



City of Rochelle Police Department

Memo

To: City Manager Plyman
From: Chief Higby
Date: 010614
Re: Fingerprint Machine

Our current fingerprint machine was obtained in 2005. It is currently inoperable, and through our efforts to get the machine fixed, we have found that it is obsolete. We added monies in the 2013-2014 budget to replace the old unit. When I was speaking with the representative from Morpho Trust U.S.A., he advised me that Illinois had very recently enacted another requirement for digital fingerprint captures. If an entity uses their machine for “fee applicants” (school personnel, city applicants etc.), which Rochelle P.D. does, then the entity must also have an image capture mechanism. The image must be sent along with the fingerprints for the fee applicants. Adding this feature raises the price of the machine from \$21,326 to \$23,606. The TouchPrint 5500ED is a console system that includes a one year warranty, a one year help desk warranty, and two days of training on site. I recommend proceeding with this purchase immediately as our current machine is down and there is the potential for a 90 day delivery time frame.