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## Beko, Michele

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**From:** LaVeck, Joseph <Joseph\_LaVeck@cityoflorain.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 14, 2025 9:53 AM  
**To:** Bradley, Jack; Carrion, Rey; Soto, Rick  
**Cc:** Beko, Michele  
**Subject:** FW: Final Demand for Relief – Whistleblower Retaliation, Civil-Rights Abuses & Tortious Interference Final One-Time Settlement Offer

FYI

Joseph T. LaVeck, Esq  
Chief Asst. Law Director & Police Legal Advisor  
200 W. Erie Avenue, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Lorain, Ohio 44052  
joseph\_laveck@cityoflorain.org

**From:** Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, July 11, 2025 10:20 AM  
**To:** LaVeck, Joseph <Joseph\_LaVeck@cityoflorain.org>  
**Subject:** Re: Final Demand for Relief – Whistleblower Retaliation, Civil-Rights Abuses & Tortious Interference Final One-Time Settlement Offer

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Make sure you trust this sender before taking any actions.

Dear Mr. LaVeck, Mayor Bradley, and All Concerned Parties,

This message serves as a final follow-up regarding my pending claim and the City of Lorain's corresponding legal obligations. As previously stated, tomorrow marks the deadline for a substantive response.

To date, I have received only confirmation that the matter was forwarded to the City's insurer. While I acknowledge that step, it does not satisfy the City's independent obligations under Ohio law and federal civil rights statutes—including the duty to engage in meaningful evaluation and timely response.

Should this deadline pass without further action or engagement, I will proceed accordingly and escalate the matter through all appropriate legal, administrative, and public channels.

This notice is provided in good faith to offer the City a final opportunity to respond prior to that next phase. Again, this is not a request for a favor, but a formal request for remedy under clearly established legal protections.

Respectfully,  
Aaron C. Knapp, BSSW, LSW, CDCA  
Disabled Veteran | Social Worker | Whistleblower  
a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com | (216) 659-9899

**Aaron Christopher Knapp, LSW, CDCA(p), BSSW**

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On Jul 7, 2025, at 15:38, LaVeck, Joseph <[Joseph\\_LaVeck@cityoflorain.org](mailto:Joseph_LaVeck@cityoflorain.org)> wrote:

Mr. Knapp:

Your demand has been forwarded to the City's insurer and a claim has been made. Someone will be in contact with you once reviewed.

Thank you.

Best Regards,

Joseph T. LaVeck, Esq

Chief Asst. Law Director & Police Legal Advisor

200 W. Erie Avenue, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

Lorain, Ohio 44052

[joseph\\_laveck@cityoflorain.org](mailto:joseph_laveck@cityoflorain.org)

**From:** Aaron Knapp <[a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com](mailto:a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com)>

**Sent:** Sunday, July 6, 2025 12:15 PM

**To:** Bradley, Jack <[Jack\\_Bradley@cityoflorain.org](mailto:Jack_Bradley@cityoflorain.org)>

**Cc:** Robert J. Gargasz <[rjgargasz@gmail.com](mailto:rjgargasz@gmail.com)>; Carrion, Rey <[Rey\\_Carrion@cityoflorain.org](mailto:Rey_Carrion@cityoflorain.org)>; Failing, Mike <[Mike\\_Failing@cityoflorain.org](mailto:Mike_Failing@cityoflorain.org)>; [lcp@lcpProsecutor.org](mailto:lcp@lcpProsecutor.org); [trothm@wingspan.org](mailto:trothm@wingspan.org); City Council Mail Group <[CityCouncilMailGroup@cityoflorain.org](mailto:CityCouncilMailGroup@cityoflorain.org)>; Mike Mason <[Mike.Mason@woio.com](mailto:Mike.Mason@woio.com)>; Jonathan Schuppe <[Jonathan.Schuppe@nbcuni.com](mailto:Jonathan.Schuppe@nbcuni.com)>; Noelle Williams <[Noelle.Williams@woio.com](mailto:Noelle.Williams@woio.com)>; Lorain Daily <[erik@loraindaily.com](mailto:erik@loraindaily.com)>; David Yost AG <[AGOCARES@ohioago.gov](mailto:AGOCARES@ohioago.gov)>; [ethics@ethics.ohio.gov](mailto:ethics@ethics.ohio.gov); [paul.nick@ethics.ohio.gov](mailto:paul.nick@ethics.ohio.gov); [tips@wews.com](mailto:tips@wews.com); Sherry Glass <[Sherry.Glass@lcfct.org](mailto:Sherry.Glass@lcfct.org)>; Sheriff Jack Hall <[jhall@loraincountysheriff.com](mailto:jhall@loraincountysheriff.com)>; [senseicobrakai@protonmail.com](mailto:senseicobrakai@protonmail.com); Major Steven Scharschmidt

