

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT – CHANCERY DIVISION

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PLAINTIFF,)	
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V.)	CASE NO. 2022CH11345
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VILLAGE OF DOLTON,)	
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DEFENDANT.)	

COMPLAINT

NOW COMES Plaintiff, [REDACTED] by his attorney, ROBERT T. HANLON of the LAW OFFICES OF ROBERT T. HANLON & ASSOCIATES, P.C., and brings this suit for the violation of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 ILCS 140/1, et seq. and in support of his Complaint against the Village of Dolton, herein states as follows:

INTRODUCTION

1. Pursuant to the fundamental philosophy of the American constitutional form of government, it is the public policy of the State of Illinois that all persons are entitled to full and complete information regarding the affairs of government and the official acts and policies of those who represent them as public officials and public employees consistent with the terms of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1, et seq. (hereinafter "FOIA"). In this case Defendant has simply ignored Plaintiff's FOIA requests pursuant to a policy of non-compliance.
2. Restraints on access to information to the extent permitted by FOIA are limited exceptions to the principle that the people of this state have a right to full disclosure of information relating to the decisions, policies, procedures, rules. standards and other aspects of governmental activity that affect the conduct of government and the lives of people. See 5 ILCS 140/ 1.

3. All public records of a public body are presumed to be open to inspection or copying. Any public body that asserts that a record is exempt from disclosure has the burden of proving by clear and convincing evidence that it is exempt. See 5 ILCS 140/3.

4. Under F.O.I.A. Section II (h): "except as to causes the court considers to be of greater importance, proceedings arising under FOIA shall take precedence on the docket over all other causes and be assigned for hearing and trial at the earliest practicable date and expedited in every way."

PARTIES

5. Plaintiff, [REDACTED], the FOIA requester in this case resides in Cook County, Illinois.

6. Defendant VILLAGE OF DOLTON, is a public body located in Cook County, Illinois.

RELEVANT FACTS TO THE F.O.I.A. COMPLAINT

7. Section 3.5(a) of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act ("Act") mandates the following:

Upon receiving a request for a public record, the Freedom of Information officer shall:

- (1) Note the date the public body receives the written request;
- (2) Compute the day on which the period for response will expire;
- (3) Maintain an electronic or paper copy of a written request including all documents submitted with the request until the request has been complied with or denied; and
- (4) create a file for the retention of the original request, a copy of the response, a record of written communications with the requester, and a copy of other communications. See 5ILCS 140/3.5(a).

8. Upon information and belief for each of Plaintiffs' FOIA requests, Defendant failed to comply with section 3.5(a) of the Act in that Defendant: 1) did not upon receiving Plaintiff's request for a public record, note the date the public body received the written request;

2) did not compute the day on which the period for a response will expire; 3) did not make a notation of the date the response was due on the FOIA request; and 4) did not create a file for the retention of the original request, a copy of the response, a record of the written communications with the requester.

9. The Act in 5 ILCS 140/3 (d) provides in pertinent part as follows:

Each public body shall, promptly, either comply with or deny a request for public records within 5 business days after its receipt of the request, unless the time for response is properly extended under subsection (e) of this Section. Denial shall be in writing as provided in Section 9 of this Act. Failure to comply with a written request, extend the time for response, or deny a request within 5 business days after its receipt shall be considered a denial of the request. ... A public body that fails to respond to a request received may not treat the request as unduly burdensome under subsection (g).

See 5 ILCS 140/3 (d).

10. Plaintiff submitted FOIA requests via e-mail to Defendant's FOIA officer on October 16, 2022. See Group Exhibit A with each of the FOIA requests submitted to the Village of Dolton.

11. Each FOIA request that is the subject of this Complaint was not complied with or denied within five (5) days from the date of each of the requests.

12. As of the date of the filing of this Complaint, Defendant, VILLAGE OF DOLTON, has not complied with any of Plaintiff's FOIA requests nor has the VILLAGE OF DOLTON provided a written denial.

13. Defendant failed to provide a written denial of Plaintiff's FOIA requests.

14. The failure of Defendant, VILLAGE OF DOLTON, to deny or provide the information to each FOIA request within five days was a violation of the Act and constituted a denial of the FOIA request under 5 ILCS 140/3 (d).

