
September 27, 2023

Reed Sutman
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Dear Sutman,

I am in receipt of your Freedom of Information Request (FOIA), which was emailed by you and received by me on Wednesday, September 13, 2023. Decatur Public School's response was due Wednesday, September 20, 2023. On Wednesday, September 20, 2023, the District extended the time for a response by five business days to Wednesday, September 27, 2023. The FOIA request asked for the following:

Subject: FOIA Request - Dennis Estimates - Under Illinois FOIA, I request the following:

1. Documents, emails, or other records detailing repair estimates for Dennis Lab's Mosaic Campus, regarding 2023 structural issues. Mark Reynolds mentioned these repair estimates last night during BOE and said the Mosaic estimate was around 1.1 million. Kent Metzger had said two firms had responded to District requests, so I'd expect 2 estimates for each building.
 - a. **Response: 5 ILCS 140/7(h) Proposals and bids for any contract, grant, or agreement, including information which if it were disclosed would frustrate procurement or give an advantage to any person proposing to enter into a contractor agreement with the body, until an award or final selection is made. Information prepared by or for the body in preparation of a bid solicitation shall be exempt until an award or final selection is made. Therefore, your request has been denied. There is no document responsive to your request.**

Response: The structural analysis for Dennis Mosaic can be found via our website as follows: www.dps61.org ~ Once on DPS's home page, click the link on the right of our two Dennis campuses that says "click here to read structural analysis, timeline and next steps" or by entering the following link: <https://engage.dps61.org/dennisfuture>

Please note: There will be a special Open Session meeting on Monday, October 02, 2023 at 5:30 PM in the 1st floor Board Room regarding the two firms that responded to the District's request.

2. Documents, emails, or other records detailing repair estimates for Dennis Lab's Kaleidoscope Campus, regarding 2023 structural issues. Mark Reynolds mentioned these repair estimates last night during BOE and said the Mosaic estimate was

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Response: The structural analysis for Dennis Kaleidoscope can be found via our website as follows: www.dps61.org ~ Once on DPS's home page, click the link on the right of our two Dennis campuses that says "click here to read structural analysis, timeline and next steps" or by entering the following link: <https://engage.dps61.org/dennisfuture>

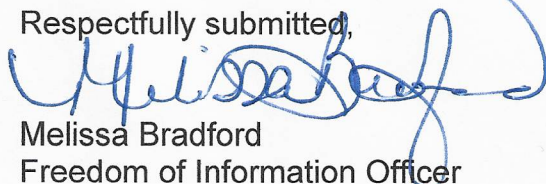
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This response is intended to comply with your request. Should you feel that the District has misinterpreted your request, or should you wish to clarify your request, please contact the District, in writing, so that it may respond accordingly. Additionally, you are hereby notified, pursuant to Section 9 of the Act (5 ILCS 140/9), of your right to review by the Public Access Counselor:

Ms. Leah Bartelt Public Access Counselor Office of the Attorney General 500 S. 2nd Street Springfield, Illinois 62701	Phone: 1-877-299-FOIA (1-877-299-3642) Fax: (217) 782-1396 Email: public.access@ilag.gov
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You are further notified that you have the right to judicial review as provided in Section 11 of the Act (5 ILCS 140/11).

Respectfully submitted,



Melissa Bradford
Freedom of Information Officer

cc: Dr. Rochelle Clark, Superintendent
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