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Cc: Helen Hill; John E. Rosen; David Jennings

Subject: Fwd: FOIA request for financial records from Helen

We are down to SC foia laws and transparency not who respects who or politics . Thanks

Helen Hills lawyer is Cced . David question are you willing to let us all see the books and agree to an independent audit not your own internal audit ? How can you possibly refuse this request based on current Sc laws ? Thx

Can you confirm also if Helen hills husband Hill construction won the bid to renovate the welcome center . Form 990 has Helen salary at 170k per year . We need to all know how much more in travel , perks , bonuses etc Ms Hill receives not shown on IRS form 990. Further we need to understand why MS hill unfairly competes with local media members and in fact looks at all Local media as competitors which some have gone out of business , versus the Cvb and Chamber helping them prosper ?

It seems MS hill has crafted with her lawyers to own and control this CVb with no rights , no elections for members and set it all up as an investor model ? No elections , violations to IRS tax codes , unfair trade , violating SC foia and perhaps much more serious issues once an independent Forensic audit is conducted . Thx

Sent from my iPhone excuse all typos and misspellings

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Ms. Hill:

Pursuant to the provisions of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), this is a formal request to you and/or the custodian of your records for access to the following financial records of the Charleston Area Convention & Visitors Bureau.

- 1) Your general ledger, including line-item details of all revenues and expenses for the last two (2) fiscal years.
- 2) A list of all current employees, by job title, and their salaries.
- 3) Time sheets for all employees as they relate to and support your Form 990 IRS filings and the issue of unrelated business income tax (UBIT).
- 4) The total amount of your public (accommodations tax) funding for the current fiscal year, as well as any other sources of state or local public monies allocated to the organization by any government entity.

Per the requirements of the SC FOIA, you are required to respond within 15 days.

And because a significant portion of your operating funds come from public sources, I expect the request will be met.

Since this request primarily benefits the general public, I hereby request that any search or copying fees be waived. If there is a charge for providing access to the records, please advise me of your estimate of such charges and the basis for the charges when you contact me to arrange an appointment for inspection of the requested records.

I can be reached by phone at (321) 784-4881 or by reply email.

Thanks.

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