

File No.: 04-1000-20-2019-486

September 9, 2019

s.22(1)

Dear <sup>s.22(1)</sup>

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

I am responding to your request dated July 29, 2019 under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, (the Act),* for:

Records from January 1, 2017 to July 28, 2019 in relation to the Vacancy Tax (Empty Homes Tax) Bylaw 11674:

- 1. Record of number of properties that have been audited;
- 2. Record of number of audits that have resulted in supplemental vacancy tax notices being issued;
- 3. Record of number of notices of complaint that have been filed; and
- 4. Record of number of notices of complaint that have resulted in success for the owner (i.e. supplemental vacancy tax notices being cancelled).

This information is available in the Empty Homes Tax Annual Report up to November 1, 2018, <u>https://vancouver.ca/files/cov/empty-homes-tax-annual-report.pdf</u>. The next report is expected to be publicly available in December\*.

\*Please note, the information you are requesting, other than what is already publicly available to date, is excepted from disclosure under sections s.13(1) and s.17(1) of the Act: You can read or download these sections here:

http://www.bclaws.ca/EPLibraries/bclaws\_new/document/ID/freeside/96165\_00

Under section 52 of the Act, and within 30 business days of receipt of this letter, you may ask the Information & Privacy Commissioner to review any matter related to the City's response to your FOI request 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 (#04-1000-20-2019-486); 2) a copy of this letter; 3) a copy of your original request; and 4) detailed reasons why you are seeking the review.

Yours truly,

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\*If you have any questions, please email us at <u>foi@vancouver.ca</u> and we will respond to you as soon as possible. Or you can call the FOI Case Manager at 604.871.6584.