



ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

**County Board Agenda Item
Meeting of March 14, 2009**

DATE: March 3, 2009

SUBJECT: U-3118-05-1: renew family day care; 3015 N. Edison St. (Emily Diccico) (RPC #02-085-012).

Applicant:

Emily Diccico
3015 N. Edison St.
Arlington, Virginia 22207

C. M. RECOMMENDATION:

Renew, subject to all previous conditions, and with a County Board review in five (5) years (March 2014).

ISSUES: This is a review of a use permit for an existing family day care, and no issues have been identified.

SUMMARY: This is a scheduled review of a use permit for a family day care. The day care has operated in compliance with the use permit conditions, the local child care ordinances, and without complaints since the last review in March 2006. Therefore, staff recommends renewal of the family day care use permit, subject to all previously approved conditions, and with a County Board review in five (5) years (March 2014).

BACKGROUND: The use permit for a family day care was originally approved at this home on March 12, 2005. Prior to the use permit approval, the applicant was licensed and provided childcare for up to five (5) children at the location.

DISCUSSION: The family day care currently provides care for children from infants to 2 years of age. Pick-up and drop-off occurs on a staggered schedule between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. The site has a long driveway for parents to park to unload their children, and enter the rear of the lower level through a covered patio. The family day care use was approved to also provide 24-hour care on an as-needed basis outside of those hours, and has had the opportunity over the past year to care for children overnight while the parents were out of town.

County Manager: _____

Staff: Melanie Wellman, DCPHD, Planning Division

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Since the last review (March 14, 2006):

Use Permit Conditions: The family day use care is in compliance with use permit conditions.

County Child Care Office: The County Child Care office reports no concerns regarding this use.

Community Code Enforcement: The Code Enforcement office has not reported any issues regarding the continuation of this use.

Police Department: The Police Department has not reported any issues regarding the continuation of this use.

Fire Marshal's Office: The Fire Marshal's Office has not reported any issues regarding the continuation of this use.

Civic Association: The subject use permit is located within the Yorktown Civic Association boundary. The Yorktown Civic Association has been contacted and, to date, has not responded on the subject use permit review.

CONCLUSION: The family day care continues to operate in compliance with the approved use permit conditions, the County and State Child Care Codes, and without complaints. Therefore, it is recommended that the use permit be renewed, subject to all previously approved conditions, with a review by the County Board in five (5) years (March 2014).

PREVIOUS COUNTY BOARD ACTIONS:

March 12, 2005

Approved use permit for family day care for up to nine (9) children from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mondays through Fridays with additional hours on an as-needed basis.

March 14, 2006

Renew the subject use permit, subject to all previous conditions, and with a County Board review in three (3) years (March 2009).

Approved Conditions:

1. The applicant agrees to meet the requirements of the Child Care Ordinance, Community Code Enforcement Office, Environmental Health Bureau and the Fire Marshal's Office, including securing the appropriate assembly permit prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy.
2. The applicant agrees that parents of students attending the program shall escort their students to and from the home at all times.
3. The applicant agrees that the hours of operation would be Monday through Friday between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m., and extended hours per parents' request for 24 hours a day, seven (7) days a week, with a maximum capacity of nine (9) children.