Thank you, Mr. Harper.
I'm sure I'll have questions for you later.
I appreciated your response.
Rose

On Wed, Nov 13, 2019 at 6:16 PM Public Information <PublicInformation@killeenisd.org> wrote:
Ms. Fitzpatrick,

Attached please find the documents responsive to your request. You will find the two invoices I mentioned to you on the phone. As per our conversation, I have redacted the other information unrelated to your request. In addition, please find the Retainer Agreement between Ms. Tekell and the District. Finally, there is a spreadsheet showing the payments to Ms. Tekell for each of these invoices. You requested “copies of payments made to Ms. Tekell for this work.” You will notice in the spreadsheet that the payments were made by ACH. Thus, there are not cancelled checks, etc.; however, payment date and other information is listed in the spreadsheet. I hope this spreadsheet is sufficient to your request.

Thank you,

Mike

Mike Harper
School Attorney
Killeen Independent School District

Thank you, Ms. Inman.

On Tue, Nov 12, 2019 at 1:49 PM Public Information <PublicInformation@killeenisd.org> wrote:
Your request has been received.

Angela Inman
Secretary to the Deputy Superintendent
Killeen ISD
Nov. 12, 2019

To: KISD public records representative
Re: The total paid to Angela Tekell for her work on the Killeen Daily Herald’s Sept. 5 request.

Dear Officer for Public Records:
This request is made under the Texas Public Information Act, Chapter 552, Texas Government Code, which guarantees the public’s access to information in the custody of governmental agencies. I respectfully request the following information: Documents that show the total amount charged by Attorney Angela Tekell to the Killeen Independent School District related to the Killeen Daily Herald’s Sept. 5 request for information on school bus service during the first nine days of the school year.
The documents we seek include, but are not limited to, invoices from Ms. Tekell for her work during September and October, copies of payments made to Ms. Tekell for this work, Ms. Tekell’s contract with the district, other documents showing how Ms. Tekell was compensated for public information work for the district. For example, if she was under retainer to the district in September and October, 2019, please provide documents that explain how her pay was determined, such as a certain amount for billable hours. If she was compensated for her hours, please provide documents showing how many she spent on the Herald’s Sept. 5, 2019, request.
Ms. Tekell sent more than a dozen emails to the Herald, as the paper continued to seek documents that would provide information about school bus service problems. The Herald sent more than a dozen emails to her as it continued to seek information related to the same Sept. 5, 2019, request. Ms. Tekell did not respond to the Herald’s Oct. 10, 2019, email to her. The Herald still continues to seek information related to its initial Sept. 5, 2019, request.
Ms. Tekell’s emails to the Herald were in September and October 2019. Here are some dates of her emails that might help you provide documents.
Oct. 3, 2019
Oct. 1, 2019 (5 emails)
Sept. 24, 2019
Sept. 19, 2019 (3 emails)
Sept. 18, 2019
Sept. 17, 2019
Sept. 13, 2019
Sept. 9, 2019

Our initial request was sent to the district at publicinformation@killeenisd.org. The district responses came from Ms. Tekell at this address: Angela.Tekell@killeenisd.org

Please contact us as soon as you have questions related to our request for Tekell’s compensation for her work on our request.
In the interest of expediency, and to minimize the research and/or duplication burden on your staff, I would be pleased to personally examine the relevant records if you would grant me immediate access to the requested material. Additionally, since time is a factor, please communicate with me by email rather than by mail. My email address is rosef@kdhnews.com

Disclosure of this information is in the public interest because providing a copy of the information primarily benefits the general public. I therefore request a waiver of all fees and charges pursuant to Section 552.267 of the act.

I shall look forward to hearing from you promptly, as specified in the law. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,
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