



Fort Bragg Police Association
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To: City Council

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RE: Support for the Implementation of Dashboard Cameras

On behalf of the Fort Bragg Police Association, I am writing to express our strong support for the implementation of dash cameras in every law enforcement vehicle within our agency. We believe that adopting this technology is a critical step toward building and maintaining trust between law enforcement and the community, while also offering valuable cost-saving benefits for the city.

One of the advantages of dash cameras is the ability to ensure greater transparency in interactions with law enforcement. While our officers are performing excellently in serving and protecting the community with integrity and professionalism, implementation of dash cameras will further solidify and document the positive actions of officers during encounters. Video recordings will offer an objective, unbiased account of these interactions, providing support to both officers and civilians to ensure equitable treatment. This not only engenders trust within the community but also strengthens the resolve of officers to adhere to high standards of conduct.

Moreover, dash cameras can greatly reduce the instances an officer needs to make an appearance in court, which helps to save time and resources. With proof in the form of video evidence, cases can often be wrapped up faster, thus limiting the number of appearances the officers need to make to court, translating to reduced overtime costs since the officers will not be spending much time off their regular duties for court appearances but will actually be out in the field, engaging the community in securing public safety.

We believe that the implementation of dash cameras will not only improve transparency and build trust with the community but will also bring practical financial benefits by reducing overtime costs associated with court appearances. We respectfully urge the City Council to prioritize this initiative and allocate the necessary resources to equip every patrol vehicle with this vital technology.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the entire Fort Bragg Police Association

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jarod Frank', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Association President, Jarod Frank