 7:06:09 AM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40203

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40203

Email

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * Yes

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? No

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? No

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? No preference

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

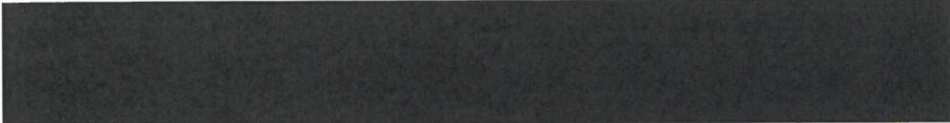
Please provide your comments and ideas: Childcare zoning should be changed to include non-commercial zoned properties for larger groups of children. The current statute is overly constrictive and not in the best interest of families or children.



Your Voice Matters Let's Talk Child Care!

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Please fill out the survey below to help inform this review.



Are you the primary caregiver for a child enrolled in a childcare program: Y or N (circle one)
If yes, how many children: _____

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program: Y or N (circle one)
if yes, how many are enrolled: 4

Do you think childcare is accessible to all in Jefferson County: Y or N (circle one)

What size childcare program do you prefer:

- 10 or less children
- 11-20 children
- 30+
- No preference

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential or commercial areas:

- Residential Only
- Commercial Only
- Both

Additional Comments and ideas:

Questions or Comments: Please contact Joel Dock at 502-574-5860, by email at joel.dock@louisvilleky.gov, or submit comments online at <https://louisvilleky.gov/government/planning-design/changes-childcare-regulations>



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If yes, how many children: 6

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program: Y or N (circle one)

If yes, how many are enrolled: _____

Do you think childcare is accessible to all in Jefferson County: Y or N (circle one)

What size childcare program do you prefer:

- 10 or less children
- 11-20 children
- 30+
- No preference

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential or commercial areas:

- Residential Only
- Commercial Only
- Both

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If yes, how many children: _____

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program: Y or N (circle one)

If yes, how many are enrolled: _____

Do you think childcare is accessible to all in Jefferson County: Y or N (circle one)

What size childcare program do you prefer:

- 10 or less children
- 11-20 children
- 30+
- No preference

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- Both

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Are you the primary caregiver for a child enrolled in a childcare program: Y or N (circle one)
If yes, how many children: 30

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program: Y or N (circle one)
if yes, how many are enrolled: 30

Do you think childcare is accessible to all in Jefferson County: Y or N (circle one)

What size childcare program do you prefer:

- 10 or less children
- 11-20 children
- 21-30+
- No preference

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential or commercial areas:

- Residential Only
- Commercial Only
- Both

Additional Comments and ideas:

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Are you the primary caregiver for a child enrolled in a childcare program, Y or N (circle one)
If yes, how many children: 6

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program, Y or N (circle one)
if yes, how many are enrolled: 6

Do you think childcare is accessible to all in Jefferson County: Y or N (circle one)

What size childcare program do you prefer:

- 10 or less children
- 11-20 children
- 30+
- No preference

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential or commercial areas:

- Residential Only
- Commercial Only
- Both

Additional Comments and Ideas:

QUESTION

* zoning office have a inspector who can check a Provider childcare house?

* How long take change zoning from Residence to bussines.?

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If yes, how many children: 6

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program: Y or N (circle one)

if yes, how many are enrolled: 6

Do you think childcare is accessible to all in Jefferson County: Y or N (circle one)

What size childcare program do you prefer:

- 10 or less children
- 11-20 children
- 30+
- No preference

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential or commercial areas:

- Residential Only
- Commercial Only
- Both

Additional Comments and ideas:

Raise 6 child limit to 12
in R-4 areas

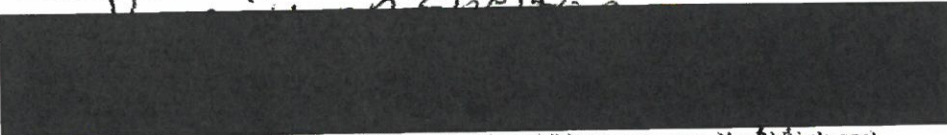
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Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program: Y or N (circle one)
if yes, how many are enrolled: _____

Do you think childcare is accessible to all in Jefferson County: Y or N (circle one)

What size childcare program do you prefer:

- 10 or less children
- 11-20 children
- 30+
- No preference

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential or commercial areas:

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- Both

Additional Comments and ideas:

I would like to get the use of Daycare to get the right In a MFR. In short I want commercial zoning. Please inform me of what I need to get it zoning.

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<https://louisvilleky.gov/government/planning-design/changes-childcare-regulations>

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#21]
Date: Monday, October 25, 2021 12:12:15 PM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40215

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40215

Email _____

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * Yes

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? No

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? No

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? Yes

What size of childcare program do you prefer? 10 or less children

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

Please provide your comments and ideas: In Residential areas, only 10 children.
In Commercial areas 10-20 children.

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#22]
Date: Monday, October 25, 2021 5:31:31 PM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40216

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40216

Email _____

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * Yes

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? No

If yes, how many of your children are currently enrolled in a childcare program? 6

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? Yes

If yes, how many children are enrolled in your childcare program? 6

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? Yes

What size of childcare program do you prefer? 11-20 children

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#23]
Date: Monday, November 1, 2021 2:16:04 PM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40217

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40203

Email _____

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * Yes

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? No

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? Yes

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? No preference

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

Please provide your comments and ideas: We are a Community Center that has provided after-school programs for over 20 years. We would like to expand our program to include a licensed preschool, but our building is in an area that is zoned residential.

