

Subject: PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST - Correspondence regarding the removal of tables on Newport public properties.

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Under the Vermont Public Records Law, Å§315 et seq., I am requesting an opportunity to inspect or obtain copies of records of the following:

All correspondence regarding the removal of tables and benches on Newport public properties during the term of the current mayor of Newport.

If documents are redacted i am requesting a justification referring to the public records law for each and every line that is redacted. If the you deny access to these materials the public needs to know this and it deserves to know the specifics.

If there are any fees for searching or copying these records, please inform me if the cost will exceed \$20. However, I would also like to request a waiver of all fees in that the disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest The results will be posted at vtleaks.org.

If this document(s) are redacted i am requesting a justification referring to the public records law for each and every line that is redacted. If the city is denying access to any of these documents, the public needs to know this and it deserves to know the specifics.

I am a citizen journalist who is gathering this information in the public interest This information is not being sought for commercial purposes however it may be shared with commercial media.

The law requires a response to this request within 2 days, or within 10 days for extraordinary circumstances. If you expect a significant delay in fulfilling this request, please contact me with information about when I might expect copies or the ability to inspect the requested records. If you deny any or all of this request, please cite each specific exemption you feel justifies the refusal to release the information and notify me of the appeal procedures available to me under the law. Thank you for considering my request.

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Marina Brown