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Via electronic mail
Ms. Gina Mellenthin
ginamellenthin@yahoo.com

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request – Received October 8, 2018

Dear Ms. Mellenthin:

Thank you for writing to the Village of Bensenville ("Village") with your request for information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.* You sent an October 8, 2018, FOIA request to the Village seeking copies of "a list of all names and addresses of those who have submitted a petition to annex form to the Village of Bensenville."

In October 15, 2018, correspondence to you, the Village extended its time frame for response to your FOIA request by five (5) business days. The requested record required examination and evaluation by personnel having the necessary competence and discretion to determine if it is exempt from disclosure under Section 7 of FOIA or should be revealed only with appropriate deletions. *See* 5 ILCS 140/3(e)(v).

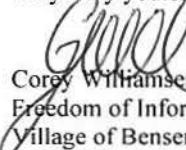
Your FOIA request is hereby denied as follows. The attached record is being provided to you at no charge. Home addresses have been withheld as private information that is exempt from disclosure under section 7(1)(b) of FOIA. Additionally, the names on the list have been withheld as exempt from disclosure under section 7(1)(c) of FOIA, which exempts from inspection and copying personal information contained within public records, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. *See* 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(c). This information is highly personal, and the subjects' right to privacy with respect to this information outweighs any legitimate public interest in obtaining it.

You have the right to have this matter reviewed by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General. 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(vii). You may file your Request for Review with the PAC by writing to:

Ms. Sarah Pratt
Public Access Counselor
Office of the Attorney General
500 South 2nd Street
Springfield, Illinois 62706
Fax: 217-782-1396
E-mail: publicaccess@atg.state.il.us

You also have the right to seek judicial review by filing a lawsuit in the State circuit court. 5 ILCS 140/11.

Very truly yours,


Corey Williamsen
Freedom of Information Officer
Village of Bensenville

As of October 8, 2018 (Date of FOIA Request)