



City of Detroit  
Detroit City Council  
Council Member Angela Whitfield Calloway  
District 2

## MEMORANDUM

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TO: David Whitaker, LPD Director  
Conrad Mallett, Corporation Counsel

THROUGH: Mary Sheffield, Council President

FROM: Angela Whitfield Calloway, Council Member *AWC*

DATE: November 13, 2024

RE: Request for a draft ordinance concerning DPD video release

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Please draft an ordinance concerning the release of Detroit Police Department dash cam and body cam video that will provide for the release of video within a reasonable time from a police incident. Please review other cities to determine the standard amount of time and make a recommendation for the time for the release of Detroit Police Department video. Please be prepared to recommend release within 7 days; 14 days; 21 days; 30 days; or 45 days depending on your review.

In the draft ordinance, please include provisions for a request to delay the release of information for a period not to exceed 30 calendar days and set forth the standard for granting a request for delay.

In the draft ordinance, please include the manner of release of information including the creation of a publicly accessible website, dropbox, or similar portal dedicated to the posting of information covered by the ordinance. The information should be available for at least 18 months before being removed from the publicly accessible site. The site should be maintained by the Board of Police Commissioners (BOPC). Please feel free to comment on any technical or legal issues that may arise.

CC: Malik Washington, Liaison  
Graham Anderson, Law Department

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