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Dear Ms. Bryan:

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# 983003.

The City of Bertram (the "city") received a request for the mailing and physical addresses for specified city officials. You state the city released information to the requestor, but made redactions as permitted by sections 552.024(c) and 552.1175(f) of the Government Code without requesting a decision from this office. Pursuant to sections 552.024(c-1) and 552.1175(g), the requestor has asked this office to review the information redacted by the city and render a decision as to whether it is excepted from disclosure under sections 552.117(a)(1) and 552.1175(a) of the Government Code. We have considered the city's position and reviewed the information.

Initially, we note the requestor only seeks the mailing and physical address of the city council members and the mayor. Accordingly, the remaining submitted information is not responsive to the instant request. This ruling does not address the public availability of any information that is not responsive to the request and the city is not required to release such information in response to this request.

Section 552.117(a)(17) of the Government Code excepts from disclosure the home address and telephone number, emergency contact information, social security number, and family member information of an elected public officer, regardless of whether the officer complies with section 552.024 or section 552.1175 of the Government Code. *See* Gov't Code

§ 552.117(a)(17). Accordingly, the city must withhold the submitted responsive information under section 552.117(a)(17) of the Government Code.[1]

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)

[1] As our ruling is dispositive, we need not address the remaining argument against disclosure of the submitted responsive information.