

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A POLICY FOR THE USE AND IMPLEMENTATION OF
BODY-WORN CAMERAS BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2015, the Board of Aldermen adopted the annual budget for fiscal year 2016, which includes, in part, an allocation of funds for the purchase of body-worn cameras for the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, since March 2014, the Police Department has worked with members of the Board of Aldermen, legal staff of the American Civil Liberties Union of North Carolina, and other stakeholders to develop a policy for the use and implementation of body-worn cameras; and

WHEREAS, during its meeting on May 27, 2014, the Board of Aldermen received an update and provided input on a draft of the policy; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen held a public hearing on March 24, 2015, to receive input from the community regarding the potential use of body-worn cameras by the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, on June 4, 2015, a meeting to discuss the final draft of the policy took place, after which the participants agreed that the policy was suitable for implementation by the Police Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Aldermen approves the Body-Worn Camera Policy for the Police Department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Aldermen expresses its gratitude to Police Chief Walter Horton for the deliberate and participatory manner in which he conducted the policy development process.