

File No.: 04-1000-20-2025-945

January 9, 2026

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 December 3, 2025 under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* for:

1. **Records related to "concern that the Freedom of Information (FOI) process is being misused in some cases, which has led to increased workload, resource strain and elevated risk for the city, such as not being able to meet legislative deadlines" as referenced in <https://council.vancouver.ca/20251209/documents/r2.pdf>; and**
2. **Records relating to the quality and quantity of records that the City staff feel are "excessive, repetitive, piecemeal, and/or overly broad requests." (ibid.)  
Date range: January 1, 2023 to December 3, 2025.**

The records responsive to your request are publicly available. The Access to Information & Privacy (ATIP) division publishes an annual report; the information within the various annual reports were used as reference by City staff in the creation of the report referenced in your request. You may find the ATIP annual reports from 2016 to 2024 on the City of Vancouver's website at the following link, under the "Access to Information and Privacy annual reports" section: <https://vancouver.ca/your-government/freedom-of-information.aspx>.

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](mailto: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 (2025-945); 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,

Kevin Tuerlings, FOI Case Manager, for

*[Signed by Kevin Tuerlings]*

**Siân Madsen, MA, MAS**  
**Acting Director, Access to Information & Privacy**

If you have any questions, please email us at [foi@vancouver.ca](mailto: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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