



Contra  
Costa  
County

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: David O. Livingston, Sheriff-Coroner  
Date: April 9, 2019  
Subject: Purchase Order - Lehr

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**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Purchasing Agent to execute, on behalf of the Sheriff-Coroner, a purchase order with Lehr in an amount not to exceed \$283,000 for the purchase of ALPR (Automated License Plate Reader) cameras in the Discovery Bay area.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

\$283,000. P-6 CAB funds (262900). Zero Net County Cost.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Discovery Bay P-6 Citizen Advisory Committee voted unanimously to request funds be allocated for installation and maintenance of fixed ALPR cameras in the greater Discovery Bay area as a crime prevention and investigative tool.

The ALPR camera capabilities are not only for the detection of stolen vehicles but also as an investigative tool for persons and property crimes, missing persons, runaways and other crimes or circumstances where vehicles are used by suspects or persons of interest. The area of Discovery Bay has been the backdrop for a few very serious crimes recently involving vehicles and the belief was had there been ALPR cameras in place their use may have

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY  
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD  
COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **04/09/2019** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor  
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor  
Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor  
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor  
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: April 9, 2019

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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resulted in swifter arrests

### BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

or identifying of suspects. In addition, the relative isolation of Discovery Bay coupled with it being along a major road from the I-5 corridor to east Contra Costa County, the Discovery Bay P-6 Citizen Advisory Committee thought ALPR to be an appropriate tool for identifying suspect vehicles coming and going in their town. With its location along Hwy 4 and other country roads, criminals can easily escape from Discovery Bay in a matter of minutes after committing their crimes.

The hope is that fixed ALPR cameras placed in strategic locations would provide virtually 100% coverage of the entrances and egresses of the Discovery Bay area and would prove to be an invaluable tool for law enforcement.

Vigilant Solutions ALPR camera systems provide both the preventative and investigative value needed in the Discovery Bay area. The cameras are the same type as utilized in the vehicular mobile application already employed in the Sheriff's Patrol environment.

### CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

ALPR cameras will not be purchased and there will be no additional measures in place to deter and solve crime.