

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: Authorize grant application in amount up to \$2 million to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance to assist the Police Bureau to implement a Body-Worn Camera Program (Ordinance)

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information: This legislation authorizes the Mayor to make application to U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) for the FY 2022 Body-worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program to Support Law Enforcement Agencies grant funding opportunity.

According to the grant, the BJA Body-worn Camera (BWC) Policy and Implementation Program solicitation seeks applications for funding law enforcement agencies seeking to purchase body-worn cameras (BWCs) to establish or expand comprehensive body-worn camera programs with a specific and demonstrated plan to implement this technology to maximize the benefits of BWCs. This program furthers the DOJ's mission by promoting the safe and fair administration of justice.

The Portland Police Bureau's (PPB) requested award of funding, up to \$2,000,000, will fund the purchase of body-worn cameras for Portland Police Bureau during its BWC's pilot and initial phases within the grant's 36-month performance period. The program's overall expenditures are expected to allow for PPB's required match in funding.

PPB has been proactive in researching and developing a viable BWC program. In FY 2014-15, PPB adopted a BWC program after conducting pilot studies. The procurement was delayed until ongoing resources were available and a more complete assessment of potential systems was concluded. The FY 2016-17 Adopted Budget provided the ongoing funding to sustain program costs, which were eliminated on a one-time basis in the FY 2017-18 Adopted Budget due to General Fund financial constraints.

In FY 2018-19, the PPB determined that a larger pilot program was feasible and that funds were available for the project. The project was paused before PPB could request authorization from Council to complete a competitive solicitation.

In the FY 2020-21 Fall Budget Monitoring Process (BMP), Council authorized a one-time use of funds to provide the PPB with the ability to create a BWC program that will allow compliance with the DOJ Amended Settlement Agreement.

Financial and budgetary impacts: There are no financial or budgetary impacts with this legislation.

Community impacts and community involvement: The BWC program might be considered controversial; Department of Justice has potentially incorporated this program into its Settlement requirements for PPB. There is no voluntary citizen participation.

Indicate who/which groups will be testifying: Community members, interested parties and groups.

Budgetary Impact Worksheet

Does this action change appropriations?

- YES:** Please complete the information below.
- NO:** Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount