

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 315776

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE OCT 03 2024

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
SAN DIEGO APPROVING SWIFT UNDER DOOR CAMERA
TECHNOLOGY UNDER THE TRANSPARENT AND
RESPONSIBLE USE OF SURVEILLANCE TECHNOLOGY
ORDINANCE.

WHEREAS, the San Diego Police Department (SDPD) uses Swift Under Door Camera technology, which falls within the definition of surveillance technology under San Diego Municipal Code Chapter 2, Article 10, Division 1, the Transparent and Responsible Use of Technology Ordinance (TRUST Ordinance); and

WHEREAS, approval of the Council of the City of San Diego (Council) is required under the TRUST Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Swift Under Door Camera is a remotely operated tool used to gain intelligence on a structure or area that may be dangerous to send operators of this technology; and

WHEREAS, it is a remote controlled ground based robot that has multiple cameras to allow the operator to view an area from different angles and automatically records audio and video providing real-time intelligence to the operator; and

WHEREAS, the use of this technology is limited to authorized trained members of SDPD's Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) unit. The SWAT unit provides weapons and tactical expertise not normally available to SDPD patrol officers and investigators, and other law enforcement agencies, in the resolution of critical incidents; and

WHEREAS, the Swift Under Door Camera is deployed only to specific incidents with a specific target or specific objective. The SWAT unit makes every effort to only capture visual

imagery of the law enforcement contact or intended target of observation, further safeguarding civil rights and civil liberties; and

WHEREAS, this technology does not gather or obtain data. The audio and video are recorded, sent to a MicroSD card, encrypted, and impounded as evidence in compliance with SDPD procedures and state law; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost for this technology is \$17,105; and

WHEREAS, there is no alternative with lesser economic cost or impact on civil liberties or rights. Swift Under Door Camera technology has the ability to hear or see into a structure or area, including dark spaces that cannot be seen with the naked eye, for a potentially violent individual without having to put anyone in harm's way, has the ability to provide intelligence to help prepare the SWAT unit to provide the appropriate assistance, and is used to de-escalate potentially violent situations while not exposing officers to danger; and

WHEREAS, Swift Under Door Camera technology will be used Citywide and SDPD held community meetings discussing the Swift Under Door Camera technology in all Council Districts on December 7, 2023, received public comment, and incorporated the public comments and written responses into the Surveillance Impact Report; and

WHEREAS, SDPD has prepared and publicly released and posted a Surveillance Use Policy and a Surveillance Impact Report for the Swift Under Door Camera technology, on file with the City Clerk as document numbers RR-315776-1 and RR-315776-2; and

WHEREAS, Swift Under Door Camera technology, including the proposed Surveillance Use Policy and the Surveillance Impact Report, was reviewed by the Privacy Advisory Board (Board) on March 7, 2024, at a publicly noticed meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Board recommