

19 June 2009

Cindi Mansell  
Ogden City Recorder  
2549 Washington Blvd.  
Ogden, UT 84401

Re: Request pursuant to Utah Government Records Access and Management Act (GRAMA), Utah Code § 63G-2-101 et seq.

Dear Ms. Mansell:

Thank you for your assistance with my various earlier GRAMA requests. I very much appreciate your time and hope this request will not create an undue burden on you or other city staff.

As you may know, the Ogden City Planning Commission will make a decision on July 1 pertaining to a proposed 5 million gallon water tank on Ogden's southeast bench, above the top of 36<sup>th</sup> Street. Also, as you know, the public has a right to comment on any agenda item that is before the Planning Commission. My goal in submitting this GRAMA request is to become informed of the facts pertaining to this proposed water tank and the system to which it will connect, so that I may, in turn, inform other interested citizens in advance of the July 1 meeting. I intend to do so through the Weber County Forum blog site and possibly through other channels, either over the internet or through print media. Given my knowledge, background, and interest in this matter, I believe I am in a unique position to understand the proposed water system and educate the public about it.

I have already discussed this matter with the City Engineer, who has informed me that he is not permitted to share certain documents with me unless I submit a formal GRAMA request.

Therefore, pursuant to Utah Code § 63G-2-101 et seq., I hereby request that Ogden City allow me to view copies of the following city records:

1. The report titled "Water System Conveyance Evaluation" by Bowen and Collins, dated October 2008.
2. The report titled "Culinary Water System Studies" by Sunrise Engineering, dated October 2005.
3. Any and all other consultants' reports pertaining to the Ogden southeast bench water system, south of Ogden Canyon and east of Harrison Blvd., since 2005.

I am already in possession of two reports that need not be included in item 3: the "Southeast Bench Water System Improvements Preliminary Design Report" by Caldwell Richards Sorensen

(dated April 2008), and the “Taylor Canyon Proposed Water Service Area Preliminary Design Report” by Hansen, Allen, & Luce (dated September 2007).

I would be happy to come in and view the requested records at your earliest convenience. Alternatively, if the city possesses electronic copies of the any of the requested records, I would be happy to receive copies by email or on CD. I am not requesting any paper copies of the records at this time.

Pursuant to Utah Code § 63G-2-204(3), I hereby request an expedited response to this GRAMA request, within five business days rather than ten. An expedited response will benefit the public because the Planning Commission meeting, mentioned above, will take place more than 5 but fewer than 10 days from now. I will obtain no personal benefit from this request, as I am undertaking this project as an interested citizen and volunteer, without compensation of any type. Therefore, according to the statute, an expedited response is required.

If you deny this request in part or in whole, please provide, as is required by GRAMA, “a description of the record or portions of the record to which access was denied” and “citations to the provisions [of GRAMA] . . . that exempt the record or portions of the record from disclosure, . . .” Utah Code § 63G-2-205 (2)(a) & (b).

I am submitting this request on behalf of myself, not any organization.

Thank you for your time. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within five business days of your receipt of this letter as required by Utah Code § 63G-2-204(3)(a). If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me by phone or email.

Sincerely,

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Dan Schroeder

cc: Justin Anderson, City Engineer