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April 9, 2021

Via Electronic Mail

Attn: Gregg Horton

Re: Notice of Extension on Response to Request for Public Records Received
3/16/2021

Dear Gregg Horton:

The City of Benicia (“City”) is in receipt of your email request seeking:

“Any emails, written communications, documents, contracts, presentations, or other communications between officials from the Benicia Police Department and officials from the company “Flock Safety.”

In your request, you further describe that this request includes:

“Benicia Police Department records of any kind, including electronic records, audiotapes, videotapes, and photographs, as well as letters, emails, facsimiles, telephone messages, voice mail messages and transcripts, notes, and minutes of any meetings. The search should be limited to responsive records created between January 1, 2019 and the day the request is fulfilled.”

This letter shall serve as the City’s formal written response to your request under the California Public Records Act (Government Code section 6250 *et seq.*). A copy of your request is enclosed for reference.

The City wishes to cooperate to the fullest extent possible with the Public Records Act. Under established California law, the City is obliged to comply with a request for a public record so long as the requester makes a specific and focused request for information, that information is maintained by the City in its ordinary course of business, the information is disclosable, and the record can be located with reasonable effort. The Public Records Act provides for the inspection or copying of existing identifiable public records; it does not compel the City to create new records, lists, privilege logs, or reports in response to a request.

The City is required to determine whether the request, in whole or in part, seeks copies of disclosable public records. Pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code §§6250 *et seq.*), such determination must take place within ten (10) days of the City's receipt of the request, unless the requestor is advised that more time is needed. In my March 26, 2021 letter, I had stated that additional time was needed, and that the City would respond on or before April 9, 2021.

Accordingly, the City has determined that your request seeks disclosable records. Due to the voluminous size of the response to your request, the City will produce these responsive documents on a rolling schedule. Documents will be provided by Friday of each week from this time forward, until all responsive records have been sent.

I am enclosing a copy of the first grouping of responsive files in response to your request.

If you have any questions about this response, or if you would like to discuss ways to narrow your search so that the City can provide more specific records in a quicker fashion, please feel free to contact me directly at jbergstrom@ci.benicia.ca.us or 707-746-4200.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Bergstrom
Deputy City Clerk

cc: Benjamin Stock, City Attorney
Erik Upson, City Manager
Michael Greene, Police Chief
Lisa Wolfe, City Clerk
File

From: Jennifer Bergstrom
To: Jennifer Bergstrom
Subject: FW: California Public Records Act Request: Benicia Police Department: Flock Safety
Date: Friday, March 26, 2021 4:41:37 PM

From: 109813-60721929@requests.muckrock.com [mailto:109813-60721929@requests.muckrock.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 8:16 PM
To: Ben Stock
Subject: California Public Records Act Request: Benicia Police Department: Flock Safety

Benicia Police Department
PRA Office
200 East L. Street
Benicia, CA 94510

March 16, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the California Public Records Act, I hereby request the following records:

Any emails, written communications, documents, contracts, presentations, or other communications between officials from the Benicia Police Department and officials from the company "Flock Safety."

We seek Benicia Police Department records of any kind, including electronic records, audiotapes, videotapes, and photographs, as well as letters, emails, facsimiles, telephone messages, voice mail messages and transcripts, notes, and minutes of any meetings. The search should be limited to responsive records created between January 1, 2019 and the day the request is fulfilled.

In the event some portions of the requested records are properly exempt from disclosure, please disclose any reasonably segregable non-exempt portions of the requested records. If it is your position that a document contains non-exempt segments, but that those non-exempt segments are so dispersed throughout the document as to make segregation impossible, please state what portion of the document is non-exempt, and how the material is dispersed throughout the document. If a request is denied in whole, please state specifically that it is not reasonable to segregate portions of the record for release.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 10 calendar days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Gregg Horton

Filed via MuckRock.com

E-mail (Preferred): 109813-60721929@requests.muckrock.com

Upload documents directly: https://accounts.muckrock.com/accounts/login/?next=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.muckrock.com%2Faccounts%2Flogin%2F%3Fnext%3D%252Faccounts%252Fagency_login%252Fbenicia-police-department-19519%252Fbenicia-police-department-flock-safety-109813%252F%252Femail%253DHmclaughlin%252540ci.benicia.ca.us&url_auth_token=AABuRYGfg02ZPkwcm_g37CE-nfE%3A1IMMe%3AomjnyEmPsjYo_pU7ynlR8BE-JBA

Is this email coming to the wrong contact? Something else wrong? Use the above link to let us know.

For mailed responses, please address (see note):

MuckRock News
DEPT MR 109813
411A Highland Ave
Somerville, MA 02144-2516

PLEASE NOTE: This request is not filed by a MuckRock staff member, but is being sent through MuckRock by the above in order to better track, share, and manage public records requests. Also note that improperly addressed (i.e., with the requester's name rather than "MuckRock News" and the department number) requests might be returned as undeliverable.



Jennifer Bergstrom

From: Nika Golshani <nika@flocksafety.com>
Sent: Monday, April 08, 2019 8:24 AM
To: Damiean Sylvester
Subject: Where's Q Waldo

Hi Damiean,

Just a quick follow-up on a message I sent earlier....

Are you the best person to speak to about providing Free ALPR camera access in your jurisdiction?

Flock Safety provides affordable, flexible and easy to use ALPR systems to neighborhoods, businesses and public safety departments and we'd like to offer you access for free.

[Click here for specs and pricing!](#)

Thanks,
Nika Golshani
Public Safety
770-284-5861
www.flocksafety.com

PS: If you don't want to hear from me anymore, just let me know



Jennifer Bergstrom

From: Nika Golshani <nika@flocksafety.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 04, 2019 8:59 AM
To: Damiean Sylvester
Subject: Damiean, Free ALPR Camera Access in your jurisdiction

Damiean,

Flock Safety, provides affordable, flexible and easy to use ALPR systems to neighborhoods, businesses and public safety departments.

