February 08, 2026

Office of the Attorney General of Texas

Open Records Division – Open Records Complaint

Submitted via the Open Records Complaint portal

Re: Informal Complaint – City of Mount Pleasant, Texas – Incomplete Production / Failure to Properly Respond

Requestor/Complainant: Kyle Douglas Moring

Governmental Body: City of Mount Pleasant, Texas

Complainant contact information:

Kyle Moring

Mount Vernon, Texas 75457

Phone:

Email:

Governmental body contact information (as reflected in the correspondence):

Candias Webster, Assistant City Manager/City Secretary (City's public information point of contact)

City of Mount Pleasant, Texas

501 N. Madison Ave., Mount Pleasant, TX 75455

Email: cwebster@mpcity.org

Phone: 903-575-4000

Outside counsel (as reflected in the correspondence):

Austin Beck, Davidson Troilo Ream & Garza PC

Email: abeck@dtrglaw.com

1. **Request at issue**

   On December 30, 2025, I submitted a written Texas Public Information Act request to the City seeking Walmart-related communications for a specified date range. The request included: (a) domain-based email communications to/from @walmart.com and @wal-mart.com, and (b) keyword searches for Walmart Store #131 and related Walmart terms. The request asked the City to search across all City departments and the Mount Pleasant Police Department (MPPD), including shared mailboxes and any email archive/eDiscovery system, and to include attachments to the extent searchable.

2. **Timeline**

   - **12/30/2025:** I submitted the written request.
   - **01/14/2026:** The City (through counsel) issued an itemized cost estimate with an **incorrect requestor name (Mr. Bolster)** totaling $54.00.
   - **01/14/2026:** I sent written acceptance of the estimate and asked that the City provide search-method documentation (to the extent such documentation exists, as ordinary-course logs/reports/time entries).
   - **02/02/2026:** The City required payment by phone before release and then transmitted a link stating “WalMart emails” and indicating the City would consider the request closed on 02/02/2026.
   - **02/04/2026:** I sent a written follow-up disputing completeness and requesting clarification and a supplemental search/production.

3. **Basis for complaint – incomplete production/failure to properly respond**

   I am requesting ORD assistance because the City’s production appears incomplete, and the City has not provided sufficient information to confirm that it conducted a good-faith search reasonably calculated to locate all responsive records.

   A. Incomplete production; known missing records

   The City’s production for this request consisted of 19 emails. I can confirm that additional responsive emails and/or attachments exist that fall within the scope of the request but were not produced. These include, at minimum, additional communications to/from Walmart domains and additional Walmart Store #131-related communications that I know exist from other sources and/or references within the produced material.

   B. Examples of missing records (non-exclusive; additional examples can be provided on request):

i. Known missing @wal-mart.com thread (Devin Wallace ↔ Juan Ramirez)

A City record set shows an email thread with Walmart Store #131's Store Lead, Devin Wallace (drwalla.s00131.us@wal-mart.com), communicating with City Health Inspector Juan Ramirez (JRamirez@mpcity.org) regarding "8-20 Inspection," including Ramirez sending an "inspection report" as an attachment (and Walmart CC recipients).

This thread is squarely within my domain-based request for all emails to/from @wal-mart.com, yet it was not included in the City's 19-email production.

ii. "Separate link" referenced by Ms. Webster – missing email/link content

In an internal City thread dated October 23–24, 2025, Ms. Webster states: "I will be sending you a link in another email to all the documents that I have for Walmart."

That statement indicates an additional email transmitting a link and an underlying set of Walmart documents. That "link in another email" (and/or the contents available through it) was not included in the Walmart production, despite being responsive to the Walmart request's keyword portion and likely the City's repositories.

C. Search scope and methodology not disclosed; inability to evaluate adequacy

The City has not confirmed (in writing) the following essential details for this request:

- the exact date range applied in the actual search;
- which custodians/accounts/shared mailboxes were included (including whether MPPD custodians were included);
- which systems were searched (active email system, any archive/eDiscovery system, and any repositories where attachments are stored);
- what specific search parameters were executed (domain filters; keywords; whether attachments were searched); and
- whether any responsive records were withheld/redacted, and on what legal basis.

D. Request improperly "closed" without addressing the above issues

On February 2, 2026, the City stated it would consider the request "closed," while the City still had not provided any description of its search scope, and while responsive records remain missing.

4. Requested ORD assistance/requested resolution

I respectfully request that ORD contact the City and seek resolution consistent with the TPIA, including:

1. Written confirmation of the search performed (date range applied; custodians/accounts/shared mailboxes searched; systems searched; and the exact domain/keyword/attachment search parameters used).
2. A supplemental search across all sources identified in my request (City departments and MPPD, including shared mailboxes and any archives/eDiscovery system), and rolling supplemental production of all additional non-exempt responsive records located.

