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May 4, 2022

Via email only (opra+request-31253-63f5d5bb@requests.opramachine.com)

Anonymous Citizen

Re: Open Public Records Act/Common Law Records Request

Dear Anonymous Citizen:

The Borough of Pitman Records Custodian received your request for records pursuant to the Open Public Records Act (OPRA) and the New Jersey common law right of access, dated April 22, 2022, via email on April 25, 2022, and forwarded it to the Police Records Custodian for response. Accordingly, the initial seven (7) business day deadline to respond to your request under OPRA is May 4, 2022. This response is being provided on the seventh business day after receipt of your request.

Your records request was as follows:

From:	Anonymous Citizen < opra+request-31253-63f5d5bb@requests.opramachine.com >
Sent:	Friday, April 22, 2022 8:59 PM
To:	Judy O'Donnell
Subject:	OPRA request - OPRA request

Dear Pitman Borough,

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:

Copies of any/all internal memos to the Pitman police department in 2021 and 2022 relating to changes in marijuana laws and enforcement.

Yours faithfully,

Anonymous Citizen

Your request requires additional time beyond the seven (7) business days to fulfill due to the scope and nature of your request. OPRA allows custodians to seek extensions of time pursuant to N.J.S.A. 47:1A-5.i. Specifically, OPRA states that, "the requestor shall be advised by the custodian when the record can be made available. If the record is not made available by that time, access shall be deemed denied." Further processing of your request requires an additional seven (7) business days, which is until May 13, 2022.

If your request for access to a government record has been denied or unfilled within the seven (7) business days required by law, you have a right to challenge the decision by the Borough of Pitman to deny access. At your option, you may either institute a proceeding in the Superior Court of New Jersey or file a complaint with the Government Records Council (GRC) by completing the Denial of Access Complaint Form. You may contact the GRC by toll-free telephone at 866-850-0511, by mail at P.O. Box 819, Trenton, NJ, 08625, by e-mail at grc@dca.state.nj.us, or at their web site at www.state.nj.us/grc. The GRC can also answer other questions about the law. All questions regarding complaints filed in Superior Court should be directed to the Court Clerk in your County.

Very truly yours,

Lori H. Scutt

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