

**STAFF REPORT**  
**City of Lancaster**

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Date: May 13, 2025

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Patti Garibay, Director - Community Development

Subject: Approve Annual Hardware and Software Costs for Community Preservation Vehicle Mounted Cameras and AI Services provided by City Detect

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**Recommendation:**

Approve Annual Hardware and Software Costs for Community Preservation Vehicle Mounted Cameras and AI Services provided by City Detect for an initial term of three (3) years.

**G.C. Section 84308:** No

**Fiscal Impact:**

\$113,300 per year, total not to exceed \$339,900 for the three-year proposal. The quote was sourced from SHI utilizing the Sourcewell – Technology Products and Solutions competitively bid contract number 121923-SHI. For the startup and year one cost the budget is allocated in 10124100.5710 and should be transferred to the IT Internal Service Fund 1121800.5361. Years two and three will be accounted for in the ISF budget during the annual process.

**Background:**

City Detect is an advanced AI platform designed to enhance staff services by analyzing images of properties to identify and map issues such as blight, damage, and graffiti. This technology transforms raw data into actionable insights, enabling staff to allocate resources more effectively.

Equipped with AI cameras mounted on parking enforcement vehicles and, eventually, street sweepers, City Detect significantly improves the efficiency of identifying and documenting code violations citywide. The platform provides comprehensive, up-to-date reports on property conditions, allowing for rapid and precise identification of blight. This capability enables city staff to proactively address problematic areas.

Additionally, City Detect offers valuable data analytics that support smarter urban planning initiatives. The insights gained from their reports inform decision-making and strategic planning, contributing to the development of safer and more attractive neighborhoods.

This proactive approach allows our Community Preservation team to automatically detect issues like blight and graffiti, reducing reliance on manual observations. Integrating City Detect into our operations represents a strategic opportunity for the City to enhance efficiency and improve community outcomes while saving time and manpower, especially crucial in areas facing staffing shortages.

**Attachment:**

SHI Quote-26048074