

File No.: 04-1000-20-2025-201

March 31, 2025

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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 March 26, 2025 under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* for:

Record of the proportion (or total number) of commercial kitchens in the city—excluding dining areas and restaurants in general—that have access to air conditioning or any form of comfort cooling. If this information is unavailable, any records that describe the required cooling options for commercial kitchens. If comfort cooling is not regulated for commercial kitchens, any records confirming this. Date range: May 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024.

We have completed the search for responsive records for this request and no responsive records have been located. The Development, Buildings & Licensing Department has confirmed the City does not have this information.

You may wish to submit a request for records to Vancouver Coastal Health, the public body responsible for health regulations in restaurants. Please see the following link to submit an FOI request to Vancouver Coastal Health: <https://www.vch.ca/en/about-us/accountability/freedom-information>.

Additionally, with regards to working conditions and comfort cooling within restaurants and kitchens, you may wish to submit a request for records to WorkSafe BC. Further information can be found on their website, here: <https://www.worksafebc.com/en/contact-us/departments-and-services/fipp-office>.

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 (2025-201); 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,

[Signed by Cobi Falconer]

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Director, Access to Information & Privacy

If you have any questions, please email us at foi@vancouver.ca and we will respond to you as soon as possible. You may also contact 3-1-1 (604-873-7000) if you require accommodation or do not have access to email.

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