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Mr. R. Allen Young,
Town Attorney
Town of Mt. Pleasant
100 Ann Edwards Lane
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464

*Re: Freedom of Information Act Request
Mt. Pleasant Waterfront Memorial Park*

Dear Mr. Young,

This letter constitutes a formal request pursuant to the SC Freedom of information act for information related to the proposed or considered construction of a sailing center, sailing dock, boating dock or sailboat dock at the Waterfront Memorial Park situated adjacent to the Arthur Ravenel Bridge in Mt. Pleasant, SC and at any other location in the Town of Mount Pleasant. It also applies to any equipment or vessels which might have been used by the town or any other entity at such facility.

This request is limited to records and materials produced, used by, received or in the possession of the town which originated during or have been used in the last three years, since February 15, 2005. It applies to all materials in the possession of the Town, its contractors, agents, employees or consultants wherever located.

I am requesting copies of the following records and documents:

1. Plans, drawings and designs for any such dock or docks proposed or considered for any location within the park. I am requesting such plans as can be reproduced on standard sized office paper. I am not requesting large format blueprints or plans at this time. I reserve the opportunity to request large format plans in the future.
2. Correspondence between the town, government agencies, private entities, individuals or non profit or community organizations about the construction of any such dock or center at the park or pier located therein.

3. Records of any correspondence, discussions or agreements regarding the dock or boating center involving the town, any third party, government agency or private individual.
4. Information, including email correspondence regarding any alleged safety issues associated with the design, operation or location of any such dock or sailing center, including current, sailing conditions, exposure to commercial shipping traffic or obstacles to navigation.
5. Records, orders, specifications regarding any change or modification any plans or proposals regarding said sailing dock or boating center.
6. Minutes, records or notes of any meeting of council, its committees or staff regarding this dock or sailing center.
7. Contracts, estimates, requests for bid, bids received or any other financial records regarding said dock or sailing center.

I further request a certification that all materials requested have been produced as required by law and setting out the reasons for any refusal to produce any documents which might be subject to this request and which, for whatever reason, have not been produced.

In the event that the town plans to charge in excess of One Hundred Dollars for the production of these materials, I would request that I be presented with an itemized list of the materials and charges therefore before work begins. In the event that the cost will not exceed that amount, I would ask that production begin immediately and be completed no later than the time required by statute.

I look forward to the Town's prompt response to this request so that we can all move forward with a full and complete understanding regarding this important community issue.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William F. Hamilton III". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent "W" and "H".

William Hamilton