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Mr. Matt Chapman
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RE: NOTICE OF RESPONSE TO FOIA REQUEST
REQUEST RECEIPT DATE: August 19, 2020
FOIA FILE NO.: P598003

Dear Mr. Chapman:

The Chicago Police Department (CPD) is in receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 ILCS 140/1, *et seq.*, request for the following:

"A spreadsheet that contains the following metadata for all 911 calls between 01 JANUARY 2012 and the date of processing this request:

Date
Time start
Time end
Call duration
Event query #
Event #
Officer(s) dispatched to call (badge no, name)
Name of officer on call
Type of call
Any codes or tags of call
RD Numbers
Arrest Numbers
POD numbers
Did arrest happen?."

As permitted by 5 ILCS 140/3(e), the time was extended in order to conduct a thorough search for these records. Your request was reviewed by the undersigned. A search was conducted based on the parameters provided. In order to determine if CPD is in possession of responsive records, your request was forwarded the Bureau of Technical Services – Data Fulfillment and Analysis Section of the Strategic Data Analytics Division (DFA). DFA can only provide CPD service call data. Additionally, dispatcher information and POD numbers are not provided. Arrest data is not maintained with calls data and can also not be provided.

Fulfilling this request would take an exceptionally large number of records. Just calls for service data for eight years (which DFA has provided to lesser extents in the past) is around 60 million records. Including responding officers would likely more than double this number. Just for this year to date, the request would generate around 4, 463, 013 rows. Therefore, it is determined that your request is denied pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/7(3)(g). FOIA provides in 5 ILCS 140/3(g) that requests for all records falling within a category shall be complied with unless compliance with the request would be unduly burdensome for the complying public body and there is no way to narrow the request and the burden on the public body outweighs the public interest in the information. Even assuming that CPD could review and compile the responsive documents based on the aforementioned search, this task represents an unduly burdensome request for action.

You have a right of review by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General, 500 S. 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois 62706, by telephone at (877)299-3642, fax at (217)782-1396, or email at publicaccess@atg.state.il.us. You also have the right to seek judicial review by filing a lawsuit in Cook County Circuit Court.

Sincerely,

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