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Subject: Formal Council Oversight Submission – Data Security, OAG Compliance, and Renewed Ethics Agenda Request
Date: August 19, 2026 at 6:53 AM
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Mayor Lyon and Members of the City Council,

Attached is my signed and bookmarked 74-page Formal Council Oversight Submission dated August 19, 2026. It addresses my continuing concerns regarding sensitive-information exposure, data-security incidents, vendor and access controls, and the City's alleged continued withholding of records after Attorney General Letter Rulings OR2026-018153 and OR2026-027532.

The submission requests governing-body oversight, preservation of relevant records, documented incident-status reconciliation, a current OAG-compliance status, and placement of an appropriately worded oversight item on the earliest lawfully posted Council agenda.

I also again expressly request that my pending formal ethics complaints be added back to the next available lawfully posted City Council agenda for review and action. Please treat this as a renewed agenda request, separate from and in addition to the data-security and OAG-compliance agenda item requested in the attached submission.

Please acknowledge receipt of the complete 74-page attachment and identify the official coordinating the City's response by 5:00 p.m. Friday, August 21, 2026. As stated in the submission, I request the initial written status by Tuesday, August 25, 2026, or identification of the date by which it will be provided.

I am not requesting off-agenda deliberation or a reply-all discussion. Please route acknowledgment and any substantive response through a single designated City contact.

With gratitude,

Kyle Douglas Moring

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FORMAL NOTICE AND REQUEST FOR GOVERNING-BODY REVIEW

Data-Security and Sensitive-Information Oversight

Exposure and breach concerns | Vendor controls | OAG-ordered records

To: Mayor Wesley Lyon II; Mayor Pro Tem Carl Hinton; Councilmembers Debbie Corbell, Jonathan Hageman, and Kelly Redfearn-Faulkner
From: Kyle Douglas Moring
Date: August 19, 2026
Re: Continued concerns regarding sensitive-information exposure, data-security incidents, vendor controls, and nonproduction after OAG rulings OR2026-018153 and OR2026-027532

> **Requested handling.** Please preserve the records identified below, route this notice through the City's governing-body process, and place an appropriately worded item on the earliest lawfully posted agenda. My principal concern is the accumulation of unresolved data-security and sensitive-information incidents: reported apparent exposure through the public transparency portal, City counsel's later acknowledgment that confidential information was inadvertently released through the open-records process, and Hunter Bonner's new public allegations involving electronic signatures and incomplete vendor-account offboarding. In parallel, the City is alleged to be withholding nonconfidential information after two final OAG rulings. I am not requesting off-agenda deliberation, a reply-all discussion, or any attempt to influence the District Attorney's independent review.

1. Why immediate Council review is warranted

This notice concerns the City's ability to control sensitive information throughout its lifecycle: publication, access, vendor administration, electronic authorization, redaction, production, incident response, preservation, and public accountability. The enclosed record presents multiple distinct warning signs across those functions. The record does not establish a common cause or intentional misconduct, but the recurrence and the absence of documented closure available to me justify prompt governing-body oversight rather than isolated treatment of each episode.

I use breach and exposure language carefully. The May 28 correspondence contains City counsel's acknowledgment that confidential information was inadvertently released. The April OpenGov matters remain reported apparent exposures, and Bonner's statements remain public allegations. Whether any event meets a particular statutory definition of a data breach, triggers notice duties, or shares a cause with another event requires a documented, competent investigation.

2. Continuing data-security and sensitive-information concerns

The immediate data-security concern is not limited to one document or one system. The record raises unresolved questions about public-portal publication controls, sensitive-data detection, embedded attachments, vendor identity and access management, electronic authorization, offboarding, audit logging, incident escalation, preservation, and documented closure.

April 28-29: apparent OpenGov exposure

My sanitized notices to the Council reported that a pattern-based review of a public Accounts Payable export identified apparent SSN-format values and later apparent victim or patient-identifying information associated with sexual-assault forensic-examination payment records, including apparent minor-patient context. The detailed evidence was not sent to the Council; it was provided separately in encrypted form to City administration and counsel. These were reported findings, not City admissions or final determinations that a legally defined breach occurred.

City Manager Rob Vine replied that the City would investigate and work with its partners to ensure private information remained safe. The public-facing state appeared to change the next morning, but the records available to me do not include written findings, a closure report, or an explanation of containment, scope, vendor coordination, notice decisions, or remediation.

On May 27, City Secretary Candias Webster certified that the City found no records responsive to the 25 categories in my May 14 request concerning handling of the OpenGov issue and identified only my own communication. That certification appears difficult to reconcile with Vine's written acknowledgment and stated plan to investigate and work with partners. I do not ask the Council to infer that the certification was false; I ask for a documented reconciliation of the search scope, custodians, responsive City-generated records, and current incident status.

