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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

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Ms. Erin J. Onyon
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OR2019-22968

Dear Ms. Onyon:

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# 781134 (ORR# 670-2019).

The City of Mansfield (the "city") received a request for all information pertaining to a specified case involving the requestor's client. You state the city has released some information to the requestor. You claim the submitted information is exempted from disclosure under sections 552.101 and 552.130 of the Government Code.¹ We have considered the exceptions you claim and reviewed the submitted information.

Section 552.130 of the Government Code exempts from public disclosure information relating to a motor vehicle operator's or driver's license, motor vehicle title or registration, or personal identification document issued by an agency of this state or another state or country. *See* Gov't Code § 552.130. Upon review, we find the submitted video recordings contain confidential motor vehicle record information. You state the city does not have the technological capability to redact the motor vehicle record information from the recordings.

¹We note the city did not comply with the requirements of section 552.301(b) of the Government Code in providing some of the information at issue. *See* Gov't Code § 552.301(b). Nonetheless, because the exceptions you claim can provide compelling reasons to overcome the presumption of openness, we will consider their applicability to the submitted information. *See id.* §§ 552.007, .302, .352.

Accordingly, the city must withhold the submitted recordings in their entireties under section 552.130 of the Government Code.² *See* Open Records Decision No. 364 (1983).

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 <https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/open-government/members-public/what-expect-after-ruling-issued> or call the OAG's Open Government Hotline, toll free, at (877) 673-6839. Questions concerning the allowable charges for providing public information under the Public Information Act may be directed to the Cost Rules Administrator of the OAG, toll free, at (888) 672-6787.

Sincerely,



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Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)

²As our ruling is dispositive, we need not address the remaining argument against disclosure of this information.