

May 21, 2021

***Via Electronic Mail***

Attn: Gregg Horton

Re: 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 further 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.

**I would like to contact you to discuss ways to narrow this search so that the City can provide more specific records in a quicker fashion. Please contact me at your earliest convenience to discuss.**

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 April 9, 2021 letter, I stated that the City had determined that your request seeks disclosable records, and that due to the voluminous size of the response to your request, the City would produce these responsive documents on a rolling schedule, with documents provided by Friday of each week, until all responsive records have been sent.

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

The next response will be sent on or before next Friday, May 28, 2021.

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](mailto: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

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**From:** [109813-60721929@requests.muckrock.com](mailto:109813-60721929@requests.muckrock.com) [mailto:[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

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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

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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](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.



**From:** [John Anderson](#)  
**To:** [Fwaak Manzoor](#)  
**Subject:** Flock LPR webinar with Ventura PD  
**Date:** Thursday, January 14, 2021 4:52:32 PM

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Hi Fwaak,

I'd like to invite you and your team to a webinar that we're co-hosting with the Ventura Police Department on Thursday, January 21st at 11:00 AM PST.

Ventura PD is one of our clients that's doing a great job with Flock, and we have Commander Rick Murray and Detective Corporal Anthony Morales joining to talk about their LPR strategies, successes, and stories.

It'll be a virtual event and you can register for the Zoom Meeting by [clicking here](#).

Feel free to forward this invite along to other people at your agency who would be interested in joining.

Any interest in attending?

Thanks,

John

John Anderson

Territory Manager, Northern California

Flock Safety

408.652.8530 | [john.anderson@flocksafety.com](mailto:john.anderson@flocksafety.com)



**From:** [John Anderson](#)  
**To:** [Fwaak Manzoor](#)  
**Subject:** Flock Safety product launch  
**Date:** Friday, February 12, 2021 1:34:12 PM

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Hey Fwaak,

I'd like to invite you to [Flock Safety's "Flock in 3D" Release webinar](#) on Wednesday, February 17th at 10 am PST.

During this 60-minute live event, our CEO and Product and Engineering leaders will introduce **three** new features designed specifically for agencies like yours.

We'll also review our top releases from 2020, like the Wing™ integration, which extends Vehicle Fingerprint™ recognition to existing IP cameras and share exciting success stories from your peers. We will designate the last 15 minutes of our session for Q&A.

[SAVE YOUR SPOT](#)

Any interest in attending? Lots of really cool stuff coming!

PS: Please feel free to forward this along to anyone else who you think might be interested.

Thanks,

John

John Anderson

Territory Manager, Northern California

Flock Safety

408.652.8530 | [john.anderson@flocksafety.com](mailto:john.anderson@flocksafety.com)



**From:** [Flock Safety](#)  
**To:** [Fwaak Manzoor](#)  
**Subject:** Flock Safety Winter 2021 Webinar Recording and Product Release Details  
**Date:** Thursday, February 18, 2021 1:18:42 PM

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Thank you for tuning in to the ["Flock in 3D" product launch webinar](#). We appreciate your time and engagement. Yesterday, we announced three exciting new features and several enhancements available to all our law enforcement customers today. [Let us know how we did in this 2 minute survey!](#)

Our product and engineering teams have been working hard to bring you best-in-class technology designed to **detect** relevant information, **decode** it into objective evidence, and **deliver** it into the hands of law enforcement.

Here's what's new:

#### NEW Vehicle Build Filters

*Get faster leads with [more specific](#) vehicle filters in [Search](#), like convertibles, sedans, and more!*

#### Saved Search

*Stop repeating the same search query for ongoing investigations. Receive email, SMS, and in-app notifications when a Flock Camera sees a vehicle that matches your Vehicle Fingerprint™ criteria - [see the demo](#).*

#### Flock On Patrol for [iOS](#) + [Android](#)

*Leverage the power of ALPR and the FBI's NCIC hotlist from any mobile device!*

Here's what's improved:

- Self-serve TALON™ Network Opt-in - for FREE
  - Access an additional 500M vehicle reads per month for FREE by selecting "Enable Talon Lookup Sharing" at the bottom of your [Organization Management](#) page.
- More Actionable [Insights](#)
  - Access reporting for Traffic Counts, Hotlist Alerts, and User Behavior.
- Improved User Management
  - [Share Custom Hot Lists with a specific Role](#)
- Axon Evidence.com Integration Updates
  - "Case" is no longer a required field.

