

TOWNSHIP OF BEDMINSTER OPEN PUBLIC RECORDS ACT REQUEST FORM

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Date Received: _____Date of Response: _____

Important Notice The last page of this form contains important information related to your rights concerning government records. Please read it carefully. Requestor Information - Please Print **Payment Information** Last Maximum Authorization Cost \$ _____ MI _____ Name ____ First Name Select Payment Method E-mail Address Mailing Address Cash Check State Zip ORD 2002-33 Per Page Fees: Fax Letter Size - \$0.05 Telephone Legal Size - \$0.07 Pick Up _____ US Mail _____ On-Site (up to 36")Plan Size - \$7.50 Preferred Delivery: Inspect Fax _____ E-mail ___ (over 36") Plan Size - \$12.50 If you are requesting records containing personal information, please circle one: Under penalty of N.J.S.A. Tax Map - \$6.00 2C:28-3, I certify that I HAVE / HAVE NOT been convicted of any indictable offense under the laws of New Zoning Map - \$8.00 Jersey, any other state, or the United States. Delivery: Delivery / Postage Fees Date Signature___ Additional Record Request Information: Please be as specific as possible in describing the records being requested. Also, please note that your preferred method of delivery will only be accommodated if the custodian has the technological means and the integrity of the records will not be jeopardized by such method of delivery. Copy of Minutes, Ordinance, or Resolution (Specify Board or Entity, Date or Topic) Copy of Police Accident Report (Specify Date, Location or Other Identifying Information) Construction: Open/Closed Permit History, or Violations

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Block Lot

Tax Collector: Property Tax / Sewer Information

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Tax Assessor: List of Property Owners within 200 feet / Property Record Card \$10.00 per Request

Other:

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| | Disposition Notes | Tracking Information | Final Cost |
| Est. Document Cost Est. Delivery Cost Est. Extras Cost Total Est. Cost Estimated Balance | Custodian: If any part of request cannot be delivered in seven business days, detail reasons here. | Tracking # Rec'd Date Ready Date Total Pages | Total Deposit Balance Due Balance Paid ds Provided |
| | | Custodian Signature | Date |

- 1. All government records are subject to public access under the Open Public Records Act ("OPRA"), unless specifically exempt.
- 2. A request for access to a government record under OPRA must be in writing, hand-delivered, mailed, transmitted electronically, or otherwise conveyed to the appropriate custodian. <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 47:1A-5.g. The seven (7) business day response time does not commence until the records custodian receives the request form. If you submit the request form to any other officer or employee of the *Name of Agency*, that officer or employee must either forward the request to the appropriate custodian, or direct you to the appropriate custodian. <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 47:1A-5.h.
- 3. Requestors may submit requests anonymously. If you elect not to provide a name, address, or telephone number, or other means of contact, the custodian is not required to respond until you reappear before the custodian seeking a response to the original request.
- 4. The fees for duplication of a government record in printed form are listed on the front of this form. We will notify you of any special service charges or other additional charges authorized by State law or regulation before processing your request. Payment shall be made by cash, check or money order payable to the *Name of Agency*.
- 5. You may be charged a 50% or other deposit when a request for copies exceeds \$25. The Name of Agency custodian will contact you and advise you of any deposit requirements. You agree to pay the balance due upon delivery of the records. Anonymous requests in excess of \$5.00 require a deposit of 100% of estimated fees.
- 6. Under OPRA, a custodian must deny access to a person who has been convicted of an indictable offense in New Jersey, any other state, or the United States, <u>and</u> who is seeking government records containing personal information pertaining to the person's victim or the victim's family. This includes anonymous requests for said information.
- 7. By law, the **Name of Agency** must notify you that it grants or denies a request for access to government records within seven (7) business days after the agency custodian of records receives the request. If the record requested is not currently available or is in storage, the custodian will advise you within seven (7) business days after receipt of the request when the record can be made available and the estimated cost for reproduction.
- 8. You may be denied access to a government record if your request would substantially disrupt agency operations and the custodian is unable to reach a reasonable solution with you.
- 9. If the **Name of Agency** is unable to comply with your request for access to a government record, the custodian will indicate the reasons for denial on the request form or other written correspondence and send you a signed and dated copy.
- 10. Except as otherwise provided by law or by agreement with the requester, if the agency custodian of records fails to respond to you within seven (7) business days of receiving a request, the failure to respond is a deemed denial of your request.
- 11. If your request for access to a government record has been denied or unfilled within the seven (7) business days required by law, you have a right to challenge the decision by the *Name of Agency* to deny access. At your option, you may either institute a proceeding in the Superior Court of New Jersey or file a complaint with the Government Records Council ("GRC") by completing the Denial of Access Complaint Form. You may contact the GRC by toll-free telephone at 866-850-0511, by mail at PO Box 819, Trenton, NJ, 08625, by e-mail at *grc@dca.state.nj.us*, or at their web site at *www.state.nj.us/grc*. The Council can also answer other questions about the law. All questions regarding complaints filed in Superior Court should be directed to the Court Clerk in your County.
- 12. Information provided on this form may be subject to disclosure under the Open Public Records Act.