

August 11, 2020

VIA GOVQA PUBLIC RECORDS CENTER

Craig Durfey
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Re: Orange County Transportation Authority – Public Records Act Request
Received August 10, 2020 – Notice of Determination

Dear Mr. Durfey:

This office serves as General Counsel to the Orange County Transportation Authority (the “Authority” or “OCTA”). I have been asked to respond to your recent Public Records Act request on behalf of the Authority. This letter shall serve as the Authority’s notice of determination as to whether your request seeks copies of non-exempt, non-privileged, disclosable public records in the Authority’s possession pursuant to the California Public Records Act (“CPRA” or the “Act”) (Government Code § 6250 et seq.).

On August 10, 2020, the Authority received your request for public records related to property owned by the Authority. Specifically, the request seeks the following records:

“REQUEST PUBLIC ALL PUBLIC RECORDS FOR PROPERTY AT BIXBY/BROOKURST CORNER OF THE OCTA PROPERTY THE OLD PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAIL. ASKING FOR ANY STAFF AND OCTA BOARD APPROVAL FROM BROOKURST/ BIXBY TO CHAPMAN TO PERMIT USAGES TO STORE CARS AND STORAGE OS STEEL I-BEAMS. REQUEST ALL MOST CURRENT DOCUMENTS RELATED TO ANY LEASE AGREEMENT.WHAT IS THE EASEMENT LINE ALONG THE ALLEY NEXT TO THE FENCE OF OCTA RESPONSIBILITY OF UP KEEP OF TRIMMING TREES,WEEDS OF THE ENTIRE SEGMENT FROM CHAPMAN TO BROOKHURST.WAS ANY REQUEST MADE TO THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE SEEK A ZONING USAGE VARIANCE ?? WHAT YEAR WAS THE PROPERTY BOUGHT BY OCTA AND WHAT FUNDS PAID FROM TAXES AND WHAT YEAR WAS IT PURCHASE.”

The Authority has evaluated this request in an effort to make a determination as to whether the request seeks copies of disclosable public “records,” as defined by the Act, that are in the possession of the Authority. The Authority has located records using reasonable efforts to locate responsive, or potentially responsive, documents. (*City of San Jose v. Superior Court* (2017) 2 Cal.5th 608, 627 (“The scope of an agency’s search for public records ‘need only be reasonably calculated to locate responsive documents.’”))

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The Authority previously provided responsive records to you in response to a similar request dated January 9, 2020. However, the Authority has identified an additional record deemed responsive to your request, which is now available for your review through the GovQA Public Records Center. If you have any questions about obtaining records through the GovQA Public Records Center, please contact Gina Ramirez, OCTA Board Specialist, at (714) 560-5490 or gramirez1@octa.net. If you have any other questions regarding your request, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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cc: Gina Ramirez – OCTA Board Specialist