

Council Work Session Minutes September 14, 2026

The City Council Work Session meeting of Monday, September 14, 2026 was called to order by Council President Rounds at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Council President Rounds, Councilmen Vanek, Kolezynski, Councilwomen Maruschak, Palmisano, DeSouza, Durichko and Clerk of Council Allen.

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Director Schneider, Chief Greene

Council President Rounds continued into the legislation 373.10 (E-bikes) for discussion. Councilwoman Maruschak would you take lead on the discussion please.

Councilwoman Maruschak added that we all read over the legislation but we had a member notice that (g) would not work in this legislation. Further looking it over it was brought to the committees attention that (b) also didn't belong in this legislation. This is also an emergency clause on tonight for one reading so that we can get this into effect as soon as possible.

Council President Rounds thanked Councilwoman Maruschak and moved on to the topic of Flock camera. This came up during a Utilities and Streets Committee meeting. Some concerns had come up from Councilmembers Durichko and Kolezynski. I've asked Chief Greene to be here to discuss what they are intended to do, what they do, what Parma Heights does and doesn't do with our contract in Flock cameras and also to talk about the myths and fallacies that are out there, making sure we all understand the same thing in Parma Heights. We are in mid-contract right now with that company right now so there is no intention in moving or changing anything at this time. I will turn this meeting over to Chief Greene.

Chief Greene began by explaining Parma Heights use of the Flock cameras.....

1. Flock is an investigative tool not a surveillance tool
 - a. Advantages investigate stolen vehicles
 - b. Missing or endangered persons
 - c. Vehicles entered as Felony vehicles or ones associated with serious crimes
 - d. Can't arrest without proof
 - e. Offenders entering Parma Heights from other jurisdictions, Flock does not have access to NCI system. They can purchase the data base, which is public record. If the vehicle is stopped we check to see if there is a warrant.
 - f. Flock can provide photographs which we will then independently verify.
 - g. We currently have 13 cameras placed on common entry ways to the city, Pearl, York, Stumph, Huffman; 3 of them are in city parks.
 - h. Who can search Flock:
 1. Patrol Officers have the ability to search, investigators, administrators
 - a. Individual credentials
 - b. Offence Type has to be entered
 - c. Case number or Cab number
2. Data is encrypted and only lasts for 30 days
3. Flock does not sell any of the information collected
 - a. We authorize individual agencies (3) Federal Agencies
 1. Catawba Nation Tribal Police Department – in South Carolina

2. Cleveland Division of the FBI
3. Chief forgot this one during the meeting but later brought it in for the minutes: US Postal Inspection Service
4. Audit
 - a. Automatically generates flags for suspected mis-use.
 1. Same license plate search beyond 30 days by the same user
 2. To date we have not found any mis-use in our department
 3. Searches that occur on sure cameras for example only cameras located in Euclid.
 - a. Maybe you came across information that shows the person lives in Euclid so it's reasonable to search another city and across the country.
 4. It doesn't track anyone.
 5. It's located in fixed locations
 6. You have to drive by it so it can take an image
 7. Only photographs the license plate
 8. Doesn't do facial recognition
 9. Doesn't do video recording
 10. Doesn't track cell phones
 11. Doesn't continuously track by GPS the vehicle
5. We have used Flock for recent investigations of various types.
 - a. We've used it to verify statements.
 - b. Identify vehicles in road rage incidents.
 - c. Clear suspects
 - d. Out of State assistance in locating vehicles
 - e. Outstanding drug related warrants throughout our department

Council President Rounds is curious if this overview of the use of cameras may have sparked more questions. Maybe we could schedule more time at a later date to further discuss this. I would ask that you would put your questions in order and share them with the Clerk so that can collect them and send them off to the Mayor, Chief Greene. I think there is a lot of good coming from the use of the Flock Cameras, there is always some bad. I can understand if there are some questions moving forward. Please submit them soon so that we can get this on the calendar again. I would like to close this meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.



Barbara Allen
Council Clerk



Tom Rounds
Council President