



**CITY OF COLLEGE PARK, MARYLAND  
WORKSESSION AGENDA ITEM**

**Meeting Date:** May 3, 2016

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**Originating Department:** Public Services

**Issue Before Council:** Discussion of security cameras city-wide

**Strategic Plan Goal:** Goal # 4 Quality Infrastructure

**Background/Justification:**

Since the construction of the municipal garage, the City has invested in security camera systems using both grant funds and City funds. A summary of the seven security camera projects completed to date, and proposed next phase, is attached.

To date, the City has installed 54 fixed (CCTV) and Pan/Tilt/Zoom (PTZ) cameras and 14 License Plate Recognition (LPR) cameras. There are 20-PTZ cameras and 7 LPR cameras distributed about Old Town, Calvert Hills, and Baltimore Avenue in Lakeland. These 27 cameras are monitored by UMPD Police. The 25 CCTV, 2-PTZ and 1-LPR cameras installed in the municipal garage are recorded on a server in City Hall. The remaining 1-CCTV, 6-PTZ and 6-LPR cameras are divided between College Park Woods, Hollywood, Berwyn and Lakeland. These store recorded video on-site. Each of these cameras has internet access to allow for downloading of data for police investigations.

The City executed a five year maintenance contract in 2013 with Hitachi (AVRIO), the City's security camera installation and maintenance contractor, for \$171,817. This contract will expire in 2018.

Representatives from Hitachi have been invited to the Council worksession and will demonstrate the operation of the most recently installed security cameras.

A Notice of Funds Available was issued during the week of April 25<sup>th</sup> by the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention (GOCCP) for FY17 grants. An application for a Phase 7 project has been prepared and will be submitted to GOCCP this summer. A listing of the proposed camera locations in Lakeland, Berwyn, Duvall Field, and Hollywood is also attached.

**Fiscal Impact:**

The City has invested \$893,658 in installation costs for security cameras. Most of these funds (\$728,353) were provided by GOCCP grants. A five year maintenance contract (2013-2018) cost \$171,817. Air cards annually for internet access cost \$4,800. The average annual cost of electricity over the last four fiscal years (FY13-FY15) is \$4,500.

**Council Options:**

- #1: Review and discuss existing security cameras.
- #2: Consider and comment on the proposed Phase 7 Security Camera Grant Application.

**Staff Recommendation:**

#1 and #2

**Recommended Motion:**

*None*

**Attachments:**

- 1. Security Camera Status Report
- 2. Proposed Phase 7 Camera Locations