We currently have a number of cameras installed in **California** and are partnering with law enforcement to provide access to those in your jurisdiction.

Flock cameras also compare the plates we read against the **CA NCIC hot list** and notify dispatch with new hits, allowing you to have eyes on the street at all times.

Do you have a few minutes to learn how you can gain access for your local jurisdiction? I'd be happy to set up a quick call, or feel free to [find time in my calendar](#).

We're looking forward to working with you to help keep California communities safe!

Best,
Nika Golshani
Public Safety
770-284-5861
www.flocksafety.com

PS: If you don't want to hear from me anymore, just let me know



Jennifer Bergstrom

From: John Anderson <john.anderson@flocksafety.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2020 11:22 AM
To: Edward Criado
Subject: Webinar Tomorrow | San Ramon & Danville PD on ALPR

Hi Edward,

Just following up on my email from last Thursday. Any interest in joining us for the ALPR webinar **tomorrow at 10:00 AM PDT?**

Captain Cary Goldberg from San Ramon PD and Detective Dan Lynch from Danville PD will share their stories and tremendous success with Flock Safety LPR cameras. **Please register to join the virtual event by [clicking here](#).**

Do you think you will be able to attend?

Thanks,

John Anderson
Territory Sales Manager, Northern California
Flock Safety
408.652.8530 | john.anderson@flocksafety.com

Flock Safety, 1170 Howell Mill Rd NW, Suite 210, Atlanta, Georgia 30318, United States

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Jennifer Bergstrom

Subject: Flock Safety + Benicia

Start: Fri 4/9/2021 4:30 PM

End: Fri 4/9/2021 4:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Organizer: john.anderson@flocksafety.com

-----Original Appointment-----

From: john.anderson@flocksafety.com <john.anderson@flocksafety.com>

Sent: Tuesday, November 3, 2020 12:11 PM

To: john.anderson@flocksafety.com; Fwaak Manzoor

Subject: Flock Safety + Benicia

When: Monday, November 9, 2020 2:00 PM-3:00 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada).

Where: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8142387420>

You have been invited to the following event.

Flock Safety + Benicia

When Mon Nov 9, 2020 2pm – 3pm Pacific Time - Los Angeles

Where <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8142387420> (map)

Calendar fmanzoor@ci.benicia.ca.us

Who

- john.anderson@flocksafety.com - organizer
- fmanzoor@ci.benicia.ca.us

[more details »](#)

John Anderson is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8142387420>

Meeting ID: 814 238 7420

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+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 814 238 7420

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kbzez5uqgl>

Going (fmanzoor@ci.benicia.ca.us)? [Yes](#) - [Maybe](#) - [No](#) [more options »](#)

Invitation from [Google Calendar](#)

You are receiving this courtesy email at the account fmanzoor@ci.benicia.ca.us because you are an attendee of this event.

To stop receiving future updates for this event, decline this event. Alternatively you can sign up for a Google account at <https://calendar.google.com/calendar/> and control your notification settings for your entire calendar.

Forwarding this invitation could allow any recipient to send a response to the organizer and be added to the guest list, or invite others regardless of their own invitation status, or to modify your RSVP. [Learn More](#)

Jennifer Bergstrom

From: John Anderson <john.anderson@flocksafety.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 08, 2020 3:40 PM
To: Fwaak Manzoor; Edward Criado
Subject: Flock webinar followup

Hello Fwaak and Edward,

Thanks for attending my webinar yesterday morning. I hope hearing from a couple of our clients was beneficial and I really appreciate that you set aside the time to learn about Flock.

Are you interested in scheduling a time to discuss a few of the things that were brought up in the webinar?

We're already working with an HOA in Benicia (Bay Vista HOA) so I'd like to talk with you about setting up free access to those cameras and our network of PD cameras throughout the region. Vallejo already has 20 and I'm sure a bunch of your crime comes from there so this could be a really good tool for investigations.

Also, if you're open to it, I'd like to show you the solution and discuss what a Flock deployment in Benicia might look like.

Regardless, there are no strings attached if all you're interested in is setting up Free access to our network of cameras that are already in the field.

When are you available over the next week or so?

Thanks,

John

John Anderson
Territory Account Manager, Northern California
Flock Safety
408.652.8530 | john.anderson@flocksafety.com



Jennifer Bergstrom

From: John Anderson <john.anderson@flocksafety.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2020 4:49 AM
To: Edward Criado
Subject: Webinar | San Ramon & Danville PD on ALPR

Hi Edward,

I'd like to invite you to an ALPR webinar that I'm co-hosting with our CEO & Founder, Garrett Langley, on **Wednesday, 10/07 at 10:00 AM PDT**. We have guests joining from San Ramon PD and Danville PD to share their stories and tremendous success with Flock Safety LPR cameras.

Our focus will be on the technology (Solar Power, Cellular, AI/Machine Learning, and more) and the results that are produced both in terms of arrests AND increased community engagement. **Please register to join the virtual event by [clicking here](#).**

Feel free to forward this invite along to your law enforcement colleagues and peers that may be interested in joining. I look forward to sharing results like these that are possible when a new breed of LPR Camera is combined with excellent police work:

- [Vacaville PD](#) solves crime with cameras paid for by the community.
- [Hemet PD](#) recovers 24 stolen cars, solved an armed robbery, and made over 20 arrests in their first month with Flock LPR cameras.
- [Ontario PD](#) sees instant results with new Flock Safety LPRs - 14 stolen vehicles recovered in three weeks.

Are you interested in attending? Visit [this link](#) to save your spot.

Thanks,

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