15. The Illinois Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140/9) provides the following with respect to each denial:

Sec. 9. (a) Each public body denying a request for public records shall notify the requester in writing of the decision to deny the request, the reasons for the denial, including a detailed factual basis for the application of any exemption claimed, and the names and titles or positions of each person responsible for the denial. Each notice of denial by a public body shall also inform such person of the right to review by the Public Access Counselor and provide the address and phone number for the Public Access Counselor. Each notice of denial shall inform such person of his right to judicial review under Section 11 of this Act.

16. For each denial associated with each request, the Public Body (Village of Dolton) failed to comply with section 9(a) of the Act because the Public Body (Village of Dolton) did not notify Plaintiff in writing of: A) the decision to deny the request; B) the reasons for the denial; C) the detailed factual basis for the application of any exemption claimed; D) the names and titles or positions of each person responsible for the denial; E) the Village of Dolton did not inform Plaintiff of a right to review by the Public Access Counselor; and F) the Village of Dolton did not inform Plaintiff of a right to Judicial Review.

17. Defendant's failure to notify Plaintiff of the denial in writing constitutes a violation of the Act for each of Plaintiff's requests set forth herein in this Complaint as exhibited in Group Exhibit A.

18. Defendant's failure to provide Plaintiff with reasons for the denial constitutes a separate violation for each FOIA request that was not answered in five (5) business days.

19. Defendant's failure includes a detailed factual basis for the application of any exemption claimed and constitutes a separate violation of the ACT for each FOIA request that is referenced herein in this Complaint.

20. Defendant's failure to identify the person responsible for the denial of the FOIA requests constitutes a separate violation of the ACT for each FOIA request that is referenced herein in this Complaint.

21. Defendant's failure to inform Plaintiff of the right to review by the Public Access Counselor constitutes a separate violation of the ACT for each FOIA request that is referenced herein in this Complaint.

22. Defendant's failure to inform Plaintiff of the right to judicial review constitutes a separate violation of the ACT for each FOIA request that is referenced herein in this Complaint.

23. Defendant failed to comply or deny in writing to the FOIA requests shown in Group Exhibit A, let alone within the five-day statutory deadline.

24. As of the date of filing, Defendant failed to comply with each of Plaintiff's FOIA requests.

25. Upon information and belief, Defendant's Mayor, TIFFANY HENYARD, adopted a policy to deny requests for information from the Public and TIFFANY HENYARD adopted that policy to willfully prevent disclosure of information to requestors seeking information from the VILLAGE OF DOLTON.

26. Defendant's Mayor, TIFFANY HENYARD, willfully withheld documents from the Village of Dolton's FOIA Officer, ALISON KEY.

27. Upon information and belief, Defendant's Mayor, TIFFANY HENYARD, as the chief officer of the Village of Dolton, had the power to hire and fire Defendant's employees. Defendant's Mayor, TIFFANY HENYARD, made it clear to the Village's employees that responding to FOIA requests would result in their loss of employment.

28. Defendant, VILLAGE OF DOLTON's violation of Plaintiff's FOIA requests is summarized as follows:

FOIA #	Request Date	Five Business days	21 business days	Complaint Filing Date	3.5(a)(1)	3.5(a)(2)	3.5(a)(3)	3.5(a)(4)	3 (d) - 5 days	9(a)	
1	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
2	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
3	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
4	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
5	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
6	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
7	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
8	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
9	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
10	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
11	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
12	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
13	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
14	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
15	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
16	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
17	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
18	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
19	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
20	10/16/2022	10/21/2022	11/14/2022	11/17/2022	1	1	1	1	1	6	
				Total	20	20	20	20	20	120	<u>220</u>

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, [REDACTED], prays that this Honorable Court grant the following relief in his favor and against Defendant:

- A) In accordance with FOIA Section 11(1), afford this case precedence on the court's docket except as to causes the court considers to be of greater importance, and assign this case for hearing and trial at the earliest practicable date and expedite this case in every way;
- B) Declare that Defendant, VILLAGE OF DOLTON, violated FOIA for each of the violations associated with Plaintiff's requests;
- C) Order Defendant, VILLAGE OF DOLTON, to produce the requested records requested in Plaintiff's FOIA requests;

