

PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST—GULFPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT FLOCK CAMERA PROGRAM

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Custodian of Public Records

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Re: Police Department records concerning Gulfport's Flock Safety camera program

To the Custodian of Public Records:

This request is being submitted to both the Gulfport Police Department and the City of Gulfport because responsive records may be maintained by multiple City offices or departments. Please process the Police Department records, including policies, Flock administrative records, network-access and data-sharing records, audits, usage summaries, and records concerning the proposed additional camera. Please coordinate with the City as appropriate and avoid duplicate production and duplicate charges.

Pursuant to Article I, section 24 of the Florida Constitution and Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, I request electronic copies of the following existing records concerning the Gulfport Police Department's Flock Safety automated license plate reader program.

1. Police Department approval and installation records

1. The final Police Department record or records showing who requested, recommended, or approved the original Flock cameras, the locations and installation of the cameras, and activation of the system.
2. Any final written site assessment, staff analysis, public-safety justification, legal review, or privacy review maintained by the Police Department and prepared before installation or activation.
3. The current Flock contract, order form, amendment, renewal, subscription terms, or other agreement maintained by the Police Department.

2. Police Department policy and auditing

4. The Police Department's current written policy, general order, or procedure governing authorized and prohibited uses; documentation required for searches; data sharing; data retention and deletion; supervisor review and auditing; privacy and data security; and investigation or discipline for misuse.
5. The most recent completed audit or system-usage review of Gulfport users' Flock searches.
6. The most recent report, review, or audit of the Flock program provided by the Police Department to City Council, the City Manager, City Attorney, or another City official.

If a good-faith search locates no responsive record for an item, please advise that no responsive record was located.

3. Current network access, sharing, and capabilities

7. The current existing agency-sharing list, sharing-organization report, administrative export, system report, screenshot, or equivalent record showing the outside agencies authorized to search or receive data collected by Gulfport's cameras.
8. The current existing record showing the outside agencies or shared network whose Flock data Gulfport personnel may currently search.
9. The current existing record showing Gulfport's data-retention setting or retention period.
10. The current existing record showing the Gulfport position authorized to approve, add, or remove outside-agency sharing.
11. Any current existing system record, policy, contract material, report, screenshot, or export showing whether the system available to Gulfport permits historical vehicle-location searches, searches across multiple jurisdictions, searches of records collected by cameras outside Gulfport, or searches using vehicle descriptions or characteristics without first entering a known license plate.

4. Restriction of network access and proposed additional camera

12. Any existing contract provision, notice, portal message, vendor communication, or other record stating why Gulfport's access to other agencies' Flock data was removed, suspended, or restricted.
13. Any existing record stating the number of cameras, contribution level, or other requirement Gulfport must meet to restore or maintain that access.
14. The quote, proposal, purchase request, order form, purchase order, or approval record maintained by the Police Department for the proposed additional camera.
15. Any proposed, pending, approved, or signed amendment, addendum, revised order form, subscription document, or other agreement connected with the proposed additional camera.
16. Any existing record stating the proposed camera's cost; its proposed location; who approved or is being asked to approve it; the stated reason for adding it; and what outside-agency or network access Gulfport expects to regain or maintain after it is added.

5. Existing usage, effectiveness, and misuse information

17. The single most recent existing annual or cumulative dashboard, audit report, or statistical summary maintained by the Police Department showing any of the following: total vehicle detections or reads; total searches; total alerts; outside-agency searches involving Gulfport data; stolen vehicles recovered; arrests; crimes solved; investigations assisted; false or unconfirmed alerts; complaints; unauthorized searches or access; or confirmed misuse.
18. The single most recent existing report or evaluation, if any, comparing the program's costs with its results.

This request seeks only existing system records, policies, contract materials, reports, screenshots, or exports. It does not require the Police Department to prepare a new explanation or report.

This request does not require the Police Department to create a report, calculate new statistics, search individual investigative files, or compile information from multiple records.

Production format

Please provide the records electronically by email or download link in the electronic format in which the receiving office ordinarily maintains or produces them.

This request does not seek raw license-plate data, vehicle images, names or addresses of vehicle owners, personally identifying ALPR information, individual investigative files, or active criminal investigative information.

Exemptions and redactions

If any portion of a responsive record is withheld or redacted, please identify the specific Florida statutory exemption relied upon and produce all reasonably segregable nonexempt portions.

Please do not withhold an entire record merely because a portion may be exempt.

Fees and public-interest waiver

This request concerns the City's use and proposed expansion of a networked surveillance system, expenditure of public funds, sharing of vehicle-location information, and oversight of police activity. The requested records will be used to inform Gulfport residents and the Gulfport City Council.

I respectfully request that the City waive or minimize fees in the public interest.

This request is narrowly limited to specifically identified existing records and does not require broad email searches, creation of new reports, compilation of new statistics, or review of individual investigative files.

If the City declines to waive the fees, pursuant to section 119.07(4), Florida Statutes, please provide all readily available electronic records at the lawful actual cost of duplication. A special-service charge should be imposed only if fulfillment requires extensive use of information-technology resources or extensive clerical or supervisory assistance.

Before beginning work that would result in a charge, please provide an itemized written estimate identifying: (1) the specific requested item causing the charge; (2) the estimated amount of staff time; (3) the hourly rate and job classification of the employee performing the work; (4) any duplication or information-technology cost; and (5) the basis for determining that the item requires extensive assistance or extensive use of information-technology resources.

Please first produce all readily available records that can be provided without charge.

Do not incur charges exceeding \$25 without my written authorization.

If one item would cause a significant charge, please produce the remaining readily available records and provide a separate estimate for that item.

Please avoid duplicating records or charges associated with my corresponding request submitted to the City of Gulfport.

Please acknowledge receipt of this request.

Sincerely,

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