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## **Councilmember Raul Campillo Secures Landmark Update to Land Development Code, Paving the Way for Behavioral Health Boost**

*Today's Land Development Code update passes City Council 8-0 and promises to play an important role in addressing San Diego's lack of behavioral health beds*

SAN DIEGO — Today, the San Diego City Council unanimously approved updates to the City's Land Development Code (LDC), lowering barriers to build more behavioral health facilities across San Diego and allows mental health and substance abuse providers to increase their capacity to treat people.

**"This year's Land Development Code update streamlines care," said San Diego City Councilmember Raul Campillo. "By streamlining the permitting process for essential services like behavioral health, childcare, and senior care, these changes will make a significant impact in delivering faster, more efficient, and more comprehensive care to San Diegans."**

In December, an effort led by Councilmember Raul Campillo to declare a Behavioral Health Bed Crisis passed the City Council; that resolution directed city staff to explore ways to provide needed treatment beds throughout the San Diego.

Today's update makes several important changes that allow for facilities to more easily be permitted, including streamlining the permitting process for certain residential care facilities (RCFs) by up to one year including behavioral health facilities, retirement communities, intermediate care, and nursing facilities.

For a full summary of the 2024 LDC Update, [click here](#).

### **About Councilmember Raul Campillo**

*Councilmember Raul Campillo proudly represents the Seventh Council District of the City of San Diego and serves as the Chair of the Economic Development & Intergovernmental Relations Committee.*

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