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Mr. Curtis E. Hawk
City Manager
City of Southlake
667 North Carroll Avenue
Southlake, Texas 76092

OR91-046

Dear Mr. Hawk:

You ask whether a settlement agreement between the city of Southlake and the former chief of police is subject to required public disclosure under the Texas Open Records Act, article 6252-17a, V.T.C.S., where a federal district has ordered that the settlement agreement be made confidential. Your request was assigned ID# 11285. Because of that order, the city may not make the settlement agreement available. V.T.C.S. art. 6252-17a, §§ 3(a)(1), 3(a)(7); Open Records Decision No. 415 (1984).

Because case law and prior published open records decisions resolve your request, we are resolving this matter with this informal letter ruling rather than with a published open records decision. If you have questions about this ruling, please refer to OR91-046.

Yours very truly,

Sarah Woelk
Assistant Attorney General
Opinion Committee

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Ref.: ID# 11285

cc: Julie Herrick
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