

## TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

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#### PITTS CENTER

Tuesday, March 01, 2022 at 5:30 PM

#### **AGENDA**

#### **Call Meeting to Order**

Pledge of Allegiance Moment of Silence

#### Amendments to / Approval of Agenda

#### **Consent Agenda**

- 1. Minutes-February 1, 2022 (emailed)
- 2. The 2022-2023 Government and Education Access Channel proposed budget
- 3. Budget Amendment #18-Salary Adjustment

#### **Presentations**

- 4. Introduction of New Officers
- 5. Swearing in of Officers: Richard Deanor, Rick Newell, and Thomas Long

#### **Staff Reports**

Deputy Town Manager/Planning Director

- o Permitting Activity
- o Planning Board Actions

Police Chief

- o Monthly Report
- o A copy of the Annual Report will be provided

Fire Chief

o Monthly Report

Town Manager

- o Pavement Improvement CIP
- o Agenda for March 9 Work Session
- o Formerly Used Defense Site (FUDS) environmental impacts

#### Town Attorney

- o Remaining Beach Nourishment Easements
- o Mid-Currituck Bridge

#### **General Public Comment (Limit: 3 minutes per speaker.)**

#### **Old Business**

6. Resolution in Support of the Mid Currituck Bridge

**New Business** 

- 7. Consideration of Potential Scholarship Award for Police K9
- <u>8.</u> Consideration of Mobile Message Board Purchase

**General Public Comment (Limit: 3 minutes per speaker.)** 

**Council Business** 

Adjourn



#### **AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM**

MEETING DATE: March 1, 2022

**ITEM TITLE:** The 2022-2023 Government and Education Access Channel Proposed Budget

**ITEM SUMMARY**: The 2022-2023 Government and Education Access Channel proposed budget - for CurrentTV is being presented for approval by every participating member entity of the Channels, as required by the interlocal agreement. The 10 participating entities are Dare County, the towns of Duck, Southern Shores, Kitty Hawk, Kill Devil Hills, Nags Head, Manteo, Dare County Schools, College of The Albemarle, and Coastal Studies Institute - ECU.

The budget as proposed requires no additional funding from the participating entities other than the current annual \$1000 membership fee.

INCOME	CURRENT 2021-2022	PROPOSED 2022-2023
NC PEG Supplemental Video Disbursement (from the state NCDOR) <sup>1</sup>	270,000.00	255,000.00
Member Fees (annual fee paid by participating entities) <sup>2</sup>	10,000.00	10,000.00
Interest Income (interest from fund balance)	1,000.00	1,000.00
TOTAL INCOME	281,000.00	266,000.00
APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE <sup>3</sup>	94,025.55	54,920.00
TOTAL REVENUE	375,025.55	320,920.00
EXPENDITURES		
Salaries (2 Full time employees) <sup>4</sup>	(112,750.00)	(116,404.00)
Merit Pay⁵	(2,255.00)	(2,255.00)
FICA	(8,630.00)	(8,904.00)
Retirement	(12,880.00)	(14,562.00)
Health Insurance <sup>6</sup>	(32,392.55)	(41,256.00)
Life Insurance	(215.00)	(210.00)
Retiree Health	(203.00)	(204.00)
Contractual Services (Production of Destination Dare/Ed Awareness) <sup>7</sup>	(40,000.00)	(34,000.00)
Professional Services 8	(5,000.00)	(2,000.00)
Equipment - Repair, Replacement, Purchase 9	(5,000.00)	(12,000.00)
Supplies <sup>10</sup>	(5,000.00)	(2,000.00)
Music Library	(350.00)	(350.00)
Training	(1,000.00)	(1,000.00)
Travel	(1,000.00)	(1,000.00)
Professional Memberships	(250.00)	(500.00)
Channel Operations <sup>11</sup>	(7,600.00)	(7,600.00)
Marketing	(1,000.00)	(1,000.00)
Miscellaneous	(500.00)	(500.00)
Capital Outlay	(75,000.00)	(0)
Contingency (Reserve for unexpected expenses)	(5,000.00)	(15,000.00)
Emergency Contingency (Storm related overtime during activations)	(2,500.00)	(2,500.00)

Vehicle Maintenance	(500.00)	
	(300.00)	(1,000.00)
Vehicle Fuel	(2,000.00)	(2,000.00)
Insurance and Bonds	(3,000.00)	(3,425.00)
Uniforms	(250.00)	(500.00)
Verizon Wireless <sup>12</sup>	(750.00)	(750.00)
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES	-325,025.55	-270,920.00
Local Program Development Initiative		
This is money set aside in the budget to foster development of program content by the member entities. Money is awarded on an application and grant basis to participating entities by the Government and Education Access Channel Committee. The money can be used to produce programs, improve the quality of existing programs, or purchase equipment to provide for increased production and/or quality of programs.		
LPDI 1 - Coastal Studies Institute	(5,000.00)	(5,000.00)
LPDI 2 - College of The Albemarle	(5,000.00)	(5,000.00)
LPDI 3 - Dare County Government	(5,000.00)	(5,000.00)
LPDI 4 - Dare County Schools	(5,000.00)	(5,000.00)
LPDI 5 - Duck	(5,000.00)	(5,000.00)
LPDI 6 - Kill Devil Hills	(5,000.00)	(5,000.00)
LPDI 7 - Kitty Hawk	(5,000.00)	(5,000.00)
LPDI 8 - Manteo	(5,000.00)	(5,000.00)
LPDI 9 - Nags Head	(5,000.00)	(5,000.00)
LPDI 10 - Southern Shores	(5,000.00)	(5,000.00)
TOTAL LPDI	(50,000.00)	(50,000.00)
TOTAL LPDI AND OPERATING EXPENDITURES	-375,025.55	-320,920.00

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#### Government and Education Access Channel Draft Budget Notes for 2021-2022

Goals and Objectives to be achieved with this budget.

