January 25, 2018

Re: Request for access to information under Part 2 of The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act: Application Number 17 12 1095

On December 27, 2017, the City of Winnipeg received your request for access to the following:

All correspondence (letters, emails, faxes, etc) sent and received by the City of Winnipeg Office of Public Engagement during the period of January 1, 2015 until December 24, 2017 involving the Vimy Arena and land at 255 Hamilton Ave.

Your request for access has been granted in part. Our search resulted in 33 pages of email correspondence. Some portions of the records have been severed, in accordance with section 7(2), under the following exceptions to disclosure in the Act:

**Disclosure harmful to a third party’s privacy**
17(1) The head of a public body shall refuse to disclose personal information to an applicant if the disclosure would be an unreasonable invasion of a third party's privacy.

**Determining unreasonable invasion of privacy**
17(3) In determining under subsection (1) whether a disclosure of personal information not described in subsection (2) would unreasonably invade a third party's privacy, the head of a public body shall consider all the relevant circumstances including, but not limited to, whether (e) the personal information has been provided, explicitly or implicitly, in confidence; (i) the disclosure would be inconsistent with the purpose for which the personal information was obtained.

Section 17 is a mandatory exception intended to protect the privacy of 3rd parties. It has been used in combination with section 17(3)(e) where the personal information of media contacts was provided with the understanding of confidentiality. It has also been used in combination with section 17(3)(i) where the personal information was that of a citizen who submitted a comment. In addition, some portions of the records were non-responsive to your request and those portions have been severed and marked accordingly.

Pages 3-12 are emails with lengthy attachments and my review showed that each attachment only had one row that was responsive to your request. Rather than print dozens of non-responsive pages, I created a record (page 13 of the enclosed records) with just the responsive rows for release to you, as permitted by section 10(2) of the Act.
Section 59(1) of the Act provides that you may make a complaint about this decision to the Manitoba Ombudsman. You have 60 days from the receipt of this letter to make a complaint on the prescribed form to the Manitoba Ombudsman (Mail: 750-500 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg MB R3C 3X1; Telephone 204-982-9130 or 1-800-665-0531).

If you have any questions, please call me at (204) 986-3141.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Denise Jones
Access and Privacy Coordinator
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**Community Services**

**Decommissioned Arena Inquiry**

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In consultation with the department, CorpComm provided the following to reporter via email:

The City of Winnipeg has met with Michael Hunt and are working with him to expand his spring roller hockey program at City of Winnipeg facilities.
Hi -

Please find attached the Announceables Planning Guide, as at December 1, 2016.

Thanks,

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**Departmental Inquiries:**

**Planning, Property and Development**

**Vimy arena site**

I’m looking for information on a addictions recovery centre project that may be in the works for the old Vimy arena site.

In consultation with the department, CorpComm provided the following to reporter via email:
I understand you are speaking with the Mayor on this topic, and it would be best to address your questions to him.
Community Services
Celebrating recreation at Tyndall Park, Canstar, October 31, 2017

Water and Waste
Profiting from yard waste CTV Winnipeg, October 31, 2017

Public Works
City hall committee kills rogue engineers' plan to expropriate homes to build road, Winnipeg Free Press, October 30, 2017
City rejects 'ridiculous' road plan in Charleswood, Winnipeg Sun, October 31, 2017
Winnipeg committee votes down plan to expropriate homes for Sterling Lyon Parkway, Metro Winnipeg, October 31, 2017
Expect delays in the area of Waverley and Taylor: city, CTV Winnipeg, October 31, 2017
Winnipeg Infrastructure says no to extension of Sterling Lyon Parkway, CTV Winnipeg, October 31, 2017
Councillors rewrite Sterling Lyon Parkway plan to avoid residential properties, CBC Manitoba, October 31, 2017
Winnipeg committee rejects plan of 'putting a road through people’s homes', Global Winnipeg, October 31, 2017
Additional traffic delays expected on Waverley beginning Wednesday, Global Winnipeg, October 31, 2017
Come attend CPT extension open house, Canstar, October 31, 2017
Beet juice to battle icy roads, CTV Winnipeg, October 31, 2017

Winnipeg Fire Paramedic Service
House fire breaks out on Redwood Avenue, CTV Winnipeg, October 31, 2017
Redwood Avenue house fire under investigation, CBC Manitoba, October 31, 2017

Winnipeg Police Service
Doggoned dangerous? Pet owner ticketed for driving with elderly Shih Tzu on lap, CBC Manitoba, November 1, 2017
Une amende pour avoir conduit avec son chien sur ses genoux, Radio-Canada Manitoba, November 1, 2017

City Clerk’s
Think-tank calls for democratic reforms at city hall, Winnipeg Free Press, November 1, 2017
No more 'strong mayor,' report advises, Winnipeg Sun, October 31, 2017

