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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

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Ms. Jennifer M. Avendano  
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1001 East Elizabeth Street  
Brownsville, Texas 78520

OR2022-38224

Dear Ms. Avendano:

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# 988636.

The City of Brownsville (the "city") received a request for specified agreements between the city and specified third parties. You claim the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under sections 552.104 and 552.131 of the Government Code. We have considered the exceptions you claim and reviewed the submitted information.

You inform this office the submitted information was the subject of a previous request for a ruling, as a result of which this office issued Open Records Letter No. 2022-25064 (2022). In that ruling, we determined the city may withhold the submitted information under section 552.104(a) of the Government Code. You state the law, facts, and circumstances on which the prior ruling was based have not changed. Thus, the city may continue to rely on Open Records Letter No. 2022-25064 as a previous determination and withhold the submitted information in accordance with that ruling.<sup>1</sup> See Open Records Decision No. 673 (2001) (so long as law, facts, and circumstances on which prior ruling was based have not changed, first type of previous determination exists where requested information is precisely same information as was addressed in a prior attorney general ruling, ruling is addressed to same governmental body, and ruling concludes that information is or is not excepted from disclosure).

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<sup>1</sup> As we are able to make this determination, we need not address your arguments against disclosure of 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,

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Open Records Division

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Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor  
(w/o enclosures)