

JERSEY CITY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

OPEN PUBLIC RECORDS ACT REQUEST FORM

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Important Notice

The last page of this form contains important information related to your rights concerning government records. Please read it carefully.

First Name	MI Last Name	Payment Information Payment must be received with completed form. No maps or information will be handed out without payment in full. Maximum Authorization Cost \$
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		Select Payment Method
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If you are requesting government records or map	os , <i>PLEASE CIRCLE ONE</i> : Under penalty of <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 2 sted of any indictable offense under the laws of New Jerse	C:28-3, Oversize Pages @ .10 ea
Signature	Date	Delivery: Delivery / postage fees additional depending upon delivery type.
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FOR JCMUA USE ONLY		
Total Amount due: Date paid:	JCMUA OFFICIAL SIGNATURE DATE	CK or Money Order Numbers

Requesting Access to Government Records Under the New Jersey Open Public Records Act (N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seg.)

- 1. This form should only be used to submit records requests to the Jersey City Municipal Utilities Authority ("JCMUA").
- 2. In order to request access to government records under OPRA, you must complete all the required portions of and date this request form and deliver it in person during regular business hours or by mail, fax or electronically to the appropriate custodian of the record requested. Your request is not considered filed until the appropriate custodian of the record requested has received a completed request form, If you submit the request form to any other officer or employee of the JCMUA, that officer or employee may not have the authority to accept your request form on behalf of the JCMUA and your request will be directed to the appropriate division custodian. The seven business day response time will not commence until the proper custodian reviews the request to determine if it is complete.
- 3. If you submit a request for access to government records to someone other than the appropriate custodian, do not complete the JCMUA request form, or attempt to make a request for access by telephone or fax; the Open Public Records Act and its deadlines, restrictions and remedies will not apply to your request.
- 4. The fees for duplication of a government record in printed form are listed on the front of this form. We will notify you of any special charges, special service charges or other additional charges authorized by State law or regulation before processing your request. Payment shall be made by check or money order payable to the JCMUA.
- 5. If it is necessary for the records custodian to contact you concerning your request, providing identifying information, such as your name, address and telephone number or in e-mail address is required. Where contact is not necessary, anonymous requests are permitted; except that anonymous requests for personal information are not honored.
- 6. You may be charged a 50% or other deposit when a request for copies exceeds \$25. The JCMUA custodian will contact you and advise you of any deposit requirements. Anonymous requests, when permitted, require a deposit of 100% of estimated fees. You agree t() pay the balance due upon delivery of the records.
- 7. Under OPRA, a custodian must deny access to a person who has been convicted of an indictable offense in New Jersey, any other state, or the United States, and who is seeking government records containing personal information pertaining to the person's victim or the victim's family.
- 8. By law, the JCMUA must notify you that it grants or denies a request for access to government records within seven business days after the custodian of the record requested receives the request, provided that the record is currently available and not in storage. If the record requested is not currently available or is in storage, the custodian will advise you within seven business days when the record can be made available and the estimated cost. You may agree with the custodian to extent the time for making records available, or granting or denying your request.
- 9. You may be denied access to a government record if your request would substantially disrupt agency operations and the custodian is unable to reach a reasonable solution with you.
- 10. If the JCMUA is unable to comply with your request for access to a government record, the custodian will indicate the reasons for denial on the request form and send you a signed and dated copy.
- 11. Except as otherwise provided by law or by agreement with the requested, if the custodian of the record requested fails to respond to you within seven business days of receiving a request form, the failure to respond will be considered a denial of your request.
- 12. If your request for access to a government record has been denied or unfilled within the time permitted by law, you have a right to challenge the decision by the JCMUA to deny access. At your option, you may either institute a proceeding in the Superior Court of New Jersey or file a complaint in writing with the Government Records Council (GRC). You may contact the GRC by toll-free leis phone at 866-850-0511, by mail at PO Box 819, Trenton, NJ, 08625, by e-mail at grc@dca.state.nj.us, or it their web site at www.state.nj.us/grc, The Council can also answer other questions about the law.
- 13. Information provided on this form may be subject to disclosure und3r the Open Public Records Act.