May 28: acknowledged inadvertent release

After I notified the Council that an apparently unredacted MPPD case-report attachment had been included in a TPIA production, City counsel Austin R. Beck wrote: "It appears that confidential information was inadvertently released to you recently through the open records process." He requested deletion of the unredacted criminal-case information and stated that the City could resend the material after appropriate redactions. I responded that I had not attached, forwarded, quoted, published, or otherwise disseminated the unredacted contents and requested preservation, a corrected nonexempt production, and a file-level explanation. This is the clearest documented disclosure incident in the enclosed record. Beck's statement confirms an inadvertent confidential-information release in general; it does not establish every category I described or, by itself, a statutorily defined data breach.

August 18: Hunter Bonner's public allegations

During public comment, Hunter Bonner identified himself as an IT professional and publicly alleged that two City internet-fiber renewals bore his name in an electronic-signature field even though he did not authorize or execute them. The attached automated transcript records him stating that the associated email address was not his, that he submitted a public-

information request concerning the matter, that vendor-account offboarding had not been completed after he left City IT work, and that he filed reports with three law-enforcement agencies, including the Mount Pleasant Police Department. He asked the Council to conduct a full review of the incident and the City's cybersecurity controls.

I report Bonner's statements as public allegations, not established findings. The transcript is automated speech-to-text and is not represented as official minutes or a certified verbatim transcript; the official recording should control if wording is material. His June 2026 fiber-renewal account is distinct and is not shown to be the same incident as the FY2024 vendor-impersonation cybertheft addressed by OR2026-027532. It does not prove either section 552.3215(e) complaint and does not materially support the Rodriguez matter. Its relevance is that it independently raises vendor-account governance, electronic authorization, offboarding, incident reporting, record preservation, and public-information access concerns that overlap with the controls the Council should now examine.

3. Continued withholding after OAG rulings

The data-security concerns are accompanied by a separate records-release problem. On August 13, 2026, I submitted two signed, written complaints to Titus County District Attorney Charles C. Bailey under Texas Government Code section 552.3215(e). Each alleges continuing noncompliance by the City of Mount Pleasant with a separate attorney-general letter ruling. The complete signed complaints and supporting exhibits are enclosed.

Matter	Ruling and complaint allegation	August 13 record
Vendor cybertheft OR2026-027532	Issued June 30, 2026. The complaint alleges that the City did not submit the requested information to the OAG and did not produce the information the ruling ordered released under section 552.302.	I emailed the signed 16-page packet at 12:02 p.m. Bailey transmitted the matter to City counsel Austin R. Beck at 3:10 p.m., copying me and asking Beck to advise.
Rodriguez records OR2026-018153	Issued June 2, 2026. The complaint is limited to the OAG-unmarked remainder of the submitted enclosure set; it does not seek disclosure of the technical information the OAG marked for withholding.	I emailed the signed 27-page packet at 12:29 p.m. Bailey acknowledged receipt at 1:27 p.m. and transmitted the matter to Beck at 3:07 p.m., copying me and asking Beck to advise.

Source note: *the signed complaints and their exhibits control. This table is a concise summary, not a substitute for the underlying filings.*

Bailey's same-day referrals to City counsel are requests for a response. They are not findings that a violation occurred, decisions to bring an enforcement action, or written cure notices under section 552.3215(j). The local prosecutor's determinations under section 552.3215(g) remain independent. I ask the Council to address the City's own compliance and governance responsibilities without directing, pressuring, or attempting to predict Bailey's decision.

The complaints describe the status through August 13, when they were signed. I request a current written status as of August 18. If the City contends that it took a post-ruling action or made a production that I did not receive or did not recognize as responsive, please identify the date, transmission method, records involved, and statutory basis.

4. Requested Council action

- **Acknowledge and agenda.** Please acknowledge receipt through a single designated City contact and place a properly noticed agenda item before the Council concerning sensitive-information exposure, data-security incidents, cybersecurity and vendor controls, OAG compliance, and records-release controls. No individual member is asked to deliberate or commit to action by email.
- **Independent data-security and records-control review.** Use the Council's Charter oversight authority to commission or direct an independent review of public-portal publication controls; PII and confidential-information detection; redaction and embedded-attachment review; vendor authorization and offboarding; stale and privileged access; multifactor authentication; electronic-signature and contract-renewal controls; payment-change controls; incident logging and escalation; affected-person and agency notification decisions; and law-enforcement/CJIS-related access. Provide a public summary while protecting confidential and security-sensitive details.
- **Incident-status reconciliation.** Direct a written, non-sensitive status report addressing the April OpenGov notices, the May 28 acknowledged inadvertent release, and Bonner's distinct allegations. For each, identify whether the matter was logged; who investigated; what was preserved; what vendors or agencies were contacted; whether access and audit logs were reviewed; what scope and cause were found; what containment, notification, reporting, and corrective actions were taken; whether affected people were notified or that question was evaluated; and whether the matter is open or closed. Reconcile Webster's May 27 certification with Vine's April 28 response.
- **Immediate preservation.** Direct a documented preservation hold covering the April OpenGov notices and response; the May 28 production and recall; Bonner's distinct fiber-renewal allegations; records responsive to both OAG requests and complaints; and the City's communications with Bailey and counsel. Preserve native files, attachments, metadata, email headers, audit and access logs, publication and export logs, e-signature records, vendor-account ownership and offboarding records, contracts and renewals, incident reports, review notes, backups, and records held by City vendors or agents.
- **OAG compliance status.** Direct the City Manager and City Attorney or outside counsel to provide a factual written status for each ruling: what has been produced; what remains withheld and under what authority; whether a cost estimate or certified production schedule was issued; whether any timely section 552.324 suit was filed, with court and cause number; and what preservation measures are active.
- **Prompt lawful cure.** While Bailey conducts his independent review, direct prompt voluntary compliance with the rulings unless an operative court order or other lawful basis prevents it. For OR2026-018153, this request is limited to the complete OAG-unmarked remainder of the precise submitted enclosure set and identification of the OAG-marked material withheld. For OR2026-027532, produce the information ordered released or identify the timely suit and operative order relied upon.
- **Accurate cooperation with the District Attorney.** Direct the City, through counsel, to provide Bailey complete and accurate information responsive to his inquiries and to

