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REQUEST FOR GOVERNMENT RECORDS
(N.J.S.A. 47:1A – 1, et seq.)
GOVERNMENT RECORDS REQUEST RESPONSE

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DATE: June 22, 2022

The Town of Westfield received your Open Public Records (OPRA) request on June 21, 2022 for which a response is due on or before June 30, 2022. Your request sought access to the following;

- 1) A list of all properties with taxes that are delinquent in amounts of at least \$1,500 and beyond that date back to 2021 or prior years. Please include full property location, owner name, amounts, and Class 2 & 1 properties only, if possible.
- 2) A separate list of all properties with Utilities that are delinquent in amounts of at least \$250 and beyond, that date back to 2021 or prior. Please include full property location, owner name, amounts, and Class 2 & 1 properties only, if possible.
- 3) A list of all properties with open liens in amounts of at least \$500 and beyond, that date back to 2021 or prior years. Please include full property location, owner name, amounts, and Class 2 & 1 properties only.
- 4) A list of all properties that are currently vacant or abandoned. If the property used to be vacant and no longer is, please do not include. Please include full property location, owner name, and Class 2 & 1 properties only, if possible.
- 5) A list of all properties that have received code violations for high grass/junk/unkept property that are still active or open. Please do not include closed cases, and provide the type of violation. Also, please include full property location, owner name, and Class 2 & 1 properties only, if possible.

A response to your request is as follows:

The following records are being provided to you in their entirety and are responsive to your request:

1. Town of Westfield Utility Delinquent Report By Account Id (2 pages)
2. Town of Westfield Detailed Tax Account Delinquent Report (12 pages)
3. Town of Westfield Condensed Lien Account Status Report (9 pages)
4. Town of Westfield Vacant Property Listing (1 page)
5. Town of Westfield Violation List (2 pages)

This response is being provided to you via email as per your request.

If your request for access to a government record has been denied or unfilled within seven (7) business days required by law, you have a right to challenge the decision by the Town of Westfield 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.