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UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

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December 19, 2019

Ethis Watch NJ
Ethicswatchnj.com

File Number: 2019-1130

Re: OPRA Request –Records

Dear Ethics Watch:

The City of Linden received your Open Public Records Act (OPRA) request on December 6, 2019. The official Records Custodian, Joseph C. Bodek, received your OPRA request on December 6, 2019. As such, the seventh (7th) business day deadline to respond to your request is Tuesday, December 17, 2019. This response to your request is being provided to you on the 10th business day after the custodian's receipt of said request.

You requested the following: See Attached

Please be advised that the City of Linden does not have any records in regards to your request.

If you feel that your request for access to a government record has been improperly denied or unfilled within the seven (7) business days required by law, you have a right to challenge the decision of the City of Linden to deny access. I have attached information, from the Government Records Council regarding the process to file a complaint.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph C. Bodek", is written over a circular official stamp. The stamp contains the text "CITY OF LINDEN" and "NEW JERSEY" around a central emblem.

Joseph C. Bodek
Custodian of Records
City Of Linden

New Jersey Government Records Council ("GRC")



What to do if your request for a record has been denied

The New Jersey Open Public Records Act (N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq.) permits a person who believes that he or she has been unlawfully denied access to a public record either to file a complaint with the GRC or to file suit in Superior Court to challenge the decision and compel disclosure. This poster describes the procedures for taking such actions.

To file a complaint with the GRC:

- Visit the GRC's website at www.nj.gov/grc for information and to register your complaint. In the alternative, you may contact the GRC by telephone at 1-866-850-0511 or by e-mail at government.records@dca.nj.gov.
- When you file the written complaint, the GRC will offer both you and the public agency non-adversarial, impartial mediation. If mediation is not accepted or is not successful, the GRC will investigate the complaint.
- In some cases, the GRC can award attorney's fees to a complainant or impose a fine against a records custodian.
- There is no fee to file a complaint with the GRC.

To file a complaint in Superior Court:

- A requestor may start a summary (expedited) lawsuit in the Superior Court. A written complaint and order to show cause must be filed with the court.
- The court requires a filing fee, and you must serve the lawsuit papers on the appropriate parties.
- The court will schedule a hearing to resolve the dispute.
- If you disagree with the court's decision, you may appeal the decision to the Appellate Division of the Superior Court.
- If you are successful, you may be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees.
- You may wish to consult with an attorney to learn about initiating and pursuing a summary lawsuit in the Superior Court.
- Filing suit in Superior Court may result in a faster resolution, because the courts adjudicate cases every day, whereas the GRC only meets once a month.

Government Records Council, P.O. Box 819, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0819

Joe Bodek

#209-1130

From: Ethics Watch New Jersey <opra+request-8515-c116fa5a@requests.opramachine.com>
Sent: Friday, December 06, 2019 10:05 AM
To: Joe Bodek
Subject: OPRA request - All Documents related the Investigations Peter Brown jr Refers to on March 18, 2014 into the JP Morgan Chase Termination

Dear Linden City,

This is a request for public records made under OPRA and the common law right of access. I am not required to fill out an official form. Please acknowledge receipt of this message.

Records requested:

All Documents related the Investigations Peter Brown jr Refers to on March 18, 2014 into the JP Morgan Chase Termination. To be clear Councilman Peter Brown stated on March 18, 2014 that there are multiply agencies investigating this matter. It would stand to reason the city of Linden would have received some determination by these multiply agencies. before allowing Mr Brown to serve on committees that supervised city Finance.

Yours faithfully,

Ethicswatchnj.com not to be confused with gmail

Please use deliver records electronically via email to the below UNIQUE address for all replies to this request:
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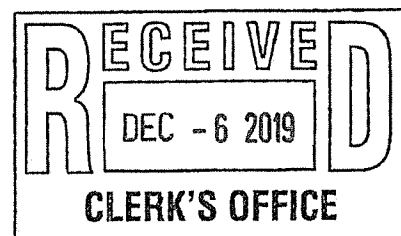
Is jbodek@linden-nj.org the wrong address for OPRA requests to Linden City? If so, please contact us using this form:
https://opramachine.com/change_request/new?body=linden_city

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View this OPRA request & responses online:
https://opramachine.com/request/all_documents_related_the_invest

Please note that in some cases publication of requests and responses will be delayed.

If you find this service useful as an OPRA custodian, please ask your web manager to link to us from your organisation's website.





ALEXIS ZACK
Director of Finance
Chief Financial Officer
Municipal Treasurer

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Joseph C. Bodek, City Clerk

FROM: Alexis Zack, CFO/Municipal Treasurer 

DATE: December 10, 2019

RE: OPRA Requestor: Ethics Watch NJ (#2019-1130)

Please be advised that the Finance Department does not have any documents pertaining to the referenced OPRA request.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me.



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Derek Armstead
MAYOR

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CHIEF OF POLICE

Joseph Bodek, City Clerk
City of Linden
301 N. Wood Avenue
Linden, NJ 07036

December 9, 2019

RE: OPRA Requestor: Ethics Watch NJ

OPRA #2019-1130

Sir:

In response to the Open Public Records Act request filed by Ethics Watch NJ, a search was conducted on or around March 18, 2014 for an incident involving Peter Brown in regards to a JP Morgan termination ending with negative results. Should Ethics Watch NJ still like to pursue this request, more detailed information is required (i.e. Incident Number, exact date/time, etc.) Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

Sgt. Thomas Struszczyk
Support Services Division
(908) 474-8555
tstruszczyk@lpcnj.org

CC:
Chief David Hart
Captain Jeffrey Vitrano