

CITY OF ELIZABETH
City Hall
50 Winfield Scott Plaza Elizabeth, NJ 07201
REQUEST FOR GOVERNMENT RECORDS

FOR MUNICIPAL USE ONLY

Date Received: _____ Date of Response: _____

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON OTHER SIDE

Name:

Address:

Telephone [Day]:

Document Requested:

Copy of Ordinance or Resolution [specify date, number, or other identifying information]

Copy of Minutes [specify Board or entity, date, topic or other identifying information]

License Information [specify]

Environmental Assessment

Animal Control

City Map

Tax Map

Other [specify]

Information on a Specific Property Address:

Block: _____ **Lot:** _____

Municipal Lien Search Fee: _____

Municipal Lien Searches are provided by the designated search office and will be provided within 15 days after the request is received and the fee paid, as provided in N.J.S.A. 54:5-11, etseq.

List of Property Owners within 200 feet Fee: _____

As provided in N.J.S.A. 40:55D-12, the fee is the greater of \$.25 per name or \$10.00

A request for a copy of Public records should be submitted on this form which has been adopted by the City Clerk as the Custodian of Records. Some records will be immediately available during normal business hours. Some records will require time to compile and to make the copies requested, but will normally be available during normal business hours and within seven (7) business days. If any document or copy which has been requested is not a public record or cannot be provided within the seven (7) business days, you will be provided with a response with that information within the seven (7) business days. Some records requested have specific fees or other response times established by statute. There is no fee involved in simply inspecting a document during normal business hours. In general:

- Immediate access is ordinarily available for budgets, bills, vouchers, contracts, including collective negotiation agreements and individual employment contracts, and public employee salary and overtimes information. Minutes of public meetings will be generally available after the minutes have been approved.

- Records which are not readily available or which will require a search of records will be made available as soon as possible and the applicant will be provided with an interim report within seven (7) business days indicating the time which will be required to provide the records.
- Except as otherwise provided by law or regulation, the fee assessed for the duplication of a printed record shall be: first page to the tenth page, \$0.75 per page; eleventh page to the twentieth page, \$.50 per page; all pages over twenty, \$.025 per page.
- Where a request is for a copy in a format other than a photocopy, reasonable efforts will be made to provide the information in the format requested. The cost will be based on the costs of producing the format requested.
- Where a legal determination must be made as to whether records are “public records” as provided by law, the request will be reviewed by the City Attorney.

The term “public records” generally includes those records determined to be public in accordance with N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1. The term does not include employee personnel files, police investigation records, communicable disease files, vital statistics records without proper identification, public assistance files, or other matters in which there is a right of privacy or confidentiality or which is specifically exempted by law.

The Applicant hereby acknowledges receipt of a copy of this form with the date on which the document is expected to be available and the estimated cost. The Applicant hereby certifies that he or she has not been convicted of any indictable offense under the laws of this State, any other State or the United States and is not seeking government records containing personal information pertaining to the victim or the victim’s family as provided by N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq.

This form, when signed by the municipal official shall constitute a receipt for any deposit received.

The document(s) requested will be ready on _____

Estimated Number of Pages _____

Estimated Cost to Reproduce Information _____

Deposit _____

[required where the anticipated cost of reproduction exceeds \$5.00]

Applicant

Municipal Official