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Palm Desert council to hold child care study session

COD to ask city for help to upgrade campus child care center

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The Palm Desert City Council will hold a special study session at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Administrative Conference Room at City Hall, 73-510 Fred Waring Drive.

The council will hear a proposal from the College of the Desert Child Development Center for funding from the city's child care impact development fee.

COD is looking for help with funding a \$1.8 million upgrade to the Child Development Center, which provides day care for students' children, ages 1 year to 5 years, and is also used for training students in the school's early childhood education program.

The impact fee, created five years ago, is levied against all new commercial development in Palm Desert and is earmarked for improving and expanding child care facilities.

To date, the city has collected more than \$1.5 million, but has spent only around \$200,000 of the stockpiled funds.

COD officials said they would not be asking for a specified amount.

The study session is open to the public.

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