Audits of Body Worn Camera Footage Pursuant to City Code 2.10.200 December 2023

SUMMARY

This memorandum constitutes a random audit, pursuant to City Code 2.10.200.E, of body worn camera recordings for the month of December 2023. 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 4,834 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 found that officers appeared to materially comply with City Code, State law, and Department policies.

BODY WORN CAMERA REVIEWS

Case No. 1

Summary

Officers have detained and are speaking to a person who is sitting on a curb across the street from a convenience store. Officers inform the person that he is being trespassed from the convenience store and that he needs to take care of some outstanding warrants. Officers release the person and the call concludes.

Findings

The officers appeared to comply with State and City Codes and Police Department policy.

Case No. 2

Summary

Officers arrive on a call from a person who is requesting to be transported to the hospital. Officers escort the person to the ambulance and standby while medical personnel conduct an evaluation of the person. Medical transports the person to the hospital and the call concludes.

Findings

The officers appeared to comply with State and City Codes and Police Department policy.

Case No. 3

Summary

Sergeant arrives to conduct an arrest check. However, officers are instead taking the person to detox and therefore no arrest check is necessary. The call concludes.

Finding

The officers appeared to comply with State and City Codes and Police Department policy.

Case No. 4

Summary

Officers are in the jail booking area with jail staff with a subject who is in a wrap restraint. The officers remove the wrap restraint and place him on the booking area's bench turning him over to jail personnel and conclude the call.

Finding

The officers appeared to comply with State and City Codes and Police Department policy.

Case No. 5

Summary

An officer arrives at a scene where other officers have responded to an incident at a bar. A few minutes after that officer arrives it is determined that the officers are no longer needed and the officers complete the call.

Findings

The officers appeared to comply with State and City Codes and Police Department policy.

CONCLUSION

Of the five matters that were reviewed, the audit found that officers appeared to materially comply with City Code, State law, and Department policies.