

Camera Review Committee

Matthew Quinones, Chair Rodney Bass Ted Jankowski Ron K. Thomas Paul Waldron

CAMERA REVIEW COMMITTEE

888 Washington Blvd. Stamford, CT 06901

Minutes for November 7, 2019 Meeting

ATTENDEES:

Committee Members

Matthew Quinones, Chair Rodney Bass Ted Jankowski Ron Thomas - absent Paul Waldron - absent

City of Stamford Staff

Police Captain Thomas Barcello Asst. Corporation Counsel Michael Toma Kathy Ruther, Public Safety Secretary

Meeting came to order at 8:46am, and was presided over by Matthew Quinones.

Nomination of Chair, Welcome and Introductions

Nomination of Chair: Matthew Quinones nominated as chair of the Camera Review Committee, passed unanimously.

Introductions - members and attendees introduced themselves.

Public Comment

No members of the public in attendance.

Public Safety Director Report

Director Jankowski updated the Committee members on activity and status of various camera locations previously approved by the Committee, along with examples of usage by the public and by the Police Department. He also discussed the SecureCam program.

Mr. Bass requested a listing of the dates and locations of blue light pole calls. Mr. Jankowski will present a breakdown to the Committee at the next meeting.

Mr. Quinones requested a one-page flyer that he can share with the Board of Representatives members so they can remind their constituents of the SecureCam program.

Capt. Barcello gave further information on the SecureCam program. He also spoke about the Divert program which the Police Department uses to make videos available to the public when they ask for assistance in identification.

Renewal of Previous Authorizations

Traffic Cameras – the Office of Traffic Engineering submitted an updated list for the Committee's approval. Director Jankowski presented.

<u>Motion</u> – Mr. Bass made a motion to approve the application for the 94 traffic cameras as listed on their application Exhibit A, seconded by Mr. Jankowski. Unanimously approved.

New Blue Light Poles (new application taken out of order) – Mr. Jankowski presents application for new Blue Light Poles.

<u>Motion</u> – Mr. Bass made a motion to accept the new Blue Light Locations, seconded by Mr. Jankowski. Unanimously approved.

Blue Light Poles – Mr. Jankowski presents request to renew Blue Light Pole camera locations (Exhibit B on application for renewal of active locations). Mr. Quinones suggests that having the Parks crime data with the applications can assist with decisions on Blue Light Poles in the future. Mr. Jankowski will ask Kathy Payea (Public Safety Data Analyst) to attend a future meeting to present her findings.

<u>Motion</u> – Mr. Bass made a motion to accept renewal locations as listed on Exhibit B, seconded by Mr. Jankowski. Unanimously approved.

Illegal Dumping Sites – the minimum required 4 members were not present to take a vote on renewing the Level 4 camera sites, so neither this matter, nor any application for new sites, will not be taken up.

Executive Session

<u>Motion</u> – Mr. Jankowski moved to enter Executive Session to discuss the Level 4 site renewals as listed on Exhibit A of the Renewal request, seconded by Mr. Bass. Unanimously approved.

Mr. Quinones invites all attendees in the room to remain for Executive Session.

9:09am – Committee enters Executive Session.

9:16am - Committee returns from Executive Session.

No votes were taken or decisions made during Executive Session.

Discussion

Schedule of future Committee meetings discussed.

Adjournment

Motion – Mr. Bass moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Jankowski. Meeting adjourned at 9:17am.

Next meeting will be held in the month of December at a date to be determined.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Ruther

See meeting video **HERE**.