Best regards,  
Flock Safety Team

Flock Safety, 1170 Howell Mill Rd NW, Suite 210, Atlanta, Georgia 30318, United States | <https://info.flocksafety.com/unsubscribe/u/892161/8887d9f1df95ad734403220456ef1c8e2c47ba5b5bbae28d2318f4368f725897/10277445>



**From:** [Garrett Langley](#)  
**To:** [Erik Upson](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Bay Vista HOA - Benicia  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 18, 2020 6:10:49 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Hey!

Just wanted to give you a heads up that my head of product will be in town the first week of march meeting with a few agencies. Would it be valuable to have him meet with City Council / City Manager to get the budget process started?

Talk soon  
Garrett

Garrett Langley  
*CEO & Founder*



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On Tue, Feb 04, 2020 at 3:57 PM, Garrett Langley <[garrett@flocksafety.com](mailto:garrett@flocksafety.com)> wrote:  
We will keep selling on your end and await the chance to get your group on board!

Garrett Langley  
*CEO & Founder*



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On Tue, Feb 04, 2020 at 2:50 PM, Erik Upson <[EUpson@ci.benicia.ca.us](mailto:EUpson@ci.benicia.ca.us)> wrote:

Excellent news!

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**From:** Garrett Langley <[garrett@flocksafety.com](mailto:garrett@flocksafety.com)>  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 01, 2020 3:15 AM  
**To:** Erik Upson <[EUpson@ci.benicia.ca.us](mailto:EUpson@ci.benicia.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** RE: Bay Vista HOA - Benicia

Morning Chief,

Looks like my buddy Chase got Bay Vista on Board. Hopefully that helps with the conversations in City Hall.

Let me know how I can help,

Garrett



Garrett Langley

*CEO & Founder*



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On Thu, Jan 02, 2020 at 12:49 PM, Erik Upson <[EUpson@ci.benicia.ca.us](mailto:EUpson@ci.benicia.ca.us)> wrote:

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**From:** Garrett Langley <[garrett@flocksafety.com](mailto:garrett@flocksafety.com)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 26, 2019 6:20 AM  
**To:** Erik Upson <[EUpson@ci.benicia.ca.us](mailto:EUpson@ci.benicia.ca.us)>  
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Despite the spelling mistake ;) excited to see some good feedback from a HOA in your city.

Hope you had a nice Holiday and look forward to getting this project off the ground in 2020!

Garrett

Garrett Langley

*CEO & Founder*



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From: Chase Ferguson <[chase.ferguson@flocksafety.com](mailto:chase.ferguson@flocksafety.com)>  
Date: Monday, December 23 2019 at 2:23 PM EST  
Subject: Bay Vista HOA - Benicia  
To: Garrett Langley <[garrett@flocksafety.com](mailto:garrett@flocksafety.com)>

Just got this from one of my potential customers in Benicia CA:

"Just got a great review from the city of Benicia's police chief on you. We will give you our decision after the holidays. Merry Christmas to you and your staff and a happy New Year."

Excited to bring them on in the new year and stop the crime in the area -

Chase Ferguson

*Sales Consultant*



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crime - [READ THE CASE STUDY HERE](#)*

**From:** [Garrett Langley](#)  
**To:** [Erik Upson](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Bay Vista HOA - Benicia  
**Date:** Sunday, January 05, 2020 3:52:20 AM

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Sounds like a plan! Will check back every few weeks.

