

FILE NO. - 99/015★  
[REDACTED]

**REPORT WITH RESPECT TO THE APPLICATION  
FOR REVIEW OF [REDACTED] WITH RESPECT TO INFORMATION  
REQUESTED FROM THE CITY OF REGINA**

[REDACTED] applied pursuant to *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the "Act") for access to information specifically "the name of the individual who made a complaint to the Regina Humane Society concerning my dog running at large."

As a result [REDACTED] was charged with a violation of City Bylaw # 8721 and paid a penalty of \$50.00.

His application for access to the name of the complainant was refused by the City relying on s. 14 of the Act which gives very broad powers to the City under s. 14(1)(c) to disclose information with respect to a lawful investigation and under s. 14(1)(k) to disclose information with respect to a law enforcement matter. While I doubt whether the City can refuse to disclose information about an investigation that has been fully completed, it does appear that the exemption from disclosure of information with respect to "a law enforcement matter" is valid.

I also note that under s. 14(1)(f) access to a record may be denied " ... disclose the identity of a confidential source of information."

Under the circumstances I am not prepared to recommend that the identity of the complainant be disclosed to the Applicant.

Dated at Regina, Saskatchewan this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1999.

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**Derril G. McLeod, Q.C.,  
Commissioner of Information and  
Privacy for Saskatchewan**