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The Honorable Greg Abbott
Texas Attorney General
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RE: Attorney General Opinion Request

Dear General Abbott:

I have been made aware of a dispute regarding the Texas Open Meetings Act. It is for that reason that I request an Attorney General's Opinion regarding the following:

- (1) Must a non-binding vote on a ceremonial "personal endorsement" motion taken during the open session of a City Council meeting be specifically noticed at least seventy-two hours prior to the meeting in order to fully comply with the Texas Open Meetings Act.
- (2) If the City Council, at a subsequent meeting, re-adopts the non-binding, ceremonial "personal endorsement," after that motion has been specifically set forth on the agenda and posted for the requisite seventy-two hours, does that revote "cure" any short comings in the prior action.

If you need any additional information, please feel free to contact Sherri Walker in my office at (512)463-0794. Thank you for your valuable time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Allan Ritter".

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