Child Care Facility Business Licence Application
Flying Fish Childcare Centre

Public Meeting
March 8, 2022
Child Care Facilities Business Regulation Bylaw

Business licence applications for a child care facility with 11 to 20 children:

• Public Meeting required
• Council approval required

Public Meeting notice requirements:

• Notify all properties located within 50m of the child care facility and within a cul-de-sac (if applicable)
• At least 10 days prior to meeting
Flying Fish Childcare Centre

Proposal:
Increase the current child care capacity from 8 children to 18 preschool-aged children.

- Opened July 2021
- Operates from applicant’s home
- No complaints received by the District regarding the child care
- Building upgraded in 2021
Planning Guidelines for Group Child Care in Residential Zones

• Updates approved by Council in January 2014
• Applies to child care applications for facilities with more than 8 children in a residential building

Criteria:
• Location
• Transportation needs
• Neighbourhood character
• Neighbourhood consultation
• Facility design
Planning Guidelines: Location

- Keith Lynn neighbourhood
- **East 13th Street**: collector road, school zone
- **Community amenities**: Brooksbank Elementary School, Brooksbank Park, and Loutet Park (CNV)
- Nearby child care facilities: Wildflower Childcare, Fun Days, Sunshine Preschool, Sweet Cherry Blossom Daycare
- Flying Fish Childcare Centre’s current waitlist has over 10 children
Planning Guidelines: Transportation Needs

- 4 off-street parking spaces recommended by the Planning Guidelines; 2 required by Zoning Bylaw
- 2 off-street parking spaces provided
- Maximum 3 staff, including the applicant, will work at any given time
- Drop-off and pick-up times: 7:30am and 5:30pm
- Available on-street and nearby
Planning Guidelines: Neighbourhood Character

- Outdoor play times:
  - 11am to noon
  - 2pm to 3pm
- Regular visits to nearby amenities for outdoor play
- Noise and privacy mitigation:
  - 6 ft. tall wood fence
  - Other solutions to consider include planting hedges at shared property line
Planning Guidelines: Facility Design

- Child care located on the main floor
- Outdoor play area: deck, sandbox, lawn
- 15 sq.m. of outdoor play space per child available, which exceeds the 7 sq.m. provincial requirement
- Large windows
Planning Guidelines: Neighbourhood Consultation

- Letter of Introduction delivered to neighbours within 50m of child care
- **Virtual open house**: February 9, 2022
- 4 neighbours attended
  - 1 neighbour in support
  - 1 neighbour with no concerns
  - 1 household expressed concerns regarding potential noise and privacy impacts
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