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DELIVERABLE C: DESIGN CRITERIA

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INTRODUCTION

Following the Deliverable B, this document focuses on extracting Design Criteria from the requirements expressed by the organization **Les Services Partagées du Canada**. This deliverable consists of a table listing the needs interpreted in Deliverable B and their assigned design criteria. Another table categorizing these criteria into 3 categories: Functional Requirements, Non-Functional Requirements, and constraints. Furthermore, this document also offers a neutral benchmarking review of three contemporary available managements in the market, which helps with establishing target specifications for the project.

| Number | Needs | Design Criteria |
|--------|--|--------------------------|
| 1 | The system has a simple and user-friendly interface | Interface |
| 2 | The system can operate independently of human intervention | Autonomy |
| 3 | The system is precise | Reliability |
| 4 | The system keeps track of entry and exit for articles | Access Tracking |
| 5 | The system includes traceable smart chips | Spatial Localisation |
| 6 | The system includes modern methods for digital addition and deletion | Digital Manipulation |
| 7 | The system approves data fully and rapidly | Data Approval Efficiency |
| 8 | The system notifies its users of any inventory modification | Alert |
| 9 | The system can identify items through video recognition | Video Recognition |
| 10 | The system can operate for a long duration of time | Longevity (Months) |
| 11 | The system is affordable | Cost (\$ CAD) |
| 12 | The system can detect items from a long distance | Detection range (m) |
| 13 | The system is customisable | Adaptability |
| 14 | The system is portable and extremely light | Weight (lb) |

INTERPRETED NEEDS CONVERTED INTO DESIGN CRITERIA

| | Design Criteria | Relation (=, < or >) | Value | Units | Verification Methods |
|----|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | Functional Requirements | | | | |
| 1 | Longevity | > | 12 | Months | Analysis |
| 2 | Detection range | > | 50 | m (meters) | Tests |
| 3 | Frequency | = | 30x10 | Hz (Hertz) | Tests |
| 4 | Signal type | = | Radio | N/A | Tests |
| 5 | Transmission speed | < | 30 | ns (nanoseconds) | Analysis |
| | | | | | |
| | Non-Functional Requirements | | | | |
| 6 | Attachment | = | Adhesive | N/A | Tests |
| 7 | Video Recognition | = | No | N/A | N/A |
| 8 | Alert | = | Yes | N/A | Tests |
| 9 | Reliability | > | Yes (~95) | % | Tests |
| 10 | Interface | = | Yes | N/A | Code debugging tools |
| 11 | Autonomy | = | Yes | N/A | Tests and code debugging tools |
| | Constraints | | | | |
| 12 | Cost | < | 50 | \$ (CAD) | Estimation and checks |
| 13 | Dimensions | < | 20x20x5 | mm (millimeters) | Analysis |
| 14 | Weight | < | 0.50 | oz (ounces) | Analysis |

TECHNICAL DESIGN SPECIFICATIONS

Due to the high priority of the tracking functionality in this project, and the fact that all of the other components related to it are to be customized and specifically-tailored, we find that the element that requires an in-depth market study, is in the field of tracking devices and chips, to provide tracking features to our clients. This process calls for a comparison, both in user reviews and in technical properties, of various existing items in the market. Here is a comparison of existing tracking technologies based on user reviews :

| AirTag | RFID | NFC |
|--|---|--|
| "The AirTag worked every time I tried it. One of the AirTag's few flaws is that you can't use it to ping your linked iPhone or iPad. Competing trackers do offer this feature." - <u>www.pcmag.com</u> | "RFID is an emerging technology that is increasingly being used in supply chain management. It plays an important role in supporting logistics and supply chain processes because of their ability to identify, trace and track information throughout the supply chain. The technology can provide suppliers, manufacturers, distributors and retailers precise real time information about the products." | "It does not require search and pair procedures like bluetooth and other methods to establish connectivity. [] It can only works in shorter distances which is about 10-20 cm." - www.rfwireless-world.com |

COMPARISON OF VARIOUS TECHNICAL PROPERTIES OF EXISTING TRACKING CHIPS/TECHNOLOGIES ON THE MARKET

| Type of tracking tag | AirTag | RFID tag | NFC tag |
|----------------------|--------------------|---|--|
| Productor | Apple (Foxconn) | ~Variable~ | ~Variable~ |
| Mean Cost | ~30.00\$ | ~112.50\$ | ~1.00\$ |
| Operational Distance | ~10 m | ~10 m - ~100 m (up-to ~460 m for sophisticated chips) | ~0.05 m |
| Dimensions | 31.9 x 31.9 x 8 mm | -Minimum (read-only): 3 mm -Maximum (read and diffuse): 5 cm | -Minimum: 6 mm -Maximum: 85 mm x 55 mm |
| Signal Type | Bluetooth | Radio | Radio |
| Frequency | 2.4 GHz | 125 KHz - 30 MHz | 125 KHz - 30 MHz |
| Weight | 0.39 oz | 0.06 oz | 0.01 oz |
| Longevity | 1 Year | 20-50 years | 10-50 years |
| Attachment | Straps | Adhesive | Adhesive |

NB: The dimensions, longevity, frequency and operational distances of RFID and NFC tags are largely variable, depending on the specifications of the particular system (antennae, diffusion and reading devices).

CONCLUSION

In this deliverable, we translated our problem statements into design criteria, providing a detailed description of how the solution should be categorized into functional requirements, non-functional requirements, and constraints. Furthermore, our benchmarking review of solutions and target specifications ensured that our solution is aligned with the customer expectations, while remaining competitive in the market.