

**Audits of Body Worn Camera Footage
Pursuant to City Code 2.10.200
August 2021**

SUMMARY

This memorandum constitutes a report of the audit, pursuant to City Code 2.10.200.E., of body worn camera recordings for the month of August 2021. The ordinance requires that any findings of material non-compliance with state law, City Code and Police Department policy to be referred to the Chief of Police, the Mayor, the Council Chair, the Mayor's Chief of Staff, and the City Attorney.

The system used by the Department, at the time this audit was conducted, cannot randomly generate a body worn camera recording based on a particular timeframe. Because of that limitation, a random number generator was used to identify 5 case numbers (out of 4,982 case numbers) from the month. If a case number had multiple recordings for that case number, a recording was randomly selected for review.

Of the five matters that were reviewed, the audit did not identify any matters where there may be material non-compliance with City Code, State law, and/or Department policy.

BODY WORN CAMERA REVIEWS

Case No. 1

Summary

The subject officer responds to a scene where multiple officers and medical personnel are attending to a man lying on the sidewalk, who we later learn has outstanding felony warrants. The subject officer was to bring leg restraints, but he does not have them. The man is cleared by medical and police personnel begin the process of handcuffing him and readying him for transport. Due to the size of the man, multiple officers assist in placing him into the ambulance for transport. After assisting, the call concludes.

Finding

Officers appear to materially comply with State and City Codes and Departmental policies.

Case No. 2

Summary

The recording begins with the subject officer taking a witness statement form and clipboard to a person for that person to fill out. The officer returns to her vehicle and briefly moves it and places it into Park. She then appears to be conducting searches for information in her Mobile Data Terminal (MDT). At time marker 7:20, the officer mutes her camera without providing a reason. After about 3 minutes, the person filling out the witness statement approaches the officer and she un-mutes her camera, exits her vehicle, and grabs the document from the person.

Finding

Officers appear to materially comply with State and City Codes and Departmental policies.

Case No. 3

Summary

This recording involves an officer training another officer about how to deal with an abandoned vehicle as well as vehicles that appear to have suffered from intentional damage to their windshields.

Finding

Officers appear to materially comply with State and City Codes and Departmental policies.

Case No. 4

Summary

The call involves a traffic stop by a motorcycle officer of a motorcycle that was operating on a revoked registration and no insurance. The officers do not cite for the lack of insurance, but they call for a tow truck to impound the motorcycle. After issuing the citation for driving on a revoked registration, the call concludes.

Findings

Officers appear to materially comply with State and City Codes and Departmental policies.

Case No. 5

Summary

Officers respond to a homeowner who has called for assistance in trespassing someone who appears to be a tenant who had damaged the residence. Officers speak to the homeowner. Homeowner indicates that he does not want to press charges, only that he wants the other person trespassing. Officers speak to the other person and inform him that he is trespassing.

Finding

Officers appear to materially comply with State and City Codes and Departmental policies.

CONCLUSION

Of the five matters reviewed, officers appear to materially comply with State and City Codes and Departmental policies.