



**MOUNT LAUREL TOWNSHIP
TOWNSHIP MANAGER/CLERK'S OFFICE
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MOUNT LAUREL, NEW JERSEY 08054
856-234-0001**

March 18, 2025

Re: OPRA Request

Dear Requestor:

The Township of Mount Laurel received your March 11, 2025 Open Public Records Act request on March 11, 2025. The Township provides this timely response.

Please ensure that any future OPRA request includes this language to avoid it being denied.

Your request seeks:

1. All Township owned registered motor vehicles including, but not limited to, municipal, police, fire, and EMS. Please include the year, make, model, color, purchase date, and purchase price.
2. A copy of the policy on the use of municipal, police department, and fire department vehicles as take home vehicles.
3. List all Township employees with take home vehicles including vehicle description and the employee's job title.
4. Copies of mileage, fuel, and toll records of all take home vehicles assigned to and/or used by municipal, police, or fire department employees for the period of January 1, 2022 until present day.

The Township denies your OPRA request in part and approves your request in part for the following reasons:

Request #1

"Government record" or "record" means any paper, ... [or] information stored or maintained electronically or by sound-recording or in a similar device, or any copy thereof, that has been made, maintained or kept on file in the course of his or its official business ... The terms shall not include inter-agency or intra-agency advisory, consultative, or deliberative material. N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1. All government records are subject to public access unless they are exempt under OPRA or any other law.

The Township maintains a record fixed assets. However, the record does not include the color of the vehicles or the date the vehicles were purchased. The record as it pertains to color and

date of purchase was not made, maintained, or kept on file in the course of official business, and therefore is not a government record. Additionally, the Fire District is a separate entity and the Township does not maintain records for it. As such the request is approved in part and denied in part.

Request #2

Responsive record provided.

Request #3

The Township provides the list of non-law enforcement officers who have take-home vehicles assigned. The portion of this request seeking the take home vehicles for the police department is denied under N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1 (security measures).

Request #4

The Township does not maintain a record of mileage, fuel, and toll records for take-home vehicles. This information was not made, maintained, or kept on file in the course of official business, and therefore is not a government record. The Township has a toll transponder assigned to the police department only used when transporting prisoners. Release of that document is denied for security reasons, N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1. As such the Township denies this portion of the request.

Based on the above, your request is approved in part and denied in part.

Sincerely,


Meredith Riculfy, RM
Township Manager/Clerk
Records Custodian