

Ordinance No. 123411

Council Bill No. 116975

AN ORDINANCE relating to surveillance cameras in Seattle parks; amending the title of Chapter 18.14 of the Seattle Municipal Code; and amending Sections 18.14.010, 18.14.020, 18.14.030, 18.14.040, 18.14.060, 18.14.080, 18.14.090, and 18.14.100 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The title of Chapter 18.14 of the Seattle Municipal Code, which was last amended by Ordinance 122705, is amended as follows:

Chapter 18.14 Surveillance Cameras in Seattle Parks(~~—Pilot Program~~).

Section 2. Section 18.14.010 of the Seattle Municipal Code, which was last amended by Ordinance 122705, is amended as follows:

SMC 18.14.010 Statement of Purpose.

The purpose of this chapter is to authorize a limited(~~(pilot)~~) program regarding the installation and use of surveillance cameras in Seattle parks and to establish City policies regarding the installation and use of such cameras. The policies described in this chapter apply to cameras as defined in this chapter. Unless specified otherwise in a particular policy, the policies contained in this chapter apply to all persons employed by the City of Seattle, including agents retained on a temporary, contract, or voluntary basis.

Section 3. Section 18.14.020 of the Seattle Municipal Code, which was last amended by Ordinance 122705, is amended as follows:



1 **SMC 18.14.020 Definitions.**

2 A. "Cameras" means surveillance cameras(~~(1) installed in City parks as part of the~~
3 ~~pilot project authorized by this chapter; and 2) cameras~~) installed for the primary purpose of
4 recording activity that takes place in outdoor areas in City parks(~~in Cal Anderson Park~~
5 ~~beginning in January 2008 with funds from the Facility and Structure Maintenance BCL~~
6 ~~(K320A) of the Parks and Recreation Fund (10200))". "Cameras" (~~do not~~)does(~~not~~) not include
7 surveillance cameras installed to record activity on City property other than (~~in~~)parks, cameras
8 installed in police cars, cameras installed along public rights of way intended to record traffic
9 violations, and cameras that are intended primarily to record activity in(~~monitor~~) the interiors of
10 or at the entrances to (~~of~~) City buildings, including buildings located within City parks.~~

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14 D. "Baseline setting" means the default position a camera is placed in whenever it is
15 used for passive monitoring. The baseline settings established for individual cameras may
16 include placing the camera in panning mode.

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18 E. "DPR" means the City of Seattle's Department of Parks and Recreation, for the
19 purposes of this chapter.

20 F. "DoIT" means the City of Seattle's Department of Information Technology, for the
21 purposes of this chapter.

22 G. "SPD" means the Seattle Police Department, for the purposes of this chapter.

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24 Section 4. Section 18.14.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code, which was last amended
25 by Ordinance 122705, is amended as follows:



1 **SMC 18.14.030 ~~((Pilot))~~ Surveillance Camera Program -- Authorization.**

2 ~~((The Seattle Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR)))~~ and ~~((the City's~~
3 ~~Department of Information Technology (DoIT)))~~ are authorized to ~~((install and))~~ operate
4 surveillance cameras ~~((in the following Seattle parks as part of a pilot program: Cal Anderson~~
5 ~~Park, Hing Hay Park, Occidental Park, and Victor Steinbrueck Park))~~ along 23rd Avenue at the
6 Garfield Community Center and Medgar Evers Pool. Additional ordinance authority is required
7 to install cameras in other City parks or to install additional cameras at the Garfield Community
8 Center and Medgar Evers Pool~~((or to operate cameras in the parks identified above beyond~~
9 ~~ninety days after the program evaluation described in SMC Section 18.14.100 is submitted to the~~
10 ~~City Council))~~.

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13 Section 5. Subsections C, D, and E, of Section 18.14.040 of the Seattle Municipal
14 Code, which was last amended by Ordinance 122705, are amended as follows:

15 **SMC 18.14.040 City Policies Regarding the Installation and Use of Cameras.**

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18 C. Cameras ~~((should be))~~ are installed to primarily record ~~((events))~~ activity that takes
19 place on public property. It is not a violation of this policy if cameras incidentally record
20 ~~((events))~~ activity that occurs on private property.