3. Confirmation whether attachments were searched and whether all responsive attachments were produced.
4. If the City contends no additional responsive records exist, a written statement describing the search sufficiently to support that conclusion.
5. If any information was withheld or redacted, identification of the statutory basis and confirmation of whether an Attorney General ruling was requested (if applicable).

Thank you for your assistance.

Respectfully,

Kyle Douglas Moring

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Attachments:

- "TXOAG Complaint Binder (Walmart-related)" (email thread and estimate/closure correspondence)
- Proof of payment/receipt for the Walmart request

From: Kyle Moring
Subject: Texas Public Information Act Request - Walmart-related email communications and keyword search (01/01/2024–12/29/2025)
Date: December 30, 2025 at 7:59 AM
To: Candias Webster cwebster@mpcity.org
Cc: Austin Beck abeck@dtrglaw.com, Rob Vine rvine@mpcity.org, [redacted], Wesley Lyon Wlyon@mpcity.org

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If you anticipate charges, please provide an itemized written cost estimate before incurring costs. If the total cost will exceed $40, please notify me in advance and do not proceed without my written authorization. If a fee waiver or reduction is available, please apply it.

7) Clarifications, exemptions, and redactions

If any portion of the requested information is withheld or redacted, please:

- Produce all reasonably segregable, non-exempt information; and
- Identify the specific statutory basis for each withholding/redaction.

8) Communication

Please correspond with me by email at .

Thank you for your assistance.

With gratitude,

Kyle Moring

From: **Austin Beck** abeck@dtrglaw.com
Subject: TPIA Cost Estimate Letter - City of Mount Pleasant, TX
Date: January 14, 2026 at 6:54 PM
To: Kyle Moring
Cc: Candias Webster cwebster@mpcity.org

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Mr. Moring,

Our Firm represents the City of Mount Pleasant, Texas (“City”). Attached please find an itemized cost estimate letter regarding an open records request received by the City from you on December 30, 2025.

Regards,

Austin Beck

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January 14, 2026

SENT VIA EMAIL TO:

Mr. Kyle Moring

Mount Vernon, Texas 75457

RE: Cost Estimate for TPIA Request to City of Mount Pleasant, Texas (Rec'd December 30, 2025)

Dear Mr. Bolster:

Our Firm represents the City of Mount Pleasant, Texas (the "City"). The City received a public information request from you on December 30, 2025, for various City records relating to Walmart. This itemized statement of estimated charges is timely because the City's administrative offices were closed on January 1, 2026, in observance of the New Year's Day holiday. The charge for providing a copy of information responsive to your request shall be an amount that reasonably includes all costs related to reproducing the public information, including costs of materials, labor, and overhead, as applicable. Charges for providing information responsive to your request will not be waived because the City has not determined that providing responsive information will primarily benefit the general public.

The City is required to inform you of the responsibilities imposed on you by Sec. 552.2615, Tex. Gov't Code, and of the rights granted by that entire section and give you the information needed to respond, including:

(1) that you must provide the City with a mailing, facsimile transmission, or electronic mail address to receive the itemized statement and that it is your choice which type of address to provide;
(2) that the request is considered automatically withdrawn if you do not respond in writing to this itemized statement and any updated itemized statement in the time and manner required by Sec. 552.2615, Tex. Gov't Code; and
(3) that you may respond to this statement by delivering the written response to the City by mail, in person, by facsimile transmission, or by electronic mail to *cwebster@mpcity.org*.

The City has determined that fulfilling your request will result in the imposition of a charge that exceeds $40.00 for recovery of costs incurred by the City in order to process your request. Therefore, the City is providing you with an itemized cost estimate as required by §552.2615 of the Texas Government Code. If the City later determines, before making any responsive information available to you, that actual charges for providing responsive information will exceed the estimated amount stated herein by 20% or more, the City will provide you with an updated estimate of charges.

Itemized Statement of Estimated Charges:

Description	**Qty x Price**	**Total**
Copies	0 x $0.10	$0.00
Labor ($15/hour)	3 hours x $15.00	$45.00
Overhead charges (20% of labor cost)	20% of $45.00	$9.00
Total cost		**$54.00**

In accordance with §552.2615(b) of the TPIA, **your request will be considered to have been withdrawn** by you if you do not inform the City in writing within ten business days after the date this letter was sent to you that you:

(a) accept the charges;
(b) wish to modify your request; OR
(c) have sent to the Texas Attorney General a complaint alleging that you have been overcharged for being provided with a copy of the requested information.

Please contact the Candias Webster, City Secretary, if you have any questions regarding this matter. If you have any questions regarding the TPIA process generally, please consult with the Open Records Division of the Office of the Attorney General of Texas.

