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SUBJECT: UPDATE ON THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S PILOT PROJECT FOR 100

**BODY-WORN CAMERAS** 

The Police Department is continuing to move forward with the pilot project to implement 100 body-worn cameras. The Department has selected three vendors to be involved in wear testing of their body worn cameras and supporting systems.

Wear tests are scheduled to begin on September 2, 2015. Once wear tests begin, officers will be capturing video/audio recordings which may have evidentiary value. Therefore, the Department has created Procedure 188.0 Body-Worn Cameras, which is an attachment to this report.

Procedure 188.0 provides important information on body-worn camera utilization, training, accountability, review and retention times. The procedure has been developed by researching the current best practices and recommendations in the use of law enforcement body-worn cameras, and framing those practices and recommendations to best meet the Police Department's goals.

Once the wear test is completed, utilization of the body-worn cameras will stop and evaluation of the hardware, software and support systems will take place. The Police Department will also conduct a review of Procedure 188.0 to determine if any changes are necessary.

Once the evaluation process is completed information will be presented to the selection committee and a final vendor will be identified.

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