21 D. Within 20 feet of each camera that is installed, DPR shall prominently post at least
22 one sign ~~((in each park where a camera is located))~~ informing the public about the presence of
23 the camera~~((s))~~. The signs must be legible from a distance of at least 20 feet.
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1 E. SPD personnel shall identify an appropriate baseline setting for each camera. SPD
2 shall also provide the City Council's Parks and Seattle Center Committee, or its successor
3 Committee, with a description of each camera's baseline settings whenever its existing baseline
4 settings are changed.

5 ~~((E))~~F. The cameras and related equipment shall be the property of DoIT.

6 ~~((F))~~G. A monitor for the cameras and the controls that enable active monitoring shall
7 be located in SPD's 911 Center.

8 ~~((G))~~H. Up to one additional monitor may be located at a DPR facility and at a DoIT
9 facility.
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11 Section 6. Subsection 18.14.060.B of the Seattle Municipal Code, which was last
12 amended by Ordinance 122705, is amended as follows:

13 **SMC 18.14.060 Policies Regarding Live Monitoring of the Cameras.**

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15 B. SPD~~((;))~~ or DoIT~~((; or City Auditor))~~ personnel are authorized to use the cameras for
16 live monitoring, including for active monitoring~~((;~~

17 ~~1. F))~~ for system training, testing, maintenance, or repair~~((; or,~~

18 ~~2. As part of the audit and program evaluation described in Section~~
19 ~~18.14.100)).~~
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22 Section 7. Subsection 18.14.080.B of the Seattle Municipal Code, which was last
23 amended by Ordinance 122705, is amended as follows:
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1 **SMC 18.14.080 Policies Regarding Access to Recordings Created by the Cameras.**

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3 B. SPD(~~(;)~~) or DoIT(~~(; or City Auditor)~~) personnel may view the video recordings
4 created by the cameras(~~(;~~

5 1. F)) for system training, testing, maintenance, or repair(~~(; or;~~

6 2. ~~As part of the audit and program evaluation described in Section~~
7 ~~18.14.100)~~.
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10 Section 8. Subsections A, B, and C of Section 18.14.090 of the Seattle Municipal
11 Code, which was last amended by Ordinance 122705, is amended as follows:

12 **SMC 18.14.090 Recordkeeping.**

13 A. DPR and DoIT shall maintain a log recording the date, time, and duration of the
14 video recording(s) reviewed; the names, titles, and signatures of the personnel involved,
15 including the authorizing supervisor; and the reason(s) for viewing the video whenever
16 department personnel view video recordings.
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18 B. SPD shall maintain a log recording the date, time, and duration of the video viewed;
19 the names, titles, and signatures of the personnel involved, including the authorizing supervisor;
20 and the reason(s) for viewing the video whenever department personnel view video recordings or
21 conduct live monitoring of a camera, including active monitoring.
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23 C. The log entries provided for in this section shall be retained by the City for one full
24 year following the end of the calendar year in which an entry is added to the log. Authorized
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1 SPD personnel may, under the following circumstances, override or extend the retention period
2 for log entries: 1) in order to comply with a court order, the Washington Public Records Act,
3 discovery requirements in a legal proceeding, or other applicable law; 2) as part of a criminal,
4 civil, or administrative investigation; or 3) to evaluate the log books for possible use in a
5 criminal, civil, or administrative proceeding win which the City is, or is reasonably expected to
6 become, a party((ninety days after the report described in SMC Section 18.14.100 is submitted to
7 the City Council)).

9 Section 9. Section 18.14.100 of the Seattle Municipal Code, which was last amended
10 by Ordinance 122705, is amended as follows:

11 **SMC 18.14.100 ((Auditing and))Evaluation of Surveillance Camera ((Pilot))Program.**

12 SPD and DPR shall report annually to the Parks and Seattle Center Committee, or its
13 successor committee, on the outcomes of the surveillance camera program. For each City park
14 where cameras are installed, SPD shall annually provide a summary of crime statistics for the
15 preceding calendar year and a comparative analysis of historical crime data covering a period of
16 at least five years for inclusion in the report. SPD shall also document how many crime
17 investigations benefitted from the use of the cameras in the preceding calendar year. The report
18 shall also include a qualitative discussion of public perceptions of safety within the viewable area
19 of the cameras. DPR will be responsible for completing the qualitative component of the report.
20 Public input for the qualitative component shall be collected by DPR staff via an annual survey,
21 public meeting, or other appropriate means identified by DPR staff and approved by the Chair of
22 the Council's Parks and Seattle Center Committee. DPR shall be responsible for delivering the
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1 report to the Council by no later than January 31 of each calendar year, beginning in 2012.~~((A-~~

