



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS  
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February 4, 2013

Ms. Michele Tapia  
Assistant City Attorney  
City of Carrollton  
1945 East Jackson Road  
Carrollton, Texas 75006

OR2013-01966

Dear Ms. Tapia:

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# 478181.

The City of Carrollton (the "city") received a request for information pertaining to a specified incident. You state you have released some of the responsive information to the requestor. You claim a portion of the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under section 552.130 of the Government Code. We have considered the exception you claim and reviewed the submitted information.

Section 552.130 of the Government Code excepts from public disclosure information relating to a motor vehicle title or registration issued by an agency of this state or another state or country. *See* Gov't Code § 552.130(a)(2). Upon review, we agree the submitted audio recording contains a license plate number excepted from disclosure under section 552.130(a)(2). You state the city does not have the technological ability to redact this information from the recording. However, because the city has the ability to copy the audio recording in order to submit it for our review, we believe the city has the capacity to produce a copy of the audio recording without the license plate number we have indicated. Therefore, we find the city must withhold only the information we have indicated under section 552.130 of the Government Code. As you raise no other exceptions to disclosure, the remaining 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 [http://www.oag.state.tx.us/open/index\\_orl.php](http://www.oag.state.tx.us/open/index_orl.php), or call the Office of the Attorney General's Open Government Hotline, toll free, at (877) 673-6839. Questions concerning the allowable charges for providing public information under the Act must be directed to the Cost Rules Administrator of the Office of the Attorney General, toll free at (888) 672-6787.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michelle R. Garza". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized initial "M" and "G".

Michelle R. Garza  
Assistant Attorney General  
Open Records Division

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Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor  
(w/o enclosures)