

Missing Credit Card Statements

When I originally requested all of the city's credit card statements on November 21, 2013, I expected to get all of them at no charge because Utah's Government Records Access Management Act (GRAMA) states that if the release of records primarily benefits the public, governmental agencies are encouraged to grant fee waivers. ([63G-2-203-4a](#))

On November 25, 2013 I received a response from Mayor Heather Jackson's administration which stated, "...it is the position of the city that the record requests do not benefit the public rather than you individually. Accordingly, the City hereby denies your request for an expedited response. Likewise, the City denies your request for the City to waive its fees...." In addition, the city required me to prepay \$400 in fees and promised to give me a refund if any balance remained after they had fulfilled my request. After Mayor Chris Pengra took office in January 2014 I asked him to reverse the city's denial of my fee waiver request and he personally refused to do so.

Eventually, Fionnuala Kofoed, the city recorder and close friend of Mayor Pengra, charged me \$1,096.17 for 1,095 pages of statements and supporting documents, and wouldn't release them in a timely manner. When I picked up the first batch on Jan 16th, she only had the statements for 2010 and 2011 in her office. After weeks of hounding I was allowed to pick up the second batch on Feb. 6th for 2012 and 2013. During this pickup she actually admitted that these latter statements had also been available on Jan 16th but that she had "left" them in the basement.

After performing an audit to determine the completeness of her response I discovered that up to 54 additional statements were still missing. She turned over six of these on Feb 26-27. But on April 8th I learned that the city was also withholding four years worth of Costco credit card statements. Here are the statements which the city is still refusing to turn over (as of 4/03/2015):

Zions Bank Statements		Costco Statements	
Heather Jackson -- Mayor <i>Jul 2011</i> <i>Jul 2012</i>	Ifo Pili -- City Administrator <i>Mar 2010</i> <i>Apr 2010</i> <i>Jul 2010</i> <i>Dec 2010</i> <i>Jul 2011</i> <i>Aug 2011</i> <i>Jan 2012</i> <i>Feb 2012</i> <i>Mar 2012</i> <i>Apr 2012</i> <i>Apr 2013</i> <i>May 2013</i> <i>Jun 2013</i> <i>Jul 2013</i> <i>Aug 2013</i> <i>Sep 2013</i> <i>Oct 2013</i> <i>Nov 2013</i> <i>Dec 2013</i>	<i>Jan 2010</i> <i>Feb 2010</i> <i>Mar 2010</i> <i>Apr 2010</i> <i>May 2010</i> <i>Jun 2010</i> <i>Jul 2010</i> <i>Aug 2010</i> <i>Sep 2010</i> <i>Oct 2010</i> <i>Nov 2010</i> <i>Dec 2010</i> <i>Jan 2011</i> <i>Feb 2011</i> <i>Mar 2011</i> <i>Apr 2011</i> <i>May 2011</i> <i>Jun 2011</i> <i>Jul 2011</i> <i>Aug 2011</i> <i>Sep 2011</i> <i>Oct 2011</i> <i>Nov 2011</i> <i>Dec 2011</i>	<i>Jan 2012</i> <i>Feb 2012</i> <i>Mar 2012</i> <i>Apr 2012</i> <i>May 2012</i> <i>Jun 2012</i> <i>Jul 2012</i> <i>Aug 2012</i> <i>Sep 2012</i> <i>Oct 2012</i> <i>Nov 2012</i> <i>Dec 2012</i> <i>Jan 2013</i> <i>Feb 2013</i> <i>Mar 2013</i> <i>Apr 2013</i> <i>May 2013</i> <i>Jun 2013</i> <i>Jul 2013</i> <i>Aug 2013</i> <i>Sep 2013</i> <i>Oct 2013</i> <i>Nov 2013</i> <i>Dec 2013</i>
Kent Partridge -- Building Official <i>Aug 2011</i> <i>Feb 2012</i> <i>Jan 2013</i> <i>Feb 2013</i> <i>Jun 2013</i> <i>Jul 2013</i>	Steve Mumford -- Planning Dir. <i>Mar 2010</i> <i>May 2010</i> <i>Nov 2010</i>		
David Norman -- Asst. Public Works Dir. <i>Nov 2011</i> <i>Dec 2011</i> <i>Dec 2013</i>			
Dave Crawley -- Natural Gas Foreman <i>Jul 2013</i>			
Jeff Weber -- Asst. Public Works Dir. <i>Apr 2013</i>			
Jason Lovell -- Custodian <i>Jul 2010</i>			