2 ~~The City Auditor shall audit the DPR, DoIT, and SPD log books; corresponding 911 calls and~~
3 ~~other police contacts; and video recordings throughout the pilot program to aid in program~~
4 ~~evaluation and to assess compliance with this chapter.~~

5 ~~B. The City Auditor shall also perform and provide to the City Council a program~~
6 ~~evaluation within eighteen (18) months of the completion of the installation of cameras pursuant~~
7 ~~to the pilot program.~~

8 ~~C. The program evaluation provided for in this section shall include the following~~
9 ~~information:~~

10 ~~1. Crime statistics and the number of calls for assistance in the monitored~~
11 ~~12 parks for the first 12 months after the cameras are installed;~~

13 ~~2. Crime statistics and the number of calls for assistance in the monitored~~
14 ~~15 parks for the two years preceding the installation of the cameras;~~

16 ~~3. Crime statistics and the number of calls for assistance for the areas just~~
17 ~~18 outside the monitored parks for the first 12 months after the cameras are installed;~~

19 ~~4. Crime statistics and the number of calls for assistance for areas just outside~~
20 ~~the monitored parks for the two years preceding the installation of the cameras;~~

21 ~~5. A description of crime trends over the past five years in the neighborhoods~~
22 ~~where the monitored parks are located;~~

23 ~~6. The number of crimes detected in the monitored parks due to the presence~~
24 ~~of the cameras. Data should be provided for the first 12 months after the cameras are installed;~~

1 7. ~~The number of crime investigations aided by the use of video recordings~~
2 ~~obtained by the cameras. A description of how the video recordings were helpful to each~~
3 ~~investigation should be included. Data should be provided for the first 12 months after the~~
4 ~~cameras are installed;~~

5 8. ~~A survey to determine whether the installation of surveillance cameras~~
6 ~~affects how the public perceives the safety of the parks in which the cameras are located; and,~~
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8 9. ~~Additional information and analysis that the City Auditor deems useful.~~

9 D. ~~The City Council will review the program evaluation to be completed by the City~~
10 ~~Auditor and consider any possible deterrence effects of the cameras on crime before authorizing~~
11 ~~continued operation of the cameras beyond the completion of the pilot program.))~~

12 Section 10. DoIT shall remove by no later than January 1, 2011, the three cameras that
13 were installed in Cal Anderson Park in 2008. DPR is authorized to transfer the cameras to SPD
14 for other uses consistent with this ordinance and applicable law.
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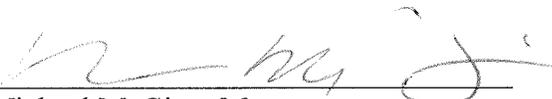
16 Section 11. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days from and after its
17 approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after
18 presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.
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1 Passed by the City Council the 27th day of September, 2010, and
2 signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this
3 27th day of September, 2010.

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6 President _____ of the City Council

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8 Approved by me this 6th day of October, 2010.

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11 Michael McGinn, Mayor

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13 Filed by me this 6th day of October, 2010.

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16 City Clerk

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Legislation Title:

AN ORDINANCE relating to surveillance cameras in Seattle parks; amending the title of Chapter 18.14 of the Seattle Municipal Code; and amending Sections 18.14.010, 18.14.020, 18.14.030, 18.14.040 18.14.060, 18.14.080, 18.14.090, and 18.14.100 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

• **Summary of the Legislation:**

This legislation would amend Chapter 18.14 of the Seattle Municipal Code (SMC) to terminate a surveillance camera program that was launched in Cal Anderson Park in 2008. It would also recognize a similar surveillance program that is currently underway along 23rd Avenue at the Garfield Community Center/Medgar Evers Pool and require those cameras to be brought into compliance with the protocol the City Council developed in 2008 to govern the installation and use of cameras in City parks. This legislation would also amend SMC 18.14 to make the following changes to that protocol:

