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TO: Honorable Mayor Johnson and City Council Members  
FROM: Peter Pacillas – Chief of Police  
DATE: August 22, 2025  
RE: Flock Safety ALPR System

Honorable Mayor and City Council Members,

We would like to inform you on the funding source, locations, and impact of the Flock Safety ALPR system.

The Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority (MVCRA) awarded the El Paso Police Department's Auto Theft Task Force grant funding for this project as part of the SB224 FY2024 Grant. The grant period for the SB224 FY2024 Grant ends on March 3, 2026. The cost for 150 Flock LPR cameras is \$702,500.00 and the cost is covered at 100% by the grant award with no cash match. The El Paso Police Department entered into a contract with Flock Safety and the contract began at the time of installation of the first LPR camera that occurred May 16, 2025. The contract is valid for a 12-month period (May 16, 2025 to May 16, 2026).

The locations of the 150 Flock LPR Cameras are distributed in the following Regional Command areas based on activity hot-spots.

- WSRC-26
- NERC-25
- CRCC-31
- PHRC-24
- UERC-24
- MVRC-20

Here are some examples of the Impact and the benefits to the community:

- Enhanced Public Safety
  - Helps deter and reduce crimes such as auto theft, burglaries, and violent crimes by identifying suspect vehicles quickly.
- Faster Criminal Investigations
  - Speeds up the time it takes to solve crimes involving vehicles, leading to quicker arrests and increased public relations.
- Stolen Vehicle Recovery
  - Increases recovery rates of stolen vehicles, often within hours of theft reports.

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- Crime Prevention Through Visibility
  - The presence of LPR systems acts as a deterrent to criminals who know their vehicle may be flagged.
- Protection in Neighborhoods and Schools
  - Can alert law enforcement if known threats or banned individuals enter a residential area, school zone, or community space.
- Support for Victims
  - Helps bring justice faster, giving victims peace of mind and closure.
- Community-Driven Safety
  - Residents or neighborhood associations can partner with law enforcement community policing and help mitigate crime trends, increasing transparency and engagement.
- Transparency and Privacy Safeguards
  - Flock stores data securely, auto-deletes footage after 30 days, and allows access only for legitimate law enforcement use.

Here are some examples of the Impact and the benefits to the Police Department:

- Real-Time Vehicle Alerts
  - Instantly notifies officers of stolen vehicles, wanted suspects, or vehicles of interest under criminal investigation entering the area.
- Improved Investigative Efficiency
  - Reduces time spent on investigations by providing searchable data (e.g., partial plate, make, model, color).
- Increased Officer Safety
  - Alerts before approaching a potentially dangerous vehicle allow enhanced field operational awareness, e.g. officer safety.
- Data Sharing Across Agencies
  - Easily connects other jurisdictions using the Flock network, enhancing collaboration (see last paragraph)
- Evidence Collection and Prosecution Support
  - Provides documented visual evidence for criminal cases, which strengthens prosecution efforts.
- Resource Optimization
  - Reduces the need for manual surveillance or stakeouts, allowing officers to focus on other priority tasks.
- Pattern and Trend Analysis
  - Assists crime analysts and command staff in identifying hot spots and recurring vehicle-related crime trends.
- Accountability and Auditing
  - The system maintains audit logs for transparency, showing who accessed the data.

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The El Paso Police Department's Auto Theft Task Force has had several success stories where the Flock LPR system has assisted in locating stolen vehicles. It has given taskforce officers the tools to quickly respond and recover stolen vehicles, make arrests of car thieves, and return the stolen vehicles back to their rightful owners.

The Flock LPR System has also been responsible for solving violent crime and apprehending violent criminals. A recent noteworthy example is of a subject that was wanted out of the State of Indiana for Murder. The subject's vehicle was located within the City of El Paso, TX. The subject was subsequently apprehended in El Paso and charged for the Murder he committed in Indiana. The Flock LPR system acts as a force multiplier providing real-time information on stolen vehicles to officers in the field keeping our city safe and reducing crime.

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