

AGENDA MEMO

Business of the City Council City of Sweeny, Texas

Meeting Date	09/16/2025	Agenda Items	
Approved by City Manager		Presenter(s)	Seamus Ford (Flock) Chief Brad Caudle
Reviewed by City Attorney		Department	Police
Subject	Flock Cameras and Nova Program		
Attachments / Supporting documents			
Financial Information	Expenditure Required: Amount Budgeted:		N/A N/A
	Account Number:		IN/A
	Additional Appropriation Required:		
	Additional Account Number:		

Executive Summary

1. Discussion and Possible Action on Flock Cameras

These cameras would be installed on the three main entry points into the city. Flock cameras are a type of solar-powered, cellular-connected license plate reader (LPR) camera system designed to enhance safety by capturing vehicle information, including license plates, make, and model, to help police prevent and solve crimes. These cameras use artificial intelligence to read plates, provide vehicle "fingerprints," and capture footage of vehicles even without plates, offering a network-based tool for crime investigation and prevention. The data is stored securely, with the option to set a default 30-day retention period and is owned by the installation entity. This will cost approximately \$12,500 a year for this program. The initial amount due at contract signing will be \$17,075.00. (This includes Nova \$2,000)

2. Discussion and Possible Action on the Flock NOVA Program (Cancel Accurint Program and Replace with NOVA) (Accurint- \$2,400 annually plus \$.50 per search. (NOVA- \$2,000 annually)

Law enforcement agencies today often struggle with scattered data across many systems, forcing investigators to spend hours searching through siloed platforms for actionable intelligence. Flock Safety's Nova platform brings it all together, including first- and third-party data from Flock devices, Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD), Record Management Systems (RMS), and open-source intelligence to instantly reveal investigative leads in one unified interface. Flock Nova bridges the gap between disconnected systems, reducing delays and errors caused by tools that don't communicate. Like other Flock solutions, Nova enhances inter-agency collaboration — with a simple opt-in agreement, agencies can share CAD and RMS data across jurisdictions to better collaborate and improve case deconfliction.

Recommended Action