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Via Email: opra+request-41448-f784577c@requests.opramachine.com

April 14, 2023

Natalia Rosario

Re: OPRA Request 0641-23

Dear Ms. Rosario:

I am in receipt of your recent OPRA request, whereby you requested the following:

Any open public records.

Currently, your request fails to identify with reasonable clarity the specific government records sought, as is required by Bent v. Stafford Police Department, 381 N.J. Super. 30, 37 (App. Div. 2005). A proper request under OPRA must identify with reasonable clarity those documents that are desired, and a party cannot satisfy this requirement by simply requesting all of an agency's documents. At this time, we are requesting clarification of your OPRA request. Specifically, your request is for "any open public records", which does not specifically identify any documents or provide any additional information as to what you are requesting public records regarding. There are possibly millions of "public records" in the possession of the County of Burlington. Further, your request was submitted to the County of Burlington on the Burlington County Board of Taxation's OPRA form. Should your request be intended for the Burlington County Board of Taxation it should be sent to taxboard@co.burlington.nj.us as they are a separate entity from the County of Burlington with their own Records Custodian. Please respond in writing by email to Deanna Perez at dperez@co.burlington.nj.us and provide identify the specific government records sought so that we may process your request. Failure to provide written clarification of your request by April 21, 2023 will result in the closure of this OPRA request.

I am also obligated to inform you that if you believe I have erred in withholding documents, you have the right to bring an action in the Superior Court of New Jersey, or to appeal to the Government Records Council. 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.

Sincerely,

DINA ROCCO
Custodian of Public Records
Burlington County