- 1. Continue to fund the operation of the channel at a level that provides a professional, reliable and quality service to the citizens of Dare County.
- 2. Establish a replacement schedule for outdated computers. Two McIntosh laptops are included in this budget for replacement.
- 3. Per previous guidance from the Government and Education Access Channels Committee, continue to work towards balancing expenditures and annual revenues over the next several years, eliminating the need to spend from the fund balance.
- <sup>1</sup> NC PEG Supplemental Video Disbursement this is revenue that is collected by the state in the form of a use tax on cable and satellite providers. The money is pooled and disbursed to qualifying PEG operations within the state. PEG stands for Public, Education, and Government Access. Dare County has 10 qualifying PEG entities, each is a member of the Government and Education Access Channel Committee. Each quarter, this money is disbursed to the entities by the state, and then the Government and Education Access Channels invoices the entities for this money. These state funds are the main source of funding for the Government and Education Access Channels. There has been a slight decrease in NC PEG revenue disbursements so the budget has been adjusted accordingly.
- <sup>2</sup> **Member Fees** Each entity member pays an annual membership fee to participate in the Government and Education Channel Access. This money must remain in place in order for each entity to receive the PEG Supplement from the state. There is no change to this amount from last year, so impact on each entity's budget is unchanged.
- <sup>3</sup> **Appropriated Fund Balance** -The appropriated fund balance is the amount pulled from the unappropriated fund balance to meet the obligations of the budget. The unappropriated fund balance is currently \$374,973.57 and with the appropriation for the current fiscal (\$94,026) subtracted, the total is anticipated to be \$280,947.57 on June 30, 2022.
- Salaries This budget currently funds two full-time positions that are Dare County employees, and includes a 2% COLA increase as recommended by Dare County Finance for planning purposes. This will go into effect if Dare County allocates a COLA for county employees when the county budget is adopted.
- <sup>5</sup> **Merit Pay** awarded on performance. Dare County Finance has advised that \$2,255 be included for FY 2023.
- <sup>6</sup> Health Insurance Includes health insurance coverage for both employees.
- <sup>7</sup> **Contractual Services** This is for the production of Destination Dare and Dare Education Awareness, our two main programming initiatives that highlight interesting aspects of

government and education in Dare County. Each entity contributes one segment to each episode. Destination Dare is produced every other month, and Dare Education Awareness is produced in the alternate months. Per the Committee's previous guidance, \$6,000 has been deducted from this line item as part of a transitional plan to reduce this contract.

- <sup>8</sup> **Professional Services** Item to pay for costs associated with professional services such as professional voiceover work, acting, and potential production support.
- <sup>9</sup> **Equipment** Monies set aside for the purchase and repair of large item video production equipment, such as cameras, editing computers, and lighting equipment. This includes the purchase of two MacBook Pro laptops that are outdated and need replacing.
- Supplies This supports the purchase of supplies such as batteries, gaffers tape, lighting gels, accessories, and small equipment items that do not qualify as Capital Outlay or Equipment.
- <sup>11</sup> **Channel Operations** Expenses that support the day to day operation of the channels. This includes:
  - \$4,000.00 OBX Media: for website hosting and maintenance
  - \$3,000.00 Reflect: Streaming Video/VOD for online video streaming service
  - \$600.00 Adobe: Creative Cloud subscription for professional non-linear editing tools

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> **Verizon Wireless** - Line item dedicated to Verizon Wireless fee for use in mobile live broadcasting with Cradlepoint device.

## Government Education Access Channels Committee 2022-2023 Proposed Budget

The following items are presented to the	for their review and approval.
Specific Action Requested:	
Approve the proposed 2022-2023 Budget	

#### **Budget Summary**

The Government Education Access Channels (GEAC) Committee has reviewed and approved the proposed 2022-2023 budget for the operation of the Government and Education Channels. The proposed budget, which would take effect July 1, 2022, must be approved by every participating member entity of the Channels, which includes the towns of Duck, Southern Shores, Kitty Hawk, Kill Devil Hills, Nags Head, Manteo, and Dare County, Dare County Schools, College of The Albemarle, and UNC Coastal Studies Institute.

The budget as proposed requires no additional funding from the participating entities above the current annual \$1000 membership fee. The budget is funded primarily from the North Carolina Video Distribution proceeds, which are disbursed quarterly by the State to certified channels throughout the state. These funds must be used for the operations of the two channels and no other purpose. Additionally, the legislation that originally established the Video Distribution funding required that the proceeds not supplant current funding. Accordingly, the annual \$1000 membership fee that was in place when the program began must remain, or the Channels would lose all Video Distribution funding from the State.

The GEAC committee recommends the attached budget, which includes, in part, the following: continued funding for two full-time staff positions and the Local Programming Development Initiative to assist members in the development of programming for the Government and Education Channels. The funding also includes the continued funding of two regular news magazine shows that highlight each of the participating members on the Education Channel and the Government Channel.

