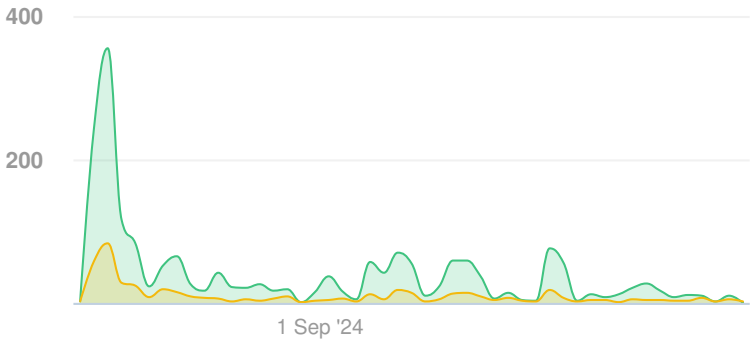
Project Report

13 August 2024 - 30 September 2024

City of Columbia, MO

Flock Safety Cameras

Visitors Summary



Highlights

TOTAL VISITS
593

MAX VISITORS PER DAY
83

NEW REGISTRATIONS
14

ENGAGED VISITORS
27

INFORMED VISITORS
214

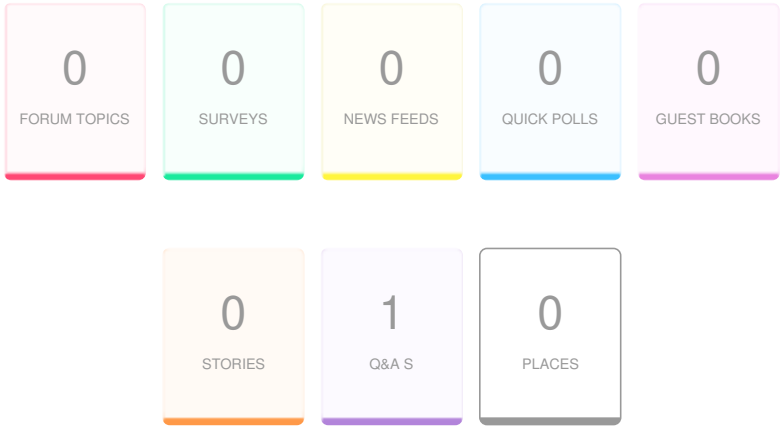
AWARE VISITORS
370

Aware Participants	370
Aware Actions Performed	**Participants**
Visited a Project or Tool Page	370

Informed Participants	214
Informed Actions Performed	**Participants**
Viewed a video	0
Viewed a photo	0
Downloaded a document	81
Visited the Key Dates page	25
Visited an FAQ list Page	0
Visited Instagram Page	0
Visited Multiple Project Pages	174
Contributed to a tool (engaged)	27

Engaged Participants	27		
Engaged Actions Performed	**Registered**	**Unverified**	**Anonymous**
Contributed on Forums	0	0	0
Participated in Surveys	0	0	0
Contributed to Newsfeeds	0	0	0
Participated in Quick Polls	0	0	0
Posted on Guestbooks	0	0	0
Contributed to Stories	0	0	0
Asked Questions	1	1	0
Placed Pins on Places	0	0	0
Contributed to Ideas	26	0	0

ENGAGEMENT TOOLS SUMMARY



Tool Type	Engagement Tool Name	Tool Status	Visitors	Contributors		
				Registered	Unverified	Anonymous
Qanda	Questions	Archived	42	1	1	0
Ideas	Comments	Archived	153	23	0	0

INFORMATION WIDGET SUMMARY

4	0	0	0	0
DOCUMENTS	PHOTOS	VIDEOS	FAQS	KEY DATES

Widget Type	Engagement Tool Name	Visitors	Views/Downloads
Document	Draft Ordinance.pdf	47	62
Document	Policy Automated License Plate Readers (ALPR) and Fixed Camera Site...	43	52
Document	Procedure Automated License Plate Readers (ALPR) and Fixed Camera S...	41	52
Document	Flock technology presentation to Columbia residents.pdf	27	29
Document	deleted document from	1	1
Document	deleted document from	1	1
Key Dates	Key Date	25	39

QANDA

Questions

Visitors 42	Contributors 2	CONTRIBUTIONS 2

Q Porter51

15 August 24

How do you comment?

