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Members of the Township Council
Township of Mahwah
475 Corporate Drive
Mahwah, New Jersey 07430


RE: Division of Civil Rights Administrative Subpoena
DCR Docket Nos. AB33CM-66573 and AB33CM-66595

Dear Council President Hermansen and Honorable Council Members:

As you are aware, the Division of Civil Rights has served various subpoenas on the Township for response by various officials, including the Township Council. Mr. Giacobbe of Cleary Giacobbe Alfieri Jacobs, LLC assembled the documents, bated and submitted same to Mr. Castillo via correspondence dated September 1, 2017. In addition, Mr. Giacobbe indicated that additional documents would be submitted via overnight mail on September 6, 2017. Mr. Giacobbe reviewed the documents and prepared a privileged log as to those documents, which would be subject to the attorney client privilege.

In light of the fact that the Division of Civil Rights is seeking any and all documents relating to Ordinances 1806 and 1812, it is my suggestion at this point in time that the Township does not introduce or adopt any ordinances until such time as the review by the Attorney General's office is complete. I will be prepared to discuss same in more detail at the next Council meeting. However, I wanted to bring these issues to your attention at this time.

Very truly yours,


BRIAN M. CHEWCASKIE

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