

Exhibit 8

FOIA Request Excerpts



FREEDOM FROM RELIGION FOUNDATION

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August 10, 2009

SENT VIA U.S. MAIL AND FAX

The Honorable John Fouts
Mayor
City of Warren
One City Square
Suite 215
Warren MI 48093-6726

Ms. Gina Cavaliere
DDA/TIFA Director
One City Square, Suite 200
Warren MI 48093

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AUG 12 2009

DDA/TIFA
DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

Re: Prayer Table in Lobby of City Hall/Open Records Request

Dear Mayor Fouts and Ms. Cavaliere:

Our national organization, which works to protect the constitutional principle of separation between state and church, was recently informed that the prayer station put up by Tabernacle Church of God has returned to Warren City Call. In previous correspondence, we understood that the church had been granted access to space in city hall from January 15- June 15, 2009. Therefore, given the prayer station continues to operate, we submit this request for open records.

Pursuant to the Michigan Freedom of Information Act (MCL 15.231); I hereby request the following:

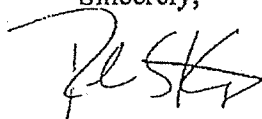
- 1) A copy of the application, contract, agreement or permit between the City of Warren and Tabernacle Church of God, or any other area church, or any other document permitting use of this space as a prayer station.
- 2) We also seek information relating to the length of the contract, agreement or permit, so we would request any documents outlining the start and end dates for the prayer station. If this information is not included on the application, agreement, or permit, we ask that you forward any documents indicating length of the agreement, such as an insurance certificate.

I request these copies within five days of your receipt of it and without delay. If your agency does not maintain these public records, please let me know the proper custodians of these records. Please provide their names and addresses.

If you choose to deny this request, please respond with a written explanation of the denial including any references to applicable statutory exemptions upon which you rely.

If I can provide any clarification that will help expedite your attention to my request, please contact me at 608-256-8900.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'RSK', with a large, sweeping flourish above the letters.

Rebecca S. Kratz
Staff Attorney

cc: Mary Michaels, Assistant City Attorney



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June 24, 2009

American Civil Liberties Union
Attn: Ms. Diana Cieslak
2966 Woodward Ave.
Detroit, MI 48201

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Ms. Cieslak:

On June 5, 2009 this office received your request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, for the following:

"(1) All rules, regulations, policies, directives, letters, memoranda or other documents concerning the ability of community or church groups to establish and maintain tables, booths, stations or displays in Warren City Hall.

(2) All letters, memoranda or other documents concerning the Tabernacle church's 'Prayer Station' currently located in Warren City Hall (as referenced in the enclosed article).

(3) Any documents produced after June 1, 2006 that detail the names of community and church groups that have submitted applications or made requests to establish tables, booths, stations or displays in Warren City Hall and documents concerning the disposition of these applications and requests.

(4) Documents or policy directives that detail the cost to community or church groups for obtaining and maintaining a table, booth, station or display in Warren City Hall."

On June 12, 2009 this office granted your request regarding items (1), (2), and (4); and sent the information to you on that date.

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Also, on June 12, 2009, this office extended the period of time to respond to item (3) by ten (10) business days pursuant to MCL 15.235(2)(d), for purposes of researching the information requested therein. Please be advised that your request has been granted to the extent the records exist and are not exempt from disclosure. The requested information may be found in the attached documents.

Should you have further questions, please contact me at (586) 574-4671.

Respectfully submitted,

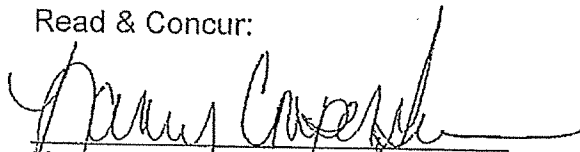


Justin Pollard
Law Clerk
Department of Law

JP/e/FOIA/ACLU-Cieslak grant

Attachments

Read & Concur:



Nancy Cooper Green
Chief Assistant City Attorney