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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA**

Johnny Wheatcroft, et al.,
Plaintiffs,
v.
City of Glendale, et al.,
Defendants.

No. CV-18-02347-PHX-MTL
ORDER

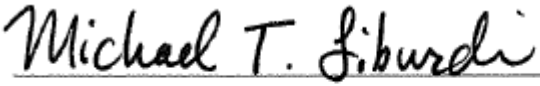
The matter before the Court is Defendants’ Motion For Ruling Re: Protective Order In Light Of Public Records Requests (Doc. 65).

The Motion (at 5) asks this Court to “rule on whether [Defendants] must disclose confidential documents, in some form, pursuant to . . . public records requests.” The Protective Order (Doc. 44) explicitly provides that disclosure of an otherwise protected document may be made pursuant to “prior written consent from the Defendants or the Court” (¶ 4). That is to say, the Defendants’ consent alone – without additional permission from this Court – is sufficient to permit a disclosure. The Court also questions, without deciding, whether it has the authority to review the City of Glendale’s obligations under the Arizona Public Records Act and related rulings of the Arizona state courts.

IT IS ORDERED that the Motion for Ruling “whether Defendant City of Glendale must comply with the Order of Protection [] in light of public records requests” (Doc. 65 at 1) is granted to the extent that the Court rules that the Protective Order in this case does

1 not subordinate Glendale's obligations under the Arizona Public Records Act.

2 Dated this 24th day of September, 2019.

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6 Michael T. Liburdi
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