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FOIA request under the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, MCL 15.231 et seq.
Flock Safety / automated license plate reader (ALPR) program records: documents.

Thank you in advance for your help with this request. If anything in it is unclear, or if releasing the records in stages would make the work easier, I am glad to talk it through by phone or email.

I request copies of the following records of the City of Inkster concerning the Inkster Police Department's use of automated license plate reader technology: the Flock Safety system and any other license plate reader system the Inkster Police Department has operated, or whose data it has been able to search, at any time in the time frame below. Please provide each record in the electronic format in which it is kept (PDF, XLSX, CSV, or similar) by email or through your records portal; for any record held only on paper, a scanned PDF is preferred. I stipulate electronic delivery of the records and of your response (MCL 15.234(1)(c); MCL 15.235(10)) and am not requesting paper copies or physical media. Where a record is already posted on your website, the specific webpage address is sufficient (MCL 15.234(5)). If an item is held by another department or office of the City of Inkster rather than the Inkster Police Department, please forward that portion to the office that holds it, or tell me which office does, rather than deny it on that ground; items 1 and 2, and any item 4 agreement approved by a council, board, or commission, are likely held by the clerk, finance, or purchasing office as well as the Inkster Police Department.

This is one of two requests I am sending to you today. The other asks for exports from the Inkster Police Department's Flock Safety account (search and network audits, sharing configuration, change logs, alerts and users). The two are not duplicates; please process them as separate requests, each with its own response and, if a fee is assessed, its own itemized estimate.

Time frame: from the date of the City of Inkster's earliest agreement with any license plate reader vendor, or January 1, 2015, whichever is earlier, through the date this request is received.

1. Contracts and pricing. Every agreement between the City of Inkster and Flock Group Inc. (Flock Safety) or a reseller, and every agreement with any other license plate reader vendor (for example Motorola Solutions or Vigilant Solutions, Rekor Systems, or Axon Enterprise): order forms, master terms, quotes, amendments, renewals, and all invoices, including any for cameras paid for by a department or fund of the City of Inkster other than the Inkster Police Department.

2. Procurement and approval. Purchase orders; any request for proposals, bid tabulation, or sole-source justification; the budget line item or account and any grant award, application, or grant report that funded the program; and the agenda item, staff memo, minutes, and recorded vote of any council, board, or commission action approving the initial purchase and each later expansion or renewal.

3. Policy. The Inkster Police Department's policy on license plate readers or on the Flock system, its standard operating procedures, hot-list criteria, and audit policy in effect at any point in the time frame, including superseded versions; and any list of approved search reasons it has used in the time frame and any record showing whether its system requires or required a search reason.

4. Data sharing. Any agreement, memorandum of understanding, or written authorization, in effect at any point in the time frame, under which another organization may access the Inkster Police Department's license plate reader data or the Inkster Police Department may access another

organization's license plate reader data, in Flock or any other license plate reader system (other agencies, the Flock statewide or nationwide network or any other vendor's sharing network, the Michigan State Police, fusion centers, federal agencies, private entities), and any record of the Inkster Police Department's decision to join or leave the Flock statewide or nationwide sharing networks or any other vendor's sharing network. This item includes agreements, memoranda, letters, emails and approvals, and any other record of approving or ending a share, or of a decision to join or leave any sharing network named above, whether the record is kept within a license plate reader system or outside it. A system export of the current sharing list and sharing settings that is released to me need not be released again under this item.

5. Camera inventory. The Inkster Police Department's camera inventory: the Flock device list export or any equivalent list the Inkster Police Department keeps (location name, latitude and longitude, street location, device type, install date), and any installation report, relocation record, or decommission record for a device added, moved, or removed in the time frame.

6. Retention and transparency portal. The Inkster Police Department's Flock data-retention period as stated in any policy, contract or order form, settings record, or correspondence with Flock, and any correspondence with Flock, memo, or approval concerning setting or changing that period, including the Inkster Police Department's own request to Flock. If the Inkster Police Department publishes a Flock transparency portal, please include its web address; for anything shown there, the address is sufficient.

7. Audits. Each internal audit memo or report of ALPR use, whether prepared under the Inkster Police Department's ALPR policy or otherwise, with any list or sample of the searches reviewed; any written finding, under that policy or under any other policy, rule or order of the Inkster Police Department or the City of Inkster, that a user's search or other use of the system was improper or outside the Inkster Police Department's duties, with its disposition (names may be redacted); any memo or report the Inkster Police Department has prepared about searches of its cameras by other organizations; and any periodic usage or performance report Flock has sent to the Inkster Police Department in the time frame. Raw system exports are not requested under this item.

If no record exists for an item, please include in your written response the certificate required by MCL 15.235(5)(b) that the record does not exist under the name given here or by another name reasonably known to you.

Fees. I request a public-interest fee waiver or reduction under MCL 15.234(2): the records concern the operation and oversight of a public automated license plate reader program, and the findings will be published for the general public at no charge on a public website covering Michigan license plate reader programs at michiganplatereaders.org, so furnishing them can be considered as primarily benefiting the general public. If you assess a fee, please send the estimate on your standard detailed-itemization form (MCL 15.234(4)), broken out by the numbered items above so that I can narrow the request, and, if the estimate exceeds $50, the deposit notice under MCL 15.234(8), within the response period of MCL 15.235(2). I understand that labor for search, examination, and redaction may be charged only where failure to charge would result in unreasonably high costs because of the nature of this particular request and the public body specifically identifies the nature of those costs (MCL 15.234(3)); that labor is capped at the hourly wage of the lowest-paid employee capable of the task, plus a fringe-benefit multiplier of at most 50 percent noted on the itemization (MCL 15.234(1)(a), (b), (e), (2)); and that records already available on your website are exempt from redaction charges (MCL 15.234(5)).

This request, your responses to it and any correspondence about it will be published at michiganplatereaders.org, with personal contact details left out.

If any portion is exempt, please release the non-exempt portions (MCL 15.244(1)) and, for each withholding, state the basis and describe what was separated or deleted (MCL 15.235(5)(a), (c)). Thank you.