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July 26, 2011

Ms. Josie Gavurnik Records Supervisor Carol Stream Police Department 500 North Gary Avenue Carol Stream, Illinois 60188

RE: FOIA Pre-Authorization Request - 2011 PAC 15428

Dear Ms. Gavurnik:

We have received and reviewed the written notice from the Carol Stream Police Department of its intention to deny certain information as exempt from disclosure under section 7(1)(c) of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 ILCS 140/7(1)(c) (West 2010)). Specifically, the Department seeks to withhold two police reports.

On July 9, 2011, substituted a FOIA request to the Department seeking police records regarding a particular individual. In its July 11, 2011, written notice to this office, the Department asserts that it is withholding two responsive reports pursuant to section 7(1)(c) of FOIA, which 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."

DETERMINATION

We have carefully reviewed all of the documents that the Department provided to us in this matter. The Department's assertion of section 7(1)(c) to withhold the reports is approved. The information contained in these reports is of a highly personal nature, and the subjects' right to privacy outweighs any legitimate public interest in disclosing this information.

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Therefore, the Department has met its initial burden of demonstrating that this information is exempt under section 7(1)(c).

If you have any questions, please contact Andres Acosta at (877) 299-3642.

Very truly yours,

Sarah Kaplan by AA

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