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Subject: [External] REQUEST TO EXTEND CONTRACTS FOR BODY-WORN CAMERAS AND TASERS (PLEASE INCLUDE WITH DOCUMENTS FOR AGENDA #5)
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Hi Supervisors,

As we found out while investigating the use of force incident on Audra Morgan, body cameras are pretty useless unless they are used **and actually turned on**. A training issue. Same for tasers, which I believe have also been used excessively by the San Diego Deputies. I do not agree that Tasers help to de-escalate a situation. They might provide a temporary respite, but the anger and stress are still there. So I am disappointed to see nothing about training or use requirements.

Since there are no attachments, we cannot objectively examine whether other body camera or taser companies in fact produce better alternatives to a system which we used 7 years ago but might have been superseded by better technology from a new source.

I recommend that this be documented in an attachment and deferred for later consideration.

Regards,

Paul Henkin