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Lieutenant William Ryan
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OR2012-07848

Dear Lt. Ryan:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under chapter 552 of the Government Code. Your request was assigned ID# 454886.

The Pharr Police Department (the “department”) received a request for all reports from December 2011 to February 2012 pertaining to a specific address. You state the department has released all reports that are not pending, as well as the basic information from active investigations. *See* Gov’t Code § 552.108(c) (stating basic information about arrest, arrested person, or crime cannot be withheld under Gov’t Code § 552.108); *see also* Open Records Decision No. 127 (1976) (summarizing types of information considered basic information). You state the remaining information is excepted from disclosure under section 552.108 of the Government Code. We have reviewed your claimed exception and the submitted documents.

Two of the submitted reports are not responsive to the request because the crimes occurred outside of the requested date range. This ruling does not address the public availability of these non-responsive records and they need not be released in response to this request.

Section 552.108(a)(1) of the Government Code excepts from disclosure “[i]nformation held by a law enforcement agency or prosecutor that deals with the detection, investigation, or prosecution of crime . . . if . . . release of the information would interfere with the detection, investigation, or prosecution of crime[.]” Gov’t Code § 552.108(a)(1). A governmental body claiming section 552.108 must reasonably explain how and why the