#### Town of Southern Shores Budget Amendment Number # 18

#### Administration

#### **Administration**

	Increases			Decreases	
Account Number	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	Account Number	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	<u>Revenues</u>				
40-39909	Unassigned Fund Balance	\$2,305			
		4-/			
	<b>Expenditures</b>				
42-50010	Salaries	\$1,857			
42-50050	FICA	\$1,037 \$143			
42-50070	Retirement	\$305			
42-30070	Retirement	\$303			

Explanation: 1.4% COLA for Town Manager		
Recommended By:	Approved By:	
Cliff Ogburn, Town Manager	Elizabeth Morey, Mayor	
	Date	



#### **AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY #6**

MEETING DATE: March 1, 2022

ITEM TITLE: Resolution in Support of the Mid Currituck Bridge

#### **ITEM SUMMARY:**

Provided for the Council's consideration is a draft resolution supporting construction of the mid-Currituck bridge. It has been several years since a resolution in support of the bridge has been approved. Now that the US District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina has ruled that NCDOT and Federal Highway Administration complied with applicable federal laws and regulations and with the Council's continued efforts to finally get this bridge built, adoption of a new resolution seems appropriate. The Council may also want to request that both Dare and Currituck Counties along with the Dare's municipalities also adopt resolutions.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends approval.

**REQUESTED ACTION:** A motion to approve the resolution Capital Project Ordinance for Beach

**Nourishment** 

**ATTACHMENTS:** Draft copy of the Resolution in Support of the Mid Currituck Bridge



### **Town of Southern Shores**

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES, NORTH CAROLINA, SUPPORTING CONSTRUCTION OF THE MID-CURRITUCK BRIDGE AND ITS CONTINUED INCLUSION IN THE STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Resolution 2022-03-01

WHEREAS, the Mid-Currituck Bridge project has been in the development process for over thirty years; and

WHEREAS, the popularity of Outer Banks of North Carolina, including Dare County and its towns, Currituck County and the Town of Southern Shores, continues to grow, resulting in an ever increasing number of residents and visitors to the Outer Banks, particularly the northern Outer Banks; and

WHEREAS, the Outer Banks of North Carolina generates substantial revenue for the State of North Carolina, particularly through tourism, and also serves a role as an ambassador area for the State by introducing hundreds of thousands of visitors from all over the United States and the world to the many wonders of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, this revenue and the goodwill that visitors feel towards the Outer Banks and North Carolina is tested annually through frustrations attributed directly to traffic congestion; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Mid-Currituck Bridge is to substantially improve traffic flow on the project area's thoroughfares, i.e. NC 12 and US 158, substantially reduce travel time for persons traveling between the Currituck County mainland and the Currituck County Outer Banks, and to substantially reduce the hurricane clearance time for residents and visitors who use US 158 and NC 168 during coastal evacuation; and

WHEREAS, building the Mid-Currituck Bridge will reduce congestion and alleviate delays, thus promoting and enhancing economic development, while bolstering the tourism industry; and

WHEREAS, alternatives to the Mid-Currituck Bridge project have been studied thoroughly and have been rejected in favor of the Mid-Currituck Bridge; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the viability and need of the Mid-Currituck Bridge, the North Carolina Department of Transportation has demonstrated a commitment to construction of the bridge by placing it in the State Transportation Improvement Plan based on the agency's prioritization process and strong support by local municipalities and the Albemarle Rural Planning Organization; and

WHEREAS, the US District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina ruled in December 2021 that NCDOT and the Federal Highway Administration have complied with all applicable federal laws and regulations in planning for the bridge; and

WHEREAS, the court's decision properly affirms the project's compliance with the federal National Environmental Policy Act; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES, NORTH CAROLINA, THIS 1<sup>st</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2022, that it reaffirms its commitment to the Mid-Currituck Bridge project and advocates for advancement of this crucial project and its continued inclusion as a funded project in the State Transportation Improvement Plan.

Adopted this 1 <sup>st</sup> Day of March 2022.		
ATTEST:	Mayor, A. Elizabeth	Morey
Town Clerk		



#### AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

MEETING DATE: March 1, 2022

**ITEM TITLE:** K9 Police Dog

#### **ITEM SUMMARY:**

The police department has applied and/or submitted 4 grant/funding opportunities within the last 2 months, totaling more than \$120k. Feb. 17, 2022 we received notification that we have been awarded a scholarship grant for a K9 dog, this includes 8 week training sessions that will train and certify the K9 and our officer as a K9 Handler. This scholarship is valued at \$19,600.00 and includes basic k9 equipment and state/national certs, free lodging. We will give a PP presentation at this meeting to cover more specifics and answer any questions or concerns.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

We recommend that the Town Council accept this scholarship for a Police K9 program, this is a full scholarship and there is **no match** on behalf of the town. We may have to pay a \$25 per week cleaning fee for the lodging for a total of \$200. AK9I is also waiving the \$100. Admin. Fee for us.

#### **REQUESTED ACTION:**

That the Town Council approved acceptance of the aforesaid scholarship from American K9 Interdiction Training Academy in Carrsville, Va. for an 8 week K9 Dog/handler training cert. school.



