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Ms. Janet Roberts, Business Administrator
% Salt Lake City School District
440 East 100 South
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

Re: GRAMA Notice of Appeal: GANG PREVENTION EXPENDITURES

Dear Ms. Roberts,

Pursuant to §63G-2-401, Utah Code – please accept this **GRAMA Notice of Appeal**, in your capacity as the district’s chief administrative officer.

On **August 25, 2016**, I submitted a GRAMA request to Superintendent Cunningham in reference to expenditures of the District.¹ The Board is scheduled to consider financial matters of the District at its September 6, 2016 meeting. I was anticipating receipt of the requested information prior to that meeting, as it would allow me to be better informed to make decisions on the finances of the District. Consequently, I requested an expedited response as prescribed in GRAMA.²

As of this writing, I have received no response from Superintendent Cunningham. I am appealing on the basis of **§63G-2-204(8), Utah Code** which states: “If the governmental entity fails to provide the requested records or issue a denial within the specified time period, that failure is considered the equivalent of a determination denying access to the record.”

I am a duly elected member of the governing body of the government agency in which I am requesting the information and therefore “entitled by law to inspect the record”.³ Equally persuasive, the Utah Legislature has established that “an elected member of a local school board serves and represents the residents of the local school board member’s district, and that service and representation may not be restricted or impaired by the local school board member’s membership on, or obligations to, the local school board.”⁴

Accordingly, I submit this appeal for your review and consideration.

Shalom,

J. Michael Clára
Board Member, District 2

Enclosure (1)

cc: Senator Niederhauser ▪ Senator Escamilla ▪ Utah State Auditor Dougall ▪ Mayor Biskupski

¹ J. Michael Clára GRAMA request to Superintendent Alexa Cunningham – Gang Prevention Expenditures 08/25/16 (attached)

² §63-2-204 Utah Code – Requests, Time Limit for Response

³ §53A-3-402 Utah Code- Local School Boards –Powers and Duties Generally

⁴ Ibid



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Señor Florez –Deseret News



Michael Clara <donmiguelslc@gmail.com>

Re: GRAMA Response

1 message

Michael Clára <donmiguelslc@gmail.com>

Fri, Sep 2, 2016 at 1:19 PM

To: Lisa Alleman <Lisa.Alleman@slcschools.org>

Cc: Tina Hatch <Tina.Hatch@slcschools.org>, Janet Roberts <janet.roberts@slcschools.org>

Thank you for the update. I just received it in the mail about 15 min. ago.

Earlier today, I sent the attached appeal letter to Janet Roberts. Due to the fact that I did not receive any acknowledgement or a reply to my initial request within the specified time limit, my appeal from this morning still stands.

Un abrazo,

Michael Clára

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Board Member, District 2

§ 53-3-401, Utah Code: Notwithstanding a local school board's status as a body corporate, an elected member of a local school board **serves and represents the residents of the local school board member's district**, and that service and representation may not be restricted or impaired by the local school board member's membership on, or obligations to, the local school board. HB 250 - Local School Board Amendments /2014 Legislative Session

On Fri, Sep 2, 2016 at 11:58 AM, Lisa Alleman <Lisa.Alleman@slcschools.org> wrote:

Attached is the response to your GRAMMA request dated 8/25/16. A hard copy was placed in the mail the morning of Wednesday, August 31, 2016.

Thank you,

Lisa Alleman

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