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Mayor Bradley and ALL Concerned Parties,

This will serve as a formal reminder of the City of Lorain's continuing legal obligations in matters involving insurance claims, civil rights violations, and retaliation allegations.

While I acknowledge that the City may be coordinating with legal counsel or insurers, such coordination does not negate the City's independent obligations under state and federal law. These include, but are not limited to:

- **Timely Reporting & Good-Faith Review:** As you are aware, most municipal insurance policies require prompt notification of claims and good-faith consideration of settlement offers—especially those within policy limits—to protect the insured from excess judgments. Undue delay or categorical denials may constitute bad-faith conduct.
- **Cooperation Obligations:** The City, as the insured, has an ongoing duty to cooperate with its insurance carrier and to evaluate reasonable offers, rather than summarily reject them or disregard documented evidence.
- **Constitutional & Statutory Duties:** My right to petition public officials on matters of public concern—including civil rights violations, whistleblower retaliation, and disability discrimination—is firmly protected under the First Amendment and federal whistleblower statutes. Attempting to insulate public officials from direct accountability through blanket denials or silence does not comport with constitutional norms or public service ethics.
- **Ohio-Specific Statutes:** Under Ohio law, designated officials—such as a Director of Law—may hold settlement authority within certain

thresholds. However, refusal to engage or document a legitimate settlement negotiation may raise serious concerns under both public accountability laws and prohibited insurance practices outlined by the Ohio Department of Insurance.

To be clear; I am not asking for a favor. I am documenting an official request for remedy that remains viable but is time-sensitive. If the City believes this matter should be handled exclusively through counsel, I am fully prepared to proceed accordingly, but I will not accept silence, evasion, or procedural deflection as a substitute for substantive response.

Govern yourselves accordingly.

Respectfully,

Aaron C. Knapp, BSSW, LSW, CDCA

Disabled Veteran | Social Worker | Whistleblower

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**Beko, Michele**

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**From:** Duli, Breanna <Breanna\_Duli@cityoflorain.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 21, 2025 4:18 PM  
**To:** Riley, Patrick  
**Subject:** Accepted; meeting (Petty/Knapp) Springowski statement  
**Attachments:** attachment.ics

## Beko, Michele

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**From:** Beko, Michele <Michele\_Beko@cityoflorain.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 13, 2025 11:09 AM  
**To:** Comer,David  
**Cc:** Zaleski, Don  
**Subject:** RE: All electronic communications

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Dave - Don is asking that you please pull these email. The request is not too broad. If you would like to talk to Don about it please give the office a call:

Thank you Michele

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

**From:** Comer,David <DComer@CityofLorain.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 4, 2025 2:21 PM  
**To:** Beko, Michele <Michele\_Beko@cityoflorain.org>  
**Subject:** RE: All electronic communications

That is way too broad of a search.....  
He needs to have a more specific criteria.

