



CITY OF CHICAGO



DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

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Mr. Altruda,

On behalf of the City of Chicago Department of Finance, (“DOF”) I am responding to your Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”) sent on March 1, 2026, and received by DOF on March 3, 2026, seeking:

*“I am seeking the tax collection data from the City of Chicago for the month of January 2026 from licensed sports wagering operators in the city. The Chicago City Council passed its 2026 budget that included a 10.25% tax on city-originated adjusted gross wagering operator revenue from both retail and mobile licensees. I am seeking the total amount of operator AGR generated in Chicago and the subsequent tax receipts the city collected.”*

Pursuant to 5 ILCS/140, you will find information pertaining to your request enclosed in accordance with the FOIA Act. Please be advised the total tax receipts collected by the City for the month of January 2026 from licensed sports wagering operators in the city is \$3,732,882.

To the extent that your FOIA request has been denied, you have a right of review by the Illinois Attorney General’s Public Access Counselor, who can be contacted at 500 S. Second St., Springfield, IL 62706 or by telephone at (217)558-0486. You may also seek judicial review of a denial under 5 ILCS 140/11 of FOIA.

Sincerely,

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