

## Kirk Vartan

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**From:** Norris, Tom [tom.norris@sanjoseca.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 13, 2008 1:53 PM  
**To:** 'kirk@kvartan.com'  
**Cc:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** RE: Public Records Act request - Original traffic study Forest Ave (west)/Winchester Blvd.

**Attachments:** Rules20080910\_g1.pdf



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pdf (464 KB)

Dear Mr. Vartan:

This message is in response to your request for public records received November 10 regarding the traffic light at the intersection of Winchester Boulevard and Forest Avenue. Responses are as follow:

1. A copy of the original traffic/signal study done for the current traffic light at Forest Avenel (west) and Winchester Blvd.
2. The date the traffic light was installed
3. Any letters or documentation about the intersection before the light was installed, regarding any incidents, accidents, or issues that the public may have voiced
4. The cost of the installation of the light (if known)
5. The reason for installing the traffic light initially

The signal in question was installed by the City of Santa Clara prior to the annexation of the territory by the City of San Jose in 1988. Consequently, we do not have any of the records or information described above. I suggest that you contact the City of Santa Clara for such records.

6. A copy of the new traffic study for removing the light
7. Justification for removal of the light

The traffic study was done for the City of Santa Clara as part of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) completed for the BAREC site development. For a complete copy of this document, you should contact the City of Santa Clara. However, I have attached a copy of the September 10, 2008, memorandum from the City of San Jose Department of Public Works to the Rules and Open Government Committee that includes, as an attachment, the pertinent information from the traffic study for the traffic signal at Winchester and Forest as reviewed by the City of San Jose in response to the encroachment permit application from the City of Santa Clara.

8. Any other relevant information about the light or the intersection that you think would help.

I would need for you to clarify just what that information would be to be able to respond.

Regards,

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-----Original Message-----

From: Kirk Vartan [mailto:kirk@kvartan.com]  
Sent: Monday, November 10, 2008 1:44 AM  
To: tom.norris@sanjoseca.gov; cityclerk@sanjoseca.gov  
Cc: kirk@kvartan.com  
Subject: Public Records Act request - Original traffic study Forest Ave (west)/Winchester Blvd.  
Importance: High

Hello,

I would like to make a formal request under the Public Records Act regarding the original traffic study that was conducted at the intersection of Forest Ave. (west) and Winchester Blvd. in San Jose, CA. It is my understanding that every time a traffic light is installed, a traffic study is conducted. I would like the following:

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8. Any other relevant information about the light or the intersection that you think would help.

Thank you very much,

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