



Item Number: 11

City Council / Board of Directors

Consent Calendar

Meeting of: January 21, 2025

Submitted By:

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Subject:

Automatic License Plate Reader Annual Report

Recommendation:

That the Honorable City Council review and file the attached Automatic License Plate Reader Annual Report.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Strategic Plan Goal:

This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goal B, Public Safety. The City focuses on implementing public safety strategies to support a thriving and growing community. In accordance with one strategy outlined within the plan, invest in technology that will assist efficient and effective police operations, the City Council has previously approved Phases 1-6 of the Automatic License Plate Reader (ALPR) program.

Background:

Since the City Council approved the ALPR program in 2019, Phases 1-6 have been completed, and 123 fixed cameras have been installed throughout the City. With the program complete, the cameras help create a perimeter internal to and around the City to better locate the vehicle being sought by our Police Department.

Discussion:

The ALPR program allows law enforcement to proactively prevent crime and improve the security and safety of the community in the most cost-effective fashion. ALPR technology assists with proactive, tactical, and investigative policing, thereby reducing ongoing costs for additional officers with a one-time capital expense.

The ALPR cameras continue to provide critical investigative information to solve murders, burglaries, and sex offender violations, among other crimes. The system immediately notifies our deputies with hits related to wanted vehicles, kidnapping suspects, violent offenders, in-progress robberies, shootings, and critical missing persons. This program allows our deputies to proactively prevent crime and improve the security and safety of our citizens.

Attachment A provides the Council with the City's ALPR camera activity from January 2024 through December 2024. During this 12-month period, the cameras captured 567 hits and 116 arrests for various crimes: auto theft, robbery, attempted murder, assault/ domestic violence, and terrorist threats. In addition, narcotics and firearms were recovered. The attachment also highlights case summaries where the ALPR program proved invaluable in protecting our community's citizens.

Staff remains available for any questions or comments you might have.

Attachments: A. Victorville ALPR Camera Data