

**Subject:** Re: Mt. Hope traffic issues  
**From:** ormanmf@yahoo.com (ormanmf@yahoo.com)  
**To:** Frische@CityofRochester.gov;  
**Date:** Wednesday, February 17, 2016 6:02 PM

Thanks very much Erik. I won't take it personally. I just don't think it's necessarily a good way for them to proceed if they want to build community support. Anyhow, I can submit a FOIL request to Monroe County if they insist, but I'm not sure what to make of this part of Jim Pond's 1/22/16 email message:

"Please keep in mind, however, that much of the data that you are seeking did not come from Monroe County. We did not collect the speed data, nor any machine counts done by NYSDOT (the follow-up handout identifies those locations). We also do not maintain collision reports. Such information would come from the agency that supplied the data, not Monroe County. If you do initiate a request, you will need to be specific about the exact information you are seeking."

He seems to be saying that we need to submit separate FOIL requests to multiple agencies to obtain data that was supplied to MCDOT and used by MCDOT in their study. Is that really their position, or am I misunderstanding this? If that's their position, I have no way to know what specific data was used by MCDOT in their study (that's only known by MCDOT), so I'll need MCDOT to describe all such data with enough detail (e.g., subject matter, agency source, author, date, name of report, and any other necessary identifiers) to enable me to make FOIL requests to the various sources. Alternatively, it would be great if MCDOT reconsidered and simply provided us the analyses/reports they generated or used in connection with their study (regardless of source), which is all that's being asked for. I'm happy to go down and make copies if that would help - please let me know.

Best,

Mike

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 17, 2016, at 2:15 PM, "Frisch, Erik L." <Frische@CityofRochester.gov> wrote:

> Hi Mike,

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> As far as I know, the letter is in process. I can't give you an estimate but I'm sure it's "coming soon." I apologize that MCDOT has directed you to submit a FOIL request for the data. It's nothing personal; it is a policy of their Communications office I believe. Hopefully they turn FOILs around as quickly as we typically do. I believe there is a form on their website and you can fax or hand deliver it to speed up the request.

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> Best,

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> Erik

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: ormanmf@yahoo.com [mailto:ormanmf@yahoo.com]

> Sent: Friday, February 12, 2016 3:07 PM

> To: Frisch, Erik L. <Frische@CityofRochester.gov>

> Subject: Mt. Hope traffic issues

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> Hi Erik,

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> I'm wondering if you have any information on the status of the letter that Commissioner Jones told us to expect from Mayor Warren. As we indicated we would at the end of the Jan. 15 meeting, we have been holding off on calling a meeting of the petition signers pending receipt of that letter. At this point, a meeting on Feb. 17 (the date previously floated) will no longer be possible, but we are hoping to be able to schedule such a meeting soon.

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> Also, do you have any way to help on the request for the full volume, speed, critical rate, and collision reports? It was pretty disappointing to be told that we'd have to go through legal channels to obtain this information, when we have tried hard to approach this whole effort in a collaborative way. It seems like transparency is the best policy, and I suspect it will matter to many of the petition signers.

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> Thanks very much,

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> Mike

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