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RE: Freedom of Information Act Request #C004282-020922

Mr. Harry,

I have reviewed your appeal, as well as the materials you provided as examples, and the materials provided to you both this year and last year in this regard. I am in fact able to grant your appeal and attached is the information you seek in a single document. I do want to take a moment to explain a bit of history on the topic, since it is never the intent of the City to withhold information about finances that is otherwise non-exempt and non-privileged.

The reports you provided as examples were generated using specific scripts, in a proprietary format, that work with the payroll service system the used at that time. That system has changed multiple times since 2010 and 2016. More importantly, the person who was able to write the scripts to generate the report left the City's employment. Finally, the combined report is not something the City generates for its own purposes, and so no one knew how to write a script that would pull the necessary data into a single report.

In working to understand how we might grant your appeal under the foregoing circumstances, we learned that our recently re-hired Internal Auditor is proficient with the scripting necessary to generate the attached report, and he has provided the same to the Finance and HR departments so that the City can easily run this report in the future.

Sincerely,

Adam Hussain

Lansing City Council President