Later, Chief Curry informed Lumpkin that Secret Service men would bring the President's car and another car to the basement of the City Hall, they were to be placed in the southeast corner of the parking area and a police guard placed on them to prevent anyone from tampering with the cars. This guard was to be left on continuously until the cars were picked up by Secret Service men Friday morning. Lumpkin instructed Lt. B. L. Bailey to provide this guard in the basement. Lumpkin checked with Bailey about 6:30 p.m. Bailey stated that Mr. Sorrells, Secret Service, had called him and stated there had been some delay in the unloading of the presidential cars, and that they were being placed in the parking area in the basement of the Love Field Air Terminal. He requested Bailey to send the guard to Love Field. A guard was sent to Love Field and kept on continuously until taken over by the Secret Service Agents.

On the evening of November 21, 1963, Lumpkin rode the entire presidential route, checking radio communications on Channel II. Reception was especially good at that time.