- Limit the use of parks surveillance cameras to 23rd Avenue at the Garfield Community Center/Medgar Evers Pool only.
- Require additional ordinance authority to install cameras in other City parks or to install more cameras along 23rd Avenue at the Garfield Community Center/Medgar Evers Pool.
- Direct Seattle Police Department (SPD) personnel to establish baseline settings for each camera. The cameras would be placed in their baseline settings whenever they are used for passive monitoring. Baseline settings could include operating cameras in panning mode.
- Require SPD and Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) staff to prepare an annual summary report on the outcomes of the surveillance program.
- Remove language in SMC 18.14 that refers to the surveillance program as a time-limited "pilot" project.
- Implement administrative edits to SMC 18.14.

- **Background:** *(Include brief description of the purpose and context of legislation and include record of previous legislation and funding history, if applicable):*



In June 2008, the City Council passed Ordinance 122705, which authorized a pilot program to place a total of 12 surveillance cameras in four Seattle parks: Cal Anderson, Hing Hay, Occidental Square, and Victor Steinbrueck. However, due to City budget constraints caused by changing economic conditions, cameras were never installed in Hing Hay, Occidental Square, or Victor Steinbrueck parks. The pilot phase of the Cal Anderson surveillance program concluded in late January 2010. After reviewing the outcomes of the pilot program and considering the impacts of recent design improvements on the safety of Cal Anderson Park, the membership of the City Council's Parks and Seattle Center Committee determined that the Cal Anderson Park cameras should be removed.

Additionally, in April 2009, DPR installed three cameras outside the Garfield Community Center and Medgar Evers Pool. All three of the cameras were installed along 23rd Avenue. Similar to the cameras in Cal Anderson Park, the cameras along 23rd Avenue are linked to a monitoring station at SPD's West Precinct. When the 23rd Avenue cameras were installed, the Department of Finance instructed SPD personnel to operate those cameras consistent with the protocol that had been established for parks cameras. However, that directive was never formalized via ordinance.

- *Please check one of the following:*

X **This legislation does not have any financial implications.** *(Stop here and delete the remainder of this document prior to saving and printing.)*

In 2008 and 2009, the City spent a total of \$234,407 to purchase and install the Cal Anderson Park (\$144,000) and 23rd Avenue (\$90,407) cameras. Removing the Cal Anderson Park cameras is estimated to cost around \$1,800. SPD and the Department of Information Technology (DoIT) expect to cover these costs using existing resources within their departments' respective budgets. The ongoing costs associated with operating and maintaining the surveillance system along 23rd Avenue are minimal and do not necessitate providing any City department with additional budget authority.

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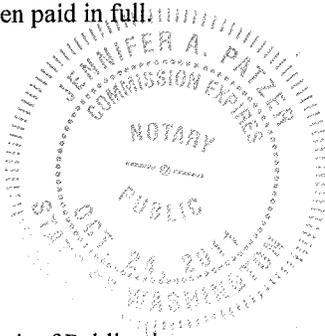
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City of Seattle

ORDINANCE 122411

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The title of Chapter 18.14 of the Seattle Municipal Code, which was last amended by Ordinance 122705, is amended as follows:

Chapter 18.14 Surveillance Cameras in Seattle Parks (Pilot Program).

Section 2. Section 18.14.010 of the Seattle Municipal Code, which was last amended by Ordinance 122705, is amended as follows:

SMC 18.14.010 Statement of Purpose.

The purpose of this chapter is to authorize a limited (pilot) program regarding the installation and use of surveillance cameras in Seattle parks and to establish City policies regarding the installation and use of such cameras. The policies described in this chapter apply to cameras as defined in this chapter. Unless specified otherwise in a particular policy, the policies contained in this chapter apply to all persons employed by the City of Seattle, including agents retained on a temporary, contract, or voluntary basis.

Section 3. Section 18.14.020 of the Seattle Municipal Code, which was last amended by Ordinance 122705, is amended as follows:

SMC 18.14.020 Definitions.

