



Department of Justice July 11, 2024

Applicant c/o
Access and Privacy Officer
Corporate Information Management, ATIPP Office

# Final Response ATIPP Access Request 24-177

The Department of Justice has searched Finance branch and has identified records responsive to Access Request 24-177 noted below:

Primarily I would like to obtain information organized by separate fiscal year and by department, on total expenditures in Whitehorse at hotel establishments and similar organizations. Specifically, any expenditure in Whitehorse that fits into 'Housing, Accommodation, Hotels" contract type, per the Yukon Contracts Registry, or "Professional Services - Others" in relation to accommodations, housing, or hotels, or "Relocation Services." If possible, please exclude contracts and expenditures which include conference room rentals and catering. Secondarily, I would like to have a specific break down for expenditures at the Sternwheeler Hotel, previously known as the Westmark Whitehorse, which was the current Vendor Name 'HL General Partner Inc." Timeframe: April 1, 2019 - April 1, 2024.

# **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

**PB:** Are the requests just looking for expenditures for employees? Or for non-employees, contractors, boards, and committee members. What about the privacy of the VS clients? What kind of documents are they looking for? Invoices, cheque reqs, contracts, Quest reports? **APP:** The information we are seeking is simply the total expenditures on hotels, accommodation, housing, and related services. We are not requesting invoices, cheque reqs, etc.

Please provide information on employees, contractors, boards, and committee members, vs clients, etc.

PB: Just to confirm, the applicant is looking for the total expenditure on Hotels, accommodations, and so on for the DOJ without breaking by program areas/
Please provide information on employees, contractors, boards, and committee members vs. clients, etc. Would you mind clarifying? Are they looking for the names of employees, contracts, board members, and clients? Or the total expenses for employees in Whitehorse, the total

expenditure for contracts in Whse; total expenditure for board members in Whse? And total expenditure for clients in Whse?

My biggest concern is Victim Services clients if they want clients' information.

Also, can this information be provided in an Excel spreadsheet form when activated?

**APP:** No need for program areas, just total expenditures from the department.

No need for names, or contract specifics.

Excel works.

**PB:** One more question about the Courts Services branch.

The DOJ's Finance Department will not be able to provide information on Courts Services as details of the expenditures are located in the Courts Services Branch.

The finance unit of the DOJ could only give high-level expenditures at the object level without information on what it is for.

Question: Is the applicant okay with not including the Court Services Branch expenditure or only by object level without the details?

APP: I am okay with receiving expenditures that are object level and without the detail.

### **Decision**

The Head of the Department of Justice has approved the following response to this request:

## **Access Granted in Full**

Certain types of information have been withheld pursuant to the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act. A summary of records reviewed and information withheld is enclosed.

#### **Final Costs**

There is no charge to the applicant.

## Right to Complain

Pursuant to section 66 of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act you may contact Yukon's Information and Privacy Commissioner with a complaint in respect to this response. Section 66 states:

An applicant may, in respect of the head of a responsive public body's response to their access request under section 64, make a complaint to the commissioner by filing the complaint in accordance with section 90.

Should you wish to do so, please refer your written complaint within 30 business days to the Information and Privacy Commissioner at:

Yukon Information and Privacy Commissioner 3162 Third Avenue, Main Floor, Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 1G3

E-mail: intake@yukonombudsman.ca

Phone: (867) 667-8468; (toll free: 1-800-661-0408 ext. 8468)

# **Contact Person in Department**

If the applicant has any questions, please contact the Designated Access Officer for Department of Justice at <a href="mailto:jus.ice.">jus.atipp@yukon.ca</a>.