Regards,

Austin R. Beck
For the Firm
City Attorneys for City of Mount Pleasant, Texas

From: Kyle Moring
Subject: Re: Texas Public Information Act Request - Walmart-related email communications and keyword search (01/01/2024–12/29/2025)
Date: January 14, 2026 at 9:01 PM
To: Candias Webster cwebster@mpcity.org
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   I accept the City's itemized cost estimate in the total amount of $54.00 and authorize the City to proceed with processing and producing responsive records. Please advise whether prepayment is required and, if so, provide payment instructions.

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If any prepayment, deposit, or other administrative step is required before production, please provide the applicable instructions and amount. If the City anticipates charges exceeding the estimate (or any revised estimate), please provide an updated itemized estimate in advance.

As a reminder, my preferred delivery method is electronic production via email or a secure download link to _____ _____. Also, as noted in my acceptance email, please include the requested search methodology documentation to the extent it is maintained in the ordinary course.

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Records Request

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Headers:
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Date: Fri, 24 Oct 2025 00:12:06 -0600
MIME-Version: 1.0
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boundary="Mark=_427812213906768"

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From: Lynn Barrett <LBarrett@mpcity.org>
Sent: Thursday, October 23, 2025 9:08 AM
To: Rob Vine <rvine@mpcity.org>; John Ankrum <jankrum@mpcity.org>
Cc: Candias Webster <cwebster@mpcity.org>
Subject: RE: Request for meeting

Rob,
Roping in Candias in case you hadn't done so. This has been the result of complaints from Kyle Moring who is on a vendetta against Walmart for terminating him and has filed literally dozens and dozens of public records requests with us on every single thing and with various state agencies for several months with all being aware of his vendetta, and was prevented with a Criminal Trespass order

from going on their property yesterday. David Ruff is a social media complainant county resident who does not have any standing to discuss this matter officially ould be my educated guess. Lea has been involved as well.

Thank you,

Lynn Barrett, AICP
Director of Development Services
Revised Hours: 7:30-5:30 M – Th; 8-noon Fridays
Phone: 903-575-4149
City of Mount Pleasant
501 N. Madison Ave.
Mount Pleasant, TX 75455

From: Rob Vine <rvine@mpcity.org>
Sent: Thursday, October 23, 2025 9:03 AM
To: Lynn Barrett <LBarrett@mpcity.org>; John Ankrum <jankrum@mpcity.org>
Subject: FW: Request for meeting

Lynn and John,

Good morning.

Please see the highlighted portion of the email below and provide what information you can about these items. I will meet with David sometime the week of Nov. 3-7, so anytime next week will be fine to have it ready to share. I would like to have a short meeting with the staff member that is the most knowledgeable about this prior to my meeting with him as well.

Thank you.

Robert G. Vine, CPM

City Manager
City of Mount Pleasant
501 N. Madison
Mt. Pleasant, TX 75455
Office: 903-575-4000

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From: David Ruff <[redacted]>
Sent: Thursday, October 23, 2025 8:26 AM
To: Rob Vine <rvine@mpcity.org>
Cc: [redacted]; Carl Hinton <CHinton@mpcity.org>; Wesley Lyon <wlyon@mpcity.org>
Subject: Request for meeting

CAUTION: [EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Good morning Mr Vine,

My name is David Ruff, I am a resident of Titus county and have some information I'd like to sit and talk about. This includes:

Permits concerning Walmart
18000 sq foot of roof removal Walmart
Possible and ACTUAL Asbestos falling on food - Walmart and found in roof replacement
Lack of asbestos preinspection
Disturbing Inspections results dating back to 2018
Contractor licensing on work at Walmart
Multiple failed inspections in regards to food safety at Walmart.

I will be home after the 30th of this month and believe we should sit, discuss these issues as I am shocked at what has been uncovered.

David Ruff

On Wednesday, October 22, 2025 at 07:54:07 PM EDT, Wesley Lyon <wlyon@mpcity.org> wrote:

Hi Dave,

I appreciate you reaching out and I'm glad you want to talk about the Walmart roof situation. I'd prefer you reach out to Rob Vine first since he's much more plugged into the day-to-day operations. You can reach him at rvine@mpcity.org or (903) 575-4000 . He isn't on social media, so email or a phone call will be the best way to reach him.

If he's not responsive, or if you hear something you believe the elected officials should be aware of, please don't hesitate to reach out to me directly.

Regarding the meeting, our normal IT guy was out last night, which is why things looked a little different. It does happen from time to time.

I truly believe we now have people in place who operate with integrity, and that's the mindset we need to keep moving forward. If something seems off, it's not going to be nefarious—it's either being handled already or simply an oversight. Open communication is the best way to clear things up before anyone is led down a path that may not reflect the full truth.

Councilman Hinton mentioned he was planning to meet with you next, but we both leave for the TML Conference on Wednesday. Whenever it happens, I'd enjoy talking with you again and catching up. I appreciate everything you've done for the city and hope you'll continue to be one of our champions and watchdogs. I think it's time for all of us to shift gears a bit—trust, but verify.

