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Mayor Pachal and Members of Langley City Council
Langley City Hall
20399 Douglas Crescent
Langley, BC
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RE: Daycares in the Downtown Core

Dear Mayor Pachal and Members of Langley City Council:

We have been asked by our members and Board of Directors to write a letter regarding the number of daycares in the downtown core and throughout the BIA. Although we are all supportive of daycares, and recognize they are needed, we feel that five daycares in the downtown core and over ten in total throughout the BIA is enough.

The reason the downtown core is so attractive, is because if a daycare is located within a specific proximity to a community playground (such as Douglas Park), they are not required to provide their own outdoor play space.

In the last few months, two daycares (and another on the way) have opened up in what were previously valuable retail spaces. As always, our objective is to create a healthy balance of business types, and we feel strongly that if daycares continue to be allowed, then that may end up being a deterrent for other business types to want to open up down here.

We are writing to ask Mayor and Council if they would consider creating a proximity bylaw, similar to the one implemented for tattoo shops and spas.




Sincerely,



Bob Foster, Chair
Downtown Langley Business Association

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