

PRESENTER: Chief Paul Enga

ITEM:

Public Hearing for Public Input on Police Body Worn Camera Program

PREPARED BY: Chief Paul Enga

POLICY DECISION / ACTION TO BE CONSIDERED: Accept Public Comment on the implementation of a police body worn camera program, followed by a motion to keep the public hearing open through the September 27th City Council Meeting

BACKGROUND:

Minnesota State Statue 626.8473 requires the opportunity for public comment at a city council meeting.

SS 626.8473 S.2 states, A local law enforcement agency must provide an opportunity for public comment before it purchases or implements a portable recording system. At a minimum, the agency must accept public comments submitted electronically or by mail, and the governing body with jurisdiction over the budget of the law enforcement agency must provide and opportunity for public comment at a regularly scheduled meeting.

The Dayton Police Department does not currently have any Body Worn Cameras (BWC's). The department has had in-car squad video for many years. This video has been helpful in providing accountability to the community and in meeting the community's expectation of professional police service delivery. The Dayton Police Department has the purchase of Body Worn Camera's in the 2022 CIP has already received City Council Approval to purchase the Body Worn Camera's. The Dayton Police Department has placed the order for the Body worn cameras and now holding the public hearing prior to receiving and implementation.

CRITICAL ISSUES:

- MN State Statue 626.8473 S. 2 requires the opportunity for public comment at a city Council Meeting.
- The Dayton Police Department has the Purchase of Body Worn Cameras in there 2022 CIP
- The Dayton Police Department has received City Council Approval for Purchase of Body Worn Cameras.

BUDGET IMPACT: None

RECOMMENDATION: Accept public Comment on the implementation of a police body worn camera program, followed by a motion to keep the public hearing through the September 27th City Council Meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

Dayton Police Policy on Portable Recording System