Multi-Departmental
Food options limited in inner city, Winnipeg Free Press, November 1, 2017
Winnipeg police dish out tips to ensure Halloween is a treat, Global Winnipeg, October 31, 2017
Consignes à suivre pour fêter l'Halloween en toute sécurité, Radio-Canada Manitoba, October 31, 2017
Mayor's Office/Planning, Property and Development/CAO's Office
Winnipeg councillor against addiction treatment centre, wants residents' views, Metro Winnipeg, October 31, 2017
Councillor calls for consultation on proposed Winnipeg addictions recovery centre, Metro Winnipeg, October 31, 2017
Proposed addictions treatment centre site faces backlash, CTV Winnipeg, October 31, 2017
City too secretive about location of Bruce Oake Recovery Centre, councillor says, CBC Manitoba, November 1, 2017

Planning, Property and Development/Winnipeg Police Service
News in brief: City asks for feedback on North District police station, Canstar, October 31, 2017
Election theme: Only Bowman can keep away dark forces who want to control city hall, Winnipeg Free Press, November 4, 2017
Winnipeg Mayor Brian Bowman reflects on time in office so far, Global Winnipeg, November 3, 2017

**Multi-Departmental**

**Mayor’s Office/Planning, Property and Development/CAO’s Office**
Non-profit group upset at being neglected in bid for Vimy Arena site, CBC Manitoba, November 3, 2017
Letters: November 6, 2017, Winnipeg Sun, November 6, 2017
Shuttered arena great fit for addictions treatment centre, Winnipeg Sun, November 3, 2017

**Winnipeg Transit/ Winnipeg Police Service**
Woman punched on Winnipeg Transit after stopping harassment, Metro Winnipeg, November 5, 2017
Winnipeg woman punched in the face on a Winnipeg Transit bus, CTV Winnipeg, November 6, 2017
Passenger punched, teeth shattered after trying to defend another woman being harassed on bus, CBC Manitoba, November 5, 2017
Woman says she was attacked on Winnipeg bus after confronting man who harassed passenger, Global Winnipeg, November 5, 2017
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**Planning, Property and Development**

Vimy arena site I would like an interview with someone (from property and development) about the Vimy arena site regarding concerns raised by Equal Opportunities West.

In consultation with the department, CorpComm provided the following to reporter via email:

The Public Service follows Council policy when selling real estate. Only Council may waive policies. All citizens and corporations have equal opportunity to acquire surplus City real estate when it becomes available. However, Council’s sale policy also allows the Public Service to consider unsolicited offers from a government agency (or utility company) in advance of, or concurrent with, the marketing of the surplus city real estate.
Planning, Property and Development
Crestview residents given chance to voice concerns over proposed treatment centre site, Winnipeg Free Press, November 10, 2017
'Fear of something new': Councillor, St. James residents meet to discuss proposed addiction centre, CBC Manitoba, November 11, 2017
St. James residents discuss proposed addiction centre, Global Winnipeg, November 11, 2017

Water and Waste
'Institutional madness': Winnipeg woman's water turned off over unpaid bill at ex-husband's residence, CBC Manitoba, November 11, 2017

Public Works
Councillor proposes city power play, Winnipeg Sun, November 14, 2017
Winnipeg to build $2.6M wall around parking lot for high-end grocer in South River Heights, CBC Manitoba, November 14, 2017
Plowing underway in Winnipeg, sidewalks to be cleared Saturday night, CBC Manitoba, November 11, 2017
Charleswood tree chosen for City Hall, Canstar, November 13, 2017
News in brief: Vimy monument restored, Canstar, November 13, 2017
Clear sidewalks essential for pedestrians, Canstar, November 13, 2017

Winnipeg Fire Paramedic Service
Generator's CO sends three to hospital, Winnipeg Free Press, November 13, 2017
Three treated for carbon monoxide poisoning, Winnipeg Sun, November 13, 2017
Three people hospitalized with carbon monoxide poisoning, Metro Winnipeg, November 13, 2017
3 treated for carbon monoxide poisoning after high levels found in Winnipeg home, Metro Winnipeg, November 13, 2017
3 people transported to hospital for carbon monoxide poisoning, CTV Winnipeg, November 13, 2017
North End garage goes up in flames, CTV Winnipeg, November 12, 2017
Carbon monoxide poisoning sends 3 to hospital in Winnipeg, CBC Manitoba, November 13, 2017
Garage goes up in flames on College Avenue, CBC Manitoba, November 12, 2017
Garage gutted by flames in Winnipeg neighbourhood, Global Winnipeg, November 12, 2017
High carbon monoxide levels send three to hospital, Global Winnipeg, November 13, 2017

