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REQUEST FOR GOVERNMENT RECORDS
(N.J.S.A. 47:1A – 1, et seq.)
GOVERNMENT RECORDS REQUEST RESPONSE

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DATE: July 5, 2022

The Town of Westfield received your Open Public Records (OPRA) request on June 24, 2022, for which a response is due on/before July 6, 2022. Your request sought access to the following:

1. Addresses of all residential properties (Property Class 2) that are marked as vacant and/or abandoned
2. Addresses of all residential properties (Property Class 2) that are marked as condemned
3. Addresses of all residential properties (Property Class 2) that have had a notice of abatement issued, specifically from 1/1/2022 to the present day
4. Addresses of all residential properties (Property Class 2) that are fire damaged, specifically from 1/1/2022 to the present day
5. Addresses of all residential properties with delinquent property taxes, specifically for the past 2 quarters
6. Addresses of all residential properties with delinquent water and sewer bills, specifically for the past 2 quarters
7. Addresses of all residential properties with an active municipal owned lien
8. Addresses of all residential properties that have had a code enforcement complaint opened for high grass and/or junk/debris, specifically from 1/1/2022 to the present day

A response to your request is as follows:

The following records are being provided in their entirety and are responsive to your request:

1. Town of Westfield Vacant Property Listing (1 page)
2. Town of Westfield Property Maintenance Violations (1 page)
3. Town of Westfield Utility Delinquent Report by Account ID (42 pages)
4. Town of Westfield Lien Account Status (1 file)
5. Town of Westfield Tax Account Delinquent Report (1 file)

Please be advised the Town of Westfield does not maintain a listing of fire damaged properties, therefore there are no records responsive to this portion of your request.

This response is being provided to you via email as per your request.

If your request for access to a government record has been denied or unfilled within seven (7) business days required by law, you have a right to challenge the decision by the Town of Westfield 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.