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SENT VIA MAIL & FAX 920-448-3081

Jim Schmitt Mayor, City of Green Bay 100 North Jefferson Street Green Bay WI 54301

Re:

Open Records Request

Dear Mayor Schmitt:

This is a request for public records. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§19.31-19.39, I request a copy of the following:

- 1) Any communications, including letters, emails, and call records, relating to a proposed visit to Green Bay by the pope of the Roman Catholic Church.
- 2) Any other City records, including memos, plans, and research documents, relating to a proposed visit to Green Bay by the pope of the Roman Catholic Church
- 3) Any financial records purchase orders, invoices, receipts, or other similar documents pertaining to costs associated with inviting the pope of the Roman Catholic Church to visit Green Bay.
- 4) Any records concerning the development of the website <u>www.popetogreenbay.com</u>.
- 5) Any City policies concerning the use of paid time for non-city related tasks by staff.

Please be aware that under Wisconsin law, there is a "presumption of complete public access consistent with the conduct of government business. The denial of access generally is contrary to the public interest and only in exceptional cases may access be denied." Wis. Stat. § 19.31. If any records are available in electronic format, they may be emailed to patrick@ffrf.org. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Dan Barker and Annie Laurie Gaylor, Co-Presidents

Sincerely,

Patrick C. Elliott Staff Attorney