

# TOWN OF NEWINGTON

131 Cedar Street Newington, Connecticut 06111

## Town Plan and Zoning Commission

To: Town Plan and Zoning Commission  
From: Town Planner Craig Minor, AICP  
Date: April 14, 2020  
Re: **Petition #13-20: DMV Location Approval at 2897 Berlin Turnpike (“Firestone Complete Auto Care Center”). SB Newington 443 LLC, owner/applicant; Attorney Amy E. Souchuns Esq, 147 N. Broad Street, Milford CT, contact.**

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### **Description of Petition #13-20:**

As a result of the long-standing legal battle between the owners of the Firestone store on the Berlin Turnpike and other parties in Newington, the owners were ordered by the court to re-obtain the necessary special permit, site plan, and DMV location approvals from TPZ.

Section 14-54 of the Connecticut General Statutes requires anyone who applies for a DMV dealers or repairers license to obtain “location approval” from the municipality. Since the Newington zoning regulations require a new motor vehicle dealer or repairer to obtain a special permit from the TPZ this law is a pretty much just a formality, but it is still a requirement.

### **Staff Comments:**

2897 Berlin Turnpike is located in the PD zone. “Motor vehicle sales and service” is permitted by special permit in the PD zone. I recommend TPZ grant “location approval” to the applicant.

cc:  
Applicant  
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