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Subject : RE: Information Pertaining to the City's Involvement in Actions of 22 September
Date : Thu, 7 Nov 2002 11:54:19 -0800

Thank you for your email which has been forwarded for information to the Mayor, Councillors, City Manager, City Clerk, Manager of Corporate Information and Privacy, General Manager of Community Services, General Manager of Engineering, Legal Services, Director of Current Planning, and Director of Communications.

-----Original Message-----

From: Friends of the Woodwards Squat [mailto:violetta_sera@hotmail.com]
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Dear Manager of Corporate Information and Privacy:

Our organization has attempted to obtain information regarding certain actions of the City of Vancouver on 22 September of this year. We approached

City Council directly at their public meeting on 22 October of this year and

asked that "the City disclose all information regarding the involvement of the Engineering Department in the [Vancouver] Police [Department] actions of

22 September." These actions, as you may know, involved City employees, vehicles, and equipment in the destruction of the personal property of at least 100 of Vancouver's homeless citizens who were attempting to camp on Abbott Street that night. We have made numerous subsequent informal requests

to the City since our appearance at the City Council meeting of 22 October and have received no reply regarding our inquiries. We believe that the documents pertaining to this incident exist in the files of the Engineering Services Department and Office of the Mayor. Additional documents pertaining

to this matter may exist in the files of the Law Department.

As the route of informal requests appears to be exhausted, each of the affected citizens shall be filing a formal freedom of information request. Our organization seeks to co-ordinate this effort with your office so as to make this request process as manageable as possible. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to assist you over the course of the next few months.

Thank you,

Aaron Vidaver

Friends of the Woodward's Squat

cc. Vancouver City Mayor and Council, Woodward's Squat, Coalition of Woodward's Squatters and Supporters, Woodward's Squat Native Caucus, Woodward's

Legal Defense Committee, Western Aboriginal Representation Society, Pivot Legal Society, United Church of Canada, Vancouver Rape Relief and Women's Shelter, Inter-Mission, Hospital Employees Union, Vancouver Status of Women,

BC Coalition of Women's Centres, Council of Canadians, Collective Opposed to

Police Brutality, Homes Not Jails, Pacific Association for Language and Literacy, Vancouver Area Network Drug Users, Vancouver Centre for Contemporary Writing, SRS Vocational Services Society, Community Solidarity Coalition, Anti-Poverty Coalition, End Legislated Poverty, BC Persons With AIDS Society, Simon Fraser Student Society, North Shore Women's Centre, I.L.W.U. Local 400, I.L.W.U. Local 500, Marine Workers' Union Local 1, DTES Employment, SAPED, CFRO Radio, Recovery Club, Bus Riders' Union, Christian Compassion, Anti-Poverty Committee, Canadian Auto Workers, Vancouver Independent Media Centre, People's Opposition, Cameron Ward, Residents of the Metropole Hotel, Working TV, BC CTV, Downtowneastside.ca, Global Communications.

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