

# Using the New Public Records Request System

Welcome to the new City of Phoenix Public Records Request Center. This system will allow you to submit a request for all public records except those that fall under Municipal Court, Fire, and Police. The new system comes with some exciting features that let you manage and track your requests in the *My Records Center*, communicate with the City, and find records that are already available online.

# **Getting Started**

1. Once on the *Home Page* of the Public Records Center, locate the *Main Menu* in the upper lefthand corner of the page.

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Main Menu	A Hama		
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<b>Q</b> FAQs	Q FAQs Please use this site to submit record requests to the City of Phoenix only. If you are looking for records Submit a Request from the Phoenix Police Department, the Phoenix Fire Department, or the Phoenix Municipal Court, please		
🕝 Submit a Request			
💄 My Request Center	follow the links below:		
Public Records Archive	- Phoenix Police Department		
➔ Login	- Phoenix Fire Department		
FAQs	- Phoenix Municipal Court		

2. The *Main Menu* tab allows you to select your action item.





a. Alternatively, if you scroll down on the home page, you will see *tiles* with similar options.



3. Select *Submit a Request* under the main menu or *Submit Records Request* in the tiles shown above.

# **Create an Account**

This system will require you to set up an account the first time you submit a request. You can create an account or login to your account if you are revisiting the site. Please note, if you forget your password, you can request a *password reset* through the system.

Login
If you have used this service previously, please log in. If this is your first online request, please create an account and provide as much contact information as possible. By creating an account, you will have the ability to track and monitor your public records requests. All communication from the agency will be sent directly to your email account.
Email Address:*
Password:*
✓ Submit
If you don't know or have forgotten your password, click here.
New User? Click below to create a new account.
☑ Create Account



- 1. To create your account, simply click "Create Account" and fill in the fields below.
  - a. Fields with red \* need to be filled in.

My Information			
Please complete as much information as possible. It will provide add more ways to receive documents.	litional ways to contact you	about your request	ed records, along with
Email Address:*			
Title:			
First Name:*			
Last Name:*			
Phone:			
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2. Once the applicable fields are filled in, scroll down to the bottom, fill in the CAPTCHA code, and click submit.



3. Now that your account has been created, you will receive the following message to check your email account associated with the email address you entered for your generated password.

Your account has been created and your password sent to the email address you provided. Retrieve your password and click below to login. Click here to return to the login page. Click here to return to the home page.



4. An email will arrive from <u>cityofphoenixaz@govqa.us</u> containing a link to *Click to set a password*.

Dear .
Thank you for registering with the Records Center. Please log in to the Records Center to update any contact or password information and to track the progress of your request.
Login: Click to set password:
This is an auto-generated email and has originated from an unmonitored email account. Please DO NOT REPLY.

Type in your own password you want to use to access your account in the future.
 a. Fill in both fields with the same password.

New Password :*	
Password Confirmation :*	
Send	
Please enter a new password.	
A valid password must be at least 5 characters in length.	/
Please consider adding at least 1 non-alphanumeric character for further security.	1/



# How to Submit a Public Records Request

### 1. Login to your account.

<b>O</b> Login		
If you have used this service prev contact information as possible. I communication from the agency	iously, please log in. If this is your first online request, pleas and creating an account, you will have the ability to track and will be sent directly to your email account.	se create an account and provide as much d monitor your public records requests. All
Email Address:*		
Password:*		
	⊘ Submit	

### 2. Click *Submit a Request*.

b. Whenever you login to your account, *My Request Center* is your home page.

Main Menu	La My Request Center
<b>Q</b> FAOs	Login here to check the status of requests you have submitted or to update your customer account information.
🕜 Submit a Request	
👗 My Request Center	View My Requests
Public Records Archive	Click above to access requests submitted.
🗭 Logout	Edit Customer Account Information
FAQs	
See All FAQs <b>Q</b>	Logout Logged in as jonathon.neitzel@phoenix.gov



#### 3. The *New Request* screen populates.

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Logged in as:	
Public records are documents or pie conduct of government.	ces of information that are not considered confidential and generally pertain to the
Type of Requester:*	Please Choose 👻
Purpose of Request:*	Commercial Personal / Noncommercial
City Department:*	Please Choose  City department you are requesting records from

## 4. Select the *Type of Requester* you fall under.

Type of Requester:*	Please Choose	•
	Please Choose	
Purpose of Request:*	Attorney or Law Firm	
	Company or Organization	
City Department:*	Current or Former Employee	
	Individual	
Describe the Record(c) Requested t	Labor Union	
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5. Select your *Purpose of Request*.





