Re: A more detailed request for help with BID compliance with the Public Records Act

From: Holly Wolcott <holly.wolcott@lacity.org>
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Subject: Re: A more detailed request for help with BID compliance with the Public Records Act
Date: Monday, March 14, 2016 5:44 PM

Dear Mr. _____________,

Thank you for your communication. In your report, you include several emails as appendices to and from the Downtown Center Business Improvement District relative to the Brown Act. It appears, by the exchange of emails, that the Business Improvement District's in question are aware that they are subject to the Brown Act and the Public Records Act and that they are responding to your requests. If I am reading your report correctly, you do not seem to think that they have provided all the requested documents and that you do not think that information has been redacted correctly. That is something for you to address with the BIDs. The City Clerk's office unable to determine which specific documents you do not believe were provided to you, nor does the Clerk's office have the authority to control/direct the records management practices of the various BIDs which are entities wholly separate from the City. There does not appear to be any evidence that the Downtown Center Business Improvement District is in any way in breach of their contract with the City of Los Angeles.

If you believe they are in violation of the CPRA, you should contact the BID or their independent attorneys. If you have any further questions about the application of the City's codes to the BIDs, please direct those communications to the Bureau of Contract Administration within the Department of Public Works.

Thank you again for your correspondence.

Holly

On Thu, Mar 3, 2016 at 10:34 AM, _____________ wrote:

Dear Ms. Wolcott,

I am submitting the attached petition in the hope that you will find a way to make the Downtown Center BID comply with the California Public Records Act.

Thanks for your attention to this matter,