I copied Kim so she has the info too and Rob, to give him a heads up. Looking forward to our talk.

Wesley R. Lyon II
Mayor, City of Mt. Pleasant, Texas
Ex Officio, Mt. Pleasant Economic Development Corporation
Board Member, Ark-Tex Council of Governments (ATCOG)

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February 08, 2026

Office of the Attorney General of Texas

Open Records Division – Open Records Complaint

Submitted via the Open Records Complaint portal

Re: Informal Complaint – City of Mount Pleasant, Texas – Incomplete Production / Failure to Properly Respond

Requestor/Complainant: Kyle Douglas Moring

Governmental Body: City of Mount Pleasant, Texas

Complainant contact information:

Kyle Moring

Mount Vernon, Texas 75457

Phone:

Email:

Governmental body contact information (as reflected in the correspondence):

Candias Webster, Assistant City Manager/City Secretary (City's public information point of contact)

City of Mount Pleasant, Texas

501 N. Madison Ave., Mount Pleasant, TX 75455

Email: cwebster@mpcity.org

Phone: 903-575-4000

Outside counsel (as reflected in the correspondence):

Austin Beck, Davidson Troilo Ream & Garza PC

Email: abeck@dtrglaw.com

1. **Request at issue**

   On December 30, 2025, I submitted a written Texas Public Information Act request to the City seeking Walmart-related communications for a specified date range. The request included: (a) domain-based email communications to/from @walmart.com and @wal-mart.com, and (b) keyword searches for Walmart Store #131 and related Walmart terms. The request asked the City to search across all City departments and the Mount Pleasant Police Department (MPPD), including shared mailboxes and any email archive/eDiscovery system, and to include attachments to the extent searchable.

2. **Timeline**

   - **12/30/2025:** I submitted the written request.
   - **01/14/2026:** The City (through counsel) issued an itemized cost estimate with an **incorrect requestor name (Mr. Bolster)** totaling $54.00.
   - **01/14/2026:** I sent written acceptance of the estimate and asked that the City provide search-method documentation (to the extent such documentation exists, as ordinary-course logs/reports/time entries).
   - **02/02/2026:** The City required payment by phone before release and then transmitted a link stating “WalMart emails” and indicating the City would consider the request closed on 02/02/2026.
   - **02/04/2026:** I sent a written follow-up disputing completeness and requesting clarification and a supplemental search/production.

3. **Basis for complaint – incomplete production/failure to properly respond**

   I am requesting ORD assistance because the City’s production appears incomplete, and the City has not provided sufficient information to confirm that it conducted a good-faith search reasonably calculated to locate all responsive records.

   A. Incomplete production; known missing records

   The City’s production for this request consisted of 19 emails. I can confirm that additional responsive emails and/or attachments exist that fall within the scope of the request but were not produced. These include, at minimum, additional communications to/from Walmart domains and additional Walmart Store #131-related communications that I know exist from other sources and/or references within the produced material.

   B. Examples of missing records (non-exclusive; additional examples can be provided on request):

i. Known missing @wal-mart.com thread (Devin Wallace ↔ Juan Ramirez)

A City record set shows an email thread with Walmart Store #131's Store Lead, Devin Wallace (drwalla.s00131.us@wal-mart.com), communicating with City Health Inspector Juan Ramirez (JRamirez@mpcity.org) regarding "8-20 Inspection," including Ramirez sending an "inspection report" as an attachment (and Walmart CC recipients).

This thread is squarely within my domain-based request for all emails to/from @wal-mart.com, yet it was not included in the City's 19-email production.

ii. "Separate link" referenced by Ms. Webster – missing email/link content

In an internal City thread dated October 23–24, 2025, Ms. Webster states: "I will be sending you a link in another email to all the documents that I have for Walmart."

That statement indicates an additional email transmitting a link and an underlying set of Walmart documents. That "link in another email" (and/or the contents available through it) was not included in the Walmart production, despite being responsive to the Walmart request's keyword portion and likely the City's repositories.

C. Search scope and methodology not disclosed; inability to evaluate adequacy

The City has not confirmed (in writing) the following essential details for this request:

- the exact date range applied in the actual search;
- which custodians/accounts/shared mailboxes were included (including whether MPPD custodians were included);
- which systems were searched (active email system, any archive/eDiscovery system, and any repositories where attachments are stored);
- what specific search parameters were executed (domain filters; keywords; whether attachments were searched); and
- whether any responsive records were withheld/redacted, and on what legal basis.

D. Request improperly "closed" without addressing the above issues

On February 2, 2026, the City stated it would consider the request "closed," while the City still had not provided any description of its search scope, and while responsive records remain missing.