- 6. Select the Department you want a response from.
  - a. If desired department is not found, or multiple departments are needed, select *Other/Multiple/Unknown*.

City Department:*	Please Choose	•
	Please Choose	1
Describe the Record(s) Requested:*	Aviation Department	
	City Clerk Department	
	Community & Economic Development	
	Equal Opportunity Department	
	Housing Department	

7. Type in the fields to *Describe the Record(s) Requested,* as well as the *From Date* and *To Date* for a time frame to search.





a. Note: after submitting your *Describe the Record(s) Requested* you may see an FAQ pull up to the right of the screen to assist you in finding the records or information that may already exist online.

	Related Information		•
	Frequently Asked Questions	<b>Q</b> search	
2	How do I locate Public Meeting Notices and Results?	്	
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ated In	Where can I find information on Environmental Site Assessments?	ď	
Rel	Where can I find public safety and court records?	ď	
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- 8. Select your Preferred Method to Receive Records.
  - a. This website can now share records through your account's *Records Center*. Any record that is available in electronic format can be shared through your account.

Preferred Method to Receive Records:*	Electronic via Records Center	-
	Electronic via Records Center	
	Inspect On-site	
	Pick-up Copies	
If you have any documents that may assist in respo	Regular Mail	

9. Upload any reference documentation you would like to use to assist in our response.





**10.** Enter CAPTCHA code in the field and click *Submit*.



11. After submission, the screen will confirm your request has been submitted.

🖉 New Request
Reference No:
Logged in as:
Thank you for your interest in public records of City of Phoenix. Your request has been received and is being processed in accordance with ARS §39-121. Your request was received on April 25, 2023 and given the reference number for tracking purposes.
Your request will be forwarded to the relevant department(s) to locate the information you seek and to determine the volume and any costs associated with satisfying your request. You will be contacted about the availability and/or provided with copies of the records in question.
You can monitor the progress of your request in "My Request Center"

- 12. You will also receive a confirmation email.
  - a. Note: in both confirmation messages, it refers you back to the *My Request Center* to view your request status and more.

City of Phoenix
Dear
Thank you for your interest in public records of the City of Phoenix. Your request has been received and is being processed in accordance with ARS §39-121. Your request was received on April 25, 2023 and given the reference number for tracking purposes.
Records Requested:
Your request will be forwarded to the relevant department(s) to locate the information you seek and to determine the volume and any costs associated with satisfying your request. You will be contacted about the availability and/or provided with copies of the records in question.
You can monitor the progress of your request at the link below and you'll receive an email when your request has been completed.
City of Phoenix
To monitor the progress or update this request please log into the Public Records Center [u8387778.ct.sendgrid.net]



How to View the Status of a Request

1. Log back into your account and click the *My Request Center* link under the Main Menu.

Public Records Center	
Main Menu 🍘 Home	A Home
<b>Q</b> FAQs <b>C</b> Submit a Request	Please use this site to submit record requests to the City of Phoenix only. If you are looking for records from the Phoenix Police Department, the Phoenix Fire Department, or the Phoenix Municipal Court, please
<ul> <li>My Request Center</li> <li>Public Records Archive</li> <li>Logout</li> </ul>	follow the links below: - Phoenix Police Department Bhoenix Fire Department
	- Phoenix Municipal Court

### 2. Click View My Requests.

Public Records Center		
Main Menu Home Q FAQs	Login here to check the status of requests you have submitted or to update your customer account information.	
<ul> <li>Submit a Request</li> <li>My Request Center</li> <li>Public Records Archive</li> </ul>	View My Requests Click above to access requests submitted.	
🗭 Logout	Edit Customer Account Information Click above to access and update your customer account information.	

3. View your progress as shown below.

<b>O</b> My Requests		
Public Records Request 16 minutes ago Reference No. Description Status : Assigned Requester Name	In Progress	



How to Message the City About a PRR

- 1. Click *My Request Center* under the *Main Menu*.
- 2. Click View My Requests.
- 3. Click Details.

