

RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR PUBLIC RECORDS
Partial Denial

11/06/2020

Northwest Coalition Muckrock,

The City of Des Plaines received your written request for inspection, copying, or certification of the following City public records: – Any and all written records (including but not limited to hard-copy documents, memos, emails, word processor documents, PDF documents, PowerPoint files, etc.) created or written by members of the police department between January 1, 2020 and the date this request is processed (inclusive of those dates) which contain one or more of the following words, terms, or phrases (case-insensitive):

- "blue lives matter"
- "blue lives"
- "thin blue line"
- "police lives matter"
- "all lives matter"
- "black lives matter"
- "BLM"
- "TBL"

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Your request is granted in part and denied in part. To the extent that this request is denied, certain records have been redacted because the records, or certain information within the records, is exempt from disclosure pursuant to the following sections of the Freedom of Information Act:

7 (b) Private information, unless disclosure is required by another provision of this Act, a State or federal law or a court order.

The City's FOIA Officer is the official responsible for this partial denial.

Notice of Right to Review by Illinois Attorney General. You have the right to file a request for review of your request and this Notice of Denial by the Public Access Counselor of the Office of the Illinois Attorney General. The Public Access Counselor may be contacted at 500 South 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois 62706, or by telephone at (217) 558-0486.

Notice of Right to Judicial Review. Under Section 11 of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/11, you have the right to seek judicial review of this denial. The City cannot advise or represent you in this matter. You should consult your own legal counsel.

CITY OF DES PLAINES
FOIA OFFICER