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RE: OPRA Request - "Records requested: Emails sent or received from email address twpmanager@deptford-nj.org Town manager Newman"

Subject- communications involving deptford township police department and officers."

Dear David,

In response to your Open Public Records Act (OPRA) request received September 7th, 2022, we have reviewed your request and have found that your request is denied at this time, due to being too broad, and in addition not specific enough.

Your request does not meet the legal requirements for requesting correspondences/emails. Pursuant to Elcavage v. West Milford Township (Passaic), Government Records Council Complaint No. 2009-08 (April 2010), an OPRA request for communications (including emails) must contain all three of the following characteristics: Content and/or subject; Specific date or range of dates and Sender and/or recipient. Although you have provided content and/or subject, the content and/or subject you have provided is much too broad and requires the records custodian to make a determination as to which correspondences involve the "Deptford Township Police Department.

As custodian of records we are not required to research files to figure out which records, if any, might be responsive to a broad and unclear OPRA request. As a result of our findings, we have marked your OPRA request received September 7th, 2022 as closed.

If you have any additional questions and/or concerns, or if we can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact our office at (856) 686-2203.

Sincerely,

Dina L. Zawadski
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