TO: Nils Vos, Senior Buyer

FROM: Deputy Chief Doug Bagwell

DATE: 08/21/2024

SUBJECT: Flock Safety License Plate Readers. (LPR's)

DESCRIPTION OF THE SUPPLIES/SERVICES REQUESTED:

2 Year agreement for 10 Flock Safety License Plate Readers. (LPR's)

Summary:

The Battle Creek Police Department has been testing/evaluating fixed quick deploy License Plate Readers provided by Vigilant Solutions to be incorporated in the upcoming Claude Evans Park redesign project. In addition to LPR's for Claude Evans, the Department is seeking additional LPR's that can be deployed throughout the city.

The Department believes adding a fixed mounted LPR solution from Flock Safety would be beneficial by providing more access to a different data base housing vehicle information. This system would work in addition/conjunction with Vigilant Solutions LRP's to improve public safety.

JUSTIFICATION:

- A recent quote from Vigilant Solutions for a quick deploy (non-fixed) LRP equaled \$5,000 a year per camera vs \$3,000 per camera for Flock Safety. (This is separate from Claude Evans Project)
- An alternative data base for vehicle information is a high priority for ensuring access to vehicle information during a violent crime.
- Flock is used by multiple surrounding agencies, Calhoun County SD. Albion Department of Public Safety, Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety, Kalamazoo County SD, Portage PD and MSP.

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