State of New Jersey FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT RECORDS REQUEST FORM

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Important Notice

The reverse side of this form contains important information related to your rights concerning government records. Please read it carefully.

Requestor Information – Please Print	Payment Information			
	Maximum Authorization Cost \$			
First Name MI Last Name				
Company	Select Payment Method			
Mailing Address	Cash Check Money Order			
City State Zip Email	Materials other than paper copies charged at actual cost of material			
	Fees: Letter Size @\$0.05/pg			
Business Hours Telephone: Area Code Number Extension	Legal Size @\$0.07/pg			
Preferred Delivery: Pick Up US Mail On Site Inspect				
Circle One : Under penalty of N.J.S.A. 2C:28-3, I certify that I HAVE / HAVE NOT been convicted of any indictable offense under the laws of New Jersey, any other state, or the United States.	Delivery: Delivery / postage fees additional depending upon delivery type.			
Signature Date	Extras: Extraordinary service fees dependent upon request.			
Record Request Information: To expedite the request, be as specific as possible in describing the records being requested. (Property Address and/or Block and Lot) Also, please include the type of access requested (copying or inspection), and if data, the medium requested. Information on a Specific Property: Address: Block Lot				
() Copy of Minutes (Specify board or entity, date, topic or other information)				
() Copy of Ordinance or Resolution (Specify date, number, board or entity or other information)				
() Other (Specify)				
() Municipal/Assessment Lien Search Fee: \$10.00 Municipal/Assessment Lien Searches are provided by the designated search officer and will be provided within 5 days after the request is Received and the fee paid as provided in N.J.S.A. 54-5-11 Et. Seq.				
() List of Property Owners within 200' Fee: \$10.00 As provided in N.J.S.A. 40:55D-12				
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	Disposition Notes	Tracking Information	Final Cost
Est. Document Cost	Custodian: If any part of request cannot be	Tracking #	Total
Est. Delivery Cost	delivered in seven business days, detail reasons here.	Rec'd Date	Deposit
· <u></u>		Ready Date	Balance Due
Est. Extras Cost		Total Pages	Balance Paid
Total Est. Cost		Recor	ds Provided
Deposit Amount			
Estimated Balance			
Deposit Date	In Progress - Open		
	Denied - Closed		
	Filled - Closed		
	Partial - Closed	Custodian Signature	Date
		Custodian Signature	Date

- 1. This form should only be used to submit records requests to the *Township of Franklin*.
- 2. In order to request access to government records under OPRA, you must complete all the required portions of and date this request form and deliver it in person during regular business hours or by mail, fax or electronically to the appropriate custodian of the record requested. Your request is not considered filed until the appropriate custodian of the record requested has received a completed request form. If you submit the request form to any other officer or employee of the *Township of Franklin*, that officer or employee may not have the authority to accept your request form on behalf of the *Township of Franklin* and your request will be directed to the appropriate division custodian. The seven business day response time will not commence until the proper custodian reviews the request to determine if it is complete.
- 3. If you submit a request for access to government records to someone other than the appropriate custodian, do not complete the *Township of Franklin* request form, or attempt to make a request for access by telephone or fax; the Open Public Records Act and its deadlines, restrictions and remedies will not apply to your 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 charges, special service charges or other additional charges authorized by State law or regulation before processing your request. Payment shall be made by check or money order payable to the *Township of Franklin*.
- 5. If it is necessary for the records custodian to contact you concerning your request, providing identifying information, such as your name, address and telephone number or an e-mail address is required. Where contact is not necessary, anonymous requests are permitted; except that anonymous requests for personal information are not honored.
- 6. You may be charged a 50% or other deposit when a request for copies exceeds \$25. The Township of Franklin custodian will contact you and advise you of any deposit requirements. Anonymous requests, when permitted, require a deposit of 100% of estimated fees. You agree to pay the balance due upon delivery of the records.
- 7. 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, and who is seeking government records containing personal information pertaining to the person's victim or the victim's family.
- 8. By law, the *Township of Franklin* must notify you that it grants or denies a request for access to government records within seven business days after the custodian of the record requested receives the request, provided that the record is currently available and not in storage. If the record requested is not currently available or is in storage, the custodian will advise you within seven business days when the record can be made available and the estimated cost. You may agree with the custodian to extend the time for making records available, or granting or denying your request.
- 9. 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.
- 10. If the *Township of Franklin* is unable to comply with your request for access to a government record, the

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- 11. Except as otherwise provided by law or by agreement with the requester, if the custodian of the record requested fails to respond to you within seven business days of receiving a request form, the failure to respond will be considered a denial of your request.
- 12. If your request for access to a government record has been denied or unfilled within the time permitted by law, you have a right to challenge the decision by the *Township of Franklin* to deny access. At your option, you may either institute a proceeding in the Superior Court of New Jersey or file a complaint in writing with the Government Records Council (GRC). 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.
- 13. Information provided on this form may be subject to disclosure under the Open Public Records Act.