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Subject: After School care for young kids needed in South Burnaby

Mayor and Council
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To Mayor and Council,

As a family living in the Taylor Park Elementary school catchment area we wish to voice our concern about the lack of available quality child care for school aged children. Families in this area are having to settle for child care that is not within their comfort, change their work schedules, and move out of the area, or even quit their jobs as a result of this lack of child care. We are calling on you as the Mayor and Council of this city to assist us in solving this problem.

On the evening of February 10th a meeting was held for concerned parents in the neighborhood. At this meeting the following information was shared with us.

The officials of Taylor Park Elementary have stated that there is no space on the grounds or in the building of the school. There is little to no available space suited for child care in the surrounding neighborhood. We are open to any suggestions of space available in the south Burnaby area. Burnaby Children's Centres society would be willing to move one of their child care centres to another location to House the school aged care in their current convenient location. However, as a longer term solution, There is a small parcel of land between Burnaby Children's Centres Society and the Elementary School Grounds. We ask that you work with Burnaby Children's Centres Society to make this land available for a Portable or a building to provide this care.

Alternatively, is it possible that the Taylor Park Elementary School could provide their own on-site after-school-care for the younger school age kids whose parents have to work full-time?

As this is a very timely situation, we ask that you address this issue as quickly as possible. Your kind consideration and help will be very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Mary Ye

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NOTE: Staff have received a copy of the letter and will respond to the author.