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

**From:** Beko, Michele <Michele\_Beko@cityoflorain.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 4, 2025 2:10 PM  
**To:** Comer,David <DComer@CityofLorain.org>  
**Subject:** FW: All electronic communications

Dave,

Per Don Zaleski can you please let me know what you find with regard to this request? Thank you - Michele

Michele T. Beko  
Administrative Asst./Office Manager  
Lorain Law Director's Office  
200 West Erie Avenue, 3rd floor  
Lorain, OH 44052  
440.204.2250  
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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Garon Petty <garonpetty@roadrunner.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 1, 2025 10:49 AM

To: Lorain PD Records Request <LPDRecordsRequest@cityoflorain.org>; Kokoski, Lori <Lori\_Kokoski@cityoflorain.org>; Riley, Patrick <Patrick\_Riley@cityoflorain.org>; McCann, James - Chief <Jim\_McCann@cityoflorain.org>; Gelenius, Kyle <Kyle\_Gelenius@cityoflorain.org>; Kalo, Ted <Ted\_Kalo@cityoflorain.org>; Bradley, Jack <Jack\_Bradley@cityoflorain.org>; City Council Mail Group <CityCouncilMailGroup@cityoflorain.org>; Harper, Anita <Anita\_Harper@cityoflorain.org>  
Cc: Robert J Gargas <rjgargas@gmail.com>; Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>; Beko, Michele <Michele\_Beko@cityoflorain.org>; Michael Scherach <mjscherach.law@centurytel.net>; Lindsay Carr <Lindsay.Carr@OhioAGO.gov>; lcp@lcpProsecutor.org; Andrew Geronimo, JD <andrew.geronimo@case.edu>  
Subject: All electronic communications

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To whom it may concern or has the Electronic Communications,

Please send me all electronic communications, sent and received by Chief McCann, the SS Director Carrion, Pat Riley Law Director, Mayor Bradley, Ric Soto, and any Lorain Police Officer that mention Officers Middlebrooks and Miguel Baez From January 2023 until the present time, Per 149.43 Ohio Revised Code.

Thank You,  
Garan Petty

## Beko, Michele

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**From:** Kokoski, Lori <Lori\_Kokoski@cityoflorain.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 3, 2025 11:45 AM  
**To:** Garon Petty  
**Subject:** RE: Please send me the investigation report on Cory Middlebrooks

Mr. Petty,

Please see the response from the Law Department.

Thanks,

Lori

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CLEIR records are exempt from disclosure until such time that the subject of the investigation is charged in a criminal, civil, or administrative proceeding.

Joseph T. LaVeck, Esq  
Chief Asst. Law Director & Police Legal Advisor  
200 W. Erie Avenue, 3rd Floor  
Lorain, Ohio 44052  
joseph\_laveck@cityoflorain.org

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**From:** Garon Petty <garonpetty@roadrunner.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 1, 2025 9:57 AM  
**To:** Kokoski, Lori <Lori\_Kokoski@cityoflorain.org>; Riley, Patrick <Patrick\_Riley@cityoflorain.org>; Beko, Michele <Michele\_Beko@cityoflorain.org>; Bradley, Jack <Jack\_Bradley@cityoflorain.org>; City Council Mail Group <CityCouncilMailGroup@cityoflorain.org>; Comer, David <DCComer@CityofLorain.org>; Carrion, Rey <Rey\_Carrion@cityoflorain.org>; Soto, Rick <Rick\_Soto@cityoflorain.org>; Harper, Anita <Anita\_Harper@cityoflorain.org>  
**Cc:** Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>; Robert J Gargas <rjgargas@gmail.com>; Linda Rivera <lriviera25594@gmail.com>; Michael Scherach <mjscherach.law@centurytel.net>; jcp@lcprosecutor.org; Lindsay Carr <Lindsay.Carr@OhioAGO.gov>; Jeanne Petty <jeanne\_810@yahoo.com>  
**Subject:** Please send me the investigation report on Cory Middlebrooks

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Hello Lori, Please send me the Corey Middlebrooks discipline and suspension reports and the Officer Miguel Baez retirement/separation agreement

