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SUMNER
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DEPARTMENT UPDATES

BODY WORN CAMERA RESOLUTION

1. Resolution 1582 Authorizing Body Worn Cameras

GOOD OF THE ORDER

ADJOURNMENT

**RESOLUTION NO. 1582
CITY OF SUMNER, WASHINGTON**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUMNER,
WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF POLICE BODY WORN CAMERAS
AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF OPERATIONAL POLICIES FOR THEIR USE.**

WHEREAS, Body Worn Cameras are portable recording devices used by law enforcement to record interactions with the public (both audio and visual) and to gather evidence at crime scenes; and

WHEREAS, the use of body worn cameras by police has been shown to increase public trust in police actions and their accountability; and

WHEREAS, studies have found that the use of body worn cameras by police has led to a significant decrease in both citizen complaints and officer use of force rates; and

WHEREAS, RCW 10.109 strongly encourages that law enforcement use of body worn cameras be authorized by the adoption of an ordinance or resolution by the local legislative authority prior to their use and encourages community involvement in the formation of operational policies governing the use of body worn cameras; and

WHEREAS, the Sumner Police Department desires to field test and ultimately deploy body worn camera technology in its delivery of police services and is requesting council authorization for their use.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUMNER, WASHINGTON,
DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Authorization. The City Council hereby authorizes the use of body worn cameras or similar recording devices by law enforcement members of the Sumner Police Department in the performance of their official duties.

Section 2. Procurement. The Chief of Police can begin the procurement process for equipment and technology needed to implement a police body worn camera program, final acquisition is contingent on a future budget amendment approved by Council.

Section 3. Establishment of Operating Policies. Consistent with the requirements of RCW 10.109.020, the Chief of Police is hereby authorized to develop, with community input, necessary operational policies governing the use of body worn cameras by law enforcement members of the Sumner Police Department. Any operational policy governing the use of body cameras may be administratively amended, as appropriate, without further Council approval or authorization.

Section 4. Ratification. By and through adoption of this resolution, the City Council hereby ratifies and confirms any and all acts prior to and consistent with the authority granted herein.

Section 5. Corrections by City Clerk or Code Reviser. Upon approval of the city attorney, the city clerk and the code reviser are authorized to make necessary corrections to this resolution, including but not limited to the correction of clerical errors, or references to other local, state, or federal laws, codes, rules, or regulations.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 3rd day of May, 2021.

ATTEST:

Michelle Converse, CMC, City Clerk

Mayor William L. Pugh

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney Andrea Marquez