



Re: [EXTERNAL]Follow-Up: ALPR Governance and September 15 Agenda Request

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Chief Miglionico,

Thank you for the response and for the offer to meet with you and Lt. Gould.

The discontinuation of Flock certainly changes the immediate circumstances, but it does not eliminate the policy question that prompted the requested September 15 discussion. In many respects, the absence of an active deployment may provide an especially good opportunity for the Town to discuss prospective safeguards without the conversation becoming a debate over whether existing cameras should remain operational.

The materials provided by the Department demonstrate that DPD already developed meaningful policies concerning legitimate use, retention, auditing, access, and civil liberties. The intended discussion is therefore not directed at criticizing the Department or its personnel. Rather, it concerns whether Douglas should establish durable minimum safeguards governing any future ALPR or comparable surveillance technology, regardless of vendor, future Police Department leadership, or changes in system capability.

A meeting with you and Lt. Gould could certainly be useful for understanding the operational perspective, and that offer is appreciated. However, because the ultimate subject involves long-term Town policy rather than solely Police Department operations, such a meeting would not substitute for a properly noticed public discussion before the Board of Selectmen.

Accordingly, the request that this subject be considered for the September 15 agenda remains respectfully submitted to the Chairman and Board.

Thank you again for the Department's substantive records production and willingness to discuss the issue.

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Good afternoon,

Thank you for the email and for sharing your insight.

The Chairman of the BOS is responsible for setting the meeting agenda and at this time it would be my recommendation to not have this item placed on the September 15th agenda as you requested. As you know, as of Monday the department has stopped utilizing Flock Safety in town and has since removed the cameras. I believe it would be more valuable for you to meet with me and Lt. Gould here at the police station if you would like to continue the conversation. If this is something that you would be interested in feel free to contact me and we can confirm a time to meet and discuss further.

Stay safe,
Chief Miglionico

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Attached is my signed correspondence in response to the Police Department's decision to discontinue its use of Flock cameras. I respectfully ask that the letter be retained with the Town's public correspondence concerning this matter.

I do not view the discontinuation of the cameras as a victory or as the end of this discussion. Rather, I believe it gives Douglas an opportunity to consider these technologies without the pressure of an active deployment and to develop clear, practical safeguards before deciding what comes next.

The attached letter outlines that position and formally requests an opportunity to provide the Board with a brief presentation on September 15 concerning ALPR and emerging public-safety technology governance, followed by discussion. If the subject requires more time, I have also proposed a separate, properly noticed public workshop.

I believe Douglas has an opportunity here to develop a thoughtful approach that preserves the legitimate investigative value of emerging technologies while establishing the accountability and public confidence necessary for their responsible use.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

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