

Communication from Public

Name: Richard Stanley

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Comments for Public Posting: It doesn't require a genius IQ to figure out a set of restrictions on the collection and use of license plate numbers posted on moving motor vehicles. Council, stop horsing around and get a grip on traffic law enforcement. You complain chronically about statistics that now show more traffic deaths in L.A. than murders. This fact patently is a result of Council's direction to the LAPD to diminish traffic stops. Next, Council members will want to cease homicide investigations by the LAPD until a report on the lethality of handguns is completed. Further, there is no right to total privacy if a person willingly uses the public space. We citizens have a choice: "law and order" by municipal authority or by vigilantism. Which will it be Council members?

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Comments for Public Posting: Flock and Avon and any other license plate readers or public facial recognition are unconstitutional and infringes upon every single American's right to privacy. This is a tech invasion of our personal lives. See also: smart glasses with cameras and microphones. Do NOT allow these things to be implemented. Citizens will be well within their rights to form a class action group and sue.

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Name: Ryan Eakins

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Comments for Public Posting: Flock, Axon, or any other automatic license reader technology company should not be allowed a contract with the city of Los Angeles. We have a powerful new technology and no laws regarding its use. Why don't officers require a warrant to constantly surveil intersections for wrongdoing? What happens with the massive amounts of data these companies are collecting? Are we paying a company our tax dollars so they can double dip and sell our data? Are they using our data to further train their model, and if so, is that data anonymized, or will criminals become increasingly biased against by the model? Are these companies protecting the data they're gathering, or are the daily habits of American citizens susceptible to leaking? Is it right, or even legal for the government to sell its citizens' data to contractors? I believe the answer to most of those questions is that we shouldn't allow companies to make money off of our public data or our criminal justice system. The profit motive of these companies, and of the LAPD, runs completely counter to the core beliefs of the American criminal justice system. They need to find more guilty people in order to make more money. What happens when their shareholders want more? Will algorithms start pushing police towards arrests with less and less evidence? If drivers are all committing small infractions and have to regularly pay fines, isn't this just a hyper targeted form of taxation? One leveraged on us without our consent? And one that disproportionately disadvantages everyone except those wealthy enough to afford for someone else to drive them around? We've already seen instances across the country of police officers treating the data these cameras feed them as gospel. They aren't using critical thinking, they aren't listening to people who say they're wrongly accused, and they aren't treating people like they are innocent until proven guilty. That's because these cameras are looking for guilty people that we can fine or confine, not responding to a genuine community need. We are supposed to be innocent until proven guilty, and placing us under constant surveillance implies that law enforcement assumes there is wrongdoing happening that they just can't prove yet. But if we can't prove there is enough crime going unpunished to warrant constant supervision, why is the surveillance justified? The most powerful use of flock or axon camera is to anticipate wrongdoing based on algorithms that the

public has no insight into. We live in a representative democracy and we are supposed to be able to govern ourselves, and yet we cannot set the parameters that these companies use to determine whether or not someone is acting suspiciously. We aren't on the board at Flock, so we have no leverage to demand changes in how we are policed, or recourse other than ending the contract if the we request changes to their policies and the company refuses. I believe the legality of these cameras (and speed cameras for that matter) is murky at best. Our current definitions of humans' inalienable rights do not account for technologies like this, and the extent to which they already barely skirt around violating the rules as written implies to me that we should reconsider the premises on which we are judging their legality. Do you feel safe when you are constantly being watched and recorded, or does it stress you out? I believe most people find it deeply uncomfortable. Being in public should feel easy and natural, I do not want to live in a city that feels like a prison yard.

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Name: Brandie

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Comments for Public Posting: I am strongly against giving LAPD more tools to terrorize the residents of LA. City Council must vote in the interest of the people they serve instead of continuing to be held hostage by LAPD in both their strong-arm monopoly of the City budget and now using their share of the City budget to install cameras and license plate readers when we can't even keep the lights on! Literally! I still encounter non functioning street lights regularly and have for at least 2 years. We are asking you to fund City services that actually SERVE the people of LA not aid in the surveillance, criminalization, and furtherance of racist LAPD policy. (Let me guess, the cameras and plate readers will most immediately and more thoroughly be deployed in Black and Brown neighborhoods as usual, right?) This is an unconscionable City project to move forward when there are so many departments lacking funding to provide essential and direct services to Los Angeles residents. Please have a backbone and STOP (not just pause) this program from moving forward. Spend money on residents not LAPD's wet dreams of further militarization and enriching another private company by turning over what I'm sure will be billions of dollars of public funds over the proposed life of the cameras. It is OUR MONEY and it should go toward services for US.

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Comments for Public Posting: I'm writing in opposition to approving Axon cameras for use in LA. While there are ostensibly rules or safeguards suggested to protect our privacy from these spies in our city, recent news stories about federal agents and local police finding loopholes in them or simply ignoring them to surveil innocent people indicate that we cannot trust any law enforcement to use this technology without abusing it. So we should not use it!