- D) Enjoin Defendant, VILLAGE OF DOLTON, from withholding non-exempt public records under FOIA associated with any other requests by Plaintiff, [REDACTED]:
- E) Order Defendant, VILLAGE OF DOLTON, to pay civil penalties as provided under FOIA subsection 11(j), including a minimum of \$2,500 for each and every FOIA violation set forth herein to be paid to Plaintiff, [REDACTED], based on Defendant's willful withholding of records or other bad faith in failing to respond to the respective FOIA requests;
- F) Award Plaintiff, [REDACTED], his reasonable attorneys' fees and costs and tax same against Defendant, VILLAGE OF DOLTON; and
- G) Award Defendant, [REDACTED] such other and further relief as this Court considers just and equitable.

DATED: November 18, 2022

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

[REDACTED] Plaintiff

By: /s/ Robert T. Hanlon
Robert T. Hanlon, Attorney for Plaintiff

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GROUP EXHIBIT A

October 16, 2022

Village of Dolton
Attention Alison Key, Village Clerk
14122 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive,
Dolton, IL 60419

Re: Request for Information – fees for rental inspections

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records.

1. all records related to the properties that are required to pay for an annual inspection in connection with renting real estate within the Village of Dolton, including a list of the properties that have paid fees and are available for rent, ordinances, and all documents reflecting the authority to impose a rental inspection and charge a fee.

Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at [REDACTED]

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

If you are not the FOIA officer responsible for any part of this request, you are required by law to forward it to the appropriate FOIA officer.

As outlined in FOIA, documents shall be furnished without charge or at a reduced charge, as determined by the public body, if the person requesting the documents states the specific purpose for the request and indicates that a waiver or reduction of the fee is in the public interest.

I am requesting the records be provided in electronic format if that is the method in which they are stored. If they are in paper form and the copier can convert them to electronic format I would appreciate receiving them electronically.

Thanks,

[REDACTED]


October 14, 2022

Village of Dolton
Attention Alison Key, Village Clerk
14122 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive,
Dolton, IL 60419

Re: Request for Information – Cancer Walk

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois (“FOIA”), I am requesting the following public records.

1. all records related to the 2022 Annual Cancer Walk including but not limited to all expenditures of the Village for the 2022 Annual Cancer Walk.

Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at 

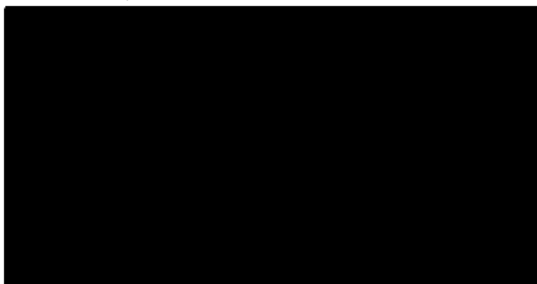
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Re: Request for Information – Grant Opportunities for Homeowners

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records.

1. all records related to the grant opportunities for homeowners referenced on the Village of Dolton's web site including but not limited to all expenditures of the Village for any grants issued by the Village of Dolton in last 18 months including the name of the individual or entity receiving a grant and the amount granted and the purpose of the grant.

Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at 


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Re: Request for Information – Halloween Spooky Courts Trunk or Treat

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois ("FOIA"), I am requesting the following public records.

1. all records related to the Halloween Spooky Courts Trunk or Treat as advertised on the Village's web site including but not limited to all expenditures of the Village of Dolton for the Halloween Spooky Courts Trunk or Treat.

Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at [REDACTED]

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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[REDACTED]

October 14, 2022

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Attention Alison Key, Village Clerk
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Dolton, IL 60419

Re: Request for Information – Thorton Township

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records.

1. all records related to any intergovernmental agreement with Thorton Township.

Please provide all responsive information to me electronically [REDACTED]

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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October 14, 2022

Village of Dolton
Attention Alison Key, Village Clerk
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Dolton, IL 60419

Re: Request for Information – Compensation of Mayor

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records.

1. all records related to the compensation of the Village President/mayor including any records of the amounts paid to Tiffany Henyard for salary or wages or expense reimbursement.

Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at [REDACTED]

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Dolton, IL 60419

Re: Request for Information -- Compensation of Village Administrator

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records.

1. all records related to the compensation of the Village Administrator including but not limited to any records of the amounts paid to Keith Freeman for salary or wages or expense reimbursements.

Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at 


If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Village of Dolton
Attention Alison Key, Village Clerk
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Dolton, IL 60419

Re: Request for Information – Compensation of JANICE JOHNSON – DIRECTOR OF
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records.

1. all records related to the compensation of JANICE JOHNSON including but not limited to any records of the amounts paid to for salary or wages or expense reimbursements and each expense reimbursement form submitted by JANICE JOHNSON.

Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at 

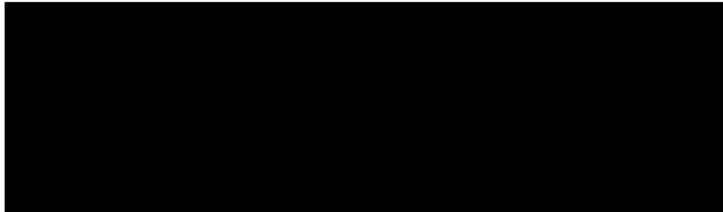
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Dolton, IL 60419

Re: Request for Information – Compensation of CARMEN CARLISLE-EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records.

1. all records related to the compensation of CARMEN CARLISLE including but not limited to any records of the amounts paid to for salary or wages or expense reimbursements and each expense reimbursement form submitted by CARMEN CARLISLE.

Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at 

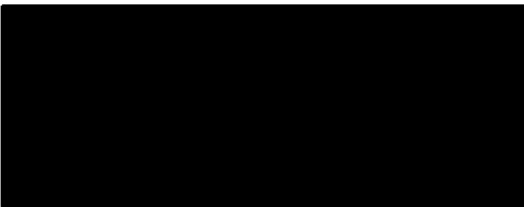
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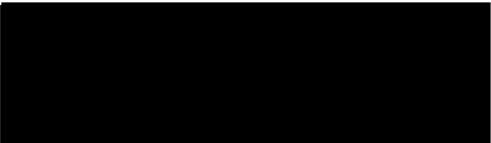
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Attention Alison Key, Village Clerk
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Dolton, IL 60419

Re: Request for Information – Compensation of TANJINIQUE MILLER- FINANCE
DIRECTOR

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records.

1. all records related to the compensation of TANJINIQUE MILLER including but not limited to any records of the amounts paid to for salary or wages or expense reimbursements and each expense reimbursement form submitted by TANJINIQUE MILLER.

Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at 


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Re: Request for Information – Compensation of DERIK BLOCKER – IT

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records.

1. all records related to the compensation of DERIK BLOCKER including but not limited to any records of the amounts paid to for salary or wages or expense reimbursements and each expense reimbursement form submitted by DERIK BLOCKER.

Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at 

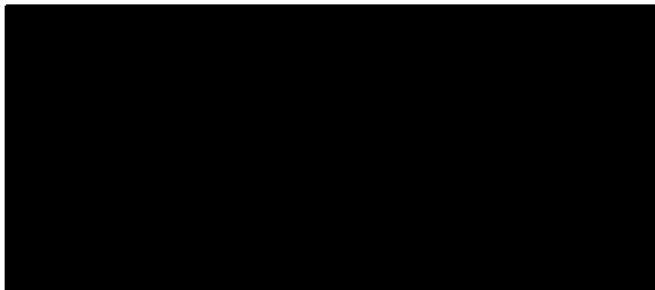
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Re: Request for Information – Compensation of RON SMITH – VILLAGE ENGINEER

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records.

1. all records related to the compensation of RON SMITH including but not limited to any records of the amounts paid to for salary or wages or expense reimbursements and each expense reimbursement form submitted by RON SMITH.

Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at [REDACTED]

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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[REDACTED]


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Re: Request for Information – Payments to Ancel Glink

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records.

1. all records related to any contract with Ancel Glink including but not limited to any records of the amounts paid to Ancel Glink for legal services including any invoice submitted by Ancel Glink whether or not any such invoice has been paid or not.

Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at 

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Re: Request for Information – Budgets

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records.

1. All records related to any budget of the Village of Dalton.

Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at [REDACTED]

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Thanks,

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Dolton, IL 60419

Re: Request for Information – Police Department Budget

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records.

1. All records related to any budget of the Police Department for the Village of Dolton.

Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at [REDACTED]

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

If you are not the FOIA officer responsible for any part of this request, you are required by law to forward it to the appropriate FOIA officer.

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Thanks,

[REDACTED]


October 14, 2022

Village of Dolton
Attention Alison Key, Village Clerk
14122 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive,
Dolton, IL 60419

Re: Request for Information – Fire Department Budget

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1. All records related to any budget of the Fire Department for the Village of Dolton.

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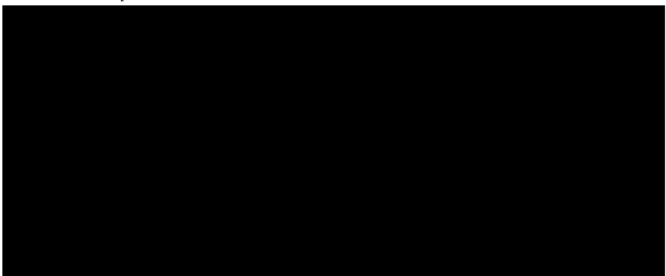
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Re: Request for Information – Police Department Equipment Purchases

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records.

1. All records related to any Police Department equipment purchases, including but not limited to radios, vehicles, uniforms, or expense reimbursements for equipment acquired by any employee of the Police Department of the Village of Dolton.

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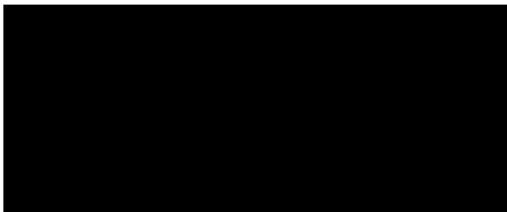
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October 14, 2022

Village of Dolton
Attention Alison Key, Village Clerk
14122 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive,
Dolton, IL 60419

Re: Request for Information – policy on hiring

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records.

1. All records related to any policy on hiring of employees of the Village of Dolton including policies on background checks for inspectors.

Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at [REDACTED]

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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[REDACTED]


October 14, 2022

Village of Dolton
Attention Alison Key, Village Clerk
14122 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive,
Dolton, IL 60419

Re: Request for Information – policy on employment of convicted sex offenders

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records.

1. All records related to any policy related to the employment of convicted sex offenders by the Village of Dolton.

Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at 

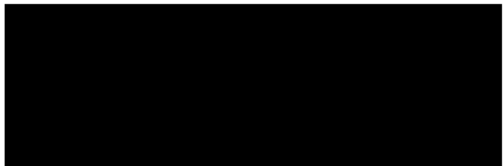
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October 14, 2022

Village of Dolton
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14122 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive,
Dolton, IL 60419

Re: Request for Information – Inventories of equipment

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records.

1. All records related to any inventory of equipment owned by the Village of Dolton.

Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at [REDACTED]

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Thanks,
[REDACTED]

Subject: Village Records Request :: R000550-101722



Dear [REDACTED]

Your request has been received and is being processed. Your request was received in this office on 10/17/2022 and given the reference number R000550-101722 for tracking purposes.

Records Requested: Re: Request for Information – 1. Police Department Equipment Purchases 2. Inventories of equipment In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records. 1. All records related to any Police Department equipment purchases, including but not limited to radios, vehicles, uniforms, or expense reimbursements for equipment acquired by any employee of the Police Department of the Village of Dolton. 2. All records related to any inventory of equipment owned by the Village of Dolton. Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at [REDACTED] If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. If you are not the FOIA officer responsible for any part of this request, you are required by law to forward it to the appropriate FOIA officer. As outlined in FOIA, documents shall be furnished without charge or at a reduced charge, as determined by the public body, if the person requesting the documents states the specific purpose for the request and indicates that a waiver or reduction of the fee is in the public interest. I am requesting the records be provided in electronic format if that is the method in which they are stored. If they are in paper form and the copier can convert them to electronic format I would appreciate receiving them electronically. Thank you [REDACTED]

