

R001265-040923 - City Public Records Request

Message History (7)

← On 4/19/2023 12:09:42 PM, Nathaniel Story wrote:

Ashly,
Thank you for the quick turn-around time on this. These files look great!

Nathan

✉ On 4/19/2023 11:30:12 AM, City of Boston wrote:

Subject: City Public Records Request :: R001265-040923

Body:



City of Boston
Shawn A. Williams, Esq.
Director of Public Records

04/19/2023

RE: PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST of April 09, 2023, Reference # R001265-040923

Dear Nathan:

The City of Boston (City) has received your request for public records. This response applies only to records that exist and are in the custody of the City. See *A Guide to the Massachusetts Public Records Law*, p. 32, n.115. It is expected that a custodian of records must use her superior knowledge of her records concerning responses to public records requests. 950 CMR 32.04(5). Specifically, you stated:

Pursuant to the Massachusetts Public Records Law, I hereby request the following records:

The Public Records Request logs for the years 2021, 2022, 2023. These are the logs maintained by the Records Access Officer for the City of Boston recording public records requests made by the public.

I believe these records are stored in the GovQA system used by the public records office. Please provide an export containing at least the following fields:

*Reference No
Create Date
Close Date
Assigned Dept
Customer Full Name
Company Name
Public Record Desired*

I expect the request to be filled in an accessible format, including for screen readers, which provide text-to-speech for persons unable to read print. Files that are not accessible to screen readers include, for example, .pdf image files as well as physical documents.

*Thank you!
Nathan Story*

Our team was able to complete the remaining records logs and all records responsive to this request have been released to [Public Records Center](#). Click the link below to login to the Records Center.

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Government records custodians are permitted to redact or withhold portions of public records, so long as a specific exemption to the law is cited. See G. L. c. 4, § 7 (26). Portions of records responsive to your request contain information that is exempt from disclosure. With respect to the records provided today, they are redacted to omit home addresses, dates of birth, personal phone numbers, social security numbers, and personal email addresses. Such information consists of intimate details of a highly personal nature as it could be used to commit identity theft. Such information is not readily available from another source. G. L. c. 4, s. 7 (26) (c)

You may appeal this response to the Supervisor of Records in the Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth. G. L. c. 66, § 10A (c); G. L. c. 66, § 10(b)(ix); 950 CMR 32.08; 950 CMR 32.08(1)(h) (in petitioning the Supervisor, the requester shall provide a copy of such petition to the records access officer associated with such petition). You may also appeal to the Superior Court. 950 CMR 32.06(3)(c).

Sincerely,

Ashly Yamat

Public Records Paralegal

City of Boston Law Department

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 On 4/18/2023 11:47:08 AM, Nathaniel Story wrote:

Thank you Ashly! That would be perfect for me.

✉ On 4/18/2023 10:04:46 AM, City of Boston wrote:

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Thank you for reaching out about previously provided records. I can work on releasing the responsive records for years 2021 and 2022 as a Partial Response, which have been provided in previous request. However, our team is still in the process of reviewing the logs for 2023 (as they have not been provided in a previous request).

Please let me know if you have any other questions in the meantime.

Respectfully,

Ashly Yamat

Public Records Paralegal

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← On 4/18/2023 9:54:14 AM, Nathaniel Story wrote:

Following up on this: have you fulfilled any recent requests for the public records log? If you already have the responsive records from a previous request handy, I would accept those, and I'd then consider this request closed.

Thanks!
Nathan

✉ On 4/9/2023 1:17:22 PM, City of Boston wrote:

Dear Nathaniel Story,

Thank you for your interest in public records of City of Boston. Your request has been received and is being processed. Your request was received in this office on 4/9/2023 1:17:18 PM and given the reference number R001265-040923 for tracking purposes.

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You can monitor the progress of your request at the link below and you'll receive an email when your request has been completed. Again, thank you for using the Public Records Center.

Director of Public Records

Records Access Officer

City of Boston

Track the issue status and respond at: https://bostonma.govqa.us/WEBAPP//_rs/RequestEdit.aspx?rid=22406

 On 4/9/2023 1:17:20 PM, Nathaniel Story wrote:

Request Created on Public Portal