



CITY OF POMONA COUNCIL REPORT

August 6, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Linda Lowry, City Manager

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Subject: **Adoption of a Resolution Approving a \$24,500 Contribution from the Vehicle Parking District (VPD) Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget to the Downtown Pomona Owners Association (DPOA) for the Purchase and Installation of Security Surveillance Cameras and Supporting Equipment.**

OVERVIEW

Recommendation - That the City Council adopt the attached Resolution approving a \$24,500 contribution from the Vehicle Parking District (VPD) Fiscal Year 2018 – 2019 budget to the Downtown Pomona Owners Association (DPOA) for the purchase and installation of security surveillance cameras in the Downtown.

Fiscal Impact – With the City Council's approval, the VPD will contribute \$24,500 to the DPOA to off-set the DPOA's total expenditure of approximately \$52,000 for the purchase and installation of seven (7) new security cameras and supporting linkage radios (from AM-Tec Security Co.). Sufficient funds are available in the VPD's Fiscal Year 2018-2019, Other Expenses Account 230-9200-52080-0000 budget line item.

Previous Vehicle Parking District Commissioner Action – On May 10, 2018, the VPD Board of Parking Place Commissioners unanimously elected to recommend to the City Council a contribution to the Downtown Pomona Owners Association of \$24,500 for the purchase and installation of additional surveillance cameras and equipment within the Vehicle Parking District.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On May 10, 2018, the Vehicle Parking District Board of Parking Place Commissioners, voted to recommend to the City Council approval of a \$24,500 contribution from the VPD budget to the DPOA for purchase and installation of seven (7) new security surveillance cameras and linkage radios. Their recommendation is based on the finding that several VPD parking lots will be visible from new camera's view, providing added security. The VPD contribution policy requires City Council approval for any contributions over \$1,000. The cameras will benefit the VPD by enhancing parking lot safety and security.

BACKGROUND

The Downtown Pomona Owners Association (DPOA) is in its fourth phase of installing security cameras in the Downtown. Although currently there are several surveillance cameras in the place, many areas are not visible to those cameras. The DPOA's ultimate goal is to install enough cameras to capture the entire Downtown.

To provide additional security to VPD parking lots, the City Council previously approved similar VPD contributions to the DPOA for earlier phases of the Downtown surveillance camera installation program in 2016 and 2017.

DISCUSSION

The VPD Commission has considered the DPOA's request and has found that the requested \$24,500 contribution is beneficial to the VPD's operation and management, of VPD lots. Not only will the cameras provide surveillance, but they will also assist in deterring crime by the mere fact that potential criminals will know that they are being watched. (Surveillance camera signs will be posted throughout the area.)

The VPD Commission approved the request for contribution, but the requested amount exceeds the VPD's \$1,000 contribution authority pursuant to the VPD's contribution policy. Consequently, the contribution is subject to City Council approval, and the VPD Commission recommends that the City Council approve a \$24,500 contribution from the VPD Fiscal Year 2018-2019 budget to the DPOA for the purchase and installation of seven new security cameras and linkage radios. The cameras will cover VPD lots 3, 5, 7, 10 and 11, and surrounding Downtown streets, alleys and building exteriors. See Attachment No. 2

The DPOA will purchase, install, operate, monitor, and maintain the cameras. The DPOA will be the sole owner of the equipment. The DPOA agrees to grant the VPD staff access to the video recordings at all times. The DPOA has expressed that it will keep recordings for 60 to 90 days. The City may request that the DPOA save portions of the recordings as necessary for the City's review and for evidence. Live video feeds will be available to the Pomona Police Department via monitors and/or cellular phone at all times.

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Attachments: 1) Resolution
 2) Aerial Photo