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January 16, 2023

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Dear Emilio Zamora:

The Township of Irvington's Neighborhood Preservation department received your Open Public Records Act (OPRA) request on January 09, 2023. The official Records Custodian, Harold Weiner, received your OPRA request on January 09, 2023. As such, the seven (7)-business day deadline to respond to your request is January 19, 2023. This response to your request is being provided to you on the 19th business day after the custodian's receipt of said request. You requested:

"Dear Irvington Township, 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: Records from 2022 1) All abandoned/vacant residential properties (Property Class 2) 2) All residential properties with delinquent taxes 3) All residential properties for which a Lis Pendens notice has been filed or that are currently in probate 4) All properties that are absentee-owned 5) All properties with delinquent water and sewer which date back up to 1 year, including amounts owed 6) All properties currently listed with water shut-off notice 7) All properties with code violations, including the type of violation 8) All properties with notices of abatement If Not Available Please Send Whatever is available on the list. Preferably in excel format if not PDF is fine. Again, I appreciate your attention to this matter and thank you in advance for your help.

Yours faithfully, Emilio Zamora"

Neighborhood Preservation does not have the records you requested. Specifically, Neighborhood Preservation does not keep records of "All abandoned/vacant properties" only vacant properties; we do not have records of "all properties with code violations" and "all properties with notices of abatement."

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 Neighborhood Preservation. Neighborhood Preservation 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 Council 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.

Sincerely,

Willie Williams,

Sub-Custodian, Neighborhood Preservation

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January 9, 2023

Dear Emilio Zamora,

The Township of Irvington received your Open Public Records Act (OPRA) request on January 9, 2023. The official Records Custodian, Harold Wiener, received your OPRA January 9, 2023. As such, the seven (7) business day deadline to respond to your request is January 19, 2023.

Your OPRA request sought access to the following:

Dear Irvington Township,

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:

Records from 2022

- 1) All abandoned/vacant residential properties (Property Class 2)
 - 2) All residential properties with delinquent taxes
 - 3) All residential properties for which a Lis Pendens notice has been filed or that are currently in probate
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 - 5) All properties with delinquent water and sewer which date back up to 1 year, including amounts owed
 - 6) All properties currently listed with water shut-off notice
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Emilio Zamora

Your request requires additional time beyond the seven (7) business days due to the voluminous amount of OPRA requests that the Township Of Irvington has received. 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."

Your request requires an extension of time until February 28, 2023.

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 Township of Irvington 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.

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