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Amanda Seymour  
Town Clerk  
Town of Ninety Six  
120 NW Main Street  
Ninety Six, SC 29666

Freedom of Information Act Request – 2019 Forensic Audit

Dear Ms. Seymour:

Pursuant to the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act, S.C. Code Ann. § 30-4-10 et seq., I am requesting access to and copies of the complete forensic audit conducted for the Town of Ninety Six in 2019.

If multiple versions or related documents exist, please include all associated materials, such as:

- The full and final forensic audit report,
- Any preliminary or draft reports,
- Correspondence with the auditing firm regarding the audit,
- Appendices, exhibits, or supporting schedules included with the audit.

Please provide the records in electronic PDF format if possible. As this request is made in my capacity as a journalist for a news organization, I request that any fees for searching or copying be waived pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 30-4-30(B) on the grounds that release of the information is in the public interest and will contribute to the public's understanding of government operations.

If you determine that any portion of the requested material is exempt from disclosure, please cite the specific statutory exemption and release all non-exempt portions.

Given that there should only be one forensic audit conducted for the Town in 2019, this request should be straightforward and limited in scope.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to your response within the statutory time period.

Sincerely,  
Renee Ortiz  
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