Summer's Camera Expenses – Pricing according to Amazon

Canon EOS R10 Telephoto Zoom Kit

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24.2-megapixel APS-C mirrorless camera with RF-S 18-150mm f/3.5-6.3 IS STM lens, Wi-Fi®, and Bluetooth® The value-packed EQS R10 paired with

this super-versatile lens can help you take creativity to the next level. Read more from Crutchfield writer, *Ned O*.



- Ravelli 1030652-01 Heavy Duty Aluminum Tripod
 \$125.00
- Sirui KS-10 Low Gravity QR Ball Head (Tri- pod camera holder)
 - \$79.00 (I paid \$85.86 at Camera Outfitters Downtown on 6/24 –tripod head broke during a video promo at Off the Beaten Path)
- 128 GB SanDisk SD Card (2) smaller cards fill up too fast with large videos at events
 - o \$16.50 each x 2
- LP LP-E17 Battery Charger
 - o **\$12.99**
- Canon Battery LP-E17 (For 77D, T6I, T6S, M3, M6)
 - o \$40.00 x 2
- Total invested in camera/ accessories/ tripod = \$1,828.99+
 - Cost includes work related camera items only



Subject: Request for Camera Stipend Approval

Dear Mills City Council,

I am reaching out to formally request a modest \$25 monthly stipend for the use of my personal camera in support of the City of Mills' communication and promotional efforts.

Since I began working for the City of Mills in August 2024, I have used my personal camera exclusively for official purposes, including events, public relations, Facebook content, and other promotional materials. Over the past year, I have not been reimbursed for the use of this equipment, despite it being a core tool in my role.

To provide some context, my initial investment in this camera was \$1,800+. My camera has remained in my office and has not been used for any private photography work since I started my position. Just recently, I had to replace the camera head for \$85 to ensure its continued functionality for city-related projects. Despite these expenses, I have taken no compensation for the use of this equipment, either from external shoots or for its use by the city.

Additionally, while the video camera in the council chambers is a great resource, it is not portable and requires a constant power source to function. This limitation makes it unsuitable for use at events, further emphasizing the importance of having a reliable camera available for city-related visual content.

Enclosed is a price breakdown for your review, should you feel the city would be better suited to purchase new equipment for me to use instead.

A \$25 stipend would not only demonstrate the city's acknowledgment of the value this tool provides but also help offset ongoing maintenance costs and ensure I can continue to produce high-quality visual content for our community.

Thank you for considering this request. I'd be happy to discuss this further or provide additional details if needed.

Best regards,

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