We know the community we serve has a great need for quality childcare and early education programs, but the zoning restrictions are keeping us from being able to meet this need. We would like to see the zoning regulations change to allow childcare programs in all zoning areas to ensure that all neighborhoods have equal access to the childcare they need.

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#24]
Date: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 10:52:30 AM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40258

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40258

Email _____

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * Yes

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? Yes

If yes, how many of your children are currently enrolled in a childcare program? 1

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? Yes

If yes, how many children are enrolled in your childcare program? 6

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? 11-20 children

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#25]
Date: Monday, November 8, 2021 2:45:04 PM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40258-3216

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40258-3216

Email _____

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * Yes

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? Yes

If yes, how many of your children are currently enrolled in a childcare program? 6

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? Yes

If yes, how many children are enrolled in your childcare program? 6

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? 11-20 children

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

Please provide your comments and ideas:

As a state certified child care provider I get calls daily from people who cannot find child care and live in my area needing a spot. I am restricted to 6 children and could easily increase that if laws were changed. People are upset and begging me for spots which I cannot provide. They tell me they cannot find child care for their children anywhere.

From: [Wufoo](#)
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#26]
Date: Friday, November 12, 2021 8:12:24 AM

Name *

Zip Code of Your Home * 40206

Email _____

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? * Yes

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? No

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? Yes

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? No preference

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

Please provide your comments and ideas: R-4 zoning was created for segregation by race and isolation of women in a specious construct of what a family should look like. Access to child care is just one change to the zoning to move toward fair housing. Child care should be allowed anywhere the environment is safe- not poisoned by industry. That means commercial and residential areas should accommodate child care businesses and allow a number of children that actually makes the business succeed as well as the child and family succeed.

From:
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Child Care Regulations
Date: Friday, November 12, 2021 9:00:45 AM

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The notice of public hearing states

"To review proposed changes and submit comments, please visit the website below and complete a brief questionnaire:"

I went to the website and did not see a brief questionnaire. The website does not specifically state what is being changed. Deletions/Additions not noted.

I am opposed to as many as 12 children being in a child care home in a residential setting. Six children is sufficient.

The following proposed changes under child care center does not make sense. Both mention residential zoning districts but one says permitted use and one says conditional use.

"Permitted use with special standards in residential zoning districts (New sec. 4.3.25)

- Conditional use permit in residential and industrial zoning districts (Revise sec. 4.2.19)"

I am against conditional use permit in residential zoning districts for child/adult care centers.

All drop off/pick up zones must be off street designated.

No on street parking shall be considered when determining the number of parking spaces needed.

The outdoor activity should be restricted from 7 p.m. to 8 a.m.

From:
To: [Dock, Joel](#)
Subject: Child Care Regulations
Date: Friday, November 12, 2021 9:03:15 AM

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The notice says the hearing is on November 18, but I do not see a time.

The notice of public hearing states

"To review proposed changes and submit comments, please visit the website below and complete a brief questionnaire:"

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Brashear, Pamela

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, November 12, 2021 5:16 PM
To: Dock, Joel
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#27]

Name * tyler frankrone

Zip Code of Your Home * 40245

Zip Code of Your Workplace 40245

Email tfrankrone5@gmail.com

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? Yes

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Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? Yes

If yes, how many of your children are currently enrolled in a childcare program? 40

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? Yes

If yes, how many children are enrolled in your childcare program? 40

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? Yes

What size of childcare program do you prefer? 30+ children

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Only in Commercial Areas

Brashear, Pamela

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Monday, November 15, 2021 10:04 AM
To: Dock, Joel
Subject: Childcare Regulation Comment Form [#28]

Name * Valerie Slaten
Zip Code of Your Home * 40258
Zip Code of Your Workplace 40222
Email cdcdirector@stmam.com

Would you like to be notified by email of future meeting dates concerning this update? Yes
*

Are you a primary caregiver for a child that is currently participating in a childcare program? No

Are you the operator or employee of a childcare program? Yes

If yes, how many children are enrolled in your childcare program? 35

Do you think that childcare is accessible to everyone in Jefferson County? No

What size of childcare program do you prefer? 30+ children

Do you believe that childcare programs should be available in residential neighborhoods and/or commercial areas? Both

November 17, 2021

Planning Commission
Louisville Metro Government
444 South 5th Street
Louisville, KY 40202

RE: Metro Planning & Design Case 21-LDC-0013 – Changes to Child Care Regulations

Dear Commissioners -

Greater Louisville Inc., the Metro Chamber of Commerce, represents more than 1800 businesses across diverse industries in the Greater Louisville region. Since the onset of the pandemic, we have had many conversations with our investors regarding barriers to workforce, one of the greatest of which is access to child care.

Our region has always struggled with access to affordable childcare and workforce participation, but these issues have been exacerbated due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Jefferson County has lost more than 10% of its daycare capacity since March of 2020. This loss has far-reaching effects for children and parents, and most often impacts black and minority families in their ability to participate in the workforce. The loss of child care capacity combined with some of the most restrictive regulations around child care zoning in the nation have left Louisville parent and employers at a disadvantage as our economy continues to recover.

On behalf of our members, GLI encourages you to support the recommended changes that you will consider on Thursday regarding child care regulations in Metro Louisville's Land Development Code. These changes are intended to allow for child care facilities to be located where people live and work and to remove the extensive barriers that child care providers face when attempting to meet the needs of our community.

We appreciate the Metro Councilmembers who prioritized the need for this community conversation and the Planning & Designs staff which worked quickly and thoughtfully to gather feedback and offer constructive recommendations that will address access and equity. Other changes are needed at the state level to further expand access and affordability, but these amendments at the local level will certainly make an impact for Louisville's workforce.

Sincerely,

Liz McQuillen
Director, Government Affairs & Public Policy