Winnipeg Police Service
Crash sends pedestrian to hospital, closes Winnipeg intersection, Metro Winnipeg, November 13, 2017

Winnipeg Transit
Climate revenues could transform transportation, Winnipeg Free Press, November 14, 2017
City to offer free transit to vets, military personnel, Winnipeg Free Press, November 10, 2017
City transit giving veterans free rides on Remembrance Day, Winnipeg Sun, November 10, 2017
Winnipeg transit advocates shift gears, turn attention to city budget, Metro Winnipeg, November 13, 2017

**Corporate Finance**

**Mayor’s Office**
*Uber-concerned taxi-industry reps optimistic after meeting with mayor*, Winnipeg Free Press, November 10, 2017
*Taxi service says the fight starts now*, CTV Winnipeg, November 10, 2017

**CAO’s Office**
*Union files grievance on behalf of planning engineer after councillor said he 'lost faith in the public service'*; Winnipeg Free Press, November 10, 2017

**Multi-Departmental**
*Metro Cities Roundup: Snowy bike lanes, SAD-lamps at libraries and Calgary's Olympic dream*, Metro Winnipeg, November 13, 2017
*Jour du Souvenir à Winnipeg : ouvert ou fermé?*, Radio-Canada Manitoba, November 11, 2017

**Winnipeg Police Service/Winnipeg Transit**
*Man dies after being hit by bus downtown*, Winnipeg Free Press, November 14, 2017
*Bus hits pedestrian at intersection of Fort and Graham*, Winnipeg Free Press, November 13, 2017
*Pedestrian dies after collision with transit bus on Fort and Graham*, CTV Winnipeg, November 13, 2017
*Man dies after being hit by Winnipeg Transit bus in downtown*, CBC Manitoba, November 14, 2017
*Man dies after being struck by Winnipeg transit bus, police ask for witnesses*, Global Winnipeg, November 13, 2017
*Police ask for witnesses after a man was fatally struck by a Winnipeg bus*, Global Winnipeg, November 13, 2017
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**Vimy Arena**


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Oakes that the in essence this is a done deal and the community has no say in the development of the facility and 2) that there will by re-zoning hearings after the land transfer at which time residents could speak out against the project and have the power sway a committee to stop it. Can the city respond to this? I think there is a lot of confusion in the St. James area about this project.

In consultation with the department, CorpComm provided the following to reporter via email:

Any sale or transfer of lands and facility and subsequent or required rezoning will require a two-thirds vote of Council, regardless of who is the applicant. In instances where City-owned real estate is sold, and the City property contains a zoning classification which is incompatible with the proposed use of the land, the sale agreement will be subject to a successful rezoning. As a result, the City property does not transfer until successful rezoning and the City remains the owner until that time.
Planning, Property and Development
No 'backroom deal' on addictions centre: Oake, Winnipeg Sun, November 15, 2017
Recovering addict says community has nothing to fear from proposed St. James recovery centre, CBC Manitoba, November 15, 2017

Assessment and Taxation
Frontage fees waived for some cemeteries, Winnipeg Sun, November 15, 2017

Public Works
Councillor wants city to develop solar power, Winnipeg Free Press, November 15, 2017
Letters: November 16, 2017, Winnipeg Sun, November 16, 2017
City spends $2.6 million to protect restaurant parking lot in Waverley Underpass project, CTV Winnipeg, November 15, 2017
Winnipeg's long-delayed downtown dog park opens today, CBC Manitoba, November 16, 2017

Winnipeg Fire Paramedic Service
4 flee home in South Winnipeg fire, CTV Winnipeg, November 16, 2017
Early morning fire causes extensive damage to home, Global Winnipeg, November 16, 2017

Winnipeg Transit
Bumpy ride ahead, mayor warns, Winnipeg Free Press, November 15, 2017
'There will be pain' for Transit, Bowman says, Winnipeg Sun, November 15, 2017
Transit deficit largely self-inflicted, Winnipeg Sun, November 15, 2017
'There will be pain': Bowman warns transit jobs, routes may be lost due to provincial funding cut, CTV Winnipeg, November 15, 2017
Winnipeg mayor warns of fare hikes, cuts to 59 transit routes and 120 layoffs, CBC Manitoba, November 15, 2017
Un déficit de 10 M$ menace le transport en commun à Winnipeg, Radio-Canada Manitoba, November 15, 2017

Corporate Finance
Road repair, public transit among Bowman's priorities ahead of 2018 budget, CTV Winnipeg, November 15, 2017

Mayor's Office
End closed-door meetings: Wyatt, Winnipeg Free Press, November 16, 2017
Winnipeg councillors Wyatt and Lukes call for moratorium on closed-door meetings, CBC Manitoba, November 15, 2017
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**Vimy Arena 17(1)+17(3)(e)**: I am writing an article about the proposed long-term drug rehab in Vimy Arena for the Winnipeg Sun. I want to make sure I have all the facts straight with respect to what has and has not been decided and next steps. I do not want to rely on secondary sources. I will be writing the article over the next day, so I would appreciate a timely response. In consultation with the department, CorpComm advised reporter that a report on this topic is forthcoming.

non-responsive
I included one additional sentence in the attached. The general misconception is that once the sale is approved, the deal is done – that is not the case. What I added is a bit clunky and is simply a suggestion.

