

03/18/2019

RE: FOIA Request

To the concerning department:

My name is Jay Ganson. I am seeking a list of commercial properties in the city that have been without water for the past 6 months.

It is to my knowledge that, given that the water and sewage is sanctioned under the City of Detroit, this information is available to requesting citizens. If this is not the case, please advise of proper procedure in obtaining this information.

Also, please advise of any cost associated with receiving a reoccurring list monthly.

Regards,

Jay Ganson



CITY OF DETROIT  
LAW DEPARTMENT

Email:  
Contact @ Daniel Eliaz Gold

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# REQUEST FOR PUBLIC RECORDS UNDER THE MICHIGAN FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, MCL 15.231 ET SEQ.

IT IS IMPORTANT TO COMPLETE ALL FIELDS ON THIS FORM BEFORE SUBMISSION.

1. Today's date: 03-18-2019
  2. Individual making this request: Daniel Richardson  
Firm or company: Daniel Eliaz Gold LLC  
Street address: 9246 Parkwood St  
City/State/Zip: Belleville Michigan 49811  
Telephone number: 734-833-3978 Fax number: \_\_\_\_\_
  3. Your client or insured: \_\_\_\_\_
  4. Type of record requested: List of properties behind on water in 2019  
in the City of Detroit
  5. Name referred to in record: \_\_\_\_\_
  6. Type of incident, if any: \_\_\_\_\_
  7. Date and time of incident, if any: \_\_\_\_\_
  8. Detroit address or intersection of incident, if any: IN Detroit, MI
  9. A description of the incident, if any, and other information that will assist in locating the requested record: I would like to request a list of  
properties in Detroit w. the back water owed  
for behind on the water bill 2019 in the  
City of Detroit
- Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** If the requested record pertains to an individual other than the requestor, a notarized authorization to release the record may be required from the person who is the subject of the request.

**HAND-DELIVER OR MAIL THIS REQUEST TO:**

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City of Detroit Law Department  
Governmental Affairs Section  
Freedom of Information Division  
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Facsimile

March 18, 2019

Detroit Water and Sewage Department  
Engineering Division  
1420 Washington Blvd, Ste. 500  
Detroit, MI 48226

Fax: (313) 224-5505

Re: Map Request

Dear DWSD:

I am respectfully requesting a copy of the water and sewer section maps showing the years that municipal water or sewer connections were made for the area bound by W McNichols Road, Santa Maria Street, Prairie Street, and San Juan Drive in Detroit.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions about this request, please contact me at 517.231.8520. My fax number is 248.615.1334.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Crystal E. S. Vasilion'.

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[attnoah@umich.edu](mailto:attnoah@umich.edu) [REDACTED]

Wednesday, March 20, 2019

To Whom It May Concern,

I am requesting the following records from the Detroit Water and Sewage Department pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act. Feel free to contact me at [REDACTED] or [attnoah@umich.edu](mailto:attnoah@umich.edu) to discuss the request or make arrangements to receive the information.

1) Produce the following for each serviced RESIDENTIAL account each month from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 to present.

1. Account Number
2. Full or redacted address
3. The amount billed for WATER
4. The amount billed for SEWAGE
5. The amount billed for DRAINAGE
6. The total amount billed
7. The account balance
8. The water used in 1000 cubic feet
9. The sewage used in 1000 cubic feet

Alternatively respond to requests 2 through 10.

2) Produce the average monthly WATER related service charge (and standard deviation) for RESIDENTIAL customers from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 to present, preferably by the Zip code, or US census block.

3) Produce the average monthly SEWAGE related service



charge (and standard deviation) for RESIDENTIAL customers from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 to present, preferably by the Zip code, or US census block.

4) Produce the average monthly DRAINAGE related service charge (and standard deviation) for RESIDENTIAL customers from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 to present, preferably by the Zip code, or US census block.

5) Produce the average monthly BILL (and standard deviation) for RESIDENTIAL customers from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 to present, preferably by the Zip code, or US census block.

6) Produce the average WATER usage (and standard deviation) in 1000 cubic feet for RESIDENTIAL accounts from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 to present, preferably by the Zip code, or US census block.