4. Requested ORD assistance/requested resolution

I respectfully request that ORD contact the City and seek resolution consistent with the TPIA, including:

1. Written confirmation of the search performed (date range applied; custodians/accounts/shared mailboxes searched; systems searched; and the exact domain/keyword/attachment search parameters used).
2. A supplemental search across all sources identified in my request (City departments and MPPD, including shared mailboxes and any archives/eDiscovery system), and rolling supplemental production of all additional non-exempt responsive records located.

3. Confirmation whether attachments were searched and whether all responsive attachments were produced.
4. If the City contends no additional responsive records exist, a written statement describing the search sufficiently to support that conclusion.
5. If any information was withheld or redacted, identification of the statutory basis and confirmation of whether an Attorney General ruling was requested (if applicable).

Thank you for your assistance.

Respectfully,

Kyle Douglas Moring

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Attachments:

- "TXOAG Complaint Binder (Walmart-related)" (email thread and estimate/closure correspondence)
- Proof of payment/receipt for the Walmart request

From: Kyle Moring
Subject: Texas Public Information Act Request - Walmart-related email communications and keyword search (01/01/2024–12/29/2025)
Date: December 30, 2025 at 7:59 AM
To: Candias Webster cwebster@mpcity.org
Cc: Austin Beck abeck@dtrglaw.com, Rob Vine rvine@mpcity.org, [redacted], Wesley Lyon Wlyon@mpcity.org

Good morning,

Pursuant to the Texas Public Information Act (Texas Government Code, Chapter 552), I request access to and copies of existing public information maintained by the City of Mount Pleasant, Texas (including all departments) and the Mount Pleasant Police Department (MPPD), for the date range January 01, 2024 through December 29, 2025 (inclusive), as described below.

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2) Records requested – Walmart-related keyword search (subject/body/attachments)

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F. “Walmart”

G. “Walmart Supercenter” / “Walmart Super Center” (if searchable)

3) Systems/custodians to be searched

Please conduct a reasonably thorough electronic search across:

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- Any email archiving/eDiscovery system used by the City/MPPD (to the extent applicable)
- Any City/MPPD network drive or document-management repository where such records are kept in the ordinary course of business

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To help ensure an accurate and efficient search, I request that the City's IT staff assist in executing the search parameters. If Bryan IT is supporting City IT operations, please have Shawn Bryan (Bryan IT) perform or supervise the electronic query.

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I request production in electronic format whenever possible, including:

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Rolling production is acceptable and preferred.

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I respectfully request that the City and MPPD waive or substantially reduce any charges associated with producing the requested records under Texas Government Code § 552.267, because providing copies of the requested information primarily benefits the general public.

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- The requested records will contribute to public understanding and oversight of how City departments and MPPD communicate with and respond to issues involving large employers operating within the City.
- Disclosure will promote transparency and accountability regarding the City's records-creation, retention, search, and production practices, including any records-management issues affecting public access to public information.
- I am requesting these records for non-commercial purposes, and I do not seek these records for financial gain or commercial advantage. I intend to use and share any non-exempt responsive records to inform affected employees and, where appropriate, the general public.

If the City/MPPD declines to grant a waiver or reduction, please provide a brief written explanation and proceed with the itemized written cost estimate required by law before incurring costs.

6) Fees and cost estimate

If you anticipate charges, please provide an itemized written cost estimate before incurring costs. If the total cost will exceed $40, please notify me in advance and do not proceed without my written authorization. If a fee waiver or reduction is available, please apply it.

7) Clarifications, exemptions, and redactions

If any portion of the requested information is withheld or redacted, please:

- Produce all reasonably segregable, non-exempt information; and
- Identify the specific statutory basis for each withholding/redaction.

8) Communication

Please correspond with me by email at .

Thank you for your assistance.

With gratitude,

Kyle Moring

From: **Austin Beck** abeck@dtrglaw.com
Subject: TPIA Cost Estimate Letter - City of Mount Pleasant, TX
Date: January 14, 2026 at 6:54 PM
To: Kyle Moring
Cc: Candias Webster cwebster@mpcity.org

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Mr. Moring,

Our Firm represents the City of Mount Pleasant, Texas (“City”). Attached please find an itemized cost estimate letter regarding an open records request received by the City from you on December 30, 2025.

Regards,

Austin Beck

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January 14, 2026

SENT VIA EMAIL TO:

Mr. Kyle Moring

Mount Vernon, Texas 75457

RE: Cost Estimate for TPIA Request to City of Mount Pleasant, Texas (Rec'd December 30, 2025)

Dear Mr. Bolster:

Our Firm represents the City of Mount Pleasant, Texas (the "City"). The City received a public information request from you on December 30, 2025, for various City records relating to Walmart. This itemized statement of estimated charges is timely because the City's administrative offices were closed on January 1, 2026, in observance of the New Year's Day holiday. The charge for providing a copy of information responsive to your request shall be an amount that reasonably includes all costs related to reproducing the public information, including costs of materials, labor, and overhead, as applicable. Charges for providing information responsive to your request will not be waived because the City has not determined that providing responsive information will primarily benefit the general public.

