

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
Usage of Body Worn Cameras Issued by
Federal Law Enforcement Partners to VPD Officers

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is made between the City of Vancouver ("City") and the **Vancouver Police Officers Guild** ("VPOG").

Background:

The use of Body Worn Cameras (BWC) by law enforcement entities has become commonplace, and an expectation of the communities they serve. Each agency that has instituted a BWC program has developed a policy governing their use. While most BWC policies are similar, there are usually some variances from agency to agency. Vancouver Police Officers assigned to a federal task force may find themselves in situations where the lead federal agency's policy conflicts with VPD's policy.

THEREFORE, the City is proposing entering into this Memorandum Of Understanding to direct officers assigned to a federal task force to adhere to the federal agency's BWC policy when wearing the federal agency's Body Worn Camera.

WHEREBY the parties agree as follows:

Agreement:

1. This agreement is non-precedent setting and evidence of this agreement cannot be used in any current or future disputes between the parties, including, but not limited to, contract negotiations.
2. **WHEREAS:**
 - a. Officers assigned to a federal task force may be issued body worn cameras from that federal agency, and
 - b. Policies governing the use of body worn cameras adopted by the federal agency may conflict with Vancouver Police Department policy, and
 - c. The Vancouver Police Department and the Vancouver Police Officers Guild recognize the importance of assisting federal partners in achieving transparency through appropriate use of body worn cameras,
3. **IT IS AGREED** that Vancouver Police Officers assigned to a federal task force, AND wearing a body worn camera issued by the lead federal agency will abide by the body worn camera policy of that agency when conducting any investigative activity under their federal authority.
4. This MOU sunsets on **December 31, 2025**, or sooner if determined necessary by either of the parties with reasonable notice.

Dated this 20th day of Feb, 2024.

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