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Please distribute this statement from the co-chairs to the members of CCEC. I will be attending the meeting to answer questions, since the co-chairs have work commitments today.

The Body Worn Camera Feasibility Review Committee has been meeting bi-weekly and has been working diligently to learn about all of the issues and competing considerations that inform whether, and if so, how, to implement a body-worn camera program. A significant amount of the Committee's time has been devoted to hearing from interested community groups and individuals, including Jacqueline Boggess (who reported on her survey of community members conducted for the 2015 Body-Worn Camera Report), the ACLU of Wisconsin, the Urban League, 100 Black Men, the NAACP, Freedom Inc., Operation Fresh Start, Dane Co. Circuit Court Judge (and Rev.) Everett Mitchell, and Mike Gennaco (who led the team from the OIR consulting firm that did its analysis of the Madison Police Department for the City's Ad Hoc Police Policy & Procedure Review Committee). The Committee will be hearing next week from the Milwaukee Police Department and Milwaukee City Attorney's Office on their experience implementing a body-worn camera program. The Committee has also collected and is systematically going through relevant social science research literature on the effects of body-worn cameras in practice, and on lessons learned for best practices policies. Finally, the Committee has heard regular updates and technical reports from MPD Captain Brian Austin. The Committee anticipates completing its work by the end of this calendar year and submitting its final report and recommendations on schedule.

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