



OFFICE OF MAYOR RAHM EMANUEL

CITY OF CHICAGO

October 23, 2018

William Pierce
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Dear Mr. Pierce:

On behalf of the City of Chicago Office of the Mayor (Mayor's Office), I am responding to your Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request received by our office October 9, 2018. The Mayor's Office sought a timely extension on October 16, 2018, and is now responding to your request seeking:

A copy of the city's "action plan" created for Friday October 5, 2018 regarding public response to the verdict in the trial of Jason Van Dyke.

Please be advised that the record you seek is exempt pursuant to Section 7(1)(v), which exempts:

Vulnerability assessments, security measures, and response policies or plans that are designed to identify, prevent, or respond to potential attacks upon a community's population or systems, facilities, or installations, the destruction or contamination of which would constitute a clear and present danger to the health or safety of the community, but only to the extent that disclosure could reasonably be expected to jeopardize the effectiveness of the measures or the safety of the personnel who implement them or the public. Information exempt under this item may include such things as details pertaining to the mobilization or deployment of personnel or equipment, to the operation of communications systems or protocols, or to tactical operations.

The "action plan" you seek is a response plan designed to respond to a potential attack upon the community's population, including but not limited to details regarding the deployment of specialized resources, call numbers, critical staff positioning and procedures for the handling and preparedness for operations and emergency situations. Releasing this information could enable terrorists and criminals to know in advance where police, fire and other valuable city resources will be. This action plan can be applied to many types of public safety situations that may arise, and the release of this plan could allow persons with this information to effect a strategy in advance for undermining or otherwise targeting public safety efforts. Because of the reasons stated above, the plan is properly denied under Section 7(1)(v).

You have the right to have a denial reviewed by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General, 500 S. 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois 62706, (877) 299-3642. You also have the right to seek judicial review of your denial by filing a lawsuit in Cook County Circuit Court.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shannon I. Leonard".

Shannon I. Leonard
Freedom of Information Officer