



Agenda Item Summary Report

Meeting Date:
March 9, 2026

Submitted by:
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Administrator

Item Title: ACTION ITEM | Approval of a Co-location Agreement with RedSpeed Maryland, LLC and the Town of Bladensburg on Automated License Plate Readers (ALPR)

Council Summary
Co-Location Agreement with RedSpeed Maryland, LLC
Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) Installation

Work Session Item [X] Council
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Documentation Attached:
Redspeed Co Location agreement

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends Council approval of this Co-Location Agreement. The agreement provides expanded investigative capability and enhanced public safety tools at no additional cost to the Town. The Town Administrator and Acting Chief Frishkorn will be available at the Council meeting to answer any questions regarding the agreement, implementation, or operational use of the ALPR system.

The Town of Bladensburg has negotiated a Co-Location Agreement with RedSpeed Maryland LLC that will allow the Town to install an Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) camera on an existing RedSpeed traffic enforcement pole within Town limits. RedSpeed currently operates automated photo traffic enforcement equipment under contract with the Town, and this agreement authorizes the Police Department to co-locate ALPR equipment at one of those existing locations.

Importantly, this is a no-cost agreement. RedSpeed has agreed to waive all co-location fees for the duration of the agreement, resulting in no monthly recurring cost to the Town. The Town remains responsible only for its standard insurance coverage and for any damage caused by Town personnel during installation or maintenance.

The agreement provides for an initial one-year term, automatically renewing month-to-month thereafter unless terminated by either party with thirty (30) days written notice. The agreement will automatically terminate if RedSpeed's underlying contract with the Town expires. The Town does not obtain any property interest in the location; rather, it is granted access for the limited purpose of installing and operating its ALPR equipment.

This agreement enhances public safety operations by expanding the Town's fixed License Plate Reader network. ALPR technology provides investigative support by capturing license plate data and associated vehicle metadata, which can assist officers in identifying vehicles connected to criminal activity or incidents occurring within the Town. Benefits include:

- Real-time alerts for stolen vehicles or vehicles associated with wanted individuals
- Investigative leads following violent crime, property crime, or hit-and-run incidents
- Time-stamped vehicle movement data to assist with case development
- Support for regional information sharing and coordinated law enforcement efforts

The Town of Bladensburg has been an early adopter of License Plate Reader technology, including both vehicle-mounted units and strategically placed fixed cameras. This co-location agreement expands coverage using existing infrastructure, strengthens redundancy in key corridors, and supports the Police Department's ability to analyze crime patterns and respond efficiently to incidents.

There is no additional financial obligation associated with this agreement beyond standard operational responsibilities. Each party retains responsibility for damages arising from its own negligence, and standard termination, force majeure, and liability provisions are included.

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