From [redacted] <[redacted]>
Date Wed, 12 Aug 2026 10:12:44 -0500
To Candias Webster <cwebster@mtpleasanttx.gov>
Cc Austin Beck <abeck@dtrglaw.com>
Subject Re: Texas Public Information Act Request – Walmart Store #131 Correspondence

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Candias,

When I said, “Please proceed,” I was accepting the $72 estimate. I’m not refusing to pay the valid charges.

But neither the estimate nor your email called this payment a deposit or bond. The estimate just says I have to pay before the City will proceed and cites § 552.263(f).

From what I can tell, that section does not allow the City to require advance payment here. Under § 552.263(a), a governmental body with more than 15 full-time employees can require a deposit or bond only when the estimate is more than $100. This estimate is only $72. Section 552.263(f) only applies when a deposit or bond was properly required under subsection (a).

The City can require payment before giving me the completed records, but it should not hold up processing until I prepay an amount below the $100 limit.

Please keep my request active and continue processing it. I will pay the valid final charges before the records are provided. If the City believes it can require advance payment under some other part of the law, please tell me which section applies and why.

Also, if the City is asking the Attorney General for permission to withhold any records, please send me the required notice and a copy of that request. The cost-estimate process does not extend those deadlines.

Thank you,

[redacted]

On Wed, Aug 12, 2026 at 9:39 AM Candias Webster <cwebster@mtpleasanttx.gov> wrote:

> [redacted],
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> Please call 903-575-4000 and speak with Courtenay to make payment before proceeding.
>
> **Thank you,**
>
> **Candias Webster, TRMC, CMC**
>
> **Assistant City Manager/ City Secretary**
>
> **City of Mt. Pleasant**
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> **Office: 903-575-4000**
>
> **Cell: 903-285-8271**

Fax: 903-577-1828

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From: [redacted] <[redacted]>
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2026 9:05 AM
To: Candias Webster <cwebster@mtpleasanttx.gov>
Subject: Re: Texas Public Information Act Request – Walmart Store #131 Correspondence

Please proceed.

On Wed, Aug 12, 2026 at 8:31 AM Candias Webster <cwebster@mtpleasanttx.gov> wrote:

> Mr. [redacted],
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> Please find your cost estimate attached.

Thank you,

Candias Webster, TRMC, CMC

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From: [redacted] <[redacted]>
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2026 9:03 PM
To: Candias Webster <cwebster@mtpleasanttx.gov>
Subject: Texas Public Information Act Request – Walmart Store #131 Correspondence

Ms. Webster,

Pursuant to the Texas Public Information Act, Chapter 552 of the Texas Government Code, I request copies of the following records covering the period from January 1, 2023, through the date the City receives this request:

1. All correspondence sent, received, forwarded, copied, or otherwise maintained by Chief Mark Buhman involving any employee, manager, representative, attorney, contractor, or other individual working for or acting on behalf of Walmart Store #131 or Walmart corporate.

2. All correspondence sent, received, forwarded, copied, or otherwise maintained by Chief Mark Buhman concerning any reported incident at Walmart Store #131 that involved, was referred to, was investigated by, or was communicated to or from an outside agency, including but not limited to:

- Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)
- Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)
- Texas Rangers
- Any Environmental Crimes Unit
- Any other federal, state, county, or municipal law enforcement, regulatory, investigative, environmental, health, or safety agency.

For purposes of locating responsive records, relevant terms may include “Walmart,” “Wal-Mart,” “Walmart Supercenter #0131,” “Walmart 131,” “Store 131,” “Store #131,” “OSHA,” “TCEQ,” “Texas Rangers,” “Environmental Crimes,” and the names or email domains of Walmart employees or representatives.

“Correspondence” includes emails and attachments, text messages, instant or direct messages, letters, memoranda, reports, complaints, referrals, notifications, photographs, and other written or electronic communications.

Please produce responsive emails individually in their original native .msg format, with all available metadata, headers, sender and recipient fields, timestamps, formatting, embedded content, and attachments intact. Please do not convert the emails to PDF or combine them into a single PDF. If a responsive email cannot be exported as an .msg file, please produce it in the closest available native electronic format with its complete headers, metadata, and attachments preserved. Other electronic records should also be produced in their original native formats where reasonably available.

I am not requesting the disclosure of information made confidential by law. If a responsive record contains confidential or otherwise exempt information, please redact only the protected information and produce the remaining portions of the record. Please identify the specific legal authority supporting each redaction or withholding.

Please include responsive attachments even if they are stored separately from their corresponding messages. If no responsive records exist for any portion of this request, please state that in writing.

Electronic delivery is preferred. If the anticipated charges will exceed $40, please provide an

itemized written cost estimate before processing or producing the records.

Thank you,

[redacted]