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September 6, 2023

Via Hand Delivery

Mr. David Walters 14737 Brucker Woods Court Grand Haven, MI 49417

Re: FOIA Request dated August 16, 2023

Mr. Walters:

On behalf of the Grand Haven Board of Light and Power (BLP), I received your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request on Wednesday, August 16, 2023. The BLP took the statutorily permitted 10-business day extension on August 22, 2023, making the deadline to respond Thursday, September 7, 2023.

In your FOIA request, you asked for email and text correspondence to or from personal and/or GHBLP email addresses and cell phones of GHBLP Board Member Andrea Hendrick mentioning, discussing, or addressing in any way GHBLP employee David Walters with listed groups and individuals since taking office in November 2021.

Request Granted – Your request is granted, subject to the deletion of any material which would not qualify as a public record under the FOIA, and subject to the exclusion of any documents which would qualify as exempt under FOIA.

Subsection 4(8), MCL 15.234(8), of the Freedom of Information Act, does not impose a specific time by which a public body must fulfill a request for public records that it has granted. Instead, the public body is guided by, but is not bound by, the "best efforts estimate" the public body must provide in its response required by subsection 5(2), MCL 15.235(2). Due to the large volume of responsive documents that must be individually reviewed to determine if they are public records, defined by the Act as "a writing prepared, owned, used, in the possession of, or retained by a public body in the performance of an official function, from the time it is created", the documents will be provided to you within a reasonable period of time after they are provided to the BLP by Ms. Hendrick and then are reviewed by the BLP attorney to determine their coverage under the FOIA.

A fee will not be charged for the cost of search, examination, review and the deletion and separation of exempt from nonexempt information unless failure to charge a fee would result in unreasonably high costs to GHBLP. Should the BLP estimate a fee will be required, a notice of required fee will be issued. GHBLP's FOIA Procedures and Guidelines are available at https://ghblp.org/about-us/reports/freedom-of-information-act/.

Best regards,

GRAND HAVEN BOARD OF LIGHT & POWER

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