

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE JERSEY VILLAGE
CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION DISTRICT**

December 17, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.

The Crime Control and Prevention District (CCPD) of the City of Jersey Village, Texas, convened on December 17, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the Civic Center, 16327 Lakeview Drive, Jersey Village, Texas.

- A. Open Meeting** - The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Justin Ray, with the following present:

President, Justin Ray	City Manager, Austin Bless
Director, Andrew Mitcham	City Secretary, Lorri Coody
Director, Greg Holden	City Attorney, Leah Hayes
Director, Bobby Warren	
Director, James Singleton	
Director, Gary Wubbenhorst	
Director, J. Lane DuBois-Freeman	

Staff in attendance: Eric Foerster, Chief of Police; Mark Bitz, Fire Chief; Kevin T. Hagerich, Director of Public Works; Isabel Kato, Director of Finance; and Jason Alfaro, Director of Parks and Recreation.

- B. Consider approval of the minutes of the CCPD Meeting held on August 20, 2018.**

Director Mitcham moved to approve the minutes for the meeting held on August 20, 2018. Director Wubbenhorst seconded the motion. The vote follows:

Ayes: Directors Mitcham, Holden, Warren, Singleton, Wubbenhorst, and Dubois-Freeman
President Ray

Nays: None

The motion carried.

- C. Consider Resolution No. 2018-03, amending the 2018-2019 Crime Control and Prevention District's Budget in the amount of \$312,000.00 and authorizing the funding associated with the purchase and installation of an Automated License Plate Recognition Camera System from the Crime Control Prevention District Fund.**

Eric Foerster, Chief of Police, introduced the item. Background information is as follows: The Jersey Village Police Department has been exploring the acquisition of Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR) technology for several years. This technology uses cameras that would read, record, and store all license plates on vehicles traveling in and out of the city. The cameras would be installed throughout the city, with a particular focus on major entrances. The main objective of installing ALPR cameras is to reduce criminal activity and would act as a great force multiplier that is on 24 hours a day. We will have the ability to review any of the 48 cameras at any time. This technology is fundamental in assisting the police department with identifying suspects in criminal investigations, recovering stolen assets, and monitoring suspicious vehicles. ALPR technology has become increasingly more cost effective over the last few years, and this department believes it is beneficial to purchase a system at this time.

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At tonight's meeting, we will ask Council to approve a contract with Flock Safety for the purchase of an ALPR system. Flock Safety is the sole source vendor of the Flock Safety Camera and comprehensive monitoring system that would best fit the needs of the City. It operates over wireless network, which makes it easier to install and/or relocate to discreet locations. The total system cost is \$312,000 which covers a 36-month contract period. This contract covers the cost of 48 cameras with related equipment, installation, hosting, wireless service and warranty.

The Board engaged in discussion about a maintenance plan for the cameras. Chief Foerster explained that maintenance is included in the proposal. The cameras are low-maintenance and will be maintained by Flock Safety. The annual maintenance costs were discussed. Chief Foerster explained that the annual maintenance costs of \$72,000 and the annual cellular connectivity costs of \$24,000 are included in the three (3) year proposal. After the first three (3) years, these costs will be \$96,000 per year.

The collection of data and its uses were discussed by the Board. Chief Foerster explained the ability to set alerts to collect certain data and provided examples. Some members wanted to know if the cameras could be used to monitor activity in city parks. Chief Foerster explained that since the cameras are solar, they can be moved around to different locations with ease.

The cameras are OCR with standard resolution and are used as a tool to guide law enforcement.

The Board asked about competitive bidding on these cameras. Chief explained that this is a sole source bid. City Attorney Hayes explained sole source bidding versus competitive bidding.

There was also discussion about the use of these cameras by other cities in the area. Chief Foerster explained that because of the reduction in cost, more and more cities are using these cameras as a law enforcement tool.

Other examples of use for these cameras were discussed to include child custody, individuals suspicious of criminal activity, and stolen vehicles.

With no further discussion on the matter, Board Member Warren moved to approve Resolution No. 2018-03, amending the 2018-2019 Crime Control and Prevention District's Budget in the amount of \$312,000.00 and authorizing the funding associated with the purchase and installation of an Automated License Plate Recognition Camera System from the Crime Control Prevention District Fund. Board Member Holden seconded the motion. The vote follows:

Ayes: Directors Mitcham, Holden, Warren, Singleton, Wubbenhorst, and Dubois-Freeman
President Ray

Nays: None

The motion carried.

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D. Adjourn

With no other items to be addressed by the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Lorri Coody, Board Secretary