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### **ALDERMAN APPROVE PURCHASE OF CRIME ANALYSIS SOFTWARE**

ROCKFORD – September 22, 2008 – City of Rockford Aldermen tonight voted to approve the purchase of Crime Analysis Software for the amount of \$29,365.00. The software, “Crime View” which will be used by the Rockford Police Department (RPD), is seen as a key component in the analysis and utilization of crime data.

The RPD Crime Analysis unit currently uses WinGIS and ESRI’s ArcMap to assist with the analysis and mapping needs of the department. Crime View desktop will allow the Crime Analysis Unit to query, map, and display information in a more automated process that would save time. The software will allow the crime analyst to produce quality information the department needs on a regular basis that would ensure proper dissemination.

The purchased Crime View Desktop software is one component of the Crime View Solution. There are other Crime View products available to the department that partner with Crime View Desktop. Using additional grant money the Police Department will be looking to move forward with other Crime View Solutions in the near future, which will allow us to post geographic information to the community.

The Crime View Desktop purchase and training are funded using Federal Justice Assistance Grant money. Future purchases will also be funded by grant money. Using a solution such as Crime View Desktop will further our progress with mapping capabilities and eventually allow us to provide the community with geographic data.

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