Thank you,  
Garon Petty

## Beko, Michele

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**From:** Garon Petty <garonpetty@roadrunner.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 25, 2025 12:00 PM  
**To:** Robert J Gargas; Lindsay Carr; lcp@lcpProsecutor.org; Sheriff Jack Hall; Aaron Knapp; Andrew Geronimo, JD; David Yost AG; NortheastRegion@ohioauditor.gov; ethics@ethics.ohio.gov; Michael Scherach; Denise Wilms; Dennis Flores; Mike Mason; Carissa Woytach; Carolyn White; Comer,David; David J Moore; Jeff Riddell; mgallagher@loraincounty.us; mallory\_holmes@cityoflorain.org; Nathan Manning; Darryl Tucker; Fox 8; Clevescene; clandestinecanary; Jon Morrow; Jonathan.Schuppe@nbcuni.com; Stephanie Jablonsky; Institute for Justice; investigatorTips@wews.com; Jeff Graham; VEK6173@aol.com; Elsebeth Baumgartner; Kathryn Kennedy; Jackie Conrad; Jeanne Petty; Brian Ames; Brian.Ring@ethics.ohio.gov  
**Subject:** Corruption in Lorain today 2/25/ 2025 at 1:00pm

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## Beko, Michele

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**From:** Beko, Michele <Michele\_Beko@cityoflorain.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 18, 2025 3:10 PM  
**To:** Strader, John  
**Subject:** RE: Records Requests for contracts

Thank you John - Michele

**From:** Strader, John <John\_Strader@cityoflorain.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 18, 2025 2:57 PM  
**To:** Beko, Michele <Michele\_Beko@cityoflorain.org>  
**Subject:** RE: Records Requests for contracts.

Hi Michele,  
All I can find in Docuware is a 2022 ordinance agreement but it is not signed. Perhaps some

ides a copy of the

**John A. Strader, MPA**  
**Deputy Auditor**  
City of Lorain Auditors Office

Phone: 440-204-2090 - Ext. 2815  
Address: 200 W Erie Avenue, Lorain OH 44052, 6<sup>th</sup> Fl

**From:** Beko, Michele <Michele\_Beko@cityoflorain.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 18, 2025 2:02 PM  
**To:** Strader, John <John\_Strader@cityoflorain.org>  
**Subject:** FW: Records Requests for contracts

John can you possibly send me this Agreement please? Thank you - Michele

**From:** Carbonaro, Joseph <Joseph\_Carbonaro@cityoflorain.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 18, 2025 1:27 PM  
**To:** Kalo, Ted <Ted\_Kalo@cityoflorain.org>  
**Cc:** Beko, Michele <Michele\_Beko@cityoflorain.org>; Koziura, Joseph <Joe\_Koziura@cityoflorain.org>; Strader, John <John\_Strader@cityoflorain.org>; Beko, Michele <Michele\_Beko@cityoflorain.org>; Koziura, Joseph <Joe\_Koziura@cityoflorain.org>; Strader, John <John\_Strader@cityoflorain.org>  
**Subject:** Re: Records Requests for contracts.

There is one agreement we have for sanitary sewer service with Sheffield Lake. The agreement should be in Docuware.

Thank you

Joe C

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 18, 2025, at 1:16 PM, Kalo, Ted <Ted\_Kalo@cityoflorain.org> wrote:

I do not have any contracts with the City of Sheffield Lake.

**From:** Beko, Michele <Michele\_Beko@cityoflorain.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 18, 2025 11:49 AM  
**To:** Koziura, Joseph <Joe\_Koziura@cityoflorain.org>; Carbonaro, Joseph <Joseph\_Carbonaro@cityoflorain.org>; Kalo, Ted <Ted\_Kalo@cityoflorain.org>  
**Cc:** Strader, John <John\_Strader@cityoflorain.org>  
**Subject:** FW: Records Requests for contracts.

Good Morning!

Don needs copy of the contracts listed below by you Joe. Also, if there any contracts for any type of services with the Lorain Municipal Court/Clerk of Courts Office/Sheffield Lake, please send copy of those.