# K-9 Presentation 2022-23





### Town of Southern Shores Police Department

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### Police K-9 Program

Southern Shores Police have made over 100 drug arrest within the past 3 ½ years. A substantial amount of these drugs come through our community on a weekly basis. While we have made some significant drug arrests, many go undetected due to the lack of an available K9. Many times, if there is a K9 on duty it may be too far away to be able to respond in the acceptable timeframe. We also experience a significant number of B&E's (breaking & entering) of vacant rental homes in the off seasons. We have also experienced an increase in missing persons over the last few years. These missing person reports include young children, and older adults with Dementia/Alzheimer's. These include both local residents as well as vacationers. Having a trained narcotics, tracking, and article search K9 would be a tremendous asset to the citizens and visitors of our community. \*A comprehensive Policy & Procedure will be in place.

Budget: "estimated"

One-time expenses: K9/prisoner vehicle Insert \$			\$3500.00
٠، ،	"	Bailout system/hotdog	\$1500.00
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٠, ،	"	Patrol Harness/Vest	\$1500.00
46 66	"	Misc.(bowls, leash/leads etc.	\$ 500.00
Total one-time =		<u>\$7150.00</u>	
On-going	Exp.	Food	\$1200.00 yr.
"	"	Vet.	\$1500.00 yr.
"	"	Train/Cert	\$ 600.00 yr.
Misc;			\$2500.00 yr
Total====== <u>\$5800.00 yr</u>			

1 Hour off per workday to care for K9 (Garcia)

David M. Kole

Chief of Police

Narcotics detection- a trained narcotics K9 is a great asset to a County that sees a continuous amount of heroin charges and overdoses. We also see lots of cocaine possession charges. With Fentanyl on the rise and methamphetamines making a fast come back a Police K9 is a great tool to limit Officer exposure while searching a vehicle. As we know a human cannot sniff out illegal drugs other than marijuana, a K9 has up to 300 million olfactory receptors in their noses while humans have about 6 million. With a large summer population, we can imagine the influx of narcotics that come into our town or pass-through heading to Corolla. I believe our Officers do a great job in trying to combat that problem but without the ability of a K9 imagine how many drugs we possibly miss because we can't smell them. Yes, there are other PDs in the County with Police K9's but 99% of the time the response time doesn't allow you to utilize them if they are even out working. While case law does not allow you to prolong your traffic stop to wait for a Police K9. With KDHPD having 1 K9 he may not be working or on a call and NHPD is just too far unless you have probable cause for a detention to allow you to wait for a K9 to respond. All Towns in Dare County have people who use, abuse, and sell illegal narcotics. The end goal is providing a safe and comfortable environment for our community to grow and thrive in.

Tracking- with a large elderly and summertime population, the use of a K9 that can track a lost or missing person is another great asset. It is common as I have been on many calls for an elderly person who has wondered off from their home or rental home due to Dementia or Alzheimer's. We know that time is very pressing in a situation like that. Our community is very wooded, and it is easy for a person suffering from Dementia or Alzheimer's to wonder off in the woods and become lost or stumble and hurt themselves. With the ability to utilize a K9 in such a time sensitive matter it could be the difference between a serious life-threatening matter or a quick search and rescue.

Another example could be a vehicle chase jump and run or foot chase from a call where the suspect gets away or outruns the Officer. It is nice to know that you can have a K9 at the ready to assist in tracking the suspect to be able to arrest the offender.

A great example is earlier this year Officers were dispatched to a female stating her husband was threating to kill himself. The family called Police after not being able to locate the male. After several hours of Chief, Deputy Chief, Sgt. Cooke, Cpl. Brickhouse and myself looking through the woods, along with approximately 15-20 SSVFD personal driving in SSVFD vehicles, Chief Kole located the male several hundred yards in the woods with a self-inflected gunshot wound. Due to the thick wooded area which makes up most of our town, it is very hard to walk and find someone unless you almost stumble upon them. In this instance having a tracking K9 would have saved us hours and manpower to locate this male. The Drone wouldn't have worked due to the thick overhead canopy.

Community Policing- what a great tool to bridge the gap between the community and Police Officers. It is not often that you will encounter someone who does not like a dog. There is a reason for the saying a dog is a man's best friend. The K9 could be used in so many ways to help bridge that gap and ill name just a few. School walks, we as Officers love the kids in our community and at KHES, taking the dog inside of the school where the kids could pet it, ask questions or maybe it helps that shy kid come up and talk with the Officer and feel comfortable. I know when I have a bad day getting to see my dog can make all the difference, maybe you brighten a kid's day who's been having a hard day. While riding in the neighborhood and you see kids out playing in the yard, how great would it be to pull over and let the kids ask questions about the K9 while you let them pet the K9. K9 demonstrations- holding demonstrations for the KHES students, attending DARE days with Officer Tracey, and doing a show and tell to talk about the dogs' abilities and the gear used. Doing demonstrations at the Churches for the children or preschool events. I believe the use for a dog in community policing is such a great tool and in my opinion one of the best uses for the dog. Everyone loves dogs and what better way to build a bond then over the topic of a K9 who is also a Police Officer.

Article searching- the last but not the least great capability of a Police K9 is the ability to track lost or stolen items. This ability is a great one to have with all the vehicle breaking and entering's that occur in the county. If someone is to break into a house or vehicle and gets into a vehicle and leave you won't be able to track but only to the spot where the suspect was picked up. But if the suspect threw or hid items nearby with the hopes to come back later and retrieve such items as money, a purse, jewelry, or a weapon you would be able to retrieve those items before the induvial returned and give them back to the victim. We know with the summer population and visitors seeming to always leave their vehicles unlocked this would be a great tool to recover any items that may have been discarded after the vehicle break in.

