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*Via electronic mail*

The Honorable Tari Renner  
Chair, Liquor Commission  
City of Bloomington  
109 East Olive Street  
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RE: OMA Request for Review – 2016 PAC 42623

Dear Mayor Renner:

The Public Access Bureau has received the attached Request for Review under section 3.5(a) of the Open Meetings Act (OMA) (5 ILCS 120/3.5(a) (West 2015 Supp.)) from Mr. Bruce Meeks alleging potential violations of OMA by the City of Bloomington's Liquor Commission (Commission) in connection with its May 24, 2016, meeting. This office has determined that further action is warranted as to Mr. Meeks's allegations that: (1) the Commission held a meeting on that date without a quorum present; (2) the Commission took action on that date without a vote by a quorum of its members; and (3) the meeting was held in an inconvenient location because the public was not provided with sufficient direction as to where it was being held.

In order to further evaluate this matter, we request that the Commission or its representative respond in writing to those three allegations. In your response, please explain what information was provided to the public concerning the location of the meeting. Please also provide copies of the agenda and minutes (in draft form if necessary) of the May 24, 2016, meeting for our review.

As required by section 3.5(b) of OMA (5 ILCS 120/3.5(b) (West 2015 Supp.)), please provide this information to our office within 7 business days after receipt of this letter. As we review this matter, we will notify you if we require additional records or information. Please note that under OMA, this office is required to forward a copy of any response to the requester and to provide the requester with an opportunity to reply. 5 ILCS 120/3.5(c) (West 2015 Supp.). The Act also permits the Board to provide a redacted version of any response for release

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to the requester. **If you claim that any portion of your written response is confidential, please send two versions of your response letter: a complete copy for this office's confidential review and a redacted version suitable for this office to forward to the requester.**

Please contact me at (312) 814-8413, [jjones@atg.state.il.us](mailto:jjones@atg.state.il.us), or the Chicago address on the first page of this letter if you have questions or would like to discuss this matter. Thank you.

Very truly yours,



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