



DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT
CITY OF CHICAGO

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL: tomtresser@gmail.com

Dear Mr. Tresser:

On behalf of the City of Chicago Department of Planning and Development, I am responding to your Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request(s) dated and received by our office on August 30, 2015. Specifically, the FOIA states and seeks the following request for public records:

This is a FOIA request. Please send me PDF copies of the following:

- 1. All records relied upon or reviewed in making the following statement in the City of Chicago's 2015 Annual Financial Analysis (p. 78): "The City's TIFs had an aggregate balance of \$1.38 billion at the start of 2015. However, \$1.29 billion of this balance is reserved for payments due in connection with committed projects and projects in development."*
- 2. All operative legal documents (contracts, loan agreements, etc) and records reflecting any final decisions by the city reflected in the \$1.29 billion figure in the 2015 AFA. I do not require every email discussing this subject matter.*
- 3. All operative legal documents (contracts, loan agreements, etc) and records documenting any funds currently reserved for payments due in connection with committed projects and "projects in development," including a portion that is reserved to fund project costs in TIF districts where revenues are declining, in the event that annual revenues are insufficient to pay future obligations.*

Please note that each City department is a public body under Section 2 of FOIA, 5 ILCS 140/2(a). See Duncan Publishing, Inc. v. City of Chicago, 304 Ill. App. 3d 778, 784, 709 N.E.2d 1281, 1286 (1ST Dist. 1999) (Clearly, each of the individual departments are subsidiary bodies of the City and are public bodies as defined by the FOIA.) A FOIA request must be directed to the department that maintains the records you are seeking.

The Department of Planning and Development neither possesses nor maintains any documents responsive to your request.

To the extent that your FOIA request has been denied, you have a right of review by the Illinois Attorney General's Public Access Counselor, who can be contacted at 500 S. Second St., Springfield, IL 62706 or by telephone at (217) 558-0486. You may also seek judicial review of a denial under 5 ILCS 140/11 of FOIA.

Sincerely,



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