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Good afternoon Mayor and Council,

Staff are aware that members of Council have raised comments/questions about 24 hour child care during recent public hearings and Council meetings. The purpose of this email is to provide a brief update on the Council directed review for 24 hour and extended care.

To confirm, staff are presently engaged in research on best practices on the delivery of extended hour and overnight childcare, with the aim of developing options and recommendations that are coordinated with the in-development draft Childcare Strategy, which is currently scheduled to be presented to Council in March 2022. A survey has been prepared to engage operators on their experiences with and obstacles to providing extended and overnight care, and understanding what would support operators in offering services that do not affect the feasibility of their existing childcare programs and that also meet the highly varied needs and preferences of parents in Vancouver. As part of this, staff are investigating the potential of a pilot.

Staff intend to have a detailed report ready and available for Council in the coming months. Please let me or Sandra know if you have any further questions.

Best,
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