

**RESOLUTION NO. 621 -2020, DIRECTING THE ISSUANCE OF A REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF BODY-WORN CAMERAS FOR OFFICERS OF THE SUFFOLK COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**WHEREAS**, Suffolk County, New York State and the entire nation are entering a new phase of understanding and advocacy with respect to the use of force by police and ensuring accurate monitoring of police activity; and

**WHEREAS**, legislation is currently pending in the New York State Legislature to require the use of body-worn cameras by law enforcement officers; and

**WHEREAS**, in the event that such legislation is enacted in the near future, it would be prudent for the County to obtain cost estimates and information on what a body-worn camera program could look like for County law enforcement officers; and

**WHEREAS**, the County should issue a request for expressions of interest for the implementation of body-worn cameras issued to all public facing law enforcement officers in the Suffolk County Police Department; now, therefore be it

**1st RESOLVED**, that the Suffolk County Police Department shall draft and issue a request for expressions of interest ("RFEI") for the implementation of body-worn cameras for officers of the Suffolk County Police Department; and be it further

**2nd RESOLVED**, that the RFEI shall request proposals for the implementation of body-worn cameras by law enforcement officers in the Suffolk County Police Department and shall include: a cost estimate associated with the equipment needed for the implementation of such a policy; the image resolution quality provided by the proposed cameras; the costs for storing all related video footage; a third-party monitoring component; and the costs projected for various lengths of data storage capabilities assessed on a basis of days, weeks, months, and years; and be it further

**3rd RESOLVED**, that the RFEI authorized shall be issued within 60 days of the effective date of this resolution; and be it further

**4th RESOLVED**, that the Suffolk County Police Department shall report the results of the RFEI, together with recommendations for future County actions, to the Legislature within 120 days of the effective date of this resolution for further review and action, if necessary; and be it further

**5th RESOLVED**, that this Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) lead agency, hereby finds and determines that this resolution constitutes a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(26) and (33) of Title 6 of the NEW YORK CODE OF RULES AND REGULATIONS (6 NYCRR) and within the meaning of Section 8-0109(2) of the NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW as the action constitutes routine or continuing administration and management not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment, and the Suffolk County Council on Environmental

Quality (CEQ) is hereby directed to circulate any appropriate SEQRA notices of determination of non-applicability or non-significance in accordance with this resolution.

DATED: September 9, 2020

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone  
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: September 17, 2020