What a great deterrent a Police K9 would be. You have a marked Southern Shores Police vehicle riding around our neighborhoods and business with Police K-9 on the rear side glass windows. Sometimes the presence of something alone is enough to deter any crime.

These are just a few examples listed under the capabilities that the Police K9 would be able to perform in.

Submitted by Officer Zach Eanes at the request of Chief Kole

## **Potential \$\$ Funding Opportunities**



\* We have requested a grant of \$30,000 for a K9 Including handler/dog training, associated certifications and equipment.

#### K9s4COPs

3515 B Longmire Drive Suite 342 College Station, Texas 77845 936-825-9900 Info@K9s4COPs.org Grant Application Questions Apply@K9s4COPs.org



## **Potential \$\$ Funding Opportunities**



### NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE

We requested \$30,000 grant for K9 & training/Equipment/certs.

#### **Grant Information**

Since 2001, NACOP has assisted police departments throughout the United States with their K-9 programs. The K-9 Partnership program has proven to be one of our most successful and rewarding programs.

Unfortunately, many police agencies do not have the funding to maintain a police canine program. Many of these are small to midsize departments that simply do not have the budget to include this service. In many cases these small communities have become a haven for drug traffickers. These criminals know that the police do not have the resources to adequately protect the public from them. For most of these communities, it would only take one dog, one trained police canine to help rid the community of this criminal element.







### **Governor's Crime Commission Grant**

We have applied for \$18,475 for a K9 to include training/certification for K9 and Handler, and associated equipment.







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## AK9I Training Academy (AK9ITA)

## STUDENT CATALOG & HANDBOOK



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#### **AK9I Training Academy**

#### **General Information**

#### Mission Statement

The mission of the AK9I Training Academy (AK9ITA) is to educate and prepare students as working dog handlers and trainers for the professional deployment of trained working dogs in Homeland Security, Law Enforcement, Military, contracted security provider, and other client roles.

#### History and Development of the School

American K9 Interdiction, LLC, (AK9ITA) formed in 2001, is a privately held Service-Disabled, Veteran Owned small business, with a singular and exclusive focus on canines and their use as force multipliers for detection, tracking and controlled aggression missions conducted by the military, law enforcement and private security contractors. Under numerous contracts with Department of Defense (DOD), federal agencies, Law Enforcement (LE) entities and corporate clients, AK9ITA has trained over a thousand canines and handlers to perform life-saving missions such as IED (roadside bomb) detection; the tracking, pursuit and apprehension of persons of high interest; and, the security of emplaced compounds overseas. AK9ITA also works with dozens of LE personnel from local and out-of-state departments, providing trained dogs and handler training for these law enforcement professionals to enable them to properly and safely conduct their assigned duties such as roadside seizures and criminal tracking, apprehension and control.

#### Consistency of Purpose

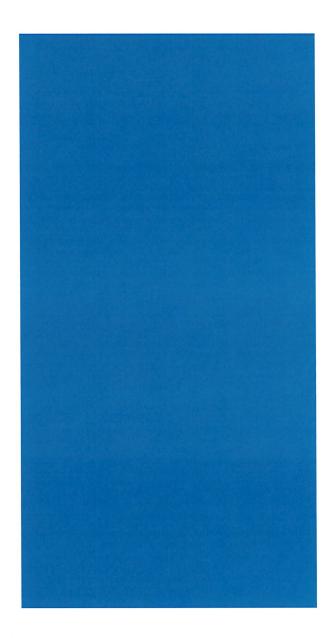
AK9ITA will extend the reach of its talented trainers and instructors to Service-Disabled and non-Service Disabled Military Veterans, Law Enforcement and civilian clientele interested in obtaining the professional training necessary for the pursuit of a career in the K9 world as a private security professional, within an agency or department such as the Department of State, with a policing organization, or a sport enthusiast, eager to learn and embrace the proper training methodologies to build a superior working dog. Within these units, K9 assignments are a premiere role (as with SWAT assignments), requiring a strong foundation and continuous education and training. The most viable and sought-after candidates for K9 positions are those with US Military training and experience. Individuals who attend the AK9ITA can initiate the basis for their career by selecting from one of several tracks, consistent with any prior training or experience they may have. The basis for the development of the majority of our Training Academy courses is the canine training curricula offered by the Department of Defense, which has been tested and proven over more than 50 years. AK9ITA has refined and fine-tuned a number of these methodologies and has been enormously successful in providing canine training to inexperienced candidates who are molded into canine professionals under our guidance.

Many of these individuals go forward into public service positions and have told us of their advantage over others competing for the same position because of the training they received from AK9ITA. AK9ITA will serve as a vehicle for continuing and expanding the reach of this advantage.

