

RESOLUTION 21-R-23

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALVIN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE ALVIN POLICE DEPARTMENT TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR THE BODY-WORN CAMERA GRANT PROGRAM THROUGH THE GOVERNOR'S PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE TO DEFRAY THE COST OF DATA STORAGE OF RECORDINGS CREATED WITH BODY WORN CAMERAS.

WHEREAS, House Bill Number 1938, passed by the 87th Texas Legislature and now codified as Section 1701.6521 of the Texas Occupations Code, establishes a grant through the Office of the Governor for law enforcement agencies to defray the costs of data storage for recordings created with body worn cameras; and

WHEREAS, Alvin Police Department Policy states that all patrol officers must wear body worn cameras and they must be activated when interacting with the public, which averages 2.0Gb of data per device, per day. The Department anticipates a 15% increase in data storage over the next year; and

WHEREAS, grant funds received will be utilized to defray the cost of cameras for additional officers approved in FY22 budget, and for the cloud storage with existing Axon Evidence storage system;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALVIN, TEXAS, THAT:

Section 1. The City Council authorizes the submission of a grant application to the Governor's Public Safety Office for the "Body Worn Camera Storage Project."

Section 2. The City of Alvin, Texas, hereby commits to providing twenty-five percent (25%) of all applicable matching funds, and hereby assures that, in the event of loss or misuse of the grant funds, the governing body will return all funds to the Governor's Public Safety Office.

Section 3. The City Council has considered the matter and deems it in the public interest to authorize this action, and hereby authorizes Robert E. Lee, the Chief of Police for the Alvin Police Department, as the authorized official who is hereby given the authority to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate a grant with the Public Safety Office for the Body Worn Camera Storage Project.

Section 4. Open Meetings Act. It is hereby officially found and determined that this meeting was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 21st day of October 2021.

CITY OF ALVIN, TEXAS

ATTEST:

By: _____
Paul A. Horn, Mayor

By: _____
Dixie Roberts, City Secretary