



Body Worn Cameras

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- In car video
 - CMPD implemented in car video in 1997 to capture officer and citizen interactions during traffic stops
 - Video limited to what is in front of patrol car
 - Audio limited in distance away from patrol car
- Body worn cameras (BWC)
 - Newest technology
 - Small lightweight cameras
 - Worn on uniform, hat, helmet or head
 - Goes with the officer away from the car
 - Provides higher level of transparency with new perspective

- Current BWC Deployment
 - August, 2012
 - Motorcycle Unit (16)
 - Primarily used for traffic stops
 - September, 2013
 - Twenty-Six officer pilot in Patrol
 - Use expanded beyond traffic stops
 - Well accepted by officers
 - Well accepted by the public
 - Highly publicized

- July 2014
 - Five vendors submitted proposals
 - Narrowed to two vendors
 - Field tested two models of cameras
 - » Ten days
 - Patrol Officers
 - Supervisors

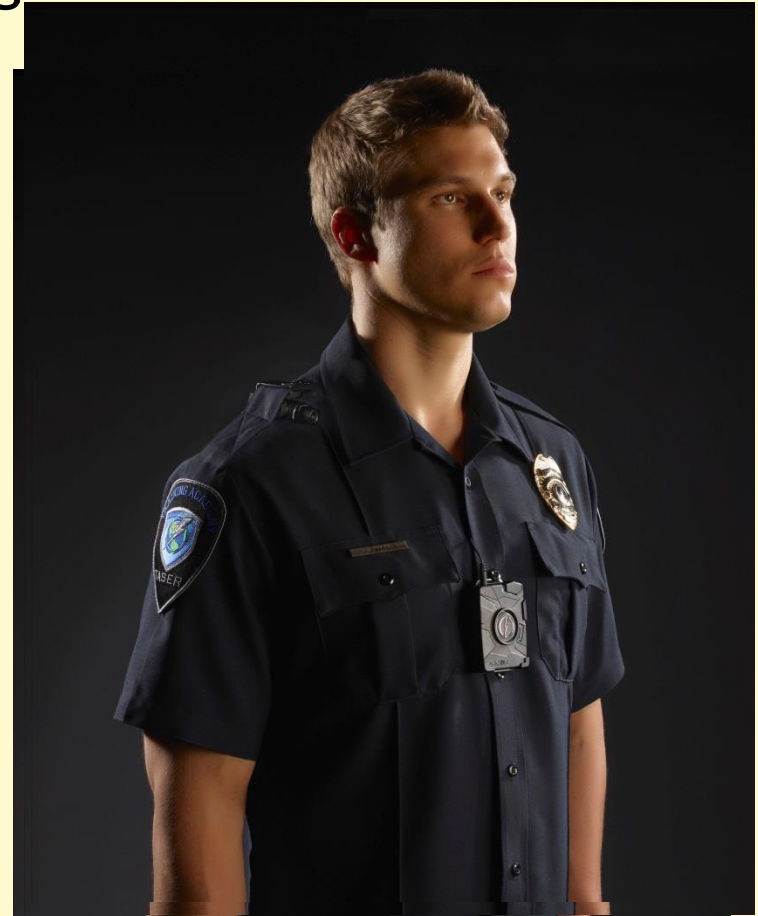
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- Taser Axon Flex Body Worn Camera Selected
 - Ease of use
 - Durability
 - Security
 - Mounting options
 - Automatic Activations
 - Blue lights
 - TASER



- Improved transparency recording
 - 75 degree field of view capturing new perspective of officer and citizens
- Thirty second pre-activation video buffer
 - Capture the thirty seconds of video immediately prior to the recording being started
- Retina low light
 - Advanced technology allows camera to capture light comparable to the human eye
- Security
 - Officers do not have access to delete or edit video
 - Video is automatically and securely uploaded at the end of an officer's shift
 - Retention rules provide storage of video for criminal investigations, citizen complaints and training

- Multiple mounting options
 - Sunglasses
 - Headband
 - Collar
 - Ball cap
 - Helmet
 - Epaulette



- Year One
 - Taser’s Evidence.Com
 - Hosted cloud-based system
 - Storage location of all year-one video
- Year Two
 - Digital Evidence Management System (DEMS)
 - City owned/maintained server based system
 - Integration with Evidence.Com
 - Storage location of all video marked for criminal or personnel investigations and citizen complaints (long term storage)
 - Evidence.Com will maintain all other video for 45 days

- Evidence.Com and DEMS are secure password/permissions enabled systems that create audit logs based on video access
- All recordings are securely stored on the camera until uploaded
- Recordings cannot be edited or deleted by officers

- Body Worn Camera (BWC) recordings
 - Traffic stops
 - Stop and Frisk (reasonable suspicion of criminal activity)
 - Arrests
 - Uses of Force
 - During consent searches of persons and/or property
 - When requested by a citizen during an interaction with an officer
 - When operating a vehicle in a manner that requires activation of its blue lights and siren

- BWC calls for service recordings
 - Disturbances or disorders
 - Involving emotionally or mentally disturbed persons
 - Involving weapons or violence
 - Identified as “in progress”

- BWC recordings are intended to capture interactions between officers and citizens
- BWC's will not be used to record
 - Criminal investigations
 - Interviews with victims and/or witnesses
 - Conversations between officers and citizens that are not associated with a required activation
- Recording will cease once an officer's actions change to an investigative role

- Office of Professional Responsibility
 - Analyze data
 - Currently developing policies and procedures for the random audit of video
 - In-car
 - Body worn
 - Interview room
 - Major Mike Adams assigned to oversee audit development
 - Audits conducted to address
 - Compliance with policies and procedures
 - Courtesy
 - Training
 - » Tactics/Officer safety

- Public access/release
 - NC Law
 - Video recordings related to a criminal investigation are not considered a public record. NCGS 132-1
 - Video recordings related to Departmental disciplinary action against an employee are not considered a public record. NCGS 160A-168

- Public access/release
 - NC Law
 - BWC Video
 - Seeking to obtain new local modification of personnel record law NC 160A-168 to include BWC video. “A person alleging a complaint against an officer may be allowed to review video recording of the incident”
 - Already in place for in-car video, 1997

- March, 2015
 - Two divisions per month
 - A shift at a time
 - All officers on a shift will deploy with cameras the following day
- April, 2015
 - Three divisions per month
- Expect to complete training by end of September 2015



ESTIMATED COSTS & ANTICIPATED FUNDING SOURCES

Costs	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	Totals
Capital	\$2,012,525	\$1,782,110	\$984,481	\$984,481	\$961,283	\$6,224,880
Operating		77,000	78,540	80,111	81,713	317,364
TOTAL COSTS	2,012,525	1,859,110	1,063,021	1,064,592	1,042,996	7,042,244
Funding Sources						
Police Foundation	250,000					250,000
Asset Forfeiture	574,880					574,880
Capital	1,512,525	1,782,110	984,481	984,481	500,000	5,900,000
Future CMPD Operating		77,000	78,540	80,111	81,713	317,364
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