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#### AK9I Training Academy

#### General Description of Available Space, Equipment, and Facilities

The two AK9ITA training campuses consist of a combined 177 acres and 19 free-standing buildings. Dedicated training buildings include a double-isolated 5,000 SF building specifically designated for canine aggression and detection training, designed to emulate a residence. The indoor training area is an additional, separated, classroom/training building of approximately 6,500 SF. An obstacle course is positioned on the perimeter of the eighth-mile running/jogging track. In addition, the Zuni training facility consists of a 7,000 SF warehouse, 3,500 SF cafeteria, and three additional training buildings totaling 9,000 SF, an outdoor swimming pool and four student dormitories. Off-site training can be conducted at a multitude of locations including open areas encompassing more than 10,000 acres, numerous buildings of all sizes and purpose, vehicle lots, and active warehouses. Formal agreements for AK9ITA use of the property are held with each of the property owners. The explosive storage magazine is on-site and holds all high explosives and oxidizers in compliance with ATF and local regulations. Schedule 1 and 2 narcotics/drugs are held on-site in a secure vault compliant with DEA and local regulations. Pseudo-explosive and drug odors (e.g., Scent Logix brand) are also utilized for certain scenarios; they are also essential for maintaining scent recognition in areas where the actual odor cannot be used for refresher training. The dog kennel runs are indoors and are "Mason" brand; they are installed on concrete, with controlled access to adjoining airing yards. The main kennel building of almost 20,000 SF has capacity for 200 dogs in individual runs. An additional and separate kennel building for isolation/special purposes can house another 26 dogs. The entire facility is fenced in accordance with DOD specifications and situated in a rural area. There is ample parking for students and employees. AK9ITA has four classrooms. The first class room is in the administration building. This class room is purpose built and accommodates ten students. The second classroom is located within the Virginia Department of Transportation warehouse. It is purpose built and can accommodate 30 students. The third classroom is located within the administrative building foyer. It has been used to host conferences and can comfortably accommodate 50 students. The fourth classroom is located in the Zuni cafeteria and can be used for conferences and can comfortably accommodate 100 students.

AK9ITA will provide all necessary training equipment, including a pre-vetted qualified canine. It can also provide recommendations for additional "dog gear" purchases to round out a Handler's kit.



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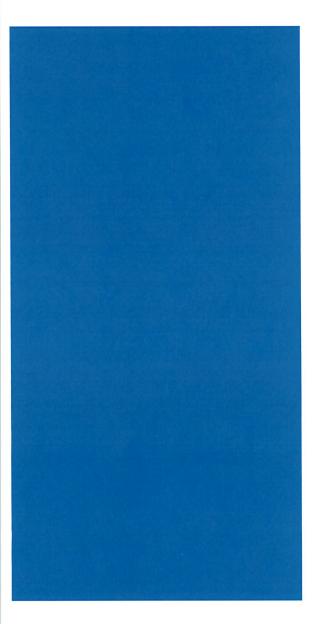
### We applied for a K9 Scholarship through AK9I in early January 2022



February 17, 2022 we received notification from AK9I that their board reviewed our essay application and has offered the Southern Shores Police Department a FULL scholarship for their 8-week program. Normal cost for said program is \$19,600.00. This includes the dog, training our officer/handler and basic equipment and state/national certifications. While we had hoped for a Labrador, unfortunately AK9I does not have any Labs available through this current scholarship program. No matter the breed, our dog would not be an apprehension/bite dog.







#### **AK9I Training Academy**

#### **Tuition, Fees and Refunds**

#### Schedule of Fees

The following table illustrates our schedule of fees for attendance at a training course.

Program Description	Course Hours	Admin Fee	Tuition (** NOTE BELOW)
AK9ITA-001 Detector Dog Handler	200 5	\$100	\$17,500.00
AK9ITA-005 Patrol/Detector Dog Handler	320 €	\$100	\$19,600.00
AK9ITA-006 Patrol/Detector Dog Trainer	520 13	\$100	\$24,100.00
AK9ITA-009 Airline Cargo Inspection Dog Handler	320 8	\$100	\$19,600.00
AK9ITA-010 Law Enforcement Patrol/Detector	240 U	\$100	\$18,500.00
Dog Handler			

#### \*\*NOTE: Canine and equipment provided courtesy of AK9ITA\*\*

#### Canine

Paying Students may choose from the following breeds: Belgian Malinois, Dutch Shepherd, German Shepherd or Labrador Retriever

#### **Canine Equipment**

The following basic canine and training equipment will be provided:

Equipment Gear Bag Dog Waste Bags
Leather 6' Lead Notepad & AK9I pen
Nylon Tracking Lead 33' L AK9I cap

ASAT Collar 20", 1 %" Wide Short or Long sleeved t-shirt Two Gappay Balls on String USB thumb drive containing

Self-Cleaning Slicker Brush Training Manual
Nail Clippers Training Forms
Nylon Harness Student Handbook
Treat/Reward pouch Student Forms



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February 24, 2022 we received this photo of the dog that would be awarded to SSPD. He is a 2 ½ year old German Shepard/Belgian Malinois Mix





#### AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

MEETING DATE: March 1, 2022

**ITEM TITLE:** Radar Message Trailer

#### **ITEM SUMMARY:**

Stalker brand Radar/Message trailer that is mobile, ability nclude counting/monitorig vehicles, speeds, etc. hundreds of specialized reports and messages that can be placed on this board. A Power Point presentation will be given at this meeting with specifics and cost.