Thank you – Michele

*Michele T. Beko*  
*Administrative Asst/Office Manager*  
*Lorain Law Director's Office*  
*200 West Erie Avenue, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor*  
*Lorain, OH 44052*  
*440.204.2250*  
*[Michele\\_beko@cityoflorain.org](mailto:Michele_beko@cityoflorain.org)*

**From:** Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, January 31, 2025 1:05 PM  
**To:** Koziura, Joseph <Joe\_Koziura@cityoflorain.org>  
**Cc:** Robert J. Gargas <rigargas@gmail.com>; Kokoski, Lori <Lori\_Kokoski@cityoflorain.org>; Carrion, Rey <Rey\_Carrion@cityoflorain.org>; Bradley, Jack <Jack\_Bradley@cityoflorain.org>; Riley, Patrick <Patrick\_Riley@cityoflorain.org>; Zaleski, Don <Don\_Zaleski@cityoflorain.org>; Arredondo, Joel <joel\_arredondo@cityoflorain.org>; City Council Mail Group <CityCouncilMailGroup@cityoflorain.org>; Radeff, Rocky <Rocky\_Radeff@cityoflorain.org>; Morris, Jacob <Jacob\_Morris@cityoflorain.org>; McCann, James - Chief <Jim\_McCann@cityoflorain.org>; Harper, Anita <Anita\_Harper@cityoflorain.org>; Andrew Geronimo JD <andrew.geronimo@case.edu>; Tom Niewulis <tniewulis@ncdcs.com>; Mike Mason <Mike.Mason@woio.com>; Brad Dicken <BDicken@chroniclet.com>; Brian Ames <bmames00@gmail.com>; Carissa Woytach <cwoytach@chroniclet.com>; VEK6173@aol.com; Natalio Rodriquez <natalio@centurytel.net>; Jackie Conrad <botanist62@hotmail.com>; Kathryn Kennedy <kathrynkennedy627@gmail.com>; Kirsten Hill <kirsten@kirstenhill.com>; Monica D. Pluta <Monica.Pluta@lcpsecutor.org>; Craig Snodgrass <auditor@loraincounty.com>; David J Moore <dmoore@loraincounty.us>; Jridell@loraincounty.us; mgallagher@loraincounty.us; Michael Scherach <mjscherach.law@centurytel.net>; Mike Doran <mikedoran@mikedoran.com>; Mike Brosky@fflorain.bank; Dennis Flores <dennisforlorain@gmail.com>; Linda Rivera <nrivera25594@gmail.com>; Denise Wilms <denisewilms@aol.com>; Jim Renacci <jrenacci@gmail.com>; Jeanne Petty <jeanne\_810@yahoo.com>;

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What about contracts with the municipal court? In recent budget talk's Sheffield Lake received or made payments to the city of Lorain for something? What's that? Do you have an agreement for the municipal court and Sheffield lake, or do they have their own? How does that work?

**Aaron Christopher Knapp, LSW, CDCA(p),BSSW**

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On Jan 31, 2025, at 10:14, Koziura, Joseph <[Joe\\_Koziura@cityoflorain.org](mailto:Joe_Koziura@cityoflorain.org)> wrote:

To all concerned,

The following items are the only contracts that this office is aware of, at this time, concerning the cities of Lorain and Sheffield Lake.

Mutual Aide for Safety Forces

Water Pollution Control (Sewage Services)

