

POLICY AND PROCEDURE FOR THE PUBLIC INSPECTION AND COPYING OF PUBLIC RECORDS IN LIEU OF CUSTOMARY BUSINESS HOURS

- 1) Requests for public inspection and copying public records may be made verbally and/or in writing.
- 2) Said requests may be directed to the township/city official and/or authorized individual responsible for said public records.
- 3) Any requests made pursuant to Michigan's Freedom of Information Act, shall be made to the FOIA coordinator and shall be subject to the statutory requirements of FOIA.
- 4) If a verbal request is made, the responding township/city official and/or authorized individual may prepare a checklist of items/records requested to be copied and/or inspected. Said list, if prepared, should be presented to the requesting party on the date set for inspection or copying.
- 5) The responding township/city official or authorized individual may require the requesting party to counter sign the check list to indicate compliance with the verbal request.
- 6) The responding township/city official and/or authorized individual shall be responsible for the production of the requested copies.
- 7) The responding party shall be billed for the copies and preparation time, if applicable, pursuant to the schedule of charges established by the Township Board/City Council.
- 8) If the request is for the inspection of public records, the responding township/city official and/or authorized individual shall respond in a timely manner, not to exceed 5 business days, from the date of said request. Said response shall indicate the date, time and place when said public inspection of the requested public records shall take place.
- 9) The establishment of the date and time of the public inspection of the requested public records shall be at the discretion of the responding township/city official and/or authorized individual. The place designated for the requested inspection shall be the Township/City Hall or the location where said public records are officially retained.
- 10) The responding township/city official and/or authorized individual shall allow such inspection between the hours of 9:00am and 5:00pm Monday through Friday, unless mutually agreed to by the responding township/city official and/or authorized individual and the requesting party.
- 11) If township/city has normal business hours the requesting party may be allowed to inspect said public records during normal business hours at a mutually agreeable time by both parties.

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