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TO: Chief Deputy Alan Trevino
FR: Capt. Thomas Dillard
DATE: 8/3/2026
RE: Replacement for Investigator Bowman's Camera

1. Detective Bowman's issued Digital Single-Lens Reflex (DSLR) camera has a non-functioning shutter, rendering it unusable.
2. Said camera is a Nikon D3100, which is a model that was introduced in 2010. Repair cost is likely to exceed the current market value of this camera. Even if repair service were economical, the remainder of the camera is still over 16 years old.
3. I request that we replace the camera with a newer mirrorless SLR camera, which has the benefit of having no moving parts. We have been using 2 Nikon Z50 cameras with great success since 2024.
4. I recommend that we obtain Nikon products (specifically the Z50) because:
 - a. It maintains compatibility of lenses, flashes, and other accessories between currently-issued equipment, and
 - b. The operation of the cameras remains the same, making training and familiarization minimal.
5. Please see attached specs. The anticipated cost is between \$1000 and \$1,500.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Thomas R. Dillard".

Thomas R. Dillard
Captain, Criminal Investigations

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CAMERA SPECIFICATIONS

Mirrorless SLR with >20MP resolution and video capability
Automatic and Manual Focus Modes
BULB, Manual, Aperture Priority, Shutter Priority, & Programmed Modes
JPG and RAW formats
Built-in flash and hot shoe
Compatibility with remote shutter release
Wide angle and telephoto lenses (e.g. ~16-50mm and ~50-250mm)
Wi-Fi and Bluetooth Connectivity
SD card storage
NIKON Preferred (see memo)
Z50 Model Preferred (see memo)