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Good Afternoon,

I am writing to ask that you support the Body Worn Camera Report you received recedntly. It is important that we begin the Pilot Program that is already in the 2021 Budget and gather data that is appropriate for Madison. Many studies have been reviewed with pros and cons identified. The next step, which the Council identified when planning the 2021 Budget, is to conduct a pilot study in Madison. Until we conduct this pilot study we are not going to know if the benefits out weigh the cost for Madison. (Cost is the only reason there was not a unanimous approal of the report by the Body Worn Camera Review Committee.)

Once we have Madison specific data a decision can be made about outfitting the remainder of the police with body worn cameras. The Budget is going to be tight over the next few years. Even if the Council determines that body worn cameras are needed does not mean the entire police force must outfitted in one year. The cost can be spread over several years outfitting one Police District a year.

Yet I get ahead of myself, we do not know what this data is going to show. Let's get it done so we can move forward on this issue one way or the other.

Thank You
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