



# TOWN OF HIGHLAND BEACH AGENDA MEMORANDUM

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**MEETING TYPE:** Commission Meeting

**MEETING DATE** February 21, 2023

**SUBMITTED BY:** Chief Craig Hartmann

**SUBJECT:** License Plate Recognition Cameras

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## **SUMMARY:**

The current License Plate Recognition camera system for the Town, which is several years old, is now failing and is in immediate need of replacement.

The police department has researched a new LPR system and has identified Flock Group Inc. to replace the existing system. The Flock data system is currently utilized by the department for the in-car LPR camera system and a signed agreement is in place for data sharing through the LPR data base of over 2,000 law enforcement agencies throughout the country that utilize the Flock LPR system. Flock is deployed in several municipalities in the area and currently provides LPR camera systems for the Delray Beach Police Department, which are monitored for alerts through their dispatch center. This is important because Delray Beach Police provides 24/7 communications/dispatch services for the town, and this gives our police department around the clock monitoring that can immediately receive alerts from the national database for felony vehicles.

Because Flock integrates with our AXON in-car camera systems and, is monitored 24/7 by our communications/dispatch center, it is determined that Flock LPR systems is established as a Town standard for expanding the LPR cameras and replacing the current fixed LPR cameras. The Town has determined that this particular product is the only type that meets the characteristic requirements for performance, consistency, and compatibility of the LPR cameras and as such, makes direct acquisition via Section V. Sub-Section D. of the Town Purchasing Policy.

Along with replacing the four fixed LPR cameras at the AIA entrances, four additional LPR cameras will be installed at the entrance to the Town side streets at Highland Beach Dr., Bel Lido Dr., Bel Air Dr., and Russell Dr. Providing LPR coverage to secondary streets will enhance the level of safety and security by detouring and/or solving crime.

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**FISCAL IMPACT:**

5 Year contract totaling \$127,300. First year cost \$27,700. The Agreement was reviewed by the Town Attorney's Office for legal sufficiency.

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

Flock Group Inc Services Agreement – 5-year contract.

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the Commission approve the contract agreement with Flock Group Inc.