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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request – Village of Bensenville
Received June 11, 2019

Dear Ms. Mellenthin:

Thank you for writing to the Village of Bensenville ("Village") with your request for information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.* You sent a June 11, 2019, FOIA request to the Village seeking copies of "we are asking for all water main projects and dates in both unincorporated and incorporated Bensenville for the last 30 years."

This correspondence shall serve to notify you that the Village is treating your FOIA request as a voluminous request under Section 3.6 of FOIA. 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(i). Section 2(h) of FOIA defines a voluminous request as "a request that: (i) includes more than 5 individual requests for more than 5 different categories of records or a combination of individual requests that total requests for more than 5 different categories of records in a period of 20 business days; or (ii) requires the compilation of more than 500 letter or legal-sized pages of public records unless a single requested record exceeds 500 pages. "Single requested record" may include, but is not limited to, one report, form, e-mail, letter, memorandum, book, map, microfilm, tape, or recording." 5 ILCS 140/2(h). The Village is treating your FOIA request as a voluminous request because the Village's response will require the compilation of more than 500 letter or legal-sized pages of public records. 5 ILCS 140/2(h); 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(ii).


You must respond to the Village within 10 business days after the date on which this correspondence was sent and specify whether you would like to amend your FOIA request in such a way that the Village will no longer treat your request as voluminous. 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(iii). If you do not respond within 10 business days, or if your FOIA request continues to be voluminous following your response to this correspondence, the Village will respond to your FOIA request and assess any fees charged pursuant to Section 6 of FOIA. 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(iv); 5 ILCS 140/6. The Village has five business days after receipt of your response to this correspondence or five business days from the last day for you to amend your FOIA request, whichever is sooner, to respond to your request. 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(v). The Village may request an additional 10 business days to comply with your FOIA request. 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(vi). If the Village provides responsive records to you and you fail to accept or collect the records, the Village will still charge you for its response pursuant to Section 6 of FOIA. 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(viii); 5 ILCS 140/6. Your failure to pay will be considered a debt due and owing to the Village and may be collected in accordance with applicable law. 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(viii).

You have the right to have the Village's determination that your FOIA request is voluminous reviewed by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General. 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(vii).

You may file your Request for Review with the PAC by writing to:

Ms. Sarah Pratt
Public Access Counselor
Office of the Attorney General
500 South 2nd Street
Springfield, Illinois 62706
Fax: 217-782-1396
E-mail: publicaccess@atg.state.il.us

Very truly yours,


Corey Williamsen
Freedom of Information Officer
Village of Bensenville