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Dear Ms. Hale:

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# 936564.

The City of Saginaw (the "city"), which you represent, received a request for body camera recordings pertaining to a specified incident. You claim the submitted information was not properly requested pursuant to section 1701.661 of the Occupations Code. You claim the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under sections 552.101 and 552.130 of the Government Code. We have considered your submitted arguments and reviewed the submitted information.

Section 552.130 of the Government Code provides 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. Upon review, we find the submitted video recordings contain confidential motor vehicle record information not belonging to the requestor. In this instance, you state the city does not possess the technological capability to redact information from video files. Thus, we agree the city must withhold the entireties of the submitted video recordings under section 552.130 of the Government Code.¹ *See* Open Records Decision No. 364 (1983).

¹ As our ruling is dispositive, we need not address your remaining arguments against disclosure of this information or address the applicability of section 1701.661(a) of the Occupations Code to the submitted video recordings. *See generally* Occ. Code § 1701.661(a), (e).

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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