

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BRIEFING PAPER

Topic: Automatic License Plate Reader (ALPR) grant application and acceptance – additional funding

Presented by: David Kribs, Budget & Finance Director, JCSO

Date: 7/30/2024

For Information

For Discussion/Board Direction

Consent to
Place on Business/
Hearing Agenda

Issue: The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office (JCSO) requires approval and ratification from the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) to accept additional funding from the Colorado Auto Theft Prevention Authority (CATPA). The JCSO applied for and received \$25,000; however, there were additional funds available and CATPA offered JCSO an additional \$25,000 to install an Automated License Plate Reader in two vehicles instead of one for a total of \$50,000 in funding.

Background: The Colorado Auto Theft Prevention Authority (CATPA) was created under Colorado House Bill 2003-1251 to deter and reduce vehicle theft and insurance fraud through a statewide cooperative effort to generate funds to support law enforcement, prosecution, and public awareness through a partnership between industry and state government. CATPA grant money for project funding is made possible through a \$1 per insured vehicle annual insurance assessment.

Automated License Plate Readers (ALPR) are an effective tool to assist law enforcement with the identification and recovery of stolen vehicles. Reimbursement funding through CATPA is available to agencies who purchase these covert Automated License Plate Readers for use by Colorado Metropolitan Auto Theft Task Force assigned (JCSO) detectives for a period of five (5) years. At five years of use, the ALPR is returned to the agency for exclusive use. During the use of this product, data and information gathered by this ALPR will be shared with the agency overseeing the grant.

Colorado ELSAG EOC is an initiative of the Colorado State Patrol-Beat Auto Theft Through Law Enforcement (BATTLE) to create an information sharing system designed to replicate, maintain, and share law enforcement license plate reader systems from all participating state and local public safety agencies within the State of Colorado.

Discussion: This grant will allow the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office to purchase two covert, four camera Automatic License Plate Reader (ALPR) for the vehicles assigned to the Colorado Metropolitan Auto Theft Task Force (CMATT) for a total funding amount up to \$50,000.

Fiscal Impact: **yes** **no**

There is no match requirement. The funds are State funds for the Patrol Fund. The grant period is through 2024. An amount up to \$50,000 will be supplemented to the Sheriff's Office 2024 budget in the Patrol Fund.

- Year of impact: 2024
- TABOR impact: Yes
- Existing grant or project: Yes
- New grant or project: No
- Requested in adopted budget: No
- Ongoing or one-time: One-time
- General Fund impact: No, Patrol Fund
- Staffing impact: No
- ARPA impact: No
- Match requirements: No
- Mandate/Contractual obligation: No

Revenue Limits Impact: **yes** **no**

There is an impact in an amount up to \$50,000 to the County's 2024 TABOR Fiscal Year Spending Limit, the revenue source is a state grant.

SPA Review: Support, no concerns.

There is no General Fund impact. There is a minimal impact to the County's TABOR Fiscal Year Spending Limit up to \$50,000.

County Attorney Review: Kurt Behn, Approved, 7/4/24

Facilities Review: Does not apply, no fiscal impact

BIT Review: Does not apply, no fiscal impact

Fleet Review: Does not apply, no fiscal impact

Human Resources Review (new FTE only): Does not apply, no fiscal impact

Recommendations: The Jefferson County Board of Commissioners (BCC) directs that the funds be included in a supplemental appropriation to the Sheriff's Office 2024 Budget.

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