



**REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF GREENWICH**

**EXPLANATORY COMMENTS FOR
SEPTEMBER 2020 MEETING
ADDITIONAL ITEM**

ITEM NO: **39**
DEPARTMENT: Police Department
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REFERRED TO: *Finance and Town Services Committees*
VOTES: BET (special meeting 9-10-2020)

RESOLVED, that the Greenwich Police Department requests an approval of interim funding in the amount of \$359,298 to be added to account Z213-59000 Body Cameras.

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS

To coincide with forthcoming legislative changes and to best serve the Greenwich community, the Police Department is pursuing the acquisition of body worn cameras for its officers.

Body cameras document public interaction, protect officers and reduce liability from unfounded complaints. With twelve-hour recording capabilities, they provide direct evidence for criminal prosecution and offer a mechanism for periodic audit and retraining. Evidence.com provides an account for the Office of the State's Attorney to facilitate sharing digital evidence. The equipment includes cameras, batteries, charging stations and mounting hardware. The program includes equipment replacement at periodic intervals and interfaces with the Department's ECW weapon system. Remote equipment monitoring, interactive software with redaction capabilities, licenses, automatic monthly software updates and unlimited storage capacity is included.

ATTACHMENTS

Axon quote
Office of Legislative Research Article