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Hi,

Please find attached my public comment for the June 1, 2023 Pasadena Community Police Oversight Commission meeting, agenda item 8. CPOC Work Plan and Objectives for FY 2023-24

Thanks,

Yadi  
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## Community Police Oversight Commission Work Plan and Objectives for FY 2023-24

I request that the CPOC incorporate the following two elements into the 2023-24 work plan and objectives: A. Oversight of surveillance tech acquisition and use by Pasadena PD, and B. Oversight of the corresponding budget and funding used to acquire surveillance tech. CPOC can help ensure that the privacy and civil rights of Pasadena residents are protected. It is instrumental that CPOC help bring more robust oversight and accountability regarding the use of surveillance tech, including funding, acquisition process, setting guardrails, objective efficacy analysis, and public input. Moreover, this is pressing and relevant to the OIR and implementation of recommendations.

**Shostpotter:** The gunshot detection system was brought in to increase public safety and reduce gun violence. The initial 12-month review of Shostpotter's efficacy in this respect is significantly overdue.<sup>1</sup>

**AXON BODY3 / Signal Sidearm:** An ETA on the deployment of Signal Sidearm should be established. According to PPD, the upgraded Axon Body 3 Camera was deployed in April 2022<sup>2</sup> and purchased the Axon Signal Sidearm capability<sup>3</sup> (which was tested by PPD in 2022). However, there have been conflicting dates as to the deployment of Signal Sidearm from "in the near future" at the May CPOC meeting, to "implementation in April 2023" in the PPD FY 2024 budget proposal, to most recently "estimated late 2024, early 2025". Why are we paying for technology we are not using?

**Automatic License Plate Reader (ALPR):** The public and the PSC does not receive reporting on the efficacy of the equipment or that it is in compliance with relevant state laws.<sup>4</sup> Especially now in a post-Dobbs environment that has turned the act of obtaining reproductive care into a precarious endeavor, PPD and City Council should ensure data minimization and data sharing restrictions loopholes with the use of ALPRs are closed and not aiding in the criminalization of reproductive care.

**Cell Site Simulators (CSS / IMSI Catcher):** Has already been used by PPD without public knowledge or input, and like ALPR and Shostpotter is another surveillance tech that has high potential for significant liability. Furthermore, it is circumventing public input and oversight and is being acquired with asset forfeiture funds.<sup>5</sup> This equipment will cost close to \$1 million - possibly more.

**Drones and military equipment:** Under AB 481 law enforcement agencies must inventory and have use policies for military equipment. It must also produce annual reports and the 2023 report is overdue.

**Asset Forfeiture Fund & Homeland Security Grant Fund:** These funds need greater oversight and the amounts of these funds being used by PPD is increasing year over year.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://ww2.cityofpasadena.net/2021%20Agendas/Minutes%202021/2021%2010%2004%20CC%20MIN.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> [https://ww2.cityofpasadena.net/2021%20Agendas/Dec\\_13\\_21/AR%2013.pdf](https://ww2.cityofpasadena.net/2021%20Agendas/Dec_13_21/AR%2013.pdf)

<sup>3</sup> [https://ww2.cityofpasadena.net/2022%20Agendas/Jan\\_24\\_22/AR%208.pdf](https://ww2.cityofpasadena.net/2022%20Agendas/Jan_24_22/AR%208.pdf)

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.eff.org/press/releases/civil-liberties-groups-demand-california-police-stop-sharing-drivers-location-data>

<sup>5</sup> <https://www.cityofpasadena.net/commissions/wp-content/uploads/sites/31/2023-04-19-Public-Safety-Committee-Meeting-Agenda.pdf?v=1684879256557>