The City is required to inform you of the responsibilities imposed on you by Sec. 552.2615, Tex. Gov't Code, and of the rights granted by that entire section and give you the information needed to respond, including:

(1) that you must provide the City with a mailing, facsimile transmission, or electronic mail address to receive the itemized statement and that it is your choice which type of address to provide;
(2) that the request is considered automatically withdrawn if you do not respond in writing to this itemized statement and any updated itemized statement in the time and manner required by Sec. 552.2615, Tex. Gov't Code; and
(3) that you may respond to this statement by delivering the written response to the City by mail, in person, by facsimile transmission, or by electronic mail to *cwebster@mpcity.org*.

The City has determined that fulfilling your request will result in the imposition of a charge that exceeds $40.00 for recovery of costs incurred by the City in order to process your request. Therefore, the City is providing you with an itemized cost estimate as required by §552.2615 of the Texas Government Code. If the City later determines, before making any responsive information available to you, that actual charges for providing responsive information will exceed the estimated amount stated herein by 20% or more, the City will provide you with an updated estimate of charges.

Itemized Statement of Estimated Charges:

Description	**Qty x Price**	**Total**
Copies	0 x $0.10	$0.00
Labor ($15/hour)	3 hours x $15.00	$45.00
Overhead charges (20% of labor cost)	20% of $45.00	$9.00
Total cost		**$54.00**

In accordance with §552.2615(b) of the TPIA, **your request will be considered to have been withdrawn** by you if you do not inform the City in writing within ten business days after the date this letter was sent to you that you:

(a) accept the charges;
(b) wish to modify your request; OR
(c) have sent to the Texas Attorney General a complaint alleging that you have been overcharged for being provided with a copy of the requested information.

Please contact the Candias Webster, City Secretary, if you have any questions regarding this matter. If you have any questions regarding the TPIA process generally, please consult with the Open Records Division of the Office of the Attorney General of Texas.

Regards,

Austin R. Beck
For the Firm
City Attorneys for City of Mount Pleasant, Texas

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2. **Request for search methodology documentation (for transparency and to verify efficiency)**

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If providing any of the above would require creating new information not maintained in the ordinary course or would result in additional charges beyond the estimate I accepted, please advise in advance with an updated itemized estimate before incurring any additional cost.

My preferred method of communication and delivery is email at _____ _____.

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On January 14, 2026, I emailed my written acceptance of the $54.00 estimate and authorized the City to proceed. Please confirm receipt of my acceptance and provide an update on the status of the search/processing, including an anticipated date for production (rolling production is acceptable).

As of today (February 02, 2026), more than ten business days have elapsed since my written acceptance was sent. If the City is not able to produce the responsive records at this time, please provide written confirmation of that fact and a reasonable date and time when the records will be available.

If any prepayment, deposit, or other administrative step is required before production, please provide the applicable instructions and amount. If the City anticipates charges exceeding the estimate (or any revised estimate), please provide an updated itemized estimate in advance.

As a reminder, my preferred delivery method is electronic production via email or a secure download link to _____ _____. Also, as noted in my acceptance email, please include the requested search methodology documentation to the extent it is maintained in the ordinary course.

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To: Kyle Moring
Cc: Austin Beck abeck@dtrglaw.com, Rob Vine rvine@mpcity.org, [redacted], Wesley Lyon wlyon@mpcity.org

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Thank you,
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WalMart emails

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Kyle Moring .pdf
22 KB

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Date: February 4, 2026 at 7:44 AM
To: Candias Webster cwebster@mpcity.org
Cc: Austin Beck abeck@dtrglaw.com, Rob Vine rvine@mpcity.org, [redacted], Wesley Lyon wlyon@mpcity.org

Ms. Webster,

Thank you for the City's production of records responsive to my December 30, 2025 Texas Public Information Act requests. I have now reviewed both productions: (1) the Walmart-related production (19 emails) and (2) the production responsive to the "Kyle Moring / / whistleblower / OSHA" search (366 emails). I am writing to request clarification and, as appropriate, a supplemental search/production.

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City of Mount PleasantOCR.pdf

Attachment: City of Mount Pleasant – Records Management/Records Control Schedule/Retention Materials (for reference)

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- Any email archiving/eDiscovery system used by the City/MPPD (to the extent applicable)

- Any City/MPPD network drive or document-management repository where such records are kept in the ordinary course of business

If the City believes that a keyword search across all custodians would be overly burdensome, please proceed at a minimum with:

- The domain-based production for @walmart.com and @wal-mart.com (Item 1), across City and MPPD email systems

- A keyword search limited to departments reasonably likely to maintain responsive records (e.g., Administration/City Manager, City Attorney (if applicable), Finance/Purchasing, Planning & Development/Building & Code/Code Compliance, Fire, and MPPD command/administration), while providing a written estimate of the additional burden for a citywide keyword search

To help ensure an accurate and efficient search, I request that the City's IT staff assist in executing the search parameters. If Bryan IT is supporting City IT operations, please have Shawn Bryan (Bryan IT) perform or supervise the electronic query.

