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Dear Mr. Butler:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Public Information Act (the "Act"), chapter 552 of the Government Code. Your request was assigned ID# 636516.

The City of Hurst (the "city"), which you represent, received a request for all information related to a specified car crash. You state you have released some information to the requestor. You claim the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under section 552.130 of the Government Code. We have considered the exception you claim and reviewed the submitted information.

Section 552.130 of the Government Code excepts from disclosure information relating to a motor vehicle operator's license, driver's license, motor vehicle title or registration, or personal identification document issued by an agency of this state or another state or country is excepted from public release. *See* Gov't Code § 552.130. You assert the submitted video recordings contain motor vehicle record information that is excepted from disclosure under section 552.130. Upon review, we agree the submitted video recordings contain confidential motor vehicle record information. In this instance, you state the city does not possess the technological capability to redact information from the video files. Thus, we find the city must withhold the submitted video recordings in their entireties under section 552.130 of the Government Code. *See* Open Records Decision No. 364 (1983).

You also ask this office to issue a previous determination that would permit the city to withhold the entirety of a video recording that contains motor vehicle record information under section 552.130 of the Government Code without requesting a ruling from this office. Open Records Decision No. 673 (2001). We decline to issue such a previous determination at this time. Accordingly, this letter ruling is limited to the particular information at issue in this request and limited to the facts as presented to us; therefore, this ruling must not be relied upon as a previous determination regarding any other information or any other circumstances.

This ruling triggers important deadlines regarding the rights and responsibilities of the governmental body and of the requestor. For more information concerning those rights and responsibilities, please visit our website at http://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/open/orl_ruling_info.shtml, or call the Office of the Attorney General's Open Government Hotline, toll free, at (877) 673-6839. Questions concerning the allowable charges for providing public information under the Act may be directed to the Office of the Attorney General, toll free, at (888) 672-6787.

Sincerely,



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c: Requestor
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