

**CITY OF CHAMPAIGN**  
**DENIAL OF FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST**

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TO: Mr. Christopher Hansen  
ADDRESS: n/a  
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FROM: Betsy Smith, FOIO  
Date: April 24, 2020

Your request dated 4/21/20 is denied  
IN FULL  IN PART :

The detailed factual basis of the denial is as follows:  
This investigation is still outstanding, and the criminal case pending is still in discovery stages.

The statutory exemption providing the basis for the denial is:

5 ILCS 140/7 Exemptions.

- (1) Information specifically prohibited from disclosure by federal or State law or rules and regulations implementing federal or State law. (5 ILCS 140/7(1)(a))
- (2) Private information. (5 ILCS 140/7(1)(b))
- (2) Invasion of personal privacy. (5 ILCS 140/7(1)(c))
- (3) Records created in the course of administrative enforcement proceedings or any law enforcement agency for law enforcement purposes, to the extent that disclosure would interfere with active administrative enforcement proceedings or disclose the identity of a person who filed complaints with or provided information to administrative, investigative, or law enforcement or endanger the life or physical safety of any person; or obstruct an ongoing criminal investigation by the agency that is the recipient of the request.  
(5 ILCS 140/7(1)(d))
- (4) Trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person or business where the trade secrets or commercial or financial information are furnished under a claim that they are proprietary, privileged or confidential, and that or where disclosure of the trade secrets or commercial or financial information would may cause competitive harm to the person or business, and only insofar as the claim directly applies to the records requested. (5 ILCS 140/7(1)(g))
- (5) Valuable formulae, computer geographic systems, designs, drawings and research data obtained or produced by any public body when disclosure could reasonably be expected to produce private gain or public loss. (5 ILCS 140/7 (1)(i))
- (6) Architects' plans, engineers' technical submissions, and other construction related technical documents for projects not constructed or developed in whole or in part with public funds (5 ILCS 140/7 (1)(k))
- (7) Communications between a public body and an attorney or auditor representing the public body that would not be subject to discovery in litigation, and materials prepared or compiled by or for a public body in anticipation of a criminal, civil or administrative proceeding upon the request of an attorney advising the public body, and materials prepared or compiled with respect to internal audits of public bodies. (5 ILCS 140/7 (1)(m))

- (8) Records relating to a public body's adjudication of employee grievances or disciplinary case except for the final outcome of cases in which discipline is imposed. (5 ILCS 140/7 (1)(n))
- (9) Records relating to collective negotiating matters. (5 ILCS 140/7(1)(p))
- (10) Your request is being denied because the responsive records have previously been provided to you. (5 ILCS 140/3)

You have a right to request review of this denial by the Illinois Public Access Counselor:

Public Access Bureau  
Office of the Attorney General  
500 S. 2nd Street  
Springfield, Illinois 62706  
(217) 558-0486  
[publicaccess@atg.state.il.us](mailto:publicaccess@atg.state.il.us)

If you choose to file a Request for Review with the PAC, you must do so within 60 calendar days of the date of this denial letter. 5 ILCS 140/9(a).

You may also file suit for injunctive or declaratory relief in the Circuit Court of Champaign County Illinois. (5 ILCS 140/11)

cc: City Clerk