

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
MAYOR'S OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL
Freedom of Information Act Appeal: 2021-072**

April 25, 2022

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Mr. Ian Matheson

RE: FOIA Appeal 2021-072

Dear Mr. Matheson:

This letter responds to the administrative appeal you submitted to the Mayor under the District of Columbia Freedom of Information Act, D.C. Code § 2-537 (“DC FOIA”), challenging the failure of the District Department of Transportation (“DDOT”) to respond to your FOIA request.

You submitted a DC FOIA request to DDOT seeking a “List of any authorized emergency vehicle operated by a non DC Government entity, as well as qualifying criteria used by DDOT to authorize a[n] agency to operate a vehicle equipped with emergency lights and siren[s] within the District.” You filed an appeal with this Office asserting that you did not receive a response to your request. As DDOT explained in its response to this Office, due to a typographical error you did not receive the original response letter it sent. DDOT discovered the error after your September 17, 2020 inquiry and forwarded the original response to the correct email address. DDOT also notified us that it resent the original response letter to your email address stated in the Appeal record.¹ Because DDOT responded to your request, we dismiss this appeal as moot.

This constitutes the final decision of this Office. 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. Code § 2-537.

Respectfully,

Mayor's Office of Legal Counsel

cc: Karen R. Calmeise, Hearings/FOIA Officer
DDOT (via email)

¹ A copy of the agency's response to your appeal is attached to this decision.