



PUBLIC CORRESPONDENCE

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Dear City Council,

The subject of the letter is license plate readers for Los Altos

It is my assumption that during the next city council meeting the subject of License Plate Readers will be on the agenda.

As one who had his catalytic converter stolen from in front of his house on a cul-de-sac and is knowledgeable of this happening to others in my neighborhood and in the Grant Park area, I am concerned, deeply concerned.

Council has been deliberating on this subject for too long and, as a result, opportunities to deter and prevent crimes have been lost.

Our City has taken too long to make a decision to give our police an important tool that they need. In the meantime, our residents have been and continue to be more vulnerable to crime because the criminals know our city is less secure than neighboring towns with the LPR's.

Not only that, it is well known that South American gangs from countries like Chile are targeting California cities in Southern California and I suspect in the Bay area, maybe even Los Altos. Our local police would know.

If the ALPR program is to be successful, it should not restrict our police from effectively using this tool. I am concerned that the length of time it has taken to bring this to fruition has resulted in too many limits on our police.

I am aware that there were only 2 complaints of racial bias in the past year and both were found that there was no racism from our police. There should be no concern about racial profiling with this program as used by our police.

Furthermore, we have a very experienced police chief and I urge you show your trust in her by supporting her requests to make this program successful and that you commit to this ASAP.

Sincerely,

Scott Spielman