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Submitted by user: Anonymous

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Date: Friday, March 21, 2025

To: Her Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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First Name: Kavita

Last Name: Sharma

Phone Number : [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

I live outside of Saskatoon: No

Saskatoon Address and Ward:

Address: [REDACTED] Evergreen Blvd

Ward: Ward 10

What do you wish to do ?: Available to answer questions only

If speaking will you be attending in person or remotely: Remotely

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What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?: Discretionary Use Application – Day Care Centre – 440 Evergreen Boulevard [MPC2025-0301]

Comments:

Please find attached a brief letter of support for our Discretionary Use Application, in regard to the day care centre at 440 Evergreen Boulevard. This letter outlines our proposal for a maximum of 20 children and provides details on how we've addressed community concerns, including parking and outdoor play space.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to attending the Municipal Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, March 25, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. and are available to provide any further details as needed.

Attachments:

- [Letter of Support.pdf](#)653.57 KB

Will you be submitting a video to be vetted prior to council meeting?: No

Letter of Support for Discretionary Use Application

Date: March 21, 2025

City Clerk's Office
City of Saskatoon
222 3rd Avenue North
Saskatoon, SK S7K 0J5

Subject: Discretionary Use Application – Day Care Centre (20 Children) at 440 Evergreen Boulevard

1. Introduction and Background

We, Prem and Kavita Sharma, are pleased to submit this letter in support of our **Discretionary Use Application** for a **day care centre** at **440 Evergreen Boulevard**. Over the past months, we have worked closely with City staff from the Planning and Development Department and engaged with residents of the Evergreen neighbourhood to refine our proposal and ensure that it aligns with both municipal regulations and community expectations.

Initially, our application proposed a capacity of 24 children. However, in response to feedback and concerns voiced by neighbours and City administrators, we **reduced the capacity to 20 children**. This lower number will help mitigate potential impacts on traffic, parking availability, and overall neighbourhood compatibility, while still providing a much-needed child care resource in Evergreen.

2. Overview of the Day Care Proposal

- **Location and Zoning:**
 - The site at 440 Evergreen Boulevard is zoned **R1A – Low Density Residential District 1A** under Bylaw No. 9990, Zoning Bylaw, 2024.
 - A day care centre is a **Discretionary Use** in the R1A District, requiring City Council's approval.
- **Staff and Operations:**
 - We will personally manage the day care, along with one additional staff member (making a total of three staff).
 - Hours of operation are anticipated to be Monday through Friday, typically 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., with occasional variations based on family needs.
- **Outdoor Play Area:**
 - Our fenced backyard provides **approximately 142 square metres** of fenced outdoor play space, surpassing the 7 square metre per child requirement of the Zoning Bylaw.
 - This ensures a safe, on-site area for children's recreational and developmental activities.

3. Community Engagement and Feedback

We recognize the importance of working with local residents and City officials to identify and resolve any concerns arising from the day care use.

Key Concerns and Our Responses:

- a. **Capacity and Scale:** We proactively **reduced the capacity** from 24 to 20 children to lessen potential traffic and parking impacts, showing our commitment to accommodating neighbourhood feedback.
- b. **Parking and Traffic:**
 - i. We will provide **four on-site parking spaces** (two for staff, two for pick-up/drop-off).
 - ii. As a corner lot, additional on-street parking can be used along Zary Road, ensuring minimal congestion or interference near mailboxes and intersections.
 - iii. We plan to implement staggered drop-off and pick-up times, alleviating surges in traffic.
- c. **Property Maintenance, Garbage & Snow Removal:** We are committed to high standards of upkeep, ensuring that waste disposal remains orderly and that sidewalks and parking areas are kept free of snow and ice.

We greatly value the constructive input from community members, which has allowed us to refine our application to better serve both local families and our neighbours.

4. Alignment with Municipal Policies and Plans

- **Zoning Bylaw No. 9990:**
 - The day care centre proposal meets all required development standards, including parking, fencing, and outdoor play area size.
- **Official Community Plan (OCP):**
 - OCP encourages supportive housing and care facilities in all areas of the city.
 - Our day care centre proposal meets these policies by providing essential child care and reinforcing family-friendly living options.

5. Rationale and Community Benefit

Child care is an essential service in any growing neighborhood, and the Evergreen area continues to expand with young families. By offering a **safe, nurturing, and accessible** day care program, we aim to:

1. **Support Working Families:** Our day care will help meet the demand for flexible, quality child care in Evergreen, benefiting parents who work full-time or have irregular schedules.
2. **Enhance Child Development:** A professionally managed day care fosters social, cognitive, and emotional development in a structured environment.
3. **Build Community Cohesion:** Operating out of our primary residence allows us to strengthen local bonds, as we interact closely with neighbours and families seeking a child care provider in their immediate vicinity.

6. Conclusion and Request

We kindly request the **Municipal Planning Commission** to recommend approval of our application and that **City Council** grant the **Discretionary Use approval** for a day care centre with a maximum capacity of 20 children at 440 Evergreen Boulevard.

Our intent is to provide a high-quality child care program while **minimizing disruption** and **respecting the residential character** of the neighbourhood. We remain open and available to address any further inquiries at the upcoming public hearing scheduled for **March 25, 2025**, and we appreciate your time and thoughtful consideration.

Please feel free to contact us by phone at [REDACTED] or via email at [REDACTED] if you require additional details or clarifications. Thank you for your attention and the opportunity to serve our community in this meaningful way.

Sincerely,

Prem Sharma & Kavita Sharma
Applicants and Residents

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