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OR2020-24229

Re: Request for any and all records, 911 calls, police reports, etc.

Dear Mr. Townsend:

The Office of the Attorney General has received your request for a ruling and assigned your request ID# 851523.

After reviewing your arguments and the submitted information, we have determined your request does not present a novel or complex issue. Thus, we are addressing your claims in a memorandum opinion. In this instance, the requestor does not give the requisite information under section 1701.661(a) of the Occupations Code. As the requestor did not properly request the body worn camera recording(s) at issue pursuant to chapter 1701, our ruling does not reach this information and it need not be released. You claim the remaining information must be withheld from the requestor pursuant to section 552.101 of the Government Code. The remaining information reveals the requestor knows the identity of the individual involved as well as the nature of the information at issue. Therefore, withholding only the individual's identity or certain details of the incident from the requestor would not preserve the subject individual's common-law right of privacy. Accordingly, to protect the privacy of the individual to whom the information relates, you must withhold the remaining information in its entirety under section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with common-law privacy.

For more information on the cited exception, please refer to the open government information on our website at <https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/open-government/governmental-bodies/open-records-memorandum-rulings>. You may also contact our Open Government Hotline at 1-877-OPENTEX.

Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)