

Freedom of Information Commission
of the State of Connecticut

In the Matter of a Complaint by)

The Hartford Courant, Complainant) Report of Hearing Officer

against) Docket #FIC 76-43

The City and Town of Torrington and) April 5, 1976
Board of Councilmen of the City and)
Town of Torrington,

Respondents)


The above-captioned matter was heard as a contested case on April 1, 1976, at which time complainant and respondents appeared and presented testimony, exhibits and argument on the complaint.

After consideration of the evidence the following facts are found:

1. The respondents are public agencies, as they are the City and Town of Torrington and Board of Councilmen of the City and Town of Torrington.
2. The complainant seeks access to budget requests submitted by departments of the respondent city.
3. The budget requests have been transmitted to the City Comptroller.
4. Such budget requests were public records at the time requested.
5. The respondents have denied the requests even though they were public records in the custody of the office of the comptroller on or before February 16, 1976.

ORDER


Respondents are ordered to furnish the information requested by complainant.



Commissioner Judith A. Lahey

as Hearing Officer

Approved by order of the Freedom of Information Commission on
April 28, 1976.


Louis Tapogna
Clerk of the Commission