A. "Cameras" means surveillance cameras ((-)) installed in City parks as part of the pilot project authorized by this chapter, and ((-)) cameras installed for the primary purpose of recording activity that takes place in outdoor areas in City parks (in Cal Anderson Park beginning in January 2008 with funds from the Facility and Structure Maintenance BCL (R320A) of the Parks and Recreation Fund (R3200)). "Cameras" ((do)) does ((-)) not include surveillance cameras installed to record activity on City property other than ((-)) parks, cameras installed in police cars, cameras installed along public rights of way intended to record traffic violations, and cameras that are intended primarily to record activity in ((monitor)) the interiors of or at the entrances to ((of)) City buildings, including buildings located within City parks.

D. "Baseline setting" means the default position a camera is placed in whenever it is used for passive monitoring. The baseline settings established for individual cameras may include placing the camera in panning mode.

E. "DPR" means the City of Seattle's Department of Parks and Recreation for the purposes of this chapter.

F. "DoIT" means the City of Seattle's Department of Information Technology for the purposes of this chapter.

G. "SPD" means the Seattle Police Department for the purposes of this chapter.

Section 4. Section 18.14.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code, which was last amended by Ordinance 122705, is amended as follows:

SMC 18.14.030 ((Pilot)) Surveillance Camera Program -- Authorization.

((The Seattle Department of Parks and Recreation ((-)) DPR ((-)) and ((the City's Department of Information Technology ((-)) DoIT ((-)) are authorized to ((install and)) operate surveillance cameras ((in the following Seattle parks as part of a pilot program: Cal Anderson Park, Hing Hay Park, Occidental Park, and Victor Steinbrueck Park) along 23rd Avenue at the Garfield Community Center and Medgar Evers Pool. Additional ordinance authority is required to install cameras in other City parks or to install additional cameras at the Garfield Community Center and Medgar Evers Pool ((or to operate cameras in the parks identified above beyond ninety days after the program evaluation described in SMC Section 18.14.100 is submitted to the City Council)).

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Section 5. Subsections C, D, and E, of Section 18.14.040 of the Seattle Municipal Code, which was last amended by Ordinance 122705, are amended as follows:

SMC 18.14.040 City Policies Regarding the Installation and Use of Cameras.

C. Cameras ((should be)) are installed to primarily record ((events)) activity that takes place on public property. It is not a violation of this policy if cameras incidentally record ((events)) activity that occurs on private property.

D. Within 20 feet of each camera that is installed, DPR shall prominently post at least one sign ((in each park where a camera is located)) informing the public about the presence of the camera ((-)). The signs must be legible from a distance of at least 20 feet.

E. SPD personnel shall identify an appropriate baseline setting for each camera. SPD shall also provide the City Council's Parks and Seattle Center Committee, or its successor Committee, with a description of each camera's baseline settings whenever its existing baseline settings are changed.

((E)) F. The cameras and related equipment shall be the property of DoIT.

((F)) G. A monitor for the cameras and the controls that enable active monitoring shall be located in SPD's 911 Center.

((G)) H. Up to one additional monitor may be located at a DPR facility and at a DoIT facility.

Section 6. Subsection 18.14.060.B of the Seattle Municipal Code, which was last amended by Ordinance 122705, is amended as follows:

SMC 18.14.060 Policies Regarding Live Monitoring of the Cameras.

B. SPD ((-)) or DoIT ((- or City Auditor)) personnel are authorized to use the cameras for live monitoring, including for active monitoring ((-

1. F)) for system training, testing, maintenance, or repair ((- or, 2. As part of the audit and program evaluation described in Section 18.14.100)).

Section 7. Subsection 18.14.080.B of the Seattle Municipal Code, which was last amended by Ordinance 122705, is amended as follows:

SMC 18.14.080 Policies Regarding Access to Recordings Created by the Cameras.

B. SPD ((-)) or DoIT ((- or City Auditor)) personnel may view the video recordings created by the cameras ((-

1. F)) for system training, testing, maintenance, or repair ((- or, 2. As part of the audit and program evaluation described in Section 18.14.100)).

Section 8. Subsections A, B, and C of Section 18.14.090 of the Seattle Municipal Code, which was last amended by Ordinance 122705, is amended as follows:

SMC 18.14.090 Recordkeeping.

