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Mr. Joseph Behnke
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Dear Mr. Behnke:

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# 830213 (Ref. No. 103-20).

The Office of the Governor (the "governor's office") received a request for a specified application. Although you take no position as to whether the submitted information is excepted under the Act, you state release of this information may implicate the interests of Harris County Houston Sports Authority ("HCHSA"). Accordingly, you state, and provide documentation showing, you notified HCHSA of the request for information and of its right to submit arguments to this office as to why the submitted information should not be released. *See* Gov't Code § 552.304 (providing interested party may submit comments stating why information should or should not be released). We have reviewed the submitted information.

As of the date of this letter, we have not received comments from HCHSA explaining why any portion of the submitted information should not be released to the requestor. Thus, the governor's office may not withhold the submitted information based on any interest HCHSA may have in the information. As no exceptions to disclosure have been raised, the governor's office must release the submitted information.

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,

Michelle Garza
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Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)

1 Third Party
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