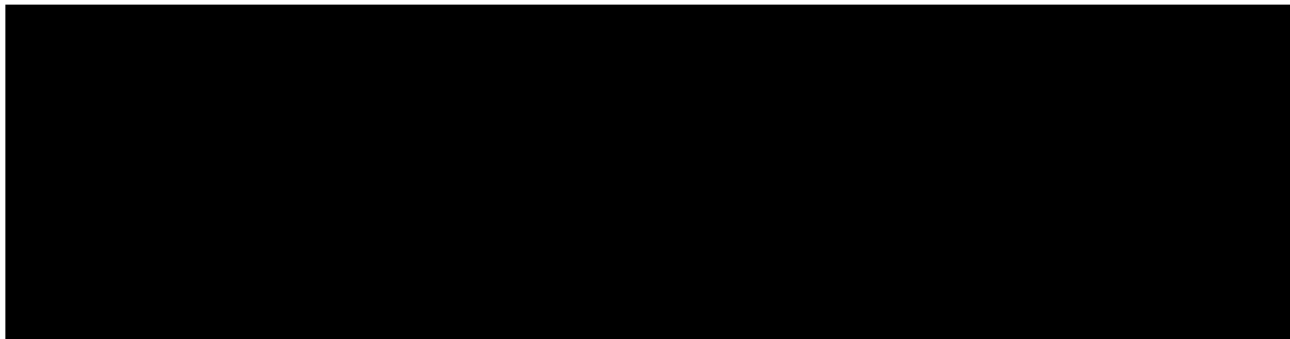
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Village of Dolton IL

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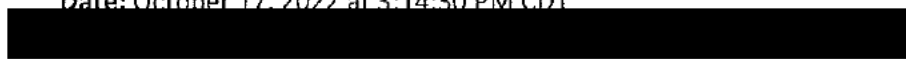


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Begin forwarded message:

From: DOLTONIL Public Records Center <doltonil@govqa.us>

Date: October 17, 2022 at 3:14:30 PM CDT



Subject: Village Records Request :: R000548-101722



Dear [REDACTED]

Your request has been received and is being processed. Your request was received in this office on 10/17/2022 and given the reference number R000548-101722 for tracking purposes.

Records Requested: Re: Request for Information – Payments to Ancel Glink In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records. 1. all records related to any contract with Ancel Glink including but not limited to any records of the amounts paid to Ancel Glink for legal services including any invoice submitted by Ancel Glink whether or not any such invoice has been paid or not. Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. If you are not the FOIA officer responsible for any part of this request, you are required by law to forward it to the appropriate FOIA officer. As outlined in FOIA, documents shall be furnished without charge or at a reduced charge, as determined by the public body, if the person requesting the documents states the specific purpose for the request and indicates that a waiver or reduction of the fee is in the public interest. I am requesting the records be provided in electronic format if that is the method in which they are stored. If they are in paper form and the copier can convert them to electronic format I would appreciate receiving them electronically. Thank you, [REDACTED]

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Village of Dolton IL

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Subject: Village Records Request :: R000546-101722



Dear [REDACTED]

Your request has been received and is being processed. Your request was received in this office on 10/17/2022 and given the reference number R000546-101722 for tracking purposes.

Records Requested: Re: Request for Information – Grant Opportunities for Homeowners – Halloween Spooky Courts Trunk or Treat – Thorton Township In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records. 1. all records related to the grant opportunities for homeowners referenced on the Village of Dolton's web site including but not limited to all expenditures of the Village for any grants is-sued by the Village of Dolton in last 18 months including the name of the individual or entity re-ceiving a grant and the amount granted and the purpose of the grant. 2. all records related to the Halloween Spooky Courts Trunk or Treat as advertised on the Village's web site including but not limited to all expenditures of the Village of Dolton for the Halloween Spooky Courts Trunk or Treat. 3. all records related to any intergovernmental agreement with Thorton Township Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at [REDACTED] you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. If you are not the FOIA officer responsible for any part of this request, you are required by law to forward it to the appropriate FOIA officer. As outlined in FOIA, documents shall be furnished without charge or at a reduced charge, as determined by the public body, if the person requesting the documents states the specific purpose for the request and indicates that a waiver or reduction of the fee is in the public interest. I am requesting the records be provided in electronic format if that is the method in which they are stored. If they are in paper form and the copier can convert them to electronic format I would appreciate receiving them electronically. Thank you, [REDACTED]

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Village of Dolton IL

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Subject: Village Records Request :: R000546-101722



Dear [REDACTED]

Your request has been received and is being processed. Your request was received in this office on 10/17/2022 and given the reference number R000546-101722 for tracking purposes.