A. DPR and DoIT shall maintain a log recording the date, time, and duration of the video recording(s) reviewed; the names, titles, and signatures of the personnel involved, including the authorizing supervisor; and the reason(s) for viewing the video whenever department personnel view video recordings.

B. SPD shall maintain a log recording the date, time, and duration of the video viewed; the names, titles, and signatures of the personnel involved, including the authorizing supervisor; and the reason(s) for viewing the video whenever department personnel view video recordings or conduct live monitoring of a camera, including active monitoring.

C. The log entries provided for in this section shall be retained by the City for one full year following the end of the calendar year in which an entry is added to the log. Authorized SPD personnel may, under the following circumstances, override or extend the retention period for log entries: 1) in order to comply with a court order, the Washington Public Records Act, discovery requirements in a legal proceeding, or other applicable law; 2) as part of a criminal, civil, or administrative investigation; or 3) to evaluate the log books for possible use in a criminal, civil, or administrative proceeding in which the City is, or is reasonably expected to become, a party ((ninety days after the report described in SMC Section 18.14.100 is submitted to the City Council)).

Section 9. Section 18.14.100 of the Seattle Municipal Code, which was last amended by Ordinance 122705, is amended as follows:

SMC 18.14.100 ((Auditing and)) Evaluation of Surveillance Camera ((Pilot)) Program.

SPD and DPR shall report annually to the Parks and Seattle Center Committee, or its successor committee, on the outcomes of the surveillance camera program. For each City park where cameras are installed, SPD shall annually provide a summary of crime statistics for the preceding calendar year and a comparative analysis of historical crime data covering a period of at least five years for inclusion in the report. SPD shall also document how many crime investigations benefited from the use of the cameras in the preceding calendar year. The report shall also include a qualitative discussion of public perceptions of safety within the viewable area of the cameras. DPR will be responsible for completing the qualitative component of the report. Public input for the qualitative component shall be collected by DPR staff via an annual survey, public meeting, or other appropriate means identified by DPR staff and approved by the Chair of the Council's Parks and Seattle Center Committee. DPR shall be responsible for delivering the report to the Council by no later than January 31 of each calendar year, beginning in 2012. ((A. The City Auditor shall audit the DPR, DoIT, and SPD log books, corresponding 911 calls and other police contacts, and video recordings throughout the pilot program to aid in program evaluation and to assess compliance with this chapter.

B. The City Auditor shall also perform and provide to the City Council a program evaluation within eighteen (18) months of the completion of the installation of cameras pursuant to the pilot program.

C. The program evaluation provided for in this section shall include the following information:

1. Crime statistics and the number of calls for assistance in the monitored parks for the first 12 months after the cameras are installed;

2. Crime statistics and the number of calls for assistance in the monitored parks for the two years preceding the installation of the cameras;

3. Crime statistics and the number of calls for assistance for the areas just outside the monitored parks for the first 12 months after the cameras are installed;

4. Crime statistics and the number of calls for assistance for areas just outside the monitored parks for the two years preceding the installation of the cameras;

5. A description of crime trends over the past five years in the neighborhoods where the monitored parks are located;

6. The number of crimes detected in the monitored parks due to the presence of the cameras. Data should be provided for the first 12 months after the cameras are installed;

7. The number of crime investigations aided by the use of video recordings obtained by the cameras. A description of how the video recordings were helpful to each investigation should be included. Data should be provided for the first 12 months after the cameras are installed;

8. A survey to determine whether the installation of surveillance cameras affects how the public perceives the safety of the parks in which the cameras are located; and;

9. Additional information and analysis that the City Auditor deems useful;

D. The City Council will review the program evaluation to be completed by the City Auditor and consider any possible deterrence effects of the cameras on crime before authorizing continued operation of the cameras beyond the completion of the pilot program.

Section 10. DoIT shall remove by no later than January 1, 2011, the three cameras that were installed in Cal Anderson Park in 2008. DPR is authorized to transfer the cameras to SPD for other uses consistent with this ordinance and applicable law.

Section 11. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days from and after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the 27th day of September, 2010, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 27th day of September, 2010.

Richard Conlin
President of the City Council
Approved by me this 6th day of October, 2010.

Michael McGinn, Mayor
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