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January 14, 2025

Mr. Jake Portenkirchner
4N181 Pine Grove Avenue
Bensenville, Illinois 60106

Re: January 9, 2025 FOIA Request

Dear Mr. Portenkirchner:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request, received via email on January 9, 2025 for the Village of Bensenville – 2025 4th of July Fire Works Display Bid Results.

At this time, the Village has not made an award or final selection of bids for these projects. Under Section 7(1)(h) of the FOIA, 5 ILCS 120/7(1)(h), the Village may deny a request for proposal or bids for any contract, grant or agreement until a final selection or award is made. As it is the Village's policy not to disclose bids prior to awarding them, I regrettably must deny your request under this section of the FOIA.

The Project is expected to be awarded at the May 21, 2023 Village Board Meeting.

Pursuant to Section 9 of the FOIA, 5 ILCS 140/9, Pursuant to Section 9 of the FOIA, 5 ILCS 140/9, I am required to advise you that I, Corey Williamsen, Freedom of Information Officer for the Village of Bensenville, reviewed and made the foregoing determinations to deny portions of your FOIA request. Should you believe that this response constitutes an improper denial of your request, you may appeal such by filing a request for review within in sixty (60) days of the date of this letter with the Public Access Counselor of the Illinois Attorney General's Office, Public Access Bureau, 500 South Second Street, Springfield, Illinois 62706; telephone 1-887-299-FOIA; e-mail: publicaccess@atg.state.il.us. You may also have a right of judicial review of the denial under Section 11 of the FOIA, 5 ILCS 140/11.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Corey Williamsen', written over a horizontal line.

Corey Williamsen
Freedom of Information Officer
Village of Bensenville