

Ben Fulmer

From: Sunshine Request <records@sunshinerequest.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 10:07 AM
To: Ben Fulmer
Subject: Re: Crime Stats Email Request

Hi Ben,

Thank you for fulfilling this request. Re-reading the original request, however, I don't know if this covers everything that was requested.

For example, on Page 9 of the document you provided an email from Meghan Rogers to City Council - in this email, she cites crime statistics in the CBD, and since some of the figures cited include Rape, I have to assume she did not pull those from a publicly available source like SimpliCity (as Rape is excluded from the City's crime data feed).

Interpreting the request, I believe they are looking for communications where those statistics would have been passed to an individual like Meghan - if such a record exists.

Can you follow up on this specific situation for me - emails from any City Staff, Council, or APD to or from Meghan Rogers, 01/01/2017 to the present. I'm really only interested in any communications where crime, safety, or crime statistics are discussed.

I'm not trying to pick out this one individual's email intentionally, I just think it's an example of the type of information that the requestor was interested in and was not included in the documents you provided.

Thank you very much for your help - I think this follow up step will provide clarity to the request.

Thank you,
Sunshine Request

On Wed, Jun 14, 2017 at 9:47 AM, Ben Fulmer <BFulmer@ashevillenc.gov> wrote:

Hello,

Please see the link below to access the emails you requested. We appreciate your patience and the patience of the requester.

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B1cEwIT8bz9pSUhhemNsbG1CYkU?usp=sharing>

Ben Fulmer

From: Meghan Rogers <meghan@ashevilledowntown.org>
Sent: Thursday, April 06, 2017 1:35 PM
To: board@ashevilledowntown.org
Attachments: APD Support Updated.docx

Hi everyone, attached is the final draft of the APD support letter. This was preliminarily approved by Issues Committee and by Exec Committee. Since the board generally approved our support of the APD's expanded downtown unit, I don't believe we need a vote of approval. For timeliness, I would like to send this to council and to our members tomorrow. Council is in budget discussions now.

If you have comments about this letter of support, please get them back to me ASAP.

My thanks, Meghan

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Ben Fulmer

From: DLemley@ashevillenc.gov
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 1:17 PM
To: meghan@ashevilledowntown.org
Subject: RE: Info for Meghan Rogers - ADA

Meghan,

I included some updated information and corrections in RED. I hope this paragraph, edited by you of course, will fill in the gap for your proposed letter.

The PROPOSED Downtown District (Current Downtown, South Slope, RAD, and South French Broad Region) has levels of crime and calls for service that are comparable to the workload within any of the current three patrol districts. A reallocation of patrol resources would enable law enforcement officers to more effectively and efficiently address the current and future needs of the community. In the current downtown area, Car B&E's have increased substantially (72%), rising from 137 in 2015 to 173 in 2016. The South Slope area has seen a similar rise in Car B&E's, specifically with unlocked vehicles. Aggravated assaults have increased 19% (47 in 2015; 56 in 2016). Domestic and non-domestic aggravated assaults have increased in the South French Broad area and rapes have doubled. In 2016, there were 7 rapes reported within the PROPOSED Downtown District, spanning from the downtown to the South French Broad area and in the River Arts District. Although the overall total burglaries have declined in the proposed downtown district, burglaries have risen in the River Arts District (RAD) over the past two years, in particular business burglaries which have increased from 2 incidents in 2015 to 12 in 2016. Vehicles stolen from RAD have doubled over that same time period. Many of these crimes may be prevented if community policing by the police is expanded to account for the increased population and developing businesses.

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Ben Fulmer

From: DLemley@ashevillenc.gov
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 4:45 PM
To: megan@ashevilledowntown.org
Subject: Crime Analysis

Meghan,

I work under Deputy Chief Wood and Ed Eads works for me. I also have a Crime Analyst that is working on the downtown analysis. We just finished a rough draft of stats to be vetted by internal stakeholder. In addition, we are trying to quantify the daily population in more detail. On this upcoming Monday we should have some numbers/stats for you to include in your own proposal. Please accept my apology for our delay as both of my crime analysts have been diligently working on these stats. Have a great weekend.

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Ben Fulmer

From: ECoward@ashevillenc.gov
Sent: Friday, February 24, 2017 10:22 AM
To: meghan@ashevilledowntown.org
Subject: APD Multi-Year Work Plan
Attachments: 2016-2017 Multi-Year Work Plan.pdf

Hi Meghan,

I have attached the Department's Multi-Year Plan.

From Chief Hooper, "I am extremely appreciative of their support and more than happy to meet with them to answer any questions or provide clarification."

Thanks,

Evan

-----Original Message-----

From: Meghan Rogers [mailto:meghan@ashevilledowntown.org]
Sent: Thursday, February 23, 2017 4:07 PM
To: Sgt. Evan Coward
Subject: Three year plan

Hi, you mentioned a three-year plan for the police department. Is this something that's public? I checked the website and didn't find it right away. If it is public, can we share it with the issues committee?

issues@ashevilledowntown.org

Thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

Ben Fulmer

From: Meghan Rogers <meghan@ashevilledowntown.org>
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 9:51 AM
To: challengse@ashevillenc.gov
Cc: Dana Frankel
Subject: APD Stats
Attachments: APD Downtown Unit Expansion.docx

Hi Christina, the ADA board of directors wrote a letter of support for the expansion of the Downtown Unit (it's attached here for reference). One of our business members was disappointed in this support and I am having a dialogue with her concerning that.

What I wanted to point out to you, mostly as a heads up, is that she is asking where I got the statistics presented in the letter and why they haven't been presented in other meetings.

I was contacted by the APD stats office a few weeks ago to help with numbers of commuter and tourism adjusted populations in downtown. At that point, I expressed interest in receiving whatever stats were to come of that research and was sent those presented.

There's also an accusation floating around on Facebook that the Chief presented these statistics to the ADA board in a private meeting. This is not true.

Happy to provide more info if you need.

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