



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR CITY MEASURE ON  
NOVEMBER 8, 2022 BALLOT**

**MEASURE H - CHARTER AMENDMENT REGARDING ARTICLE V, SECTION 55**

This measure would allow childcare as an authorized use at existing Parks and Recreation facilities and buildings that are located on dedicated parkland in the City of San Diego. There is no immediate fiscal impact to the measure, though there may be potential future costs and revenues to the City, should suitable park facilities and private childcare operators be successfully identified. A recent City analysis found that 42 Recreation Centers within the City currently meet the basic space requirement necessary for a small 4-classroom childcare facility of at least 5,000 square feet of ground floor space and an adjacent open area or parking lot that could be converted into a play area. Additional sites in regional parks may also be suitable for childcare use. Existing Recreation Centers have not yet been assessed to determine whether they meet State guidelines or any other requirements necessary to operate a childcare facility, or whether there may be impacts to existing recreational activities. Impacts to existing recreation activities would likely be assessed as part of a future permitting process for childcare facilities at City parks that has not yet been developed.

Costs for a permitting process are unknown as they would depend on future City actions. Additional potential unknown future costs could include one-time facility improvement costs necessary to ensure the site(s) meet the needs of a childcare facility and are in compliance with building code requirements, and on-going administrative, janitorial, maintenance, or other similar costs. It is unknown whether these costs would be borne by the City or the private childcare operator(s). If the City were to be responsible for such costs, revenue from a lease or other agreement between the City and private childcare operator(s) could offset at least some, or possibly all of the City's costs.

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