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Dear Mark Sokolow,

The Attorney General's letter of August 3, 2010, OR2010-11677, was addressed to you. As you know, that letter pertains to my Open Records Request No. 10, dated May 16, 2010, which requested copies of your written performance reviews that were delivered in writing by the mayor and members of the Georgetown City Council during executive sessions held on or about May 13, 2010, and on any other dates that you may have received written evaluations by the mayor and council members.

The Attorney General's letter expressly acknowledged that your performance evaluations are completed evaluations and are expressly public, except for portions protected by attorney-client privilege.

However, the Attorney General found "you have failed to demonstrate the remaining portion of the information is protected by the attorney-client privilege and the remaining information must be released."

Please note that the Attorney General's website states, at "Questions Regarding Open Records Letter Rulings": "If the ruling requires the governmental body to release all or part of the requested information, the governmental body is responsible for taking the next step. Based on the Public Information Act, the attorney general expects that, upon receiving the ruling, the governmental body will either release the public information promptly pursuant to section 552.221(a) of the Government Code or file a lawsuit challenging the ruling pursuant to section 552.324 of the Government Code. If the governmental body fails to do one of these things, then the requestor should report that failure to the Office of the Attorney General's Open Government Hotline, toll free, at (877) 673-6839. The requestor may also file a complaint with the district or county attorney. Id. § 552.3215(e)."

Please promptly provide copies of your performance evaluations, with redactions for the portions the Attorney General has authorized to be withheld for attorney-client privilege, to me at ken@theaustinbulldog.org.

I look forward to your acknowledgement of receiving this e-mail and obtaining these records.

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