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San Diego City Council Backs State Legislation to Expand Childcare Access in Residential Communities

State bill endorsed by Council today would eliminate red tape for colocated daycare centers, i.e. facilities that are located in multifamily housing or on the same property as a church or school

SAN DIEGO — Today, the San Diego City Council voted unanimously to support Assembly Bill 752, legislation authored by Assemblymember Ávila Farías that will break down local barriers to establish daycare centers in residential communities. The resolution, introduced by Councilmember Raul Campillo, signals strong citywide backing for bold, family-first solutions to California’s childcare crisis.

“AB 752 is about cutting red tape and opening doors for families to access the childcare they need—close to home and without delay,” said Councilmember Campillo. “By supporting AB 752, we’re saying loud and clear that San Diego stands with families, with children, and with common-sense solutions to our childcare crisis.”

Right now, state law gives “by right” protections to family daycare homes—small childcare operations run out of someone’s house—allowing them to open in residential areas without needing special permits. But daycare centers, even when located in apartment buildings or near community spaces like libraries or schools, don’t get the same treatment. As a result, many face red tape, delays, and local restrictions that make it harder to get up and running.

If passed, AB 752 would ensure that daycare centers that are ‘colocated’, or located in the same place or property as multifamily housing or a community-serving amenity such as a school, library, or church, are:

- Treated as residential uses “by right” for zoning purposes, greatly reducing permitting hurdles;
- Exempt from local business licenses, taxes, and fees; and

- Exempt from CEQA requirements—aligning them with existing regulations for family daycare homes.

This resolution was brought forward by Councilmember Raul Campillo in his role as Chair of the City Council’s Economic Development & Intergovernmental Relations (ED&IR) Committee, which leads San Diego’s legislative advocacy at the state and federal levels.

It’s common practice for the City Council to adopt formal resolutions in support of state legislation that aligns with San Diego’s policy priorities—in this case, improving access to quality and affordable childcare. By backing AB 752, the Council is sending a clear message to Sacramento that San Diego supports smart, community-based solutions to the childcare shortage facing families across the state.

For the full text of AB 752, [visit this link](#).

About Councilmember Raul Campillo

Councilmember Raul Campillo proudly represents the Seventh Council District of the City of San Diego and serves as the Chair of the Economic Development & Intergovernmental Relations Committee.

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