4) Preferred production format

I request production in electronic format whenever possible, including:

- Emails in native format (.eml/.msg or PST export), with associated metadata (date/time sent, sender, recipients, subject, and attachment filenames)
- Attachments in their native file formats (PDF, DOCX, XLSX, etc.)

- If native email export is not feasible, a PDF printout is acceptable, provided it includes message headers and attachment identification

Rolling production is acceptable and preferred.

5) Public-interest request for waiver or reduction of charges (Tex. Gov't Code § 552.267)

I respectfully request that the City and MPPD waive or substantially reduce any charges associated with producing the requested records under Texas Government Code § 552.267, because providing copies of the requested information primarily benefits the general public.

This request is made in the public interest, including for the following reasons:

- I am acting as an employee representative for current Walmart Store #131 employees in Mount Pleasant, Texas, and the requested records concern communications with a major local employer and matters that may affect workers and the broader community.

- The requested records will contribute to public understanding and oversight of how City departments and MPPD communicate with and respond to issues involving large employers operating within the City.
- Disclosure will promote transparency and accountability regarding the City's records-creation, retention, search, and production practices, including any records-management issues affecting public access to public information.
- I am requesting these records for non-commercial purposes, and I do not seek these records for financial gain or commercial advantage. I intend to use and share any non-exempt responsive records to inform affected employees and, where appropriate, the general public.

If the City/MPPD declines to grant a waiver or reduction, please provide a brief written explanation and proceed with the itemized written cost estimate required by law before incurring costs.

6) Fees and cost estimate

If you anticipate charges, please provide an itemized written cost estimate before incurring costs. If the total cost will exceed $40, please notify me in advance and do not proceed without my written authorization. If a fee waiver or reduction is available, please apply it.

7) Clarifications, exemptions, and redactions

If any portion of the requested information is withheld or redacted, please:

- Produce all reasonably segregable, non-exempt information; and
- Identify the specific statutory basis for each withholding/redaction.

8) Communication

Please correspond with me by email at _____ _____.

Thank you for your assistance.

With gratitude,

Kyle Moring

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City of Mount Pleasant
This is Your Receipt

02/02/2026 13:30:47 kmemije

Receipt Number: 195654 10.43.67.36
Subsys: 1005735000000000000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE 54.00 N
Payee: Kyle Moring
Payee: Mt Pleasant
Records Request

Total: 54.00
Credit Card Error 54.00
Records Request

Change Due: .00

Thank You

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City of Mount Pleasant
This is Your Receipt

02/02/2026 13:46:17 kmemije

Receipt Number: 195651 10.43.67.36
Subsys: 1005735000000000000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE 99.00 N
Payee: Kyle Moring
Payee: Mt Pleasant
Records Request

Total: 99.00
Credit Card Error 99.00
Records Request

Change Due: .00

Thank You

From: "Rob Vine" <rvine@mpcity.org>
To: "Candias Webster" <cwebster@mpcity.org>
Date: 10/24/2025 12:12:06 AM
Subject: Re: Request for meeting
Headers:
From: "Rob Vine" <rvine@mpcity.org>
Sender: "Rob Vine" <rvine@mpcity.org>
To: "Candias Webster" <cwebster@mpcity.org>
Subject: Re: Request for meeting
Date: Fri, 24 Oct 2025 00:12:06 -0600
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: multipart/related; type="multipart/alternative";
boundary="Mark=_427812213906768"

Thank you. I look forward to reviewing it.

Get Outlook for iOS

From: Candias Webster <cwebster@mpcity.org>
Sent: Thursday, October 23, 2025 9:28:16 AM
To: Lynn Barrett <LBarrett@mpcity.org>; Rob Vine <rvine@mpcity.org>; John Ankrum <jankrum@mpcity.org>
Subject: RE: Request for meeting

I will be sending you a link in another email to all the documents that I have for Walmart.

Thank you,
Candias Webster, TRMC, CMC
Assistant City Manager/ City Secretary
City of Mt. Pleasant
Office: 903-575-4154
Cell: 903-285-8271
Fax: 903-577-1828

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From: Lynn Barrett <LBarrett@mpcity.org>
Sent: Thursday, October 23, 2025 9:08 AM
To: Rob Vine <rvine@mpcity.org>; John Ankrum <jankrum@mpcity.org>
Cc: Candias Webster <cwebster@mpcity.org>
Subject: RE: Request for meeting

Rob,
Roping in Candias in case you hadn't done so. This has been the result of complaints from Kyle Moring who is on a vendetta against Walmart for terminating him and has filed literally dozens and dozens of public records requests with us on every single thing and with various state agencies for several months with all being aware of his vendetta, and was prevented with a Criminal Trespass order

from going on their property yesterday. David Ruff is a social media complainant county resident who does not have any standing to discuss this matter officially ould be my educated guess. Lea has been involved as well.

