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First Name / Nombre
Katie

Last Name / Apellido
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I am a resident of: / Soy residente del:
District 6 / Distrito 6

I am... / Estoy...
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My testimony: / Mi testimonio:

There have been many concerns about AI, one of which is data privacy. If a license plate number is fed into an AI software with access to VIN and CO Drivers' License info, there could be potential for this system to gain access to a lot of personal information of Colorado car owners. This is scary because identity theft is already a problem and there were already vulnerabilities with existing databases such as credit card transaction processing services, health records, etc. we hear all the time about big box chains, banks, or healthcare services getting hacked. I do not want to introduce another system that hackers can use to prey on the residents of Denver. Furthermore, we have an administration that believes it is above the law, and is actively terrorizing communities. Setting up this drivers license plate correction system would only put tools in hands of bad actors that are now part of the government. There are plenty of working cameras at stoplights and such all over the City and County of Denver. Many residents will say they work just fine because they receive tickets for running lights or turning just as an arrow goes from green to red in a timely manner.

Instead of investing in a completely new system with security flaws, please spend this money on repairing existing infrastructure which has been proven to keep the people of Denver safe.

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First Name / Nombre
Julissa

Last Name / Apellido
Munoz

I am a resident of: / Soy residente del:
District 9 / Distrito 9

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AGAINST the item / en CONTRA del artículo

My testimony: / Mi testimonio:

I do not agree with technology that overly surveils our communities without consent. To track license plates, use AI powered recognition tools to build larger scale database and be able to identify patterns in people's personal driving habits is beyond what is necessary to reduce crime. There's nothing that guarantees where this data goes and the full scale of what this data will be used for - apart from targeting individuals in an already unjust and over policed area. I do not agree with moving forward with a contract with Axon or any other ALPR in the city of Denver.

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First Name / Nombre
Charya

Last Name / Apellido
Sein-Ware

I am a resident of: / Soy residente del:
District 7 / Distrito 7

I am... / Estoy...
AGAINST the item / en CONTRA del artículo

My testimony: / Mi testimonio:

Esteemed Council Members,

I am a resident of Denver who is concerned about my safety with the use of these Axon ALPR cameras, and the trust you will lose with your constituents by installing them. By claiming to have heard our concerns about the Flock cameras, and then simply replacing them with a differently named company which still has many security and ethical concerns with their usage, you are not listening to the people of Denver you claim to represent - you are continuing to contract with companies that we do not trust, and doing so in a manipulative way by pretending our concerns about this type of surveillance have been adequately addressed when they haven't. This type of technology cannot be implemented without serious digital and legal safeguards in place *first* before engaging with any ALPR company to prevent dangerous misuse (in my personal opinion, they shouldn't be used at all). However, I recognize that there are arguments to be made for their utility, but you are putting the residents of Denver at risk by contracting with a surveillance technology company *before* having adequate actionable policies in place to hold these companies accountable for how they will use and share our (and

your) personal data.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

- Charya S.

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First Name / Nombre
Will

Last Name / Apellido
Dee

I am a resident of: / Soy residente del:
District 1 / Distrito 1

I am... / Estoy...
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My testimony: / Mi testimonio:

Denver needs to cut ties with illegal ICE activity in every way, and working with Axon will be directly supporting ICE. It was encouraging to see that Denver will not work with Flock, but is Axon any better? Currently, Axon has a contract with DHS to provide body cameras and other tech. This means Axon will be working with ICE by extension - and we do not know how far that can go.

For the safety of all Denverites, and to make sure we do not support thugs committing crimes, Denver should not work with Axon. Instead, find another company with no ties to the current Trump regime.

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First Name / Nombre
Sky

Last Name / Apellido
Gutierrez

I am a resident of: / Soy residente del:
District 2 / Distrito 2

I am... / Estoy...
AGAINST the item / en CONTRA del artículo

My testimony: / Mi testimonio:

As a resident born and raised in this city for the last 35 years, I DO NOT want AI consuming our limited essential resources like clean water and access to affordable electricity made more impossible by the looming threat of new data centers required for AI projects like this. The data centers required do not bring new or higher-paying jobs to our city and they pollute our communities, especially the most marginalized. However, more importantly, this level of over-surveillance is widely seen as a form of political overreach and a threat to civil liberties. If this is the kind of surveillance you expect us to live under, then as a constituent, I expect the same level of surveillance into any Colorado politician or public figure who is even remotely mentioned in the Eepstine files. I expect this same level of surveillance of political figures in our state who take AIPAC money because a lobby group for Israel should have absolutely NOTHING to do with Colorado politics. I expect the same level of surveillance into any group that AIPAC funnels money into to make it appear as if our politicians are not taking AIPAC money. I expect the same level of surveillance into corruption across all local branches of government, from ICE (and their concentration camps) to police, judges, and elected city officials. I expect the same

level of surveillance into wasteful government spending while everyday people struggle to keep the lights on and feed their families. But we all know that kind of transparency or information for the people will have to be advocated for tooth and nail. You won't surveil yourself the same way you surveil us and that is the issue. It is a NO for AI, NO to their data centers, NO to Flock or any other AI surveillance company that would take their place. As long as there is no legal protections to prevent AI models from creating CSAM (Child Sex Abuse Material; videos, images) or using it as training model material, it's a NO to AI without equitable reform for public safety, environmental protections, child safety, and considerations to protect our rights and privacy. AI has the power to be a great tool, but so far, it has shown that it is far more dangerous. Instead of wasting money to spy on us, how about we put that money to solving real problems in our city.

