FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In the Matter of a Complaint by

FINAL DECISION

Alexander Wood and the Manchester Journal Inquirer,

Complainants

against

Docket #FIC 2017-0288

Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Economic and Community Development; and State of Connecticut, Department of Economic and Community Development,

Respondents

January 10, 2018

The above-captioned matter was heard as a contested case on September 7, 2017, at which time the complainants and the respondents appeared and presented testimony, exhibits and argument on the complaint. On October 30, 2017, the hearing officer signed a Report of Hearing Officer, which the Freedom of Information ("FOI") Commission considered at its regular meeting of December 13, 2017. At such meeting, the respondents provided a CD containing 4,600 pages of records to the complainants. At the parties' request, the Commission tabled its discussion of the hearing officer's report.

On December 20, 2017, the complainants sent a letter by email to the FOI Commission. The Commission takes administrative notice of such letter, by which the complainants withdrew their complaint against the respondents. The complainants noted that a number of pages of the records provided contain redactions based on claimed exemptions, and that if the complainants believe the exemptions are not proper, they will contest them in another appeal to the Commission.

After consideration of the entire record, the following facts are found and conclusions of law are reached:

1. The complaint is dismissed.

Approved by Order of the Freedom of Information Commission at its regular meeting of January 10, 2018.

Cynthia A. Cannata

Acting Clerk of the Commission

PURSUANT TO SECTION 4-180(c), G.S., THE FOLLOWING ARE THE NAMES OF EACH PARTY AND THE MOST RECENT MAILING ADDRESS, PROVIDED TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION, OF THE PARTIES OR THEIR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE.

THE PARTIES TO THIS CONTESTED CASE ARE:

ALEXANDER WOOD, AND THE MANCHESTER JOURNAL INQUIRER, 306 Progress Drive, PO Box 510, Manchester, CT 06045

COMMISSIONER, STATE OF CONNECTICUT, DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT; AND STATE OF CONNECTICUT, DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, c/o Assistant Attorney General Dinah Bee, Office of the Attorney General, 55 Elm Street, PO Box 120, Hartford, CT 06141-0120

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