Records Requested: Re: Request for Information – Grant Opportunities for Homeowners – Halloween Spooky Courts Trunk or Treat – Thorton Township In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records. 1. all records related to the grant opportunities for homeowners referenced on the Village of Dolton's web site including but not limited to all expenditures of the Village for any grants is-sued by the Village of Dolton in last 18 months including the name of the individual or entity re-ceiving a grant and the amount granted and the purpose of the grant. 2. all records related to the Halloween Spooky Courts Trunk or Treat as advertised on the Village's web site including but not limited to all expenditures of the Village of Dolton for the Halloween Spooky Courts Trunk or Treat. 3. all records related to any intergovernmental agreement with Thorton Township Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at [REDACTED] If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. If you are not the FOIA officer responsible for any part of this request, you are required by law to forward it to the appropriate FOIA officer. As outlined in FOIA, documents shall be furnished without charge or at a reduced charge, as determined by the public body, if the person requesting the documents states the specific purpose for the request and indicates that a waiver or reduction of the fee is in the public interest. I am requesting the records be provided in electronic format if that is the method in which they are stored. If they are in paper form and the copier can convert them to electronic format I would appreciate receiving them electronically. Thank you,

[REDACTED]

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Village of Dolton IL

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Subject: [Records Center] Welcome to the Records Request Center!



Dear [REDACTED]

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Subject: Village Records Request :: R000544-101722



Dear [REDACTED]

Your request has been received and is being processed. Your request was received in this office on 10/17/2022 and given the reference number R000544-101722 for tracking purposes.

Records Requested: Re: Request for Information – policy on hiring In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records. 1. All records related to any policy on hiring of employees of the Village of Dolton including policies on background checks for inspectors. Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at [REDACTED] If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. If you are not the FOIA officer responsible for any part of this request, you are required by law to forward it to the appropriate FOIA officer. As outlined in FOIA, documents shall be furnished without charge or at a reduced charge, as determined by the public body, if the person requesting the documents states the specific purpose for the request and indicates that a waiver or reduction of the fee is in the public interest. I am requesting the records be provided in electronic format if that is the method in which they are stored. If they are in paper form and the copier can convert them to electronic format I would appreciate receiving them electronically. Thank you [REDACTED]

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Village of Dolton IL

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Subject: Village Records Request :: R000549-101722



Dear [REDACTED]

Your request has been received and is being processed. Your request was received in this office on 10/17/2022 and given the reference number R000549-101722 for tracking purposes.

Records Requested: Re: Request for Information – 1. Budgets 2. Police Department Budget 3. Fire Department Budget In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records. 1. All records related to any budget of the Village of Dolton. 2. All records related to any budget of the Police Department for the Village of Dolton 3. All records related to any budget of the Fire Department for the Village of Dolton. Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at [REDACTED]. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. If you are not the FOIA officer responsible for any part of this request, you are required by law to forward it to the appropriate FOIA officer. As outlined in FOIA, documents shall be furnished without charge or at a reduced charge, as determined by the public body, if the person requesting the documents states the specific purpose for the request and indicates that a waiver or reduction of the fee is in the public interest. I am requesting the records be provided in electronic format if that is the method in which they are stored. If they are in paper form and the copier can convert them to electronic format I would appreciate receiving them electronically. Thank you, [REDACTED]

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Village of Dolton IL

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Subject: Village Records Request :: R000547-101722




Dear [REDACTED]

Your request has been received and is being processed. Your request was received in this office on 10/17/2022 and given the reference number R000547-101722 for tracking purposes.

