



April 12, 2022

Mr. Tom Badowski
Assistant Town Administrator
Town of Berlin

SENT VIA EMAIL

Re: Proposed childcare and education-related amendment for 2018 Town Plan

Dear Tom,

Thank you for sending CVRPC notice of the April 13, 2022 Public Hearing in which the Berlin Planning Commission shall be considering proposed amendments to the Land Use & Development Regulations, the Official Map, and the 2018 Town Plan.

Background

As Berlin noted in its 2022 Hearing Notice, on October 9, 2018 the CVRPC Board of Commissioners approved Berlin's 2018 Town Plan titled *A Town Plan for Berlin, VT*, and it confirmed the Town's planning process. The Board of Commissioners noted that for the Town to retain confirmation of its planning process - progress towards attainment of two State Planning Goals will need to be documented in the municipal plan before CVRPC completes its next consultation in 2022.

The two goals are:

- State Planning Goal 3: To broaden access to educational and vocational training opportunities sufficient to ensure the full realization of the abilities of all Vermonters; and
- State Planning Goal 13: To ensure the availability of safe and affordable child care and to integrate child care issues into the planning process, including child care financing, infrastructure, business assistance for child care providers, and child care work force development.

CVRPC Comments

Staff has reviewed the proposed amendments as contained on pages 2-3 of the Hearing Notice transmittal and finds the inclusion of this new language within the Town Plan to demonstrate progress toward attainment of the two State Planning Goals referenced above.

Once the 2018 Town Plan titled *A Town Plan for Berlin, VT* is updated with the 2022 amendment language please send CVRPC a link so we may review the plan in its entirety and retain a copy for our files.

Congratulations on your planning efforts to date.

Sincerely,

Clare Rock, Senior Planner