



CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

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The Honorable Darrell Clarke
City Council President
City Hall, Room 490
Philadelphia, PA 19107

Dear President Clarke:

This letter is in response to questions raised at the April 22nd, 2014 hearing before the Committee of the Whole on the Fiscal Year 2015 budget for the Revenue Tax Bills. The questions were recorded as follows:

From Councilman Johnson:

1. Can you provide to the Chair the number of people that foreclosed on their homes because they defaulted on their payment agreement during FY13?

During FY13, 156 non-commercial properties defaulted on their payment agreements and went to Sheriff Sale. We are not able to determine which were owner-occupied residences prior to the sale.

2. Can you provide the payment agreement information by Council District or zip code?

The chart below shows the payment agreement data for Real Estate Tax prepared as of May 2014:

Council District	Number of Properties	Total Owed
1	1,431	\$7,855,691
2	1,911	\$9,016,998
3	3,291	\$17,293,798
4	2,246	\$13,597,464
5	1,965	\$8,908,151
6	747	\$5,418,347
7	1,966	\$8,254,921
8	3,391	\$21,134,924
9	2,258	\$13,631,137
10	506	\$3,717,541
Not Classified	4	\$13,387
Total	19,716	\$108,842,358

Notes:

- 1) data is as of February 2014 month end
- 2) does not include taxpayers paying in installments

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have about the information provided in this response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Clarena I. W. Tolson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Clarena" being more prominent.

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cc: Everett Gillison, Chief of Staff
 Rob Dubow, Director of Finance
 Rebecca Rhynhart, Budget Director
 Fiona Greig, Deputy Budget Director