



Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Implementation of Body Worn Cameras (BWC) by the Carrboro Police Department.

PURPOSE: To review the BWC policy and accept the implementation of Body Worn Cameras by the police department.

DEPARTMENT: Police Department

CONTACT INFORMATION: Walter Horton, Chief of Police

INFORMATION: Since May of 2014, the Carrboro Police Department, Alderman Damon Seils, Chris Brook, Legal Director ACLU of NC have been working on a policy for the use and implementation of Body Worn Cameras. During this time, several meetings were held to discuss operational guidelines, privacy concerns of citizens and officers, retention of recordings, etc.

A public hearing was held on March 24, 2015 to receive input from citizens regarding the use of BWC by the police department. The Police Department took the input and recommendations from the citizens, Board Members and, the NC ACLU and applied them to the draft policy.

On June 4, 2015, a meeting to discuss the final draft of the BWC policy and final edits took place. During that meeting, all stakeholders reviewed and agreed that the policy drafted was complete and ready for implementation by the Carrboro Police Department.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: None

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Board review the BWC policy and accept the implementation of Body Worn Cameras by the police department.