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EP-1

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Ms. Hayes:

On July 6, 2016, the Village of Elmwood Park received your Illinois Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.*) ("FOIA") request for the following records:

"[D]ocuments showing the employment term of former police officer John Wasilenko. Please include information showing the reason for his departure from the police department (ex: discharged, resigned, etc) in addition to the dates of his employment."

Enclosed please find the records responsive to your FOIA request. However, please be advised that certain information in the records responsive to your FOIA request has been determined to be exempt from disclosure under FOIA. Accordingly, such information has been redacted from the records being provided.

Section 7(1)(b) of FOIA provides that "private information" is exempt from disclosure. "Private information" is defined in FOIA as, "unique identifiers, including a person's social security number, driver's license number, employee identification number, biometric identifiers, personal financial information, passwords or other access codes, medical records, home or personal telephone numbers, and personal email addresses. Private information also includes home address and personal license plates, except as otherwise provided by law or when compiled without possibility of attribution to any person." 5 ILCS 140/2(c-5). Consequently, certain unique identifiers, including a social security number and a signature, have been redacted from the records being provided.

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Section 7(1)(c) of FOIA provides that, “[p]ersonal information contained within public records, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy” is exempt from disclosure. Consequently, a birthdate, and other personal information, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, including the race of an individual, have been redacted from the records being provided.

The person responsible for the decision to deny a portion of your FOIA request is the Village of Elmwood Park Freedom of Information Officer, Gina Pesko. In accordance with Section 9(a) of FOIA, you are hereby notified that you have the right to file a Request for Review regarding the decision made by the Village of Elmwood Park Freedom of Information Officer with the Public Access Counselor at the Illinois Attorney General’s Office. You can file your Request for Review with the Public Access Counselor by writing to:

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

If you choose to file a Request for Review with the Public Access Counselor, you must do so within 60 calendar days of the date of this letter. Please note that you must include a copy of your original FOIA request and this letter when filing a Request for Review with the Public Access Counselor.

You are also notified that you have the right to judicial review regarding the decision made by the Village of Elmwood Park Freedom of Information Officer pursuant to Section 11 of FOIA.

Sincerely,

STORINO, RAMELLO & DURKIN
Attorneys for the Village of Elmwood Park


Erin C. Tinaglia

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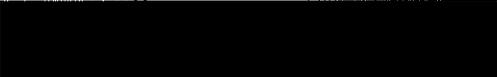
September 12, 2014

Nick Percora, Chairman
Police and Fire Commission
Village of Elmwood Park
11 Conti Parkway
Elmwood Park, Illinois 60707

Dear Chairman Percora,

On today's date, Sergeant John Wasilenko, tendered his irrevocable resignation, to become effective on September 19, 2014. I have accepted his resignation and am forwarding it to the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners for your action.

Sincerely,


Frank Fagiano,
Chief of Police for the Village of Elmwood Park

cc: Paul Volpe
Michael Durkin
Attorney Ralph Meczyk
John Wasilenko

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