



KEN PAXTON
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

August 31, 2020

Mr. Brian Sears
Assistant General Counsel
Texas Department of Public Safety
P.O. Box 4087
Austin, Texas 78773-0001

OR2020-21881

Dear Mr. Sears:

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# 842336 (PIR 20-1918).

The Department of Public Safety (the "department") received a request for records related to the in-custody death of a named individual. You state the department will release some information. Although the department takes no position as to the disclosure of the submitted information, you state you notified Travis County (the "county") 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 (interested party may submit comments stating why information should or should not be released). We have reviewed the submitted information. We have also received and considered comments submitted by the requestor. *See id.*

As of the date of this letter, we have not received any comments from the county explaining why any portion of the submitted information should not be released to the requestor. As no exceptions to disclosure have been raised, the submitted information must be released.

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,

Erin Groff
Assistant Attorney General
Open Records Division

EMG/gw

Ref: ID# 842336

Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)