



## **CITY OF MARSHALL**

### **COMMISSION AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET**

**MEETING DATE:** April 26, 2018

**Project:** MPD Video Camera Registration Program

**DESCRIPTION:** The Police Department is beginning the MPD Video Camera Registration Program geared toward generating improved public safety by allowing the Police Department to be aware of the location of existing video camera systems which belong to businesses and individual residences in the city. This, entirely voluntary, program will assist the Police Department in solving crimes by identifying camera systems that may possibly contain valuable evidence.

**COST:** Minimal cost, program is being run during normal business hours.

**RECOMMENDED**

**ACTION:** No action needed

**CITY CONTACT:** Cliff Carruth (Chief of Police)

**Attachment:** Press Release

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Chief of Police

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The Marshall Police Department (MPD) is seeking the public's help with fighting crime by taking part in the Marshall Police Video Registration Program. The video registration program allows residents and business owners to voluntarily register the locations of their video surveillance systems with the Marshall Police Department. When there have been serious crimes in the past, officers have had to go through the very time consuming process of going door-to-door in the area asking about camera systems. Through the Marshall Police Video Registration Program, detectives will now be able to quickly determine where those systems are located and contact the homeowner or business representative to ask them to review their video. If the owner finds something believed to be of value on their recording, they can contact MPD to have the detective return to look at it.

Video registration is voluntary and there is no cost associated with registration. Participants in the program can delete their registration at any time. An individual's personal information will be kept confidential by MPD subject to disclosure per court order. The information will only be accessed by law enforcement personnel who are investigating a crime in the vicinity of where a camera system is located and individuals will only be contacted by MPD if there is a criminal incident in the vicinity of their video surveillance system. If necessary, MPD officers may request a copy of any video captured by a participant's camera. Registering a camera does not provide MPD with direct access to view video captured on the system.

Camera systems can be registered online at [marshallpd.com](http://marshallpd.com) or, those wishing to participate can fill out a form at the Marshall Police Department.

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