

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
MAYOR'S OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL
Freedom of Information Act Appeal: 2020-046**

January 13, 2020

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Ms. Jessica Herrera

RE: FOIA Appeal 2020-046

Dear Ms. Herrera:

This letter responds to the administrative appeal you submitted to the Mayor under the District of Columbia Freedom of Information Act, D.C. Official Code § 2-537 (“DC FOIA”), challenging the response of the Metropolitan Police Department (“MPD”) to your November 19, 2019 FOIA request. In your request, you sought information regarding the circumstances of the death of a family member. On December 10, 2019, MPD denied your request, pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-534(a)(2), (a)(3)(A)(i) and (a)(3)(c), on the basis that the death was still under investigation. You filed an appeal of that decision on December 10, 2019. On January 3, 2019, MPD forwarded to this Office an email from you to MPD confirming that you had the information you were seeking as a result of an outreach to you by an MPD detective. On that basis, we now deem your appeal to be moot, and we hereby dismiss it.

This is the final decision of this Office in connection with your FOIA appeal. If you are dissatisfied with this decision, you may commence a civil action against the District of Columbia in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-537.

Respectfully,

Mayor's Office of Legal Counsel

cc: Teresa Quon Hyden, Assistant General Counsel
MPD (via email)