



THE TOWN OF
BOILING SPRINGS

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LICENSE PLATE READER CAMERAS

Options to Proceed:

1. Motion to allow staff to purchase two license plate readers cameras as budgeted
2. Motion to reallocate the budgeted funds elsewhere (*state where*)
3. Motion to table and gather further information

Staff recommends option 1

SUMMARY

During the budget process for this fiscal year, we discussed the purchase of license plate reader cameras to be strategically placed in town. These cameras aid in the identification and apprehension of drivers in a multitude of crimes and incidents. We have included more information on the cameras in the attached pages. The discussion was to originally budget for 4 cameras, and we decided to put funds in the budget for 2 cameras and to evaluate the implementation of those 2 after receiving a demo unit. Each camera is \$2,500 per year which covers the hardware, software, and support.

A unit was placed on S. Main Street, near the traffic light, during the month of November. Several 'hits' were received including 1 stolen car, 3 stolen tags, and 1 vehicle license plate linked to an arrest warrant for a suspect. Notifications were received by BSPD within 8 seconds, and they responded to each alert. The camera logged an average of 14,000 cars/tags within a 15-day period.

Chief Phillips will present information on the cameras (FLOCK brand) at the meeting as well as some statistics and information from the demo period and how it can assist BSPD in the future.

MATERIALS PROVIDED

- FLOCK Powerpoint
- FLOCK Overview