A Publicly Answered

Hello Porter51,Click on the "Comment" tab (next to the "Question" tab you used) and enter a comment. Thank you for your engagement!-Chief Jill Schlude

Q John H

16 August 24

I am highly in favor of this plan and hope it will be approved & implemented. I went to a presentation on 08/15. Having read through all of the material presented, I have some quest to improve my clarity: 1. With the maps presented, there are descriptors with each ward or CPD sectors/beats. Using Ward 2 as an example, there are 2 inter section packages. What is included in an intersection package? I'm assuming 4 LPRs or 1 each direction 2. The sepa rate listing of 4 LPRs. Are these readers placed elsewhere? Meaning separate from the intersection package? 3. Wha t is ongoing plan for ongoing maintenance and upkeep of each these equipment items? Thank you

A Publicly Answered

Hello John,An "intersection package" consists of 4 Falcon LPR cameras and 2 Condor fixed live-feed cameras that pr ovide for complete coverage of the intersection. The 4 Falcon LPR's listed for Ward 2 are placed in other locations an d are not part of the "intersection package". Those locations were determined by members of CPD Command Staff wit h the assistance of Flock engineers with a goal of covering main arterial roads. The maintenance of the cameras is in cluded in the contract pricing, which will be available when this goes to the City Council for discussion. Thank you for your engagement!-Chief Jill Schlude

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Comments

Visitors 153	Contributors 24	CONTRIBUTIONS 63

14 August 24
gmcox01
VOTES 3

I support installing these license-reading cameras.

14 August 24
NickCharles
VOTES 4

The potential for abuse is too high.

This technology could easily be used as a surveillance tool against anyone the police - or a particular officer - doesn't like.

15 August 24
waldondb
VOTES 4

Absolutely not. This is just another step towards a s urveillance state. The ALPRs on police cars are alre ady an abuse.

There is zero reason to contribute to such surveillance state tactics.

15 August 24
Porter51
VOTES 0

I am in complete favor of the cameras. Columbia ha s become a criminal haven and it is time to provide a stop to it.

Residents should not be opposed unless they have something about their vehicles bein g somewhere they shouldn't be.

16 August 24
ronjon37
VOTES 2

These cameras record ALL license plates, not just o nes that are flagged. All data is accessible by all Flo ck law enforcement clients.

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Comments

16 August 24

jmuscato

VOTES 1

Strongly in favor of technology that will help the poli ce

I went to the presentation regarding Flock cameras on August 15. I am strongly in favor of aids to CPD to help in investigations. Crime is an increasing problem in Columbia an d we all need to work to bring this down. I hear the concerns about privacy, but these a re in public areas where there is no expectation of privacy. We need to make citizens m ore comfortable to walk the streets and enjoy the city. We have to make sure the polici es in place protect everyone's rights, but that is achievable. Please approve this syste m.

16 August 24

patrickdh

VOTES 3

Cameras give AI models more rights than citizens a nd will result in defunding of actual human police job s

Every city I have lived in with cameras use them primarily to replace police officers wit h automated systems to ticket citizens with a lack of due process or human oversight. Artificial intelligence vision models should not have power over Columbia citizens. The law needs to be enforced by human officers, cameras should not be given more rights t han citizens. Cameras strip away rights from citizens by removing human accountabilit y and oversight from law enforcement and enable the city government to defund jobs f or human officers. This is a terrible idea.

19 August 24

Gwennie

VOTES 3

Do we really need more government surveillance in our daily lives? Absolutely NOT!

"It's for your own protection" really rings hollow in this situation.

20 August 24

Dan Viets

VOTES 1

NO. I do not want to live under constant government surveillance.This proposal is NOT just about license plate readers.It is to put more th

more than 30 live-feed video cameras all over our City!

25 August 24

HMorgan

VOTES 0

Keep police honest

If we can use technology to reduce police from targeting brown folks disproportionately, I am all for it. I like that this doesn’t record faces, just vehicles.

03 September 24

MBoehner

VOTES 0

I support the Flock camera system

Police officers need as much assistance as they can get. The primary use of these ca meras will be in areas of crime that police are unable to have officers staged for hours and allow them to be available to respons to more serious crimes.

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Comments

08 September 24

BrianK

VOTES 1

This is not right.

More surveillance on all citizens is not a path to a safer society; socioeconomic equity is. Instead of furthering those inequities by sending money to a wealthy corporation, why not invest in the community? People with a stable home/life, are far less likely to commit crimes.

09 September 24

paul.harper

VOTES 1

With the retention of 30 days and access to the system by third parties, this solution should be reconsidered in favor of another.

If we are going to have a system like this it must be locally controlled. I would also like to see more statistics about crime so that we have a baseline to evaluate the system in a year to determine if it actually did work and in what way. Ultimately, if we are going to have an intrusive system like this one, it should go for a vote of the people.

10 September 24

beahemm

VOTES 1

We should not use Flock and put our personal data at risk!

I want to be clear to the city and to the other folks on this forum that this system will not prevent crime. ALPR's are used to enforce traffic laws, which are not the violent or property crimes that we want to see reduced in our community. And this is assuming that the system works correctly; people have been incorrectly identified as perpetrators, which has sometimes given them cause to sue the city/police department (https://innocenceproject.org/artificial-intelligence-is-putting-innocent-people-at-risk-of-being-incarcerated/). This is intuitive, have you ever asked AI to draw something? It can't get the number of fingers on a hand right, it's going to make mistakes identifying people, cars and license plates out in the real world.

10 September 24

Hcastilow

VOTES 2

The most disturbing part of a system like this is the propensity for misuse or mishandling of the information. Vehemently opposed to this