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Mr. Francisco I. Peña
Mayor
City of Rio Bravo
1701 Centeno Lane
Rio Bravo, Texas 78046

OR2016-16590

Dear Mr. Peña

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# 619611.

The City of Rio Bravo (the "city") received a request for specified paychecks of a named employee. The city states it has released some of the requested information, but claims some of the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under section 552.117 of the Government Code. We have considered the claimed exception and reviewed the submitted information.

Section 552.117(a)(1) of the Government Code excepts from disclosure the home addresses and telephone numbers, emergency contact information, social security numbers, and family member information of current or former officials or employees of a governmental body who request that this information be kept confidential under section 552.024 of the Government Code. Gov't Code § 552.117(a)(1). The submitted information does not contain a home address, telephone number, emergency contact information, social security number, or family member information of a current or former official or employee of the city. Therefore, the city may not withhold any of the submitted information under section 552.117(a)(1) of the Government Code.

Section 552.136(b) of the Government Code provides, "[n]otwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a credit card, debit card, charge card, or access device number that

is collected, assembled, or maintained by or for a governmental body is confidential.”¹ *Id.* § 552.136(b). The city must withhold the information we have marked under section 552.136 of the Government Code. As the city has not raised any other exception to disclosure, it 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,



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Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)

¹The Office of the Attorney General will raise a mandatory exception on behalf of a governmental body. *See* Open Records Decision Nos. 481 at 2 (1987), 480 at 5 (1987).