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**Re: 2020 PAC 63412**

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Mon, Jul 20, 2020 at 4:16 AM

To: "Dunham, Lorraine" <LDunham@atg.state.il.us>

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Assistant Attorney General Lim,

I will begin by responding to Mr. Borman's letter broadly. Mr. Borman contends that I have not made attempts to narrow requests. This is largely due to the aggressive manner in which the City of Urbana assigns FOIA numbers. In previous attempts to clarify, narrow, or followup on FOIA requests, Urbana has handed out numerous additional FOIA numbers. This is well documented in their efforts to categorize me as a recurrent requester. The City has simply make it unsafe to communicate with them in followup efforts on FOIA requests.

There is no indication in the FOIA law, as suggested by Mr. Borman, that a public body can charge recurrent requesters, or requesters for certain categories of information, any differently than other requesters. The FOIA law does require that the fees be standardized.

The City of Urbana has taken on a new tactic lately of discriminating against requesters in terms of how many requests they've filed, and the type of information. Specifically, the City assesses much larger fees against requesters asking for records related to police activities.

The City has also altered its tactics regarding delivery of digital records. Whereas they would normally simply email digital files, the City is now requiring any requester who seeks records regarding the police to physically travel to the City Building. During a pandemic, this is essentially a threat.

The City has regularly emailed digital files in the past and has only recently, after thousands of residents became interested in local police activities, switched their tactic to forcing requesters to pay for flash drives and to physically travel to the City Building.

All of the digital files mentioned, with the exception of the video, can easily be emailed.

Regarding the denied body camera footage: since Mr. Borman's letter, a police complaint has been filed regarding the incident. Also, as Officer Vogt's body camera video will show, she spoke directly to me, addressing me by my last name. That makes me a subject of the video.

I cannot find online any means to view the PAC letters mentioned by Mr. Borman. If someone can direct me to those items, I would be appreciative. If those items are not publicly available, then I think the PAC needs to work on that problem in order to honor their own name.

-Christopher Hansen

On Mon, Jul 13, 2020 at 1:00 PM Dunham, Lorraine <LDunham@atg.state.il.us> wrote:

Please see attached correspondence from Assistant Attorney General Lim.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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