

March 31, 2025 Committee on Childcare in Minot

Committee on Childcare in Minot – March 31, 2025 AT 1:30 P.M.

Members Present:

Heather Cymbaluk, Lisa Olson

Members Absent:

Amy Jenkins, Terry Schumalz, Stacey Boyko, Scott Burlingame, Rianne Kuhn, Becca Oswill, Keli Rosselli-Sullivan, CJ Becker

Also Present:

Doug Diedrichsen, Mikayla McWilliams (City Clerk)

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Lisa Olson at 1:30 pm.

New Committee Member CJ Becker was unable to attend the meeting but was recognized as a new member.

At 1:31 pm, committee member Amy Jenkins and Scott Burlingame joined the meeting. At 1:33 pm, committee member Rianne Kuhn joined the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

3.1 MACEDC CHILDCARE RESOURCE GUIDE

MACEDC completed a digital resource guide, which is attached to the agenda. It includes items such as information to access state programs, daycare provider resources, parent information resources, future provider information, etc. This will be hosted on the City of Minot website and MACEDC website.

3.2 UPDATE ON COMMITTEE ON CHILDCARE PRESENTATION TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Chairwoman Lisa Olson, along with committee members Keli Rosselli-Sullivan and Scott Burlingame presented to the Economic Development Plan Review Committee about how childcare is a vital component to economic development.

3.3 RECOMMENDED RESOLUTION REGARDING A POSSIBLE TAX EXEMPTION FOR CHILDCARE CENTERS

Ryan Kamrowski, City Assessor presented to the committee members a resolution regarding a possible tax exemption for childcare centers. Currently, Minot has two non-profit daycare centers which are tax exempt, Kiddie Koral and Trinity Tots. Ryan provided a spreadsheet, which is attached to the agenda, laying out the impacts for possible daycare centers located within churches. The list shows there are numerous centers located in churches. These churches have been using a religious exemption, but with a closer look by the Assessor's Office if the church profits off the rent the square footage utilized for the profit would need to be taxed.

The members of the committee recommended the City Council be presented the resolution for the tax exemption for childcare centers. Chairwoman Lisa Olson will add this to the next council agenda supporting the resolution be passed by City Council.

3.4 ADDITIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES OR COMMENTS

Amy Jenkins is working on researching the process Williston did for a city owned daycare center. Doug Diedrichsen informed the committee that the zoning ordinance amendments/updates have been approved by City Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:54 pm.