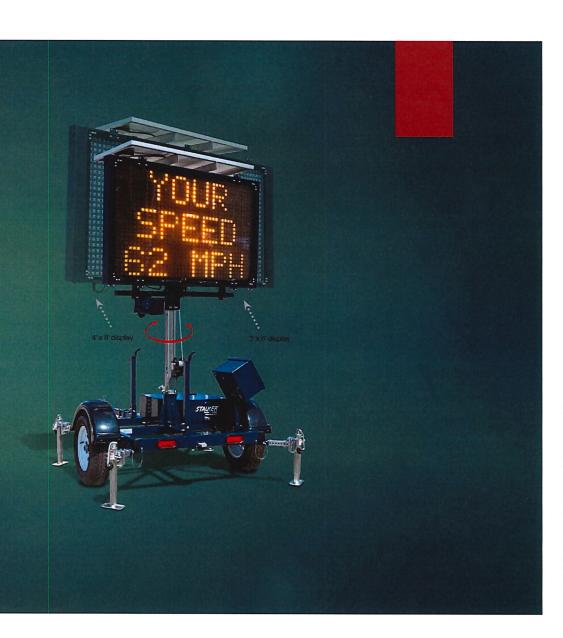
#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

We recommend that the Town purchase one of these message/radar trailers now and budget for a 2<sup>nd</sup> one for next (FY22-23). Stalker has given us a good deal on the last one in stock for this year.

REQUESTED ACTION: That the town purchase this trailer out of this year's funds. And budget for a second one for next year.

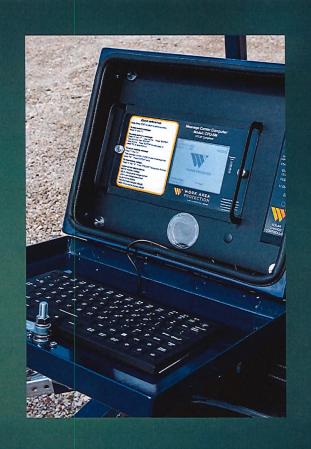
## Message Center 360 Radar Trailor

- Built in radar unit that displays speeds, counts traffic and collects data.
- Large 4' by 8' display with up to three lines of messaging and changeable font sizes.
- 250 factory installed messages.
- Over 60 factory Installed traffic Signs.
- 100 programable messages.

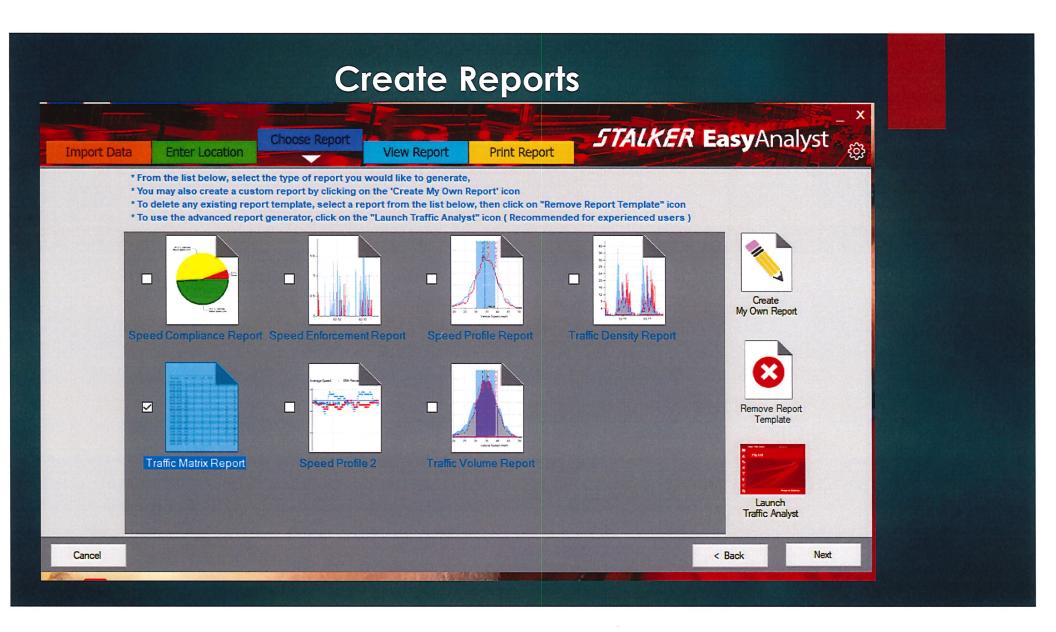


## Message Center 360 <a href="Radar Trailer">Radar Trailer</a>

- 4D deep cycle Batteries for long life and built-in charger if needed.
- Visible up to 1000 feet.
- 5-year bumper to bumper warranty on sign and trailer.
- Data Analysis package with no yearly cost.







#### Southern Shores Police

Survey Description

**Survey Details** 

Survey Location 40 E. Dogwood Trail, Southern Shores, NC 27949

Survey GPS Coordinates

**Survey Dates** Start

Stop Thursday, 2/17/2022 10:28 AM

Tuesday, 2/22/2022 9:44 AM

**Posted Speed Limit** Traffic Zone

25 (mph)

File Name

Normal

STALKER\_ROADSIDE\_LOG\_160217\_EW001916\_3ADB@2022-02-

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Device Type

Traffic Trailer SNAA000000

**Device Serial Number** Survey Note

Default survey setup

**Total Vehicle Count** 

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Traffic Direction

West (Closing)

East (Away)

