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	Agenda Item No.	42
	Roll Call No.	[_____]
	Communication No.	<u>12-209</u>
	Submitted by:	Judy A. Bradshaw, Chief of Police

AGENDA HEADING:

Authorizing the purchase of two (2) Automatic License Plate Readers by the Des Moines Police Department. Approval and acceptance of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Polk County Sheriff's Office and the City of Des Moines on shared equipment, polices, procedures, and responsibilities.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend council approval for the purchase of two (2), Automatic License Plate Readers (LPR's), from PIPS Technology, Inc. 2645 Federal Signal Drive, University Park, Illinois 60484-3167, President and Chief Executive Officer, Robert D. Welding, to enhance law enforcement capabilities regarding the detection of stolen vehicles, habitual parking violators, and gathering of information pertaining to crimes in the City of Des Moines.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$38,660

Funding Source: The total cost of this project will be \$38,660, which includes a warranty and maintenance package. This equipment will be funded from State Forfeited Funds, SP324, POL982200, found in the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year ending June 20, 2013, page 225.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

An LPR allows a police vehicle to collect license plate data while driving through the city detecting stolen vehicles, habitual parking violators, and gathering of information pertaining to crimes in the City of Des Moines. The equipment will be utilized in two (2) marked vehicles. Officers will receive training from the manufacturer for complete utilization of the system.

To maximize the information gathered, a collaborative effort with the Polk County Sherriff's Office has been established. The Polk County Sheriff's Office has purchased LPR's and a server which will be mutually shared for the purpose of storing the information recorded by the LPR's, resulting in a reduction of initial costs.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: June 13, 2011

Roll Call Number: [11-1007](#)

Action: Request for Proposal (RFP) seeking a qualified Licensed Plate Reader vendor. ([Council Communication No. 11-367](#)) **Moved by Moore to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.**

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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