CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-031

RESOLUTION 2023-031 AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A 24-MONTH SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH FLOCK SAFETY GROUP INC. FOR THE LEASE OF TWENTY-FOUR (24) FALCON AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE READER (ALPR) CAMERAS AND SIX (6) WING (ALPR) SOFTWARE OVERLAYS ONTO EXISTING CITY CAMERAS, FOR A YEAR 1 COST OF \$77,900 AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A TWO-YEAR RENEWAL AGREEMENT TO MAINTAIN THE PROGRAM, NOT TO EXCEED \$69,000 ANNUALLY

WHEREAS, Police agencies have used cameras and Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) technology to help solve crimes, especially when an automobile has been used. ALPR technology has continued to evolve and has become less cost prohibitive; and

WHEREAS, the Carmel Police Department currently uses mobile ALPRs for parking management and is now looking to expand this beneficial tool to fixed locations throughout the ingress and egress locations of the city; and

WHEREAS, Flock Safety Group is the only ALPR system that partners with Evidence.com, which is the current evidence storage system the Carmel Police Department uses. Flock manufacturer is also the only service porovider that leasees ALPR services, which will prevent the city from being burdened with maintaining costly equipment that would need replacement; and

WHEREAS, it is believed that the entire peninsula is either exploring flock Safety or has signed contracts for flock Safety to be installed in their cities to assist with crime prevention. Due to multiple surrounding police agencies investing in flock safety, Carmel would benefit from sharing and accessing data from other cities should a crime take place; and

WHEREAS, to continue our efforts to enhance the safety of our community, we strongly believe this technology will deter crime and assist our officers in responding to and solving crime in a more expedient manner; and

WHEREAS, the Flock ALPR start-up cost with equipment and installation is \$77,900.00 (24 solar-powered ALPR cameras and 6 software camera overlays on existing cameras). Annual program costs: \$69,000 (after year 1), and the annual program costs \$69,000; and

WHEREAS, on February 21, 2023, Council adopted Resolution 2023-025, which approved a mid-year budget adjustment for FY 22/23 to cover the first year start up cost of \$77,900 in fund 101-116-00-42104 for Police Safety Equipment and Supplies, which sufficient to cover the first year of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the annual renewal costs for the Flock Safety System ALPR program for \$69,000 per year will be submitted in the budget for Council approval in FY 23-24 and subsequent years.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA DOES HEREBY:

Authorize the City Administrator to execute a Professional Service Agreement with with Flock Safety Group Inc. for the lease of twenty-four (24) Falcon automated license plate reader (ALPR) cameras and six (6) Wing (ALPR) software overlays onto existing city cameras, for a year 1 cost of \$77,900 and authorize the city manager to enter into a two-year renewal agreement to maintain the program, not to exceed \$69,000 annually.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA this 14th day of March, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	
APPROVED:	ATTEST:
Dave Potter	Nova Romero, MMC
Mayor	City Clerk