

CITY OF BEDFORD, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 104-23

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH **FLOCK SERVICES** FOR THE UTILIZATION OF CAMERAS IN THE CITY OF BEDFORD, OH, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Flock offers a software and hardware situational awareness solution for automatic license plates, video, and audio detection through Flock's technology platform (the "Flock Service"), and upon detection, the Flock Services are capable of capturing audio, video, image, and recording data and can provide notifications to assist in criminal investigations; and

WHEREAS, the City desires access to the Flock Service on existing cameras, provided by Agency, or Flock provided Flock Hardware in order to create, view, search and archive Footage and receive Notifications, including those from Non-Agency Hid Users; of the Flock Service (where there is an investigative or bona fide lawful purpose) such as schools, neighborhood homeowners associations, businesses, and individual users; and

WHEREAS, Flock desires to provide the City the Flock Service and any access thereto, solely for the awareness, prevention, and prosecution of crime, bona fide investigations by police departments, and archiving for evidence gathering, and

WHEREAS, This is a five (5) year agreement with no increases.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Bedford, County of Cuyahoga, and the State of Ohio:

Section 1. Council for the City of Bedford hereby authorizes the City Manager to enter into a contract with **Flock Services** for the utilization of cameras within the City of Bedford in the amount of **Forty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$40,000.00)** for each of the five (5) years pursuant to the terms contained in the attached contract incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. That the Finance Director is hereby authorized to appropriate and pay an annual said sum of **Forty Thousand Six Hundred Dollars and Zero Cents (\$40,000.00)** from **General Fund No. 110** for each of the five (5) years to Flock Services pursuant to the terms of the contract and to appropriate said sum annually in future years.

Section 3. That actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this legislation were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the City of Bedford.

WHEREFORE, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest date permitted by law.

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Stanley C. Koci, Mayor-President of Council

Tracy M. Simons, Clerk of Council

Prepared and approved as to legal content by: _____
John J. Montello, Law Director

PASSED: December 18, 2023