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First Name / Nombre
Emily

Last Name / Apellido
Stephens

I am a resident of: / Soy residente del:

I am... / Estoy...

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My testimony: / Mi testimonio:

I am not a Denver resident, but I frequently recreate in the city and my fiance works in district 1. I never imaged I would need to join the discussion for a county I am not a resident in, but I feel passionately about mass surveillance and have watched from the sidelines as Denver has deliberately dodged responsibility for the data privacy of its residents and visitors. You have been told repeatedly that Denver does not want mass surveillance, and yet you continue to feign ignorance and bring new proposed agreements that introduce more surveilling under a shiny new name. It is despicable that we have to work this hard and be this loud while you continue to fail basic listening comprehension. I know that Denver's City Council was also a "no" on Flock, but was overruled by Mayor Johnston, but allow me to reiterate. The people of the entire Denver Metro area who pass through the city do no want Flock, Axon, or any other companies seeking to profit off of warrantless mass surveillance, especially with federal ties and no clear restrictions on use cases.

I have attended previous community hearings on this matter, and representatives from both the mayor's office and DPD have confirmed that the number of stolen cars or cases of public safety

that were resolved due to Flock were extremely minimal. The technology Axon would provide is identical, so do not fall victim to skewed data points about helping DPD solve cases. It is not about the number of stolen cars recovered or severe car crashes reviewed. It is about how many cars would have been recovered without this technology anyways, how many stolen cars are reported overall compared to the number of cases they are claiming were only solved with license plate readers, how many people are affected by warrantless location tracking for immigration or reproductive purposes, how many people were endangered by misuse of this technology, and how many people have their privacy violated due to stupid, expensive technology we never asked for.

This technology is also being abused by the officers that have access to it. There is no way to claim that new technology will help them do their jobs better when police officers have already violated their oath to public safety with the help of these tracking technologies. Although Axon says there are restrictions on this type of usage, there is no structure in place defining who would enforce or audit that and how. The restrictions are also narrow and not extensive enough for our safety. DPD has claimed that they have not had instances of license plate tracking being abused, and yet there are news reports on cases where officers have stalked their exes, tracked out-of-state residents across state lines, and either shared their secure logins or used someone else's access keys. While many of these offenses have to do with the open network nightmare that Flock allowed and Axon claims to not have, there are significant legislative and administrative holes in securing these networks. There is no "right" way to do mass surveillance. I do not trust my community with this type of tracking capability.

The city will be signing a blank check if this proposal is signed, because it passes all responsibility to the mayor's office and the federal government. Axon has ties to the federal government and, despite more claims that the data will be owned by Denver, it could be subpoenaed for federal immigration purposes, amongst other horrors, very easily. Our capitulating mayor should not have the full power over this data. He already proved he makes decisions selfishly when the Flock contract was pushed through without outside approval, and it should be obvious there is a reason he is now trying to fast track this contract. His office representatives have lied to my face about verifiable Flock data and anything they support is a proposal I don't want anywhere near my city.

Finally, these cameras are able to identify individuals with horrifying accuracy. Beyond reading license plates, they can photograph individuals within their cars, which are private property, and this applies to minors as well as adults. A representative from the mayor's office has said there's a "presumption towards not having these cameras in neighborhood streets." That is not enough. The past few years have proven that we cannot blindly trust anyone to act in our community's best interest, we must demand protections for ourselves in writing, which could begin today with a refusal to implement mass surveillance after months of residents demanding exactly that from Denver leadership. I will not continue to spend money visiting Denver,

attending concerts and sporting events, paying for parking, and dining out if I am not able to move freely without being monitored. It is a vulnerability that countless of other cities across the nation have decided is not in their resident's best interest, and it goes against my best interest as much as yours. Stop these horrifying, dystopian companies from holding take in our city before the leopards eat your face.

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First Name / Nombre

Rachel

Last Name / Apellido

Raine

I am a resident of: / Soy residente del:

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My testimony: / Mi testimonio:

I do not support this effort.

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Dear City Council Members,

I am writing to express my support for the Axon license plate reader contract. As a Denver native and fourth generation East Colfax resident, I have seen many changes in the area over the years. I respect and appreciate the concerns of residents about privacy and agree there needs to be a balance between privacy and public safety. This contract addressed the concerns I had about privacy by having safeguards in place. Public safety is a top priority for the East Colfax community and this contract will allow officers the investigative tool to help move forward to a safer community.

You never know when you are going to need the help. A few years ago, I was in an auto accident. Luckily there happened to be a camera and within minutes the police officers were able to confirm what happened. Without that camera it would have been he said/she said and who knows what would have happened. I understand these may not be the same system that city used, but just imagine if you were involved in a hit and run or a victim of any crime, wouldn't you want all the resources possible for the police to figure out what happened?

I believe this investment represents a good solution to enhancing public safety while maintaining privacy and trust. I encourage you to move forward with this contract.

Thank you,

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Joan C. Weishaupl