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#### Survey Map



### Pie Chart Report E. Dogwood Trail

Includes both East bound and West bound traffic

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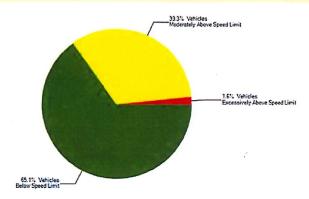
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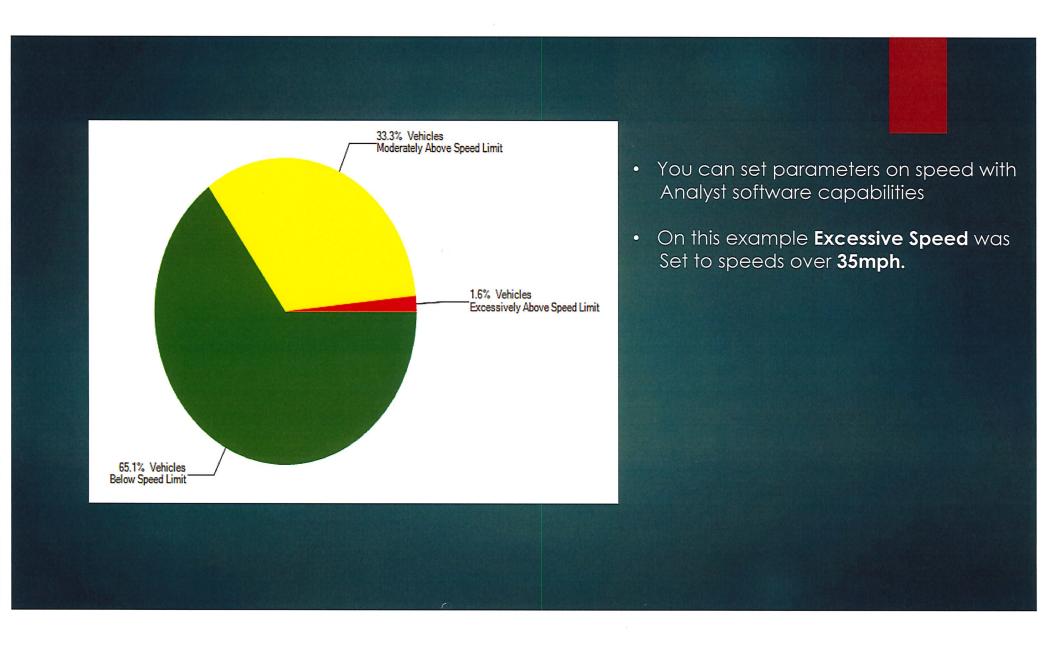
Direction: Both



Traffic Direction	Closing	Away	Combined
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Vehicles Over the Speed Limit Percentage	18.76%	53,37%	34.94%
Excessive Speed Threshold		35 (mph)	
Vehicles Over the Excessive Speed Count	22	58	80
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Speed Compliance Report

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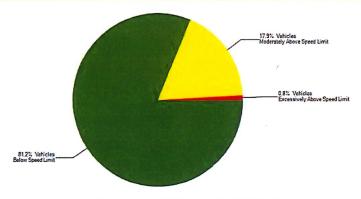
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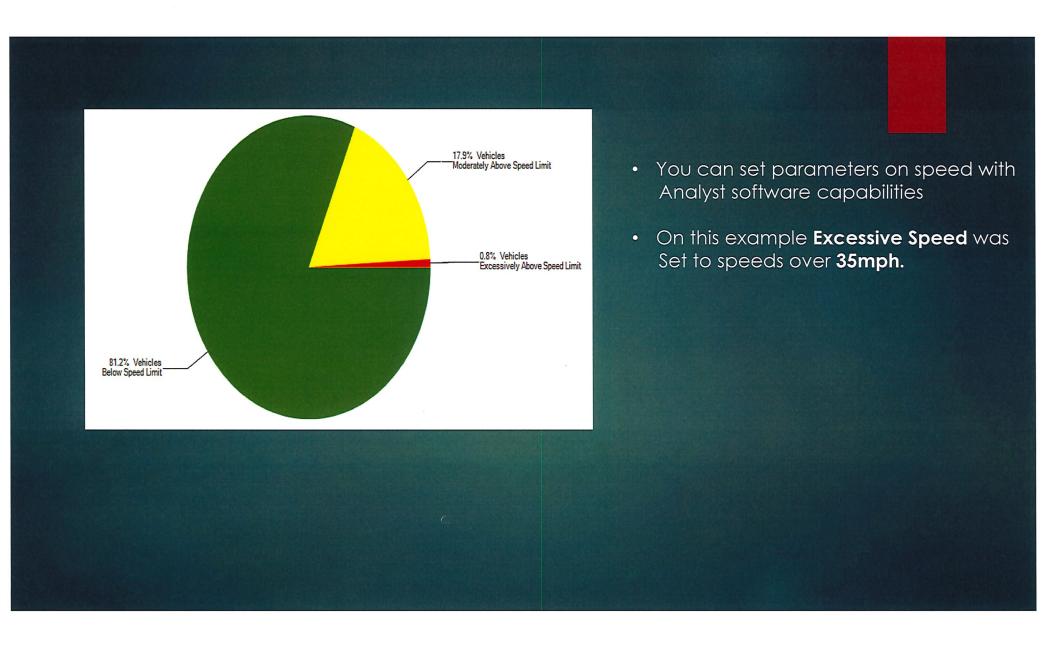
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## Traffic Matrix Report – Detailed hour by hour report of traffic patterns and speed