Regards,

Joe

**From:** Robert J. Gargasz <[rjgargasz@gmail.com](mailto:rjgargasz@gmail.com)>

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 28, 2025 4:25 PM

**To:** Koziura, Joseph <[Joe\\_Koziura@cityoflorain.org](mailto:Joe_Koziura@cityoflorain.org)>; Kokoski, Lori <[Lori\\_Kokoski@cityoflorain.org](mailto:Lori_Kokoski@cityoflorain.org)>; Carrion, Rey <[Rey\\_Carrion@cityoflorain.org](mailto:Rey_Carrion@cityoflorain.org)>; Bradley, Jack <[Jack\\_Bradley@cityoflorain.org](mailto:Jack_Bradley@cityoflorain.org)>; Riley, Patrick <[Patrick\\_Riley@cityoflorain.org](mailto:Patrick_Riley@cityoflorain.org)>; Zaleski, Don <[Don\\_Zaleski@cityoflorain.org](mailto:Don_Zaleski@cityoflorain.org)>; Arredondo, Joel <[joel\\_arredondo@cityoflorain.org](mailto:joel_arredondo@cityoflorain.org)>; City Council Mail Group <[CityCouncilMailGroup@cityoflorain.org](mailto:CityCouncilMailGroup@cityoflorain.org)>; Radeff, Rocky <[Rocky\\_Radeff@cityoflorain.org](mailto:Rocky_Radeff@cityoflorain.org)>; Morris, Jacob <[Jacob\\_Morris@cityoflorain.org](mailto:Jacob_Morris@cityoflorain.org)>; McCann, James - Chief <[jim\\_McCann@cityoflorain.org](mailto:jim_McCann@cityoflorain.org)>

**Cc:** Harper, Anita <Anita\_Harper@cityoflorain.org>; Andrew Geronimo JD <andrew.geronimo@case.edu>; Robert J Gargasz <rjgargasz@gmail.com>; Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>; Tom Niewulis <tniewulis@ncdcs.com>; Mike Mason <Mike.Mason@woio.com>; Brad Dicken <BDicken@chroniclet.com>; Brian Ames <bmames00@gmail.com>; Carissa Woytach <cwoytach@chroniclet.com>; VEK6173@aol.com; Natalio Rodriquez <natalio@centurytel.net>; Jackie Conrad <botanist62@hotmail.com>; Kathryn Kennedy <kathrynkennedy627@gmail.com>; Kirsten Hill <kirsten@kirstenhill.com>; Monica D. Pluta <Monica.Pluta@lcprosecutor.org>; Craig Snodgrass <auditor@loraincounty.com>; David J Moore <DJMoore@loraincounty.us>; Jridell@loraincounty.us; mgallagher@loraincounty.us; Michael Scherach <mjscherach.law@centurytel.net>; Mike Doran <mikedoran@mikedoran.com>; Mike Brosky@fflorain.bank; Dennis Flores <dennisforlorain@gmail.com>; Linda Rivera <nrivera25594@gmail.com>; Denise Wilms <denisewilms@aol.com>; Jim Renacci <jrenacci@gmail.com>; Jeanne Petty <jeanne\_810@yahoo.com>; sandemeilander@yahoo.com; David Yost AG <AGOCARES@ohioago.gov>  
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Garon had requested city contracts Lorain has with Sheffield Lake, Ohio, service and monetary contracts lists.

Per 149.43 or any ORC that requires the public records to be made public when asked for.

As you are or may be a custodian of such records please provide them as requested by Mr. Petty.

The response provided by the Law Department is not adequate as it should have been referred to the appropriate custodian of the appropriate records.

The service director and auditor should each be a repository of such public records, correct?

Please respond to Mr. Petty.

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Garon Petty <garonpetty@roadrunner.com>  
**Date:** January 28, 2025 at 3:38:00 PM EST  
**To:** Lindsay Carr <Lindsay.Carr@ohioago.gov>, lcpl@lcprosecutor.org, NortheastRegion@ohioauditor.gov  
**Cc:** "Harper, Anita" <Anita\_Harper@cityoflorain.org>, "Andrew

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**Subject: Records Requests for contracts.**

Hello Ms Carr, Lorain County Prosecutor and Northeast Region of Ohio Auditor,

I am now asking for an investigation why I cant get my records request fulfilled from the City of Lorain, Ohio?

Hello, please send me a list of all contracts the city of Lorain, Ohio has with the city of Sheffield Lake, Ohio, service and monetary contracts lists.

Per 149.43 or any ORC that requires the public records to be made public when asked for.

Thank You

Garon Petty January 17, 2025

"Mr. Petty,

Please be informed that this office is not the keeper of any documents which constitute "a list of all contracts the City of Lorain has with the City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio and monetary contracts lists." You may wish to contact the Utilities Dept.

Law Director Riley" January 27, 2025

Help us in Lorain, Ohio please.  
Garon Petty