

SCOTT COUNTY FISCAL COURT
ORDINANCE NO. 22-17

AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO LICENSE PLATE READER CAMERAS

WHEREAS, the Scott County Fiscal Court ("Scott County") has approved the purchase of Flock Safety License Plate Reader ("LPR") cameras for use by the Scott County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, Scott County recognizes that there are legitimate and important law enforcement purposes for using these cameras; and

WHEREAS, Scott County recognizes that its citizens have important privacy rights; and

WHEREAS, having recognized these important interests, the members of the Scott County Fiscal Court desire to adopt an ordinance establishing guidelines for the use of LPR cameras in Scott County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE SCOTT COUNTY FISCAL COURT AS FOLLOWS:

1. It is the policy of the Scott County Fiscal Court to authorize the Scott County Sheriff's Office to utilize LPR technology to capture and store digital license plate data and images while recognizing the established privacy rights of the public.
2. The Scott County Sheriff's Office shall implement detailed policies and procedures regarding the operation and use of LPR technology to provide guidance for the capture, storage, and use of digital data obtained using LPR technology.
3. The Scott County Sheriff's Office may use LPR technology to help solve crimes and recover stolen vehicles by using LPR technology to capture computer-readable images of license plates, which will allow law enforcement agencies to compare plate numbers against those of stolen cars, cars driven by people suspected of being involved in criminal activities, missing persons, AMBER alerts, and assisting in criminal investigations. In doing so, the Sheriff's Office may use LPR technology to capture still images of the rear of a vehicle passing by the camera, including the license plate, make and model of the vehicle. The image may be collected and stored for 30 days and then deleted unless identified as part of a criminal investigation.