

ARCS: 292-30 File: FIN-2019-93236

July 8, 2019

Sent via email:

Re: Request for Access to Records Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA)

I am writing further to your request received by the Ministry of Finance. Your request is for:

Records identifying the process, criteria, and responsibility centre for the paper-based process for filing the 2019 Speculation and Vacancy Tax declaration - particularly records that set out how and when this information should be provided to property owners who object to electronic and phone filing (02/01/2018 to 04/10/2019)

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section(s) 13 (Policy advice or recommendations), 14 (Legal advice), 15 (Disclosure harmful to law enforcement) and 22 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy) of FOIPPA. A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

http://www.bclaws.ca/civix/document/id/complete/statreg/96165_00

Please note that some information has been removed pursuant to section 3(1)(c) (a record that is created by or for, or is in the custody or control of, an officer of the Legislature and that relates to the exercise of that officer's functions under an Act) of FOIPPA. Your file is now closed.

Additional records responsive to your request are available publically on the Open Information website here: <u>http://docs.openinfo.gov.bc.ca/response_package_fin-2019-90462.pdf</u>

Website: <u>www.gov.bc.ca/freedomofinformation</u> Telephone: 250 387-1321 Fax: 250 387-9843

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These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of ten business days after release. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Toyoko Doyle, the analyst assigned to your request, at 778 698-2376. This number can be reached toll-free by calling from Vancouver, 604 660-2421, or from elsewhere in BC, 1 800 663-7867 and asking to be transferred to 778 698-2376.

You have the right to ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review this decision. I have enclosed information on the review and complaint process.

Sincerely,

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Melinda Frelick, Team Lead On behalf of Cindy Elbahir, Manager Central Agency Team, Information Access Operations

Enclosure

How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner

If you have any questions regarding your request please contact the analyst assigned to your file. The analyst's name and telephone number are listed in the attached letter.

Pursuant to section 52 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIPPA), you may ask the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review any decision, act, or failure to act with regard to your request under FOIPPA.

Please note that you have 30 business days to file your review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner. In order to request a review please write to:

Information and Privacy Commissioner PO Box 9038 Stn Prov Govt 4th Floor, 947 Fort Street Victoria BC V8W 9A4 Telephone 250 387-5629 Fax 250 387-1696

If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's Office with:

- 1. A copy of your original request;
- 2. A copy of our response; and
- 3. The reasons or grounds upon which you are requesting the review.