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OR92-397

Dear Mr. Karakashian:

The Texas Department of Public Safety asks whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Texas Open Records Act, V.T.C.S. article 6252-17a. Your request was assigned ID # 16371.

The Department has received a request for all information relating to the Mid-Valley Community Center and its members. The Department has furnished for our review certain documents. The Department contends that these documents are excepted from required public disclosure by Open Records Act section 3(a)(8).

Open Records Act section 3(a)(8) excepts from required public disclosure

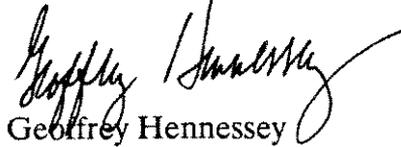
*records of law enforcement agencies and prosecutors that deal with the detection, investigation, and prosecution of crime and the internal records and notations of such law enforcement agencies and prosecutors which are maintained for internal use in matters relating to law enforcement and prosecution.*

We have previously ruled that matters under active police investigation are excepted by section 3(a)(8). Open Records Decisions Nos. 474 (1987); 372 (1983). We have reviewed the documents at issue and have determined that they relate to an active investigation. Accordingly, the requested information is excepted from required public disclosure pursuant to Open Records Act section 3(a)(8).

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 OR92-397.

Very truly yours,



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