



City of Linden

Union County, New Jersey

Office of the City Clerk

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City Clerk

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Deputy City Clerk

February 17, 2022

Jim

Opra+request-29054-306d5ed6@requests.opramachine.com

Re: OPRA Request – #2022-92

Dear Jim:

The City of Linden received your Open Public Records Act (OPRA) request on January 31, 2022. Please find your response attached.

You requested the following: See attached

With regard to the first part of your request seeking the dates of employment for Ed Chabak believed to work for the Linden Police Department, the records are attached.

The second part of your request seeks information or asks questions and does not identify specific government records. As such, your request is an invalid OPRA request and is denied. Then a request is "complex" because it fails to specifically identify the documents sought, then that request is not "encompassed" by OPRA. See New Jersey Builders Association v. New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing, 390 N.J. Super. 166, 180 (App. Div. 2007). A proper request under OPRA must identify with reasonable clarity those documents that are desired. At this time, we request clarification of your OPRA Request. Please respond in writing and identify the specific government records sought so that we may process your request. Failure to provide written clarification of your request will result in the closure of this OPRA request.

If you feel that your request for access to a government record has been improperly denied, 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,

Joseph C. Bodek, City Clerk
Records Custodian



Joe Bodek <jbodek@linden-nj.gov>

OPRA request - Records

message

2022-92

like <opra+request-29054-306d5ed6@requests.opramachine.com>
to: OPRA requests at Linden City <jbodek@linden-nj.org>

Thu, Jan 27, 2022 at 4:15 PM

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:

Requesting the dates of employment for Ed Chabak, believed to work for the Linden Police Department.

He drives around with placards from Linden with police lights and siren and would like to know if this is an issued work vehicle or private and why this driving is outside of Linden.

Yours faithfully,

Jim

Please use deliver records electronically via email to the below UNIQUE address for all replies to this request:
opra+request-29054-306d5ed6@requests.opramachine.com

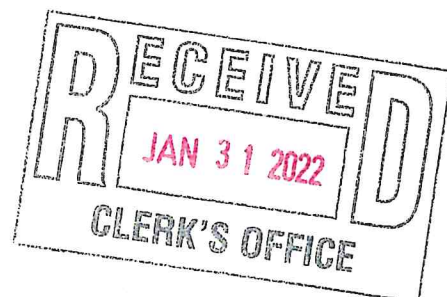
Is jbodek@linden-nj.org the wrong address for OPRA requests to Linden City? If so, please contact us using this form:
https://opramachine.com/change_request/new?body=linden_city

Disclaimer: This message and any reply that you make will be published on the internet. Our privacy and copyright policies:
<https://opramachine.com/help/officers>

View this OPRA request & responses online:
https://opramachine.com/request/records_16

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
Chief Financial Officer
Director of Finance

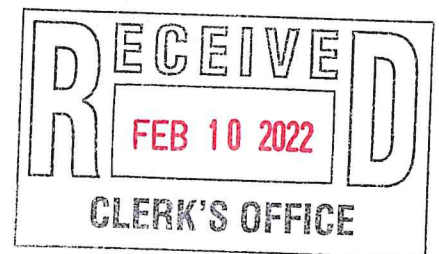
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TO: Jennifer Honan, Deputy Municipal Clerk
FROM: Alexis Zack, CFO/Municipal Treasurer 
RE: OPRA Requestor: Jim (#2022-92)
DATE: February 9, 2022

Please find the following requested information:

- Edward A. Chabak
- Title: Police Sergeant/Deputy EOM Cord.
- Dates of Employment: 5/14/1981- 12/1/2015

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.



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LNAME	FNAME	TITLE
CHABAK	EDWARD A.	POLICE SERGEANT/DEPUTY EOM CORD
5/14/1981-12/1/2015		

RESOLUTION: 2019-187

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING SENIOR DEPUTY COORDINATOR AND
DEPUTY COORDINATORS TO THE LINDEN OFFICE OF EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT**

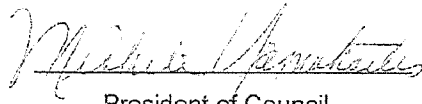
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN:

That **EDWARD CHABAK** be and hereby is appointed as Senior Deputy Coordinator, of the Linden Office of Emergency Management for a three year term, commencing on May 1, 2019 and expiring on May 1, 2022, or until his successor shall be appointed and qualified.

That the following individuals be and hereby are appointed as Deputy Coordinators, of the Linden Office of Emergency Management for a three year term, commencing on May 1, 2019 and expiring on May 1, 2022, or until their successor(s) shall be appointed and qualified.

- **JOSEPH STIGLIANO**
- **RICHARD A. DAVIS**
- **WILLIAM HASKO**
- **JOSEPH BIRCH**

PASSED: April 15, 2019


President of Council

APPROVED: April 16, 2019


Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk

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