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Travis County Attorney, David Escamilla issued the following statement;

The Travis County Attorney's Office has received a complaint alleging that Austin City Council members, including the Mayor, have violated the Texas Open Meetings Act, specifically Section 551.143.

The complaint alleges the Mayor and Council have coordinated a regular series of private gatherings of Council members in numbers less than a quorum to conduct private discussions; thereby avoiding the public notice and meeting requirements of the Act.

We are currently reviewing the complaint.