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Ms. Julie Nistler
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200 South Vine Avenue
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RE: FOIA Pre-Authorization Request – 2011 PAC 14282

Dear Ms. Nistler:

We have received and reviewed the written notice from the City of Park Ridge of its intention to deny disclosure of certain information under section 7(1)(c) of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 ILCS 140/7(1)(c) (West 2009 Supp.), as amended by Public Act 96-1378, effective July 29, 2010).

On May 13, 2011, the City received a request from the Metropolitan Reporting Bureau for documents related to traffic crash report 2110130 (Agency Case No. 11-05158). The City seeks preauthorization to redact certain information on pages 6, 7, and 8 of the responsive documents.

Section 7(1)(c) of FOIA exempts from inspection and copying "[p]ersonal information contained within public records, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, unless the disclosure is consented to in writing by the individual subjects of the information." The exemption defines "unwarranted invasion of personal privacy" as "the disclosure of information that is highly personal or objectionable to a reasonable person and in which the subject's right to privacy outweighs any legitimate public interest in obtaining the information." 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(c) (West 2009 Supp.), as amended by Public Act 96-1378, effective July 29, 2010.

DETERMINATION

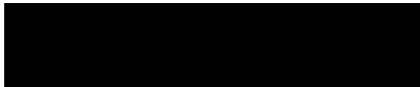
The City's proposed redactions under section 7(1)(c) are **approved**. The redacted information consists of specific descriptions of injuries and details of an individual's personal life. This information is highly personal, and the injured person's right to privacy outweighs any

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legitimate public interest in obtaining these details. We conclude that the City has met its initial burden of demonstrating that this information is exempt under section 7(1)(c).

If you have any questions, please contact me at (312) 814-2086. This correspondence shall serve to close this matter.

Very truly yours,



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