preserve the exact materials provided. This is a request for cooperation, not for the Council to contact Bailey to influence his statutory determinations.

5. Requested response dates

Please acknowledge receipt and identify the official coordinating the City's response by 5:00 p.m. Friday, August 21, 2026. Please provide the initial written status described above by Tuesday, August 25, 2026, or identify the date by which it will be provided. These are requested administrative response dates; they do not alter or purport to calculate any statutory deadline applicable to Bailey's independent review.

6. Boundaries and non-duplication

- **No merits or criminal determination.** I am not asking the Council to determine the statutory merits, direct prosecution, find criminal liability, waive attorney-client privilege, or discipline any employee based solely on public comment.
- **No interference with Bailey.** I am not asking the Council or City staff to influence, delay, or impede Bailey's review under section 552.3215.
- **No new public-information request.** This notice is a governance and preservation request. It does not replace, narrow, or expand the underlying TPIA requests or the relief sought in the two complaints.
- **No demand for protected material.** I do not request public disclosure of the technical information the OAG marked for withholding in OR2026-018153, privileged legal advice, or other information made confidential by law.
- **Distinct events and careful terminology.** The April OpenGov reports, the May acknowledged inadvertent release, Bonner's allegations, the FY2024 vendor-impersonation theft, and the Rodriguez ruling are separate matters. Except for Beck's acknowledged inadvertent release, I use terms such as apparent exposure, allegation, and data-security incident rather than claiming that a legally defined breach has been established.
- **Cause No. 44437 remains separate.** The Vendor Cybertheft request and OR2026-027532 are not pleaded as a claim in that mandamus case. The Rodriguez post-ruling matter appears there only as supplemental pattern evidence in paragraph 107 and Exhibit N; no independent count or request-specific relief seeks enforcement of the February 9 request or OR2026-018153.

7. Record-integrity notes

Privacy minimization. The contextual exhibits use sanitized Council notices and a limited excerpt of Vine's acknowledgment. The confidential April notices, direct portal address, encrypted findings, underlying unredacted police report, and victim or patient identifiers are not included. The May 28 correspondence is included only because it contains counsel's acknowledgment and Moring's documented nondissemination and preservation response; it does not include the underlying report.

Vendor ruling date. Bailey's August 13 cover letter concerning OR2026-027532 states that the attorney-general ruling was dated June 2, 2026. The enclosed ruling and signed complaint reflect the correct issuance date: June 30, 2026. This notice uses the correct date.

Rodriguez packet completeness. My emailed Rodriguez filing was 27 pages. The 25-page office scan later attached to Bailey's referral appears to omit the R-5 divider and the first page of the five-page email document included in R-6. To avoid ambiguity, this Council binder encloses the complete clean 27-page signed packet I transmitted, not the shorter scan. The omission is noted solely to maintain an accurate record.

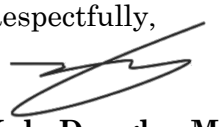
Filing status. Bailey expressly acknowledged receipt of the Rodriguez complaint and his same-day Vendor referral establishes receipt of that matter. The supplied copies do not contain a filing date marked on the face, and no response from Beck to Bailey's August 13 referrals appears in the materials enclosed here. I will address any filing-date confirmation directly with Bailey; I do not ask the Council to resolve that administrative point.

8. Authority and closing

Texas Government Code section 552.3215(e)-(j) establishes the local civil-enforcement complaint process and the prosecutor's independent determinations. Sections 552.306(c)-(d) and 552.324 address post-ruling action and judicial challenge. The Mount Pleasant City Charter, including Article VI, section 16; Article VII, section 6; and Article XI, provides the Council with policy, oversight, and investigatory authority concerning municipal administration. I respectfully request that the Council use that authority for preservation, factual review, lawful corrective action, and prevention.

Please preserve this notice and the accompanying binder as City records and provide the requested acknowledgment and status through a single designated contact.

Respectfully,



Kyle Douglas Moring
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