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[Planning Commission Comment] Ordinance Amendment File # 9-A-20-OA

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Mon, Aug 31, 2020 at 4:29 PM

Dear Planning Commission,

Thank you for your Consideration of an Amendment to the Knoxville City Code as it applies to the Ijams Nature Preschool.

Please find a letter of support for this effort from Ijams Nature Center attached to this email.

Sincerely,

Amber

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Nature preschool zoning letter.pdf



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[Planning Commission Comment] Ijams Nature Preschool

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Planning Commission Members,

The Ijams Nature Center Board of Directors is excited by and supportive of the new, full-time Ijams Nature Preschool. We have seen the progress of the school over the last two years in which it has operated on a part-time basis and are impressed with the level of instruction and reach to the community. We recognize the importance of nature-immersive early childhood learning and play experiences and know that the nature preschool model is one of the best ways to achieve such experiences. We are also thrilled to be the first licensed nature preschool in the state and to set the example of best practices for such a program. Ijams Nature Preschool fulfills an important part of the Ijams Nature Center mission. We hope the Planning Commission will consider an amendment to the Knoxville City Code to allow a full-time, licensed nature preschool to operate at Ijams Nature Center.

Thank you for your consideration and support.

Best regards,

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