7) Produce the average SEWAGE usage (and standard deviation) in 1000 cubic feet for RESIDENTIAL accounts from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 to present, preferably by the Zip code, or US census block.

8) Produce the total number of serviced RESIDENTIAL accounts each month from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 to present.

9) Produce the average amount owed (and standard deviation) to DWSD from accounts delinquent or late in payment from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 to present, preferably by the Zip code, or US census block.

10) Produce the total number of serviced RESIDENTIAL accounts that are/were delinquent or late in payment and the average amount owed by these accounts each month from

January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 to present, preferably by the Zip code, or US census block.

11) Produce a list of any residential accounts and associated addresses that were subject to service termination from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 to January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017. Please include, if termination occurred, the reason for service termination, the dates associated with service termination, and full addresses.

12) Produce a list of any residential accounts and associated addresses that were subject to service reconnection from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 to January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017. Please include the reason for service reconnection, the dates associated with service reconnection, and full addresses.

13) Produce a list of residential accounts that participated in the Water Residential Assistance Program (WRAP), the associated addresses, the dates that the account participated in the program, and what aspects of the program the accounts took advantage of, from January 1<sup>st</sup> 2016, to present.

14) Produce a list of residential accounts that applied for the Water Assistance Residential Program (WRAP), whether or not they were granted access to the program and the reason why, and the dates associated with their application from January 1<sup>st</sup> 2016, to present.

15) Produce the amount of money available for the Water Assistance Residential Program each month from January 1<sup>st</sup> 2016, to present.

16) Produce the amount of money disbursed each month by the Water Assistance Residential Program from January 1<sup>st</sup> 2016, to present.

17) Produce a list of residential accounts that participated in the 10/30/50 payment plan, the addresses associated with those accounts, the dates associated with participation.

**From:** "Willie Bell" <[advancefreelance@att.net](mailto:advancefreelance@att.net)>

**Date:** March 29, 2019 at 5:29:59 PM EDT

**To:** "Jacob Bahri" <[bahrijac@detroitmi.gov](mailto:bahrijac@detroitmi.gov)>

**Subject:** Freedom of Information Act

To whom it may concern

My name is Willie Bell landlord for 16267 Woodingham, Detroit. I am requesting, under the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of activity and dialogue starting December 2018 through March 2019, on my account (170-2106.300) at 16267 Woodingham in Detroit. I need this information before appearing in court on April 12, 2019.

Please advise me on any information I need to provide you with in order to obtain this information. My telephone number is [REDACTED] Thanks in advance Willie Bell.





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Matthew Knott  
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[knottm@detroitmi.gov](mailto:knottm@detroitmi.gov)

Dear Mr. Knott:

Pursuant to the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, I request access to (and if applicable, copies of) information regarding Detroit Water and Sewerage Department drainage fees for the period July 1 2018-December 31 2018, for the following properties:

- 2130 Cass
- 215 W. Columbia
- 2121 Cass
- 2055 Cass
- 215 W. Elizabeth
- 145 W. Elizabeth
- 151 W. Adams
- 501 Park
- 168 W. Columbia
- 117 W. Columbia
- 143 Montcalm
- 127 W. Fisher
- 2501 Cass

- 2721 Cass
- 2756 Cass
- 2955 Cass
- 2961 Second

Please provide the following information for each property listed above:

- Drainage fees assessed, by month, for July 2018-December 2018
- Drainage fees paid, by month, for the year 2018
- The rate charged this property for drainage fees
- If applicable, a record of any current account delinquencies related to this property
- If applicable, a record of any contested bills related to this property

As this records request is made by a non-profit news organization in the public interest, we expect fees to be reasonable. If the records can be provided electronically, that would be ideal. Documents can be emailed to [scwiek@umich.edu](mailto:scwiek@umich.edu).

If my request is denied in whole or part, please justify all withholdings by reference to specific exemptions under Michigan law.

