



# DARIEN POLICE



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**POLICE COMMITTEE**  
**April 15, 2024**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Police Department Training Room**  
**1710 Plainfield Road**

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in attendance were Aldermen Joseph Kenny, Ralph Stompanato and Eric Gustafson along with Chief of Police Greg Thomas.

**2. Public Comment and Communications**

No Public Comment

**3. Approval of Meeting Minutes from the February 20, 2024 meeting.**

Alderman Gustafson motioned to approve seconded by Alderman Stompanato. The minutes were approved.

**4. A resolution approving the mutual termination agreement between the City of Darien and Vigilant Solutions, LLC**

Chief Thomas briefed the committee on the original decision for purchasing a License Plate Recognition Camera for the City. The City entered into an agreement with Vigilant Solutions, LLC for the purchase of equipment and installation of the equipment. He explained the details of the agreement. Vigilant was not able to deliver on the agreement so the City renegotiated the original agreement. Vigilant was still not able to deliver on the agreement due to permitting issues. City John Murphey and Vigilant came to an agreement to terminate the agreement between Darien and Vigilant. The City was reimbursed for all equipment that we purchased after the equipment was returned to Vigilant. The only cost that the City may not be able to recover is for steel poles that were purchased. Chief Thomas mentioned that public works may be able to reuse the poles.

Alderman Stompanato motioned to approve the resolution seconded by Alderman Gustafson. The motion was approved.

**5. A resolution to approve the purchase of License Plate Recognition cameras from Flock Group Inc.**

Chief explained that Flock was one of the original companies to bid on the ALPR project. Their business model is different than Vigilant in that they split up the overall cost over 5 years. There is an initial charge of \$5,500 for the installation and an additional \$30,000 per year for equipment over 5 years. The committee discussed the need for the City to purchase ALPRs. How the police will be alerted by the system for stolen vehicles and also what the pursuit policy is for the department.

A discussion ensued about the new fleet cameras that were purchased for patrol cars and how they will have LPR capability so officers can scan plates on scene. Which is another tool the department can use.

Alderman Stompanato motioned to approve the resolution seconded by Alderman Gustafson. The motion was unanimously approved.

6. **Approval of an ordinance authorizing the sale or disposal of surplus property.**

Alderman Stompanato motioned to approve seconded by Alderman Gustafson. The motion was unanimously approved.

7. **Next Meeting Date – May 20, 2024**

8. **Adjournment**

Alderman Gustafson motioned to adjourn seconded by Alderman Stompanato. The meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Alderman: \_\_\_\_\_  
Eric Gustafson

Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph Kenny

Alderman: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ralph Stompanato