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**MEETING DATE:** February 2, 2026  
**MEETING TYPE:** Regular Council meeting  
**SUBMITTED BY:** Chief Perry  
**AGENDA CAPTION:** [Flock camera project] Presented by: [Steve Perry, Police Chief]

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## Background Information

The City of Hutchins currently utilizes flock cameras in the city to gather License Plate data from vehicles. This data includes Missing persons, stolen vehicles, and wanted persons information. The Hutchins Police department receives this data in real time in patrol vehicles allowing officers to locate critical missing people, locate wanted offenders and stolen vehicles.

Flock currently has over 80,000 cameras deployed across 49 states. Interlocal agreements make it possible to have access to cameras across the US.

Success stories:

Shooting in Cedar Hill, Texas. Suspect reported he was shot in Hutchins during a Robbery at Quik Trip. Investigation revealed that the suspect was not in Hutchins at the time the shooting occurred. Flock cameras showed the suspect was in the City of Cedar Hill. Suspect later admitted he was shot in Cedar Hill by his mother's boyfriend.

Officers took a stolen vehicle report at La Quinta. Vehicle was entered stolen VIA TCIC/NCIC. Officer utilized Flock to locate the stolen vehicle in the City of Dallas. Dallas made a successful traffic stop recovering the stolen vehicle and making an arrest for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

The goal for this project is to apply for grant funding that would allow the Hutchins Police Department to expand upon the number of cameras that are currently deployed.

Current Flock cameras (10)

Projection expansion (30) cameras

## Budget Implications

Approximately \$ 120,000.00 with an annual re-occurring fee. Quote may vary dependent of the needs and locations of cameras.

**Operational Impact**

Reduce crime by utilizing technology. Cameras are a strategic way to capture License plate data from vehicles that are used during the commission of offenses.

Expand technology as an investigative tool to solve crime

**Legal Review**

Reviewed by City Attorney Joe Gorfida

**Staff Recommendation**

Approve the resolution allowing the Police Department to apply for grant funds.

**Supporting Documentation and Attachments**

Resolution