Thank you,

Lynn Barrett, AICP
Director of Development Services
Revised Hours: 7:30-5:30 M – Th; 8-noon Fridays
Phone: 903-575-4149
City of Mount Pleasant
501 N. Madison Ave.
Mount Pleasant, TX 75455

From: Rob Vine <rvine@mpcity.org>
Sent: Thursday, October 23, 2025 9:03 AM
To: Lynn Barrett <LBarrett@mpcity.org>; John Ankrum <jankrum@mpcity.org>
Subject: FW: Request for meeting

Lynn and John,

Good morning.

Please see the highlighted portion of the email below and provide what information you can about these items. I will meet with David sometime the week of Nov. 3-7, so anytime next week will be fine to have it ready to share. I would like to have a short meeting with the staff member that is the most knowledgeable about this prior to my meeting with him as well.

Thank you.

Robert G. Vine, CPM

City Manager
City of Mount Pleasant
501 N. Madison
Mt. Pleasant, TX 75455
Office: 903-575-4000

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From: David Ruff <[redacted]>
Sent: Thursday, October 23, 2025 8:26 AM
To: Rob Vine <rvine@mpcity.org>
Cc: [redacted]; Carl Hinton <CHinton@mpcity.org>; Wesley Lyon <wlyon@mpcity.org>
Subject: Request for meeting

CAUTION: [EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Good morning Mr Vine,

My name is David Ruff, I am a resident of Titus county and have some information I'd like to sit and talk about. This includes:

Permits concerning Walmart
18000 sq foot of roof removal Walmart
Possible and ACTUAL Asbestos falling on food - Walmart and found in roof replacement
Lack of asbestos preinspection
Disturbing Inspections results dating back to 2018
Contractor licensing on work at Walmart
Multiple failed inspections in regards to food safety at Walmart.

I will be home after the 30th of this month and believe we should sit, discuss these issues as I am shocked at what has been uncovered.

David Ruff

On Wednesday, October 22, 2025 at 07:54:07 PM EDT, Wesley Lyon <wlyon@mpcity.org> wrote:

Hi Dave,

I appreciate you reaching out and I'm glad you want to talk about the Walmart roof situation. I'd prefer you reach out to Rob Vine first since he's much more plugged into the day-to-day operations. You can reach him at rvine@mpcity.org or (903) 575-4000 . He isn't on social media, so email or a phone call will be the best way to reach him.

If he's not responsive, or if you hear something you believe the elected officials should be aware of, please don't hesitate to reach out to me directly.

Regarding the meeting, our normal IT guy was out last night, which is why things looked a little different. It does happen from time to time.

I truly believe we now have people in place who operate with integrity, and that's the mindset we need to keep moving forward. If something seems off, it's not going to be nefarious—it's either being handled already or simply an oversight. Open communication is the best way to clear things up before anyone is led down a path that may not reflect the full truth.

Councilman Hinton mentioned he was planning to meet with you next, but we both leave for the TML Conference on Wednesday. Whenever it happens, I'd enjoy talking with you again and catching up. I appreciate everything you've done for the city and hope you'll continue to be one of our champions and watchdogs. I think it's time for all of us to shift gears a bit—trust, but verify.

I copied Kim so she has the info too and Rob, to give him a heads up. Looking forward to our talk.

Wesley R. Lyon II
Mayor, City of Mt. Pleasant, Texas
Ex Officio, Mt. Pleasant Economic Development Corporation
Board Member, Ark-Tex Council of Governments (ATCOG)

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From: OpenRecordsAssistance
To: cwebster@mpcity.org
Bcc:
Subject: Office of the Attorney General, Open Records Division ID# OR-26-006369-IC
Date: Monday, March 30, 2026 3:19:00 PM
Attachments: OR-26-006369-IC.pdf
Certification Form.pdf
Attachment.pdf

Dear Ms. Webster:

The Office of the Attorney General (the "OAG") has received a complaint from Kyle Moring alleging the City of Mount Pleasant has failed to respond appropriately to a request for information. The complaint was assigned ID# OR-26-006369-IC. Please see the attached documents regarding the complaint.

A response may be submitted by mail to P.O. Box 12548, Austin, Texas 78711 or submitted online at https://oag.my.site.com/OpenRecords/s/.

To submit a response through the online form, you must include the full complaint ID number provided above in order to submit your documentation.

Sincerely,

Education and Enforcement Section
Open Records Division

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