



To: DDA Board

From: Lt. Michael Zang

Date: 10/17/2025

Re: Flock Camera Renewal

Budget Impact: \$8,852.19

The Lathrup Village Police Department is respectfully requesting another year renewal for the Flock License Plate Reading Cameras, which will soon expire. Due to the delay in installation, Flock provided us with a discount for this year's license renewals. The renewal estimate for 2025-2026 was originally over \$15,000, however, I contacted them and discussed my concerns that we paid for an entire year but didn't receive our full benefit. They prorated each camera and calculated the delays and came up with a renewal rate of \$8,852.19. I, too, conducted calculations and believe their numbers are accurate and fair.

With that being said, these cameras have proven to be an asset not only in officer's investigations, but also for investigations into crimes against those members of the business district. We have developed countless leads in retail frauds, bank fraud, and many other crimes. Using the power of these cameras and surrounding police agency's infrastructure, we we're able to dismantle a fraud ring that was wreaking havoc on our own Michigan First Credit Union where losses were in the several hundreds of thousands. On top of generating vehicle leads and personal identities of individuals with nefarious intent, we are also able to create alerts that go directly to our phones when a suspect crosses a camera and enters our jurisdiction. In the depths of the Michigan First investigation, we were able to receive alerts and often get to the banks prior to our suspects.

On top of the investigations it has assisted with, we have arrested dozens of individuals in stolen vehicles coming into our city with unknown motives. Being able to stop crime before it happens is an invaluable tool and we look forward to being able to continue to use this technology.

This technology has had some scrutiny with concerns about the motoring public's privacy. I can assure you this technology and its information is secure and locked down. In order to even search for a vehicle,



an officer must have an incident number and crime class to even begin a search. On top of those security features, the LVPD has an in-depth policy and procedure that inhibits any misuse from officers or dissemination of information to the public.

We appreciate your willingness to extend this contract and give us access to this invaluable tool that we use to protect the citizens and members of the business district of the City of Lathrup Village. I would be happy to answer any questions you may have and am available at your convenience.