

September 9th, 2025
Town Council
Regular Meeting
Res. No.

**A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE GRANT FUNDS FROM
THE VIRGINIA STATE POLICE**

WHEREAS, the Warrenton Town Council is charged by the Code of Virginia with the preparation of an annual budget for the Town of Warrenton; and

WHEREAS, on June 10, 2025, the Town Council adopted the Town of Warrenton Fiscal Year 2026 Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia State Police administers the Help Eliminate Auto Theft (H.E.A.T.) Program, which provides grant funding to law enforcement agencies in support of initiatives to reduce, prevent, and investigate motor vehicle theft and related crimes; and

WHEREAS, Warrenton Police Department staff applied for a H.E.A.T. grant in July for funding the purchase of Flock Safety LPR cameras to aid in the investigation of auto theft, auto parts theft and related crimes; and

WHEREAS, there was a 75% increase in automobile thefts in the Town of Warrenton between 2023-2025; and a 34% increase in other thefts over the same period; and

WHEREAS, Flock Safety LPR cameras provide a cost-effective, force-multiplying method of crime prevention, crime deterrence, and investigative support that has been shown to improve community safety; and

WHEREAS, on July 29, 2025, the Virginia State Police notified the Town of its decision to award grant funds in the amount of \$10,000.00 in support of the Warrenton Police Department's mission to reduce crime and improve community safety; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Warrenton Town Council this 9th day of September 2025, that the Warrenton Police Department is hereby authorized to accept H.E.A.T. Program grant funds in the amount of \$10,000 from the Virginia State Police; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fiscal Year 2026 budget is hereby amended to appropriate \$10,000 in state grant funding.

ATTACHMENT: None

Votes:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent from Vote:

Absent from Meeting:

For Information:

Chief of Police

ATTEST: _____
Town Recorder