September 21, 2018

Re: Your request for access to information under Part 2 of The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act: Request Number 18 08 760

On August 27, 2018, the City of Winnipeg City Clerk’s Department received your request for access to the following records:

Please provide all discussions and records for decision to implement cross-street signage for roadways approaching DCZ’s on a cross-street. For example, placing DCZ signs on the turning lanes of Waverley approaching Bishop Grandin Blvd for the DCZ on Bishop Grandin.

Designated Construction Zones are defined by legislation in the Government of Manitoba’s Highway Traffic Act, which does not specify a requirement for cross-street signs within the city of Winnipeg. This legislation has not changed since 2015, therefore our response to this request is the same as that which was provided to you for FIPPA request 15 08 766 when you had asked for:

All documents related to 2014-2015 decision to start placing cross-street signs in designated construction zones

It has been the City of Winnipeg Traffic Services Branch’s general practice for many years to sign side streets to warn and inform motorists that they are coming up to or entering a construction site. Although these signs are not a requirement in Designated Construction Zones, in order to remain consistent and to benefit motorists, the City of Winnipeg Traffic Services Branch has continued their practice of signing side streets in all construction sites, including Designated Construction Zones.

Records for decision to implement cross-street signs in Designated Construction Zones do not exist as cross-street signage is not a requirement within the legislation.

The records you requested do not exist. Accordingly, your request for access is refused.
under paragraph 12(1)(c)(i) of The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

12(1) - In a response under section 11, the head of the public body shall inform the applicant
(c) if access to the record or part of the record is refused,
(i) in the case of a record that does not exist or cannot be located, that the record does not exist or cannot be located

Please also reference the Amendment to the Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation Work Zone Traffic Control Manual respecting the establishment of Designated Construction Zones in Manitoba, which is publicly available on the Government of Manitoba’s website and provided to you with our letter of response to your FIPPA request in 2015: http://www.gov.mb.ca/mit/contracts/pdf/workzone.pdf.

Subsection 59(1) of The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act provides that you may make a complaint to the Manitoba Ombudsman about this decision.

You have 60 days from the receipt of this letter to make a complaint on the prescribed form to:

Manitoba Ombudsman
750 – 500 Portage Avenue
Winnipeg, MB R3C 3X1
(204) 982-9130 or 1-800-665-0531

If you have any questions, please contact me at (204) 986-3041, by email at ssmith@winnipeg.ca, or by mail at the address below.

Sincerely,

Shelly Smith
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Public Works Department

c.c. K. Krahn, Corporate FIPPA Coordinator