



# RAPID CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Karl Jegeris, Chief of Police  
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Mayor Allender and City Council  
600 Sixth St.  
Rapid City, SD 57701

RE: Accident Reconstruction Fee Request

Dear Mayor and Council Members,

The Rapid City Police Department handles approximately 4 traffic crash investigations per year. When dealing with a serious injury or fatality accident, we often conduct a full reconstruction. These reconstructions are labor intensive and require many hours to produce a reconstruction report. In most cases, the report is requested by one or both insurance companies to help determine their course of action with their claim. To help compensate for the labor expense, the department is requesting the council to set a fee for the reconstruction report at \$250.

The average estimate of labor cost to the city per report is at least \$1500. If an insurance company isn't interested in the full report, they can still obtain the state report form for \$4. It is estimated that this fee will produce revenue of approximately \$1000 on an annual basis.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Karl Jegeris  
Chief of Police