

Zoning Division
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Director



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James R. Seymour
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Westbrook, ME 04098-1339

RE: 326 Presumpscot Street - 422-B-009 - IL zone

Dear Jim,

I am in receipt of your letter dated February 12, 2001 in which you request that Mr. Benjamin or the operator of the property be allowed to continue the impounded car lot. I have discussed this request with Mark Adelson, who is the Director of Housing and Neighborhood Services. We both agree that the illegal tow lot use can not continue, and your request can not be honored.

This morning I have spoken to Mr. Benjamin concerning this matter. I explained that as of this date, he or his operator of the property can no longer tow cars to this lot. The police department will be notified. The cars (10 or so per our conversation) that remain on the property are apparently there because owners have abandoned them after they were towed there. As explained to me, the State requires that a title be reissued to the operator before it can be sold for scrap. This procedure takes a while to complete. These cars shall be removed as soon as the State gives proper title. As explained, no further active towing shall be allowed to this location until all approvals have been obtained.

I understand that during the meantime, a site plan application is being worked on for submittal. I am looking forward to reviewing that application. Please call if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Marge Schmuckal
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Cc: File

Mark Adelson, Director of Housing & Neighborhood Services

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