

File No. 04-1000-20-2016-169

June 2, 2016

s.22(1)

Dear s.22(1)

Re: Request for Access to Records under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (the "Act")

I am responding to your request of May 12, 2016 for:

All records about the Canadian Olympic Committee's correspondence regarding expressions of interest for bids for the 2026 and 2028 Olympics including, but not limited to, correspondence between the COC and the Office of the Mayor and Office of the City Manager and any related City of Vancouver reports or studies about the feasibility of a bid for either 2026 or 2028.


All responsive records are attached.

Under section 52 of the Act you may ask the Information & Privacy Commissioner to review any matter related to the City's response to your request. The Act allows you 30 business days from the date you receive this notice to request a review by writing to: Office of the Information & Privacy Commissioner, info@oipc.bc.ca or by phoning 250-387-5629.

If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's office with: 1) the request number assigned to your request (#04-1000-20-2016-169); 2) a copy of this letter; 3) a copy of your original request for information sent to the City of Vancouver; and 4) detailed reasons or grounds on which you are seeking the review.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Freedom of Information Office at foi@vancouver.ca if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Van Fraassen', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Barbara J. Van Fraassen, BA
Director, Access to Information
City Clerk's Department, City of Vancouver
Email: Barbara.vanfraassen@vancouver.ca
Telephone: 604.873.7999

Encl.
:jb

From: Pavone, Connie
Sent: Tuesday, March 22, 2016 3:43 PM
To: Collens, Michelle
Subject: FW: HPRM: Exploring potential for an Olympic bid

Hi Michelle,

Just thought I would send this to you for info. I will talk to Mike about it when he gets back to town and keep you in the loop. Thanks.

Connie Pavone
Executive Assistant to the Mayor's Chief of Staff
Mayor's Office / City of Vancouver
t. 604-873-7624
connie.pavone@vancouver.ca

From: Chris Overholt [mailto:coverholt@olympic.ca]
Sent: Tuesday, March 22, 2016 2:49 PM
To: Robertson, Gregor
Cc: Magee, Michael; CSCD.minister@gov.bc.ca; hon.Carla.Qualtrough@canada.c
Subject: HPRM: Exploring potential for an Olympic bid



Christopher R. Overholt
Chief Executive Officer and Secretary General
Chef de la direction et secrétaire général

March 22, 2016

Attention: Mayor Robertson
Re: Canadian Olympic Games Bid Procedure

Your Worship,

This is a very exciting year for the Canadian Olympic Committee as the eyes of the world are turning to Rio de Janeiro and Brazil for the highly anticipated Summer Olympic Games. Here at home, the focus is on the preparation of our team – our strongest in many years.

Hosting the Olympic Games is a great opportunity, with the potential for transformational change, new facilities and infrastructure, global exposure, economic development, sporting success, nation building and much more. Canada has a proud Olympic history and great hope for the future.

Pursuant to the Olympic Charter, the national Olympic committee in each country has the exclusive authority to select and designate applicant cities to host the Olympic Games.

In that capacity, the Canadian Olympic Committee (COC) is exploring the potential for pursuing yet another Olympic Games for Canada. We are now contemplating an approach to consider [bids for the Olympic and Paralympic Games – Summer and/or Winter.](#)

At this very preliminary stage, the COC wishes to identify potential bid cities for future Games and ultimately establish a fair, transparent and open process by which an applicant city can be considered.

Our goal in establishing this process now is to afford Canadian cities that may be interested in a bid to host either the 2026 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games or the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Summer Games with ample time, full information and tools. This way, if the COC should choose to put forward a candidate city, we can be thoroughly prepared to mount a bid and campaign of sufficient quality to compete and, we hope, succeed at the international level.

If your city is interested in learning more about this process and might like to be considered as a potential Canadian bid city, we kindly ask that you confirm your interest by June 30, 2016. This expression of interest requires no firm commitment on your part.

Your inquiries and/or expression of interest in this regard may be directed to my attention:

Christopher R. Overholt
Chief Executive Officer & Secretary General
Canadian Olympic Committee
Business: 416-324-4306
Email: coverholt@olympic.ca

Building on our outstanding international record and reputation within the Olympic Movement, we are encouraged by the significant opportunities that exist for Canada to consider hosting an Olympic and Paralympic Games and we sincerely look forward to hearing from you.

I would be happy to speak to you about any questions you may have.

Sincerely,



Christopher R. Overholt

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From: "[Collens, Michelle](mailto:Michelle.Collens@vancouver.ca)" <Michelle.Collens@vancouver.ca>
To: "[Graves, Lynda](mailto:lynda.graves@vancouver.ca)" <lynda.graves@vancouver.ca>
Date: 5/25/2016 6:52:18 AM
Subject: FW: HPRM: Exploring potential for an Olympic bid

This is the other email that I received from the Mayor's Office to keep me in the loop.

Michelle

From: Pavone, Connie
Sent: Tuesday, March 22, 2016 3:42 PM
To: Collens, Michelle
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From: Collens, Michelle
Sent: Friday, May 06, 2016 10:09 AM
To: Bob Mackin, Jr.; Michelle Collens
Subject: RE: media request - re 2026 bid

Hi Bob,

Yes, a letter was received from the COC about cities that may be interested in bidding for the 2026 or 2028 Olympic Games. As far as I know, no action has been taken. I have not heard a decision or a seen/heard of any study being shared or produced. The letter did state that there was a June 30 deadline to show interest.

I've contacted the Mayor's Office and will get back to you when I have confirmation on their response.

Thanks,
Michelle

From: Bob Mackin, Jr. [bob.mackin@me.com]
Sent: Friday, May 06, 2016 9:08 AM
To: Collens, Michelle; Michelle Collens
Subject: media request - re 2026 bid

Hi Michelle,

I'm working on a story for ATR and am hoping to get your input.

Has City of Vancouver received the query from the COC about cities that may be interested in bidding for the 2026 Winter Olympics?

If so, what action has been taken? Has there been a decision or study? COC says there is a June 30 deadline to show interest.

Cheers,
Bob Mackin
604-982-9130