If you have questions regarding this request, please feel free to contact me. I look forward to your response within five business days after receiving this request.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Sarah Cwiek

Dear Mr. Knott:

Pursuant to the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request the following records:

- Any drainage charge adjustment applications submitted by the following taxpayers (with DWSD account numbers to facilitate searching):
  - Marathon
    - Account numbers: 340-3065.400; 932-2238.400; 340-3315.400; 932-2251.400; 340-3163.400; 9171820400; 932-2342.400; 932-2351.400; 340-3817.400; 020-0626.400; 917-1872.400; 932-2368.400; 917-1873.400; 917-1874.400; 020-1540.400; 920-1653.400; 917-1875.400; 917-1876.400; 932-2370.400; 932-2371.400; 917-1880.400; 917-1890.400; 340-3022.401; 340-2881.400; 932-2409.400; 932-2411.400; 932-2413.400; 932-2445.400; 932-2446.400; 917-1937.400; 932-2473.400; 917-2137.400; 917-2138.400; 932-2516.400; 932-2517.400; 340-3083.400; 917-2157.400; 932-2524.400
  - Michigan Department of Transportation
    - Account numbers: 340-1909.300; 330-0874.300; 931-4171.300; 330-0856.300; 340-1908.300; 340-0482.300; 340-0484.300; 340-0445.300; 340-0281.301; 340-1952.300; 340-1910.300; 340-0490.300; 340-1959.300; 931-7909.300; 340-1956.300; 340-2006.300; 931-7846.300; 931-7872.300; 931-4254.300; 340-1842.300; 340-0508.300; 330-3596.300; 340-1609.301; 360-0813.300; 340-0460.300; 340-0470.300; 340-2009.300; 330-2357.300; 340-0640.300; 340-0583.300; 330-0883.300; 330-0896.300; 916-0285.300; 330-0918.300
  - Edward Levy
    - Account numbers: 917-2079.400; 917-2101.400; 917-2100.400; 340-0102.400; 340-3055.400; 931-7157.400; 340-3826.400; 200610400; 916-8934.400; 200114400; 200836400; 917-2134.400; 917-2080.400; 916-7996.400; 200648400; 201451400
  - Hantz Woodlands
    - Account numbers: 916-3993.300; 630-3199.300; 931-8730.300; 932-0313.300; 932-0727.300; 932-0717.300; 932-0802.300; 932-0804.300; 931-6658.300; 917-8306.300; 917-7877.300
  - Detroit Housing Commission

- Account numbers: 890-0101.300; 910-5880.300; 910-5881.300; 930-1539.300; 910-5407.300; 910-5408.300; 910-5404.300; 910-5411.300; 910-5814.300; 910-5794.300; 930-1538.300
- Detroit Land Bank
  - Account numbers: 880-0242.300; 880-0278.300
- Detroit Economic Development Corporation
  - Account numbers: 910-7598.400; 931-1395.400
- City of Detroit Recreation Department
  - Account numbers: 915-6582.300; 720-3684.301; 931-7250.300; 640-0812.301; 932-1390.300; 910-6781.300; 910-6733.300; 910-8943.300; 910-8208.300; 910-8187.300; 920-1548.300; 920-1733.300; 914-6979.300; 918-8473.300; 910-8503.300; 910-8502.300
- Mercury Development, LLC
  - Account numbers: 919-1494.300; 919-1493.300; 919-1495.300; 919-1492.300; 919-1491.300; 919-1490.400; 480-1727.400; 919-0742.400
- Detroit Industrial Warehousing
  - Account numbers: 912-6823.400; 390-0046.400; 912-6824.400; 912-5196.400; 912-5197.400; 390-0044.300
- Erasmo Hinojosa
  - Account numbers: 931-4281.300
- Mari Anzicek
  - Account numbers: 330-1212.300
- Esther Landrum
  - Account numbers: 750-5729.300
- Gerald Hitch
  - Account numbers: 330-1336.300
- Pathway for Christ International
  - Account numbers: 340-2444.300

Please supply the requested documents in their original file format. I would prefer the request be filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes. If you do redact any information, please inform me of the field redacted and state your reason for doing so.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 5 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Joey Horan



This is a FOIA request for:

- Total number of DWSD customers at risk of water shutoff or "service disruption" on this date and each customer's name, property address and past due amount.
- Total money past due and/or average past due amount.
- Total number of households that had service disrupted last year and each customer's name, property address, past due amount, date of disruption, and whether their water service was restored and if yes, on what date.

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**Violet Ikonomova**

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