

RESPONSE TO GRAND JURY REPORT

Report Title: **Body-worn Cameras and Marin Law Enforcement *Follow Up Report***

Report Date: **May 24, 2018**

Response Due Date: **August 24, 2018**

Agency Name: **Town of Fairfax**

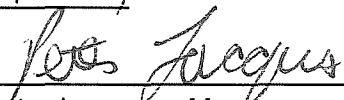
Agenda Date: **July 18, 2018**

Response by: **Fairfax Town Council & Fairfax Police Chief**

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Recommendations numbered **R3 and R4** have been implemented (Please see attached summary describing implemented actions.)
- Recommendation numbered **R5** has not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future. (Please see attached summary describing implementation timeframe.)
- Recommendation numbered n/a requires further analysis.
- Recommendations numbered n/a will not be implemented because it is not warranted or are not reasonable.

Date: July 20, 2018

Signed: 
Peter Lacques, Mayor

Signed: 
Christopher Morin, Police Chief

Number of pages attached: 1

Town of Fairfax Responses: Summary of Implemented Actions
Marin County Civil Grand Jury Report: *Body-worn Cameras and Marin Law Enforcement Follow Up Report*

Recommendation 3. *All Marin law enforcement agencies should seek to employ automated activation of body-worn cameras based on that agency's choice of activation modes.*

Response: The new body worn cameras incorporate a feature over our prior cameras that capture video up to two minutes prior to its manual activation. Future upgrades will incorporate other forms of automatic activation as technology continues to advance and prices come down. The next date for upgrades would be in FY22-23.

Recommendation 4. *All Marin law enforcement agencies pursuing new or improved video technology should explore cooperative negotiating and resource sharing with other agencies to reduce costs.*

Response: The new body-worn cameras have features that allow for the District Attorney to have direct access to data and the ability to retrieve and redact for criminal cases eliminating the need for police personnel to handle this task which greatly reduces cost. Conversely the new system works with our current RMS / CAD product as well as that used by San Rafael Police for future cross over needs and cost savings. The next date for upgrades would be FY22-23.

Recommendation 5. *The County of Marin should work with the law enforcement agencies to form a countywide buying group to reduce the costs of video technology.*

Response: We agree that a countywide buying group could reduce costs and are willing to explore that option as we move forward with future upgrades. This will require coordination with all agencies in the county. It is difficult at this time to put a time-frame on when that could occur.