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RE: OPRA Request #19-659

Dear Requestor:

The City of Bayonne ("City") received your Open Public Records Act (OPRA) request on July 30, 2019. The official Records Custodian, Madelene C. Medina, received your OPRA request on July 30, 2019. The City requested an extension until August 20, 2019 to respond the above-referenced OPRA.

Your OPRA request sought access to the following: "...all invoices received and payments made by the City of Bayonne to Chasan Lamparello Mallon & Cappuzzo, PC from September 11, 2018 to today, July 29, 2019, for the purposes of Special Redevelopment/Land Use Counsel..."

The Law Department is in receipt of the records responsive to your request. However, we require additional time to review same. 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 August 30, 2019.

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 City of Bayonne 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 xxx@xxx.xxxxx.xx.xx, 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.

Sincerely,

Jessica H. Connors

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cc: Madelene C. Medina, City Clerk & Records Custodian