

2011 - 2012 Statement of Legislative Intent

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**Budget Action Title:** Pursue Grant Funding for Body-Mounted Camera Pilot Project in Police Department.

**Councilmembers:** Bagshaw; Burgess; Harrell

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**Budget Committee Vote:**

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**Statement of Legislative Intent:**

The Seattle Police Department is currently conducting a trial use of four body-mounted camera and video units to gain a better understanding of how the body-mounted camera technology works. The Council requests a written report detailing the outcomes of this trial use by the end of the second quarter of 2011. Part of this report should be a preliminary analysis of best practices for storing video footage; specifically, whether it makes fiscal sense to incorporate cloud based systems over server based systems for video storage and archiving. Cloud based systems are defined as data stored on multiple virtual servers, rather than local dedicated servers. The Council intends to use the findings of this report to consider options for funding in the 2012 budget.

Additionally, the Council requests that the Seattle Police Department pursue federal grant money to fund a significant body-mounted camera pilot project in order to develop a better understanding of this emerging technology. The Council requests a written report of measures taken to pursue federal grant money and the status of any grants applied for by the end of the second quarter of 2011.

**Responsible Council Committee(s):** Energy Technology and Civil Rights

**Date Due to Council:** June 30, 2011