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OR2016-10888

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

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# 612964 (City Ref. No. W026153-031516).

The City of Arlington (the "city") received a request for a list of all homeowner's association contacts. You state the city will release most of the requested information to the requestor. You claim some of the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under section 552.127 of the Government Code. We have considered the exception you claim and reviewed the submitted information.

Section 552.127 of the Government Code excepts from disclosure information that "identifies a person as a participant in a neighborhood crime watch organization and relates to the name, home address, business address, home telephone number, or business telephone number of the person." Gov't Code § 552.127(a); *see also id.* § 552.127(b) (defining "neighborhood crime watch organization"). You assert the information you have marked identifies individuals who are members of neighborhood crime watch organizations. Upon review, we find the city must withhold the information you have marked under section 552.127 of the Government Code. The city must release the remaining 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 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lee Seidlits". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a horizontal line extending from the end.

Lee Seidlits
Assistant Attorney General
Open Records Division

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Ref: ID# 612964

Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)