My Reques	ts	
Public Records Request Reference No Description Status : Assigned	25 minutes ago	In Progress
Details		
<b>0</b> 1 <b>0</b>		

4. Here you will find all the details of your PRR.

Request Type:
Public Records Request
Primary Requester E-Mail:
Reference No:
Status:
Assigned
Public records are documents or pieces of information that are not considered confidential and generally pertain to the conduct of government.
Type of Requester:
Purpose of Request:
City Department:
Describe the Record(s) Requested:
From Date:
To Date:



5. Scroll down and you will see all historical communications. Click *New Message*.

New Message	X Return to List	Print Messages (PD
On 4/25/2023	1:30:47 PM, CityOfPhoenixAZ Support wrote:	
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City	of Phoenix	
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	A STATE	
Dear		1
Thank you for your accordance with Al for tracking purpos	interest in public records of the City of Phoenix. Your n S \$39-121. Your request was received on April 25, 2023 es.	equest has been received and is being processed in 3 and given the reference number
Records Requested		

6. Type in your *Message*, *Attach a file* (if needed), and *Send* message.

Request Type:	Public Records Request
Reference No:	
Primary Requester E-Mail:	
Message:*	Please provide the status to my request.
Attach a File:	
	No Files Selected
	SELECT FILE or Drop file here
Send Cancel	



7. A confirmation page will pull up confirming message was sent.



8. You may visit the request details again in your *My Request Center* to see the last message you sent/received.

New Message	🗙 Return to List		
Messages 3		Print Messages (PDF	
∽ ♠ On 4/25/2023	9:12:45 PM, wrote:		
Please provide the st	atus to my request		

# How to Respond to a Clarification Request From the City

A clarification request will be communicated through your email and to your account. You can reply via *email* or directly *from your account*.

#### **Responding by Email**

Please respond above this line		_
City of Phoenix		
RE: PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST of April 25, 2023, Dear	Reference #	
The City of Phoenix received your public records Description from Original Request	equest, dated April 25, 2023, for the following information:	
If you would like the City of Phoenix to proceed v	ith your request, please provide clarifications within five business days from 04/25/2023. Otherwise, the City of Phoenix will consider your request withdrawn.	
You may submit additional information by respon	ding to this email.	
Upon receipt of your clarification, the City of Pho	enix will further respond to your request as required by Arizona public records law, including providing you with an estimate of costs associated with producing the requested records.	



1. To respond, simply reply to the received email (above the *Respond above this line* line) or click New Message, fill out the *Message* field and hit *Send* to respond.

#### E-mail:

	Subject	RE: [Records Center] Public Records Request :
This is my cla	rification to	my request.
Please respond above this line		
6	City	of Phoenix

### Responding through your account: (*My Request Center>My Requests>Details*)

New Message	🗙 Return to List	
Messages 4	STAN BASE	Print Messages (PDF)
✓ ☑ On 4/25/2023 9	:20:00 PM, CityOfPhoenixAZ S	upport wrote:
Subject: [Records Cer Body: RE: PUBLIC RECORDS Dear The City of Phoenix re Original Descriptio	nter] Public Records Request : REQUEST of April 25, 2023, Re ceived your public records re on of Records	ference #
If you would like the C 04/25/2023. Otherwise You may submit addit Upon receipt of your of law, including providir If you have any questi Sincerely, Human Resources Con	ity of Phoenix to proceed with e, the City of Phoenix will con- ional information by respond clarification, the City of Phoen ng you with an estimate of cos ons or need additional inform nnection Center	your request, please provide clarifications within five business days from ider your request withdrawn. ng to this email. x will further respond to your request as required by Arizona public records ts associated with producing the requested records. ation, please reply to this email.
Human Resources De	partment	



2. Select *New Message* and provide clarifications and or additional information.

Request Type:	Public Records Request
Reference No:	
Primary Requester E-Mail:	
Message:*	This is my clarification to my request.
FILE SIN	
Attach a File:	
	No Files Selected
	SELECT FILE or Drop file here
Send Cancel	

- **3.** Both responses, shown in the example below, are now recorded in the database for future reference:
  - a. **NOTE**: Text in red box is only a placeholder to show where clarification is recorded. Text should be specific to your request to help identify the record(s) you need.

New Message	🗙 Return to List			
Messages 6				Print Messages (PDF)
✓ ♠ On 4/25/2023	9:46:28 PM,	wrote:		
This is my clarificatio	n to my request.			
✓ ♠ On 4/25/2023	9:42:05 PM,	wrote:		
TO: "CityOfPhoenixA	Z Support"[cityofphoenix	az@govqa.us]		
This is my clarificatio	n to my request.			