Records Requested: Re: Request for Information – 1. Compensation of Mayor 2. Compensation of Village Administrator 3. Compensation of JANICE JOHNSON – DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES 4. Compensation of CARMEN CARLISLE-EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT 5. Compensation of TANJINIQUE MILLER-FINANCE 6. Compensation of DERIK BLOCKER – IT 7. Compensation of RON SMITH – VILLAGE ENGINEER In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records. 1. all records related to the compensation of the Village President/mayor including any records of the amounts paid to Tiffany Henyard for salary or wages or expense reimbursement. 2. all records related to the compensation of the Village Administrator including but not limited to any records of the amounts paid to Keith Freeman for salary or wages or expense reimbursements. 3. all records related to the compensation of JANICE JOHNSON including but not limited to any records of the amounts paid to for salary or wages or expense reimbursements and each expense reimbursement form submitted by JANICE JOHNSON. 4. all records related to the compensation of CARMEN CARLISLE including but not limited to any records of the amounts paid to for salary or wages or expense reimbursements and each expense reimbursement form submitted by CARMEN CARLISLE. 5. all records related to the compensation of TANJINIQUE MILLER including but not limited to any records of the amounts paid to for salary or wages or expense reimbursements and each expense reimbursement form submitted by TANJINIQUE MILLER. 6. all records related to the compensation of DERIK BLOCKER including but not limited to any records of the amounts paid to for salary or wages or expense reimbursements and each expense reimbursement form submitted by DERIK BLOCKER. 7. all records related to the compensation of RON SMITH including but not limited to any records of the amounts paid to for salary or wages or expense reimbursements and each expense reimbursement form submitted by [REDACTED] Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at [REDACTED] If you have any

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Subject: Village Records Request :: R000545-101722



Dear [REDACTED]

Your request has been received and is being processed. Your request was received in this office on 10/17/2022 and given the reference number R000545-101722 for tracking purposes.

Records Requested: Re: Request for Information – fees for rental inspections In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records. 1. all records related to the properties that are required to pay for an annual inspection in connection with renting real estate within the Village of Dolton, including a list of the properties that have paid fees and are available for rent, ordinances, and all documents reflecting the authority to impose a rental inspection and charge a fee. Please provide all responsive information to me electronically at [REDACTED] If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. If you are not the FOIA officer responsible for any part of this request, you are required by law to forward it to the appropriate FOIA officer. As outlined in FOIA, documents shall be furnished without charge or at a reduced charge, as determined by the public body, if the person requesting the documents states the specific purpose for the request and indicates that a waiver or reduction of the fee is in the public interest. I am requesting the records be provided in electronic format if that is the method in which they are stored. If they are in paper form and the copier can convert them to electronic format I would appreciate receiving them electronically. Thank you [REDACTED]

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Village of Dolton IL

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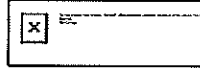
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Subject: [Records Center] Village Records Request :: R000545-101722

--- Please respond above this line ---



RE: Village Records Request of October 17, 2022, Reference # R000545-101722

Dear [REDACTED]

The Village of Dolton IL received a public records request from you on October 17, 2022. Your request mentioned:

Re: Request for Information – fees for rental inspections

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following

public records.

1. all records related to the properties that are required to pay for an annual inspection in connection with renting real estate within the Village of Dolton, including a list of the properties that have paid fees and are available for rent, ordinances, and all documents reflecting the authority to impose a rental inspection and charge a fee.

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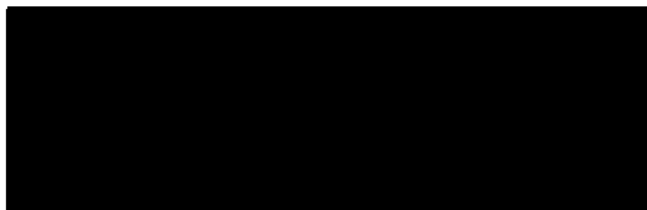
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Thank you,



The Village of Dolton IL has reviewed its files and has located responsive records to your request. Please log in to the Public Records Center at the following link to retrieve the responsive records.

Village Records Request - R000545-101722

For questions or additional information, please reply to this email.

Sincerely,

Aris Montgomery
Clerk's Office

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