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Date:	5-1277

RECOMMENDATION OF THE URBAN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION OF LEXINGTON AND FAYETTE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

IN RE: <u>ZOTA 2017-3: KINDERGARTENS, NURSERY SCHOOLS & CHILD CARE CENTERS</u>
<u>IN THE HIGHWAY SERVICE BUSINESS (B-3) ZONE</u> – petition for a Zoning Ordinance text amendment to Article 8-20 to allow kindergartens, nursery schools and child care centers without restriction in the Highway Service Business (B-3) Zone.

Having considered the above matter on <u>April 27, 2017</u>, at a Public Hearing and having voted <u>10-0</u> that this Recommendation be submitted to the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council, the Urban County Planning Commission does hereby recommend <u>APPROVAL</u> of alternate text for this matter for the following reasons:

- 1. The proposed text amendment will allow kindergartens, nursery schools and child care centers to be permitted in the B-3 zone without restriction or affiliation to a church, non-profit organization or adjacent employers. The amendment will be more consistent with the existing provisions of the office and business zones, which allow such uses.
- 2. The staff alternative text permits indoor play areas to be utilized in order to meet the 25 square-foot play area requirements established by the Zoning Ordinance, and a doubling of the separation standard for outdoor play areas. In the B-3 zone, an indoor play area may be more suitable and appropriate in many instances.

Secretary I'm Duncan WILLIAM WILSON CHAIR

ATTEST: This 12th day of May, 2017.

At the Public Hearing before the Urban County Planning Commission, this petition was represented by Traci Wade, Senior Planner, Division of Planning, Planning Services Section.

OBJECTIONS	<u>OBJECTORS</u>

None

None

VOTES WERE AS FOLLOWS:

AYES:

(10) Brewer, Berkley, Cravens, Mundy, Owens, Penn, Plumlee, Richardson, Smith and

Wilson

NAYS:

(0)

ABSENT:

(1) Drake

ABSTAINED:

(0)

DISQUALIFIED: (0)

Motion for Approval of ZOTA 2017-3 carried.

Enclosures:

Application

Recommended Text

Staff Report

Applicable excerpts of minutes of above meeting.