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RE: FOIA Request #C008912-081122

Dear Mr. Harry:

The City Attorney FOIA Coordinator has forwarded to my office the communications regarding the appeal of the FOIA filed regarding your request for public records for “a copy of the email from an assistant city attorney that Donald Kulhanek referenced and quoted from his 11/17/2020 email to Portia McCoy.” After careful consideration, your appeal is granted.

The original FOIA was denied because the record you requested contains confidential communications between a client and an attorney, and therefore is exempt from disclosure pursuant to MCL 15.243(1)(g). In consideration of all the factors related to this matter, and the fact that the email in question was largely shared with a 3<sup>rd</sup> party, I have determined that public interest in releasing the email in question outweighs governmental interest in exempting the communication because of the attorney-client privilege that exists in the communication.

As stated, I am granting your appeal as it relates to “a copy of the email from an assistant city attorney that Donald Kulhanek referenced and quoted from his 11/17/2020 email to Portia McCoy” which is a communication from Assistant City Attorney Amanda O’Boyle to Mayor Schor, dated June 22, 2020. Please see the responsive record, attached.

Sincerely,

Adam Hussain  
City Council President