



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS
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Ms. Heather Silver
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City of Dallas
1500 Marilla Street, Room 7DN
Dallas, Texas 75201

OR2014-09731

Dear Ms. Silver:

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# 530516.

The City of Dallas (the "city") received a request for the e-mail addresses of members of the city's Park Board. You state the city will provide the requestor with the e-mail addresses of the individuals who have affirmatively consented to the release of their personal e-mail addresses. You claim some of the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under section 552.137 of the Government Code. We have considered the exception you claim and reviewed the submitted information.

Section 552.137 of the Government Code excepts from disclosure "an e-mail address of a member of the public that is provided for the purpose of communicating electronically with a governmental body" unless the member of the public consents to its release or the e-mail address is of a type specifically excluded by subsection (c). *See Gov't Code* § 552.137(a)-(c). The e-mail addresses at issue are not excluded by subsection (c). You state the owners of the marked e-mail addresses have not affirmatively consented to their public disclosure. Therefore, the city must withhold the personal e-mail addresses you have marked under section 552.137 of the Government Code.

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.texasattorneygeneral.gov/open/orl_ruling_info.shtml, 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 may be directed to the Office of the Attorney General, toll free, at (888) 672-6787.

Sincerely,



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Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)