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*Via Electronic Mail*  
Ms. Lisa Pickering  
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RE: FOIA Pre-Authorization Request – 2011 PAC 16217

Dear Ms. Pickering:

We have received the written notice from the City of Yorkville (City) of its intention, pursuant to section 7(1)(c) of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 ILCS 140/7(1)(c) (West 2010), as amended by Public Acts 97-333, effective August 12, 2011; 97-385, effective August 15, 2011)), to deny disclosure of records. On August 12, 2011, [REDACTED] submitted a FOIA request to the City seeking a copy of a list of names of all city residents who receive senior garbage subsidies, together with copies of their monthly checks written to the City for garbage collection.

On August 16, 2011, the City informed [REDACTED] that it was partially denying its request as to the list of "names of city residents age 65 or older receiving [the] Yorkville senior garbage subsidy from 7-1-2010 to 6-30-2011." The City seeks pre-authorization to deny disclosure of the names pursuant to section 7(1)(c) of FOIA.

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."



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