

From: [Gloria Henderson](#)
To: [FOIA Metra](#)
Subject: Re: 16-FOIA-238 Extension Notice-Hyde Park Documents (Henderson)
Date: Friday, January 27, 2017 10:15:50 AM

Metra Rail
Attention: Freedom of information Officer
15-E
547 W. Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60661

01/27/17

Dear Sonserese Hatch:

Thank you for your reply to my FOIA request concerning the dangerous conditions in the Hyde Park retail spaces under Metra tracks at 51st, 53rd and 57th streets. Your Responsive documents were helpful; however they clearly failed to provide the necessary documents pertaining to the dangerous situation I have outlined for you in previous communications.

You included in your Responsive Documents:

• A partial waiver of lien dated August 1, 2001 for AE. Berg Co., Inc. for General Construction of the 51st and 53rd project

• The June 16, 2001 payout #6, the July, 20001 payout #7 and August 30, 2001 #8 payout reports

• As of the August 30, 2001 #8 payout, the Hyde Park 51th-53rd project was 49% complete.

• More specifically, the ABS roofing and FRP Roof & Gutter portions of the project were **1% and 38%** complete respectively.

These documents are quite helpful in helping me understand the scope of this project; however you failed to provide documentation that the contracted work was completed.

- 1. Please provide a copy of the FINAL payout for the HYDE PARK 51TH-53rd project**

Secondly, you stated that the Metra's Engineering Department advised you that they do not maintain records of outside agencies. This is totally understandable.

2. Please provide a copy of Metra's Engineering Department's Safety and building inspection reports certifying that they contracted work for the Hyde Park 51th-53rd project was satisfactorily completed according to the code and industry standards.

In 2010 a Metra Chief Engineer inspected the roof and gutters and explained the origins of my mold and water leaking problem. He reported that the roof and gutter

work was done incorrectly and that the mold and leaking were a result of poor work. Since the roof has already caved in on one business, the urgency of your reply is obvious. Before Metra leases space to another Hyde Park business, this potentially dangerous situation must be remedied.

This letter has been sent to you via email as well.

Sincerely,

Gloria Henderson (The Popcorn Lady)

Cc: Alderman Sophia King
State Senator Kwame Raoul
State Representative Barbara Flynn Currie
Tanya Cohn, Metra Representative
Toni Prekwinkle, President Cook County
Barack Obama, President, United States of America
Sue Walker, General Manager, Hyde Park Herald
Wallace Goode, Executive Director, Hyde Park Chamber of Commerce

On Tuesday, October 4, 2016 10:16 AM, FOIA Metra <FOIA@metrarr.com> wrote:

Dear Ms. Henderson,

Attached is an extension notice related to your above-mentioned request for records. Thank you.

Freedom of Information Officer



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