Garrett Langley  
*CEO & Founder*



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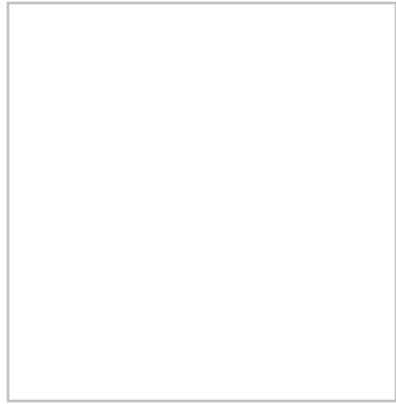
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**From:** [Garrett Langley](#)  
**To:** [John Carli](#)  
**Cc:** [Erik Upson](#); [William Imboden](#)  
**Subject:** Re: IACP demo  
**Date:** Thursday, November 07, 2019 3:20:05 PM

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If easier, happy to get with you each 1:1

Just let me know what works best for everyone.

Garrett Langley  
*CEO & Founder*



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On Thu, Nov 07, 2019 at 4:44 PM, John Carli <[John.Carli@cityofvacaville.com](mailto:John.Carli@cityofvacaville.com)> wrote:  
I will not be able to attend but could send someone in my place.

On Nov 6, 2019, at 5:52 PM, Garrett Langley <[garrett@flocksafety.com](mailto:garrett@flocksafety.com)>  
wrote:

Evening guys,

Just checking in about the 13th. Let me know if someone is willing to host / if there is a mutual time that works for everyone.

Thanks  
Garrett

Garrett Langley  
*CEO & Founder*



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On Tue, Nov 05, 2019 at 8:36 PM, Garrett Langley <[garrett@flocksafety.com](mailto:garrett@flocksafety.com)> wrote:  
Excellent. Let me know when and where, and I will manage around it.

Perhaps 2pm pst?

Garrett Langley  
*CEO & Founder*



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On Tue, Nov 05, 2019 at 6:42 PM, Erik Upson <[EUpson@ci.benicia.ca.us](mailto:EUpson@ci.benicia.ca.us)> wrote:

Early afternoon works for me.

I'm also copying the Hercules Police Chief, Chief Bill Imboden, as he is interested as well.

Erik

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**From:** Garrett Langley <[garrett@flocksafety.com](mailto:garrett@flocksafety.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 05, 2019 1:25 PM  
**To:** Davis Lukens <[davis.lukens@flocksafety.com](mailto:davis.lukens@flocksafety.com)>  
**Cc:** John Carli <[John.Carli@cityofvacaville.com](mailto:John.Carli@cityofvacaville.com)>; Erik Upson <[EUpson@ci.benicia.ca.us](mailto:EUpson@ci.benicia.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** Re: IACP demo

Thanks Davis.

Chief Upson and Chief Carli, I will be in the Bay Area on Nov 13th. Right now my schedule is wide open — is there an ideal time for both of you? Would love to meet up in person if that is possible.

Garrett

Garrett Langley

*CEO & Founder*



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On Tue, Nov 05, 2019 at 4:01 PM, Davis Lukens <[davis.lukens@flocksafety.com](mailto:davis.lukens@flocksafety.com)> wrote:

Chief Upson,

Glad we were able to connect at IACP. Yes, let's get a demo set up asap.

Garrett, our CEO who is cc'd here, is currently scheduled to be out in the Bay Area next Wednesday Nov 13th.

Hopefully there is a time that day where Garrett could do an in person demo with you and Chief Carli. If not, let's get another time on the calendar

Thanks,

Davis

Head of Product

Flock Safety

770-314-3792

On Tue, Nov 5, 2019 at 1:53 PM Erik Upson <[EUpson@ci.benicia.ca.us](mailto:EUpson@ci.benicia.ca.us)> wrote:

Davis,

I was very interested in your product at the IACP convention.

I happened to be speaking to the Vacaville police chief, John Carli (I've copied him here), the other day and he mentioned that he was also intrigued.

I'd like to set something up where we could get a presentation and demo and see what is possible...perhaps for both departments so you could kill two birds with one stone.

Let me know if that is possible.

Regards,

Erik

**Chief Erik Upson**

Benicia Police Department

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Benicia, CA 94523

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