
Action Needed: Save Our Children's Enrichment Programs

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Dear Mayor Boyles and Council Members-

I am writing to express my serious concerns about the new commercial auto insurance requirement for Recreation & Parks instructors and its potential impact on the invaluable enrichment programs that serve our community's children.

As a parent and small business owner, I understand the challenges of meeting the varied requirements of larger enterprises. Companies like Comcast (who I work with) often waive standard insurance requirements in their contracts to accommodate smaller businesses, recognizing that these requirements can be overly burdensome and unnecessary. I believe our city should adopt a similar approach to support the instructors who provide such essential services to our children.

My son Oliver's experience illustrates the critical role these programs play. After struggling in a subpar private after-school program, he found a nurturing second home at Family Wellness Studio. The personalized attention and holistic care he receives there have transformed his life, fostering his happiness and growth. Losing this program and others like it due to bureaucratic red tape would be a significant blow to countless children and families.

The enrichment programs offered through Recreation & Parks are the heart of our community, providing diverse opportunities for children to learn, grow, and thrive. As a city, we must find a way to support the small businesses and instructors who make these programs possible while addressing any legitimate concerns.

I urge you to work collaboratively with these small businesses to find a mutually acceptable solution. The well-being of our children and the vibrancy of our community depend on your leadership and commitment to protecting these vital programs.

Thank you for your attention to this pressing issue. I am confident that together, we can ensure that these life-changing programs continue to serve our city's youth for years to come.

Sincerely,
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January 24, 2025

Dear Contract Instructor,

The City of El Segundo requires vendors to procure and maintain for the duration of the contract certain insurances against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder and the results of that work by the vendor, their agents, representatives, employees, or subcontractors. Business Auto coverage as stated below is required. Vendors need to verify coverage if the vendor is using personal auto coverage to meet this requirement. Please submit the following to your personal auto carrier to determine if your personal auto carrier meets the Business Auto coverage.

Automobile Liability: ISO Form Number CA 00 01 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Contractor has no owned autos, covering hired, (Code 8) and non-owned autos (Code 9), with limit no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.

If your personal auto coverage meets these requirements, the city will need an endorsement indicating the carrier will provide the required coverage.

Please note any instructor using a personal automobile to drive to and from the City for contract work is **REQUIRED** to submit proof by February 14, 2025 to renew your contract for 2025.

If you have any questions, please contact Acting Administrative Analyst, Chelsea Shafer at (310) 524-2774 or RPLAdmin@Elsegundo.org


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