4. Now the PRR liaison can continue processing your request.



# How to Determine if You are Being Charged for Records

1. You will receive an *email message* and a *notification message* to your account portal.

#### E-mail:

RE: PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST of April 25, 2023, Reference #	
Dear	
The City of Phoenix received your public records request, dated April 25, 2023, for the following information:	
Original Request Description	
In response to your request, City of Phoenix staff has compiled records responsive to your request. The cost for these re	cords is as follows:
Fees Charged: Scanned pages - per page: \$21.00 Fees Waived: 0.00	
Total: \$21.00	
Please send a check or stop by during payment hours Monday through Friday, 9am to 4 pm to pay for your records:	
City of Phoenix-HR Connection Center	
251 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85003	

### Account: (My Request Center>My Requests>Details)

New Message	X Return to List	
Messages 7		🖨 Print Messages (PDF)
✓ ☑ On 4/25/2023	10:06:01 PM, CityOfPhoenixA	Z Support wrote:
Subject: [Records Ce	enter] Public Records Request	
Body:	inter fr done neces do nequeo	
RE: PUBLIC RECORDS	REQUEST of April 25, 2023, I	Reference #
Dear		
The City of Phoenix r	eceived your public records r	equest, dated April 25, 2023, for the following information:
Original Requ	lest Description	
0		
In response to your r	request, City of Phoenix staff	has compiled records responsive to your request. The cost for these records is as
follows		
Fees Charged: Scann	ed pages - per page: \$21.00	
Fees Waived: 0.00		
lotal: \$21.00		Manda (Manuah Crida). Oran ha Anna ha ang Garagan da
Please send a check	or stop by during payment no	burs Monday through Friday, 9am to 4 pm to pay for your records:
251 W Washington	Connection Center	
Phoonix A7 85002	31.	
If you have any ques	tions or need additional info	mation place reply to this email
If you have any ques	dons of need additional mon	maton, please reply to this email.
Human Resources Co	onnection Center	
Human Resources D	epartment	



- 1. IF you are required to pay a fee for your records, the message will contain instructions on how to pay and the amount to be paid to the city.
- 2. Dependent on applicable and preferred delivery options, your records will be disbursed to you via hard copy or electronically.

# How to Determine if Your Request is Complete

1. You will receive an email and a message to your account.

#### E-mail:

Please respond above this line
City of Phoenix
Thank you for your payment! Your records have been uploaded to you through your "Records Center" for you to obtain.
To monitor the progress or update this request please log into the Public Records Center [u8387778.ct.sendgrid.net]
<b>Fowered by</b> <b>Gov</b>

#### Account: (My request center>My Requests>Details)

New Message	X Return to List	
Messages 🔳		Print Messages (PDF)
∨⊠ On 4/25/2023	0:21:31 PM, CityOfPhoenixAZ Support wrote:	
Subject: (Records Ce	ter] Public Records Request ::	
Body: Thank you for	our payment! Your records have been uploaded to you	through your "Records Center" for you to obtain.

2. You will also see the request is completed in your *My Request Center*.



Public Records Center		
Main Menu	မှ My Requests	
Government a Request     My Request Center	Public Records Request about 3 hours age	Completed
Public Records Archive  Logout	Status : Payment Received	
FAQS See All FAQs Q Where can I find information	View File(s) Details	

3. If you elected to receive records through the *Records Center*, and the city can offer this option for the requested records, you will see the *View File(s)* button shown next to "Details" on your request.

Details

### 4. Click View File(s).

5. Find and click the file name or *DOWNLOAD ALL* button to retrieve the City's response.

View File(s) V	iew Messige(s)		
<b>Request Type:</b> Public Records Request			
Primary Requester E-Ma	ail:		
Reference No:			
Status: Payment Received			
	UPLOAD DATE	March (	DOWNLOAD ALL
Files:	04/25/2023	2022_Payday_Calendar.pdf	

6. If another delivery method is preferred by you or required by the city, additional messages will be provided to explain the process of how to obtain your records.

Public Records Requests may still be submitted in person at the City of Phoenix Clerk's Office. Phoenix City Hall | 200 W. Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85013

Thank You