

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING REGULATIONS OF THE CITY OF NORWICH TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF PUBLIC ACT NO. 23-142

WHEREAS, Public Act No. 23-142, section 1 became effective on October 1, 2023 and provides that:

“[N]o zoning regulation shall treat any family, childcare home, or group childcare home, located in a residence and licensed by the Office of Early Childhood pursuant to Chapter 368a, in a manner different from single or multi-family dwellings”; and

WHEREAS, Public Act No. 23-142 provides that zoning regulation shall not prohibit the operation in a residential zone of any family, childcare home or group childcare home located in a residence, or require any special zoning permit or special zoning exception for such operation; and

WHEREAS, Public Act No. 23-142 provides that not later than December 1, 2023, and annually thereafter, each municipality shall submit to the Office of Policy and Management a sworn statement from the chief executive officer of the municipality stating that the municipality’s zoning ordinances are in compliance, or the specific timeframe within which the municipality will bring its zoning ordinances into compliance; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance is intended to amend the Norwich Zoning Regulations such that they will comply with the requirements established by Public Act. No. 23-142, with changes being made to the following sections of the Norwich Zoning Ordinance.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH, that the following sections of the Norwich Zoning Regulations be amended or repealed as follows:

CHAPTER 1 RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS

Section 1.2 Summary of Residential Uses by Zoning District,
Table Legend,
Home-Based Business

Family ~~day~~ **child** care homes

Group ~~day~~ **child** care homes; **and allow as an accessory use instead of requiring a Special Permit in the R-80, R-40, R-20, and multi-family zones.**

Section 1.3.3.1.2 “Family **or Group child** ~~day~~ care home” in accordance with C.G.S. S 19a-77, as amended.

Section 1.3.3.4.4 ~~Group day care home.~~ Major home occupation in accordance with section 6.1.

Section 1.4.3.1.2 “Family **or Group child** ~~day~~ care home” in accordance with C.G.S. § 19a-77, as amended.

- Section 1.4.3.4.4 ~~Group day care home.~~ .5 Major home occupation in accordance with section 6.1.
- Section 1.5.3.1.2 “Family ~~day~~ **or Group child** care home” in accordance with C.G.S. § 19a-77, as amended.
- Section 1.5.3.4.4 ~~Group day care home.~~ .5 Major home occupation in accordance with section 6.1.

CHAPTER 2 NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL DISTRICT, NC.

- Section 2.3.2.2.6 Family ~~day~~ **or Group Child** care homes in accordance with C.G.S. § 19a-77, as amended
- Section 2.3.2.4.4 Child ~~day~~ care center.
- Section 2.3.3.1.2 Family ~~day~~ **or Group child** care home in accordance with C.G.S. § 19a-77, as amended
- Section 2.3.3.4.4 ~~Group day care home.~~ Drive-through windows, as accessory to a permitted use in accordance with Section 6.16.
- Section 2.4.3.1.2 Family ~~day~~ **or Group Child** care home in accordance with C.G.S. § 19a-77, as amended.
- Section 2.4.3.1.7 Employee amenities (e.g., clinic, commissary, recreation center, ~~day~~ **child care center**).
- ~~Section 2.4.3.4.4 Group day care home.~~
- Section 2.5.3.1.2 Family ~~day~~ **or Group child** care home in accordance with C.G.S. § 191-77, as amended.
- Section 2.5.3.1.7 Employee amenities (e.g., clinic, commissary, recreation center, ~~day~~ **child care center**)
- Section 2.6.3.1.2 Family ~~day~~ **or Group child** care home in accordance with C.G.S. § 19a-77, as amended.
- Section 2.6.3.1.7 Employee amenities (e.g., clinic, commissary, recreation center, ~~day~~ **child care center**)
- Section 2.7.3.1.2 Family ~~day~~ **or Group child** care home in accordance with CGS § 19a-77, as amended.
- Section 2.7.3.1.7 Employee amenities (e.g., clinic, commissary, recreation center, ~~day~~ **child care center**).
- ~~Section 2.7.3.4.5 Group day care home.~~

- Section 2.9.3.1.4 Employee amenities (e.g., clinic, commissary, recreation center, ~~day~~ **child care center**)
- Section 2.10.4.1.4 Employee amenities (e.g., clinic, commissary, recreation center, ~~day~~ **child care center**)
- Section 2.11.3.1.4 Employee amenities (e.g., clinic, commissary, recreation center, ~~day~~ **child care center**)

CHAPTER 5 BASIC STANDARDS

- Section 5.1.2 ~~Group day care homes and day~~ **Child** care centers – 1 space per employee plus one space for every 6 children enrolled

CHAPTER 6 USE REQUIREMENTS

- Section 6.12.4 Accessory uses such as ~~day~~ **child** care centers, professional offices, out-patient treatment centers and such other uses as are commonly associated with and maintained in conjunction with the principal use, provided the total area devoted to accessory uses shall not exceed 35 percent of the total floor area of the entire facility may be conducted on the lot.

CHAPTER 9 DEFINITIONS

- Section 9.2 DAY CARE RELATED TERMS
 Day Care is a program of supplementary care provided to one or more persons on a regularly recurring, but part-time basis, in a place other than the recipient's own dwelling.
- Day Care, Animal – see ANIMAL RELATED TERMS
~~Day~~ **Child** Care Center is defined in C.G.S. § 19a-77
 Family ~~Day~~ **Child** Care Home is defined in C.G.S. §19a-77
 Group ~~Day~~ **Child** Care Home is defined in C.G.S. § 19a-77
- Family ~~day~~ **child** care **home** – see DAYCARE RELATED TERMS

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