

ORDINANCE 2025-01

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING A NEW SECTION IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF DELTA JUNCTION TO PROVIDE SECURITY CAMERAS AT CITY FACILITIES

WHEREAS, the City of Delta Junction ("City") has installed security cameras to monitor its buildings and facilities; and

WHEREAS, Alaska Statute \$40.25.120(a)(10), Alaska Public Records Act explains a specific exemption for "records or information pertaining to a plan, program, or procedures for establishing, maintaining, or restoring security in the state, or to a detailed description or evaluation of systems, facilities, or infrastructure in the state, but only to the extent the production of the records or information (A) could reasonably be expected to interfere with the implementation or enforcement of the security plan, program, or procedures; (B) would disclose confidential guidelines for investigations or enforcement and the disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law; or (C) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of an individual or to present a real and substantial risk to the public health and welfare;" and

WHEREAS, the City needs to protect information about the capabilities and location of the security cameras themselves, including but not limited to the location of each security camera, the scope of each camera's surveillance area, and the clarity and frequency of the images each camera captures, in order to prevent interference with the City's security plan, program or procedure and to prevent disclosure or circumvention of the security cameras by allowing the public to discover their capabilities and location; and

WHEREAS, the only way to prevent the disclosure of information, images and records, about camera locations and capabilities, is to prevent public access to each camera's location, make, model, capabilities, and surveillance product; and

WHEREAS, the need for confidentiality of the make, model, locations and capabilities of the security cameras, and images and recordings from the security cameras at public buildings and other facilities, outweighs the needs of the public for disclosure of that information; and

WHEREAS, the City shall be able to release the images and recordings to law enforcement personnel and agencies for law enforcement purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council for the City of Delta Junction Alaska enacts City Code of Ordinances, Title III, Public Health and Safety, Chapter 3.08, Section 3.08.010, Security Cameras at City Facilities to read as follows:

CHAPTER 3.08

SECURITY CAMERAS

3.08.010 Security Cameras Located at City Facilities

3.08.010 Security Cameras Located at City Facilities: All the City's security cameras make and model information, capabilities, locations, images and recordings are exempt from public disclosure pursuant to Alaska Statute 40.25.120(a)(10) and shall not be subject to public records requests. The City may release images and recordings from its security cameras to law enforcement personnel or agencies upon request in connection with law enforcement activities.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

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First Reading: November _19_, 2024
Public Hearing: December__3_, 2024
Second Reading: December__3_, 2024
Adoption: December__3_, 2024

ADOPTED by a duly constituted quorum of the City Council of Delta Junction this 3rd day of December 2024.

Igor Zaremba, Mayor

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