Otherwise, the letter looks good to me.

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Administrator
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Hi, everyone, attached please find a draft response to concerns with respect to public consultations and transparency (in general) and the future of the Vimy Arena in particular.

I would appreciate your review, and your advising Paula, Adam, and me of any suggestions or corrections with respect to this draft.

Thank you very much!!!

~ D.R.

Draft E-Mail to re: Vimy Arena, Public Consultation Issues, v.1

December 28, 2017
Thank you for your recent e-mail to His Worship Mayor Brian Bowman, regarding your concerns with respect to public consultation, and the Vimy Arena site in particular. The City appreciates your having taken the time to write, and offer comments and suggestions in this regard.

Absolutely, there is no question that at any given meeting of Winnipeg City Council, numbers of disputed issues may arise, and opposing points of view are frequently expressed. At the same time, Mayor Bowman and City Council have made public transparency and improved public consultation a priority for civic government as a whole.

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Any such rezoning would require a public hearing at Community Committee, followed by approvals at Standing Policy Committee, Executive Policy Committee, and City Council. This is an intensively public process and would require just the kind of public consultation you spoke about, in your e-mail.

I hope this information helps to answer your questions; thank you, once again, for writing.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Jack
Chief Corporate Support Services Officer

bc: His Worship Mayor Brian Bowman
   Mr. Doug McNeil, Chief Administrative Officer
   Mr. John Kiernan, Director of Planning, Property and Development
   Ms. Felicia Wiltshire, Director of Customer Services and Communication
   Mr. Marc Pittet, Manager of Land Development and Geomatics Information
   Mr. David Driedger, Manager of Corporate Communications
   Mr. Gordon Chappell, Administrator, Real Estate
   Ms. Morgan Vespa, Manager of Public Engagement

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Any such rezoning would require a public hearing at Community Committee, followed by approvals at Standing Policy Committee, Executive Policy Committee, and City Council. This is an intensively public process and would require just the kind of public consultation you spoke about, in your e-mail. **Furthermore, the Vimy Arena will not legally transfer to a Purchaser until the rezoning is successful and approved by Council.**

I hope this information helps to answer your questions; thank you, once again, for writing.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Jack
Chief Corporate Support Services Officer
bc: His Worship Mayor Brian Bowman
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   Ms. Felicia Wiltshire, Director of Customer Services and Communication
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   Mr. Gordon Chappell, Administrator, Real Estate
   Ms. Morgan Vespa, Manager of Public Engagement
Hello Denis,

Thanks for asking. The piece about public engagement looks good to me.

Morgan

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**From:** Chappell, Gordon  
**Sent:** December-21-17 8:43 AM  
**To:** Rogers, Dennis; Pittet, Marc; Wiltshire, Felicia; Driedger, David; Vespa, Morgan  
**Cc:** Fleury, Paula; Fritzschke, Ericka; Thomas, Janet; Reisacher, Adam  
**Subject:** RE: E-Mail from 17(1)+17(3)(i) re: Vimy Arena, public consultation  
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I included one additional sentence in the attached. The general misconception is that once the sale is approved, the deal is done – that is not the case. What I added is a bit clunky and is simply a suggestion.

Otherwise, the letter looks good to me.

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Hi, everyone, attached please find a draft response to 17(1)+17(3)(i) concerns with respect to public consultations and transparency (in general) and the future of the Vimy Arena in particular.

I would appreciate your review, and your advising Paula, Adam, and me of any suggestions or
corrections with respect to this draft.

Thank you very much!!!

~ D.R.

Draft E-Mail to [Redacted] re: Vimy Arena, Public Consultation Issues, v.1

December 28, 2017

Thank you for your recent e-mail to His Worship Mayor Brian Bowman, regarding your concerns with respect to public consultation, and the Vimy Arena site in particular. The City appreciates your having taken the time to write, and offer comments and suggestions in this regard.

Absolutely, there is no question that at any given meeting of Winnipeg City Council, numbers of disputed issues may arise, and opposing points of view are frequently expressed. At the same time, Mayor Bowman and City Council have made public transparency and improved public consultation a priority for civic government as a whole.

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