

Scott, Bessie Marie

RE: PDR Follow -up and Meeting

July 17, 2023 at 12:36 PM PDT

To: Gray, Lacey, Lyon, Rhonda, Judge, Lisa

Thank you for your email, Lacey.

I have attached a communication which I believe is pertinent to this conversation. When we meet tomorrow, I would like to discuss your last paragraph below here in particular, and how it relates to the attached communication. Too, I would like to ensure that we are on the same page when requests to LAW are sent from this office, and to at a minimum know when these requests for OIG are being submitted. Talk soon. ~Bess



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From: Gray, Lacey <Lacey.Gray@seattle.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2023 5:11 PM

To: Scott, Bessie Marie <BessieMarie.Scott@seattle.gov>; Lyon, Rhonda <Rhonda.Lyon@seattle.gov>; Judge, Lisa <Lisa.Judge@seattle.gov>

Subject: RE: PDR Follow -up and Meeting

Good Afternoon,

I look forward to discussing this issue with you next week. Monday looks rather heavy for each of you, but Tuesday is now wide open. I was thinking Tuesday at 11 may work. I will send out a meeting invite shortly. Please let me know if you would like to try to fit something in for Monday instead.

To briefly answer your question about my reaching out to LAW, and we can discuss further next week, generally when I reach out to either the LAW or CPRA departments, it is to request assistance on language for responding to requestors or confirmation of my understanding of exemptions allowed under the PRA. It is always my intention to mitigate risk for both OIG and the City, and to remain consistent when I respond to requestors both internally and City-wide. Departments often receive duplicate requests across the City, and we especially share similar requests with SPD, who currently responds to requests for OPA. I do also reach out to Tara at SPD on occasion, to discuss those duplicate PDR's and for any questions I may have about appropriate exemptions for SPD records.

To date, I have not received any direct, written guidance from OIG leadership regarding how to handle requests for open cases and look forward to receiving this next week. At that time, I will be happy to share with you the guidance I have received from LAW/CPRA on this topic and how SPD responds to open OPA requests.

Thank you,



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From: Scott, Bessie Marie <BessieMarie.Scott@seattle.gov>

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To: Gray, Lacey <Lacey.Gray@seattle.gov>; Lyon, Rhonda <Rhonda.Lyon@seattle.gov>; Judge, Lisa <Lisa.Judge@seattle.gov>

Subject: PDR Follow -up and Meeting

Hello Lacey,

I understand that you have reached out to Law regarding some recent requests for records under several PDRs. My understanding is that Lisa has made a determination as to what can be released based on the fact that certain cases are not closed and there are no DCMs. What are the issues that are requiring this office to go to Law? Too, would you please set a meeting for next Monday so that I can understand the issues and what next steps will be? Include Lisa and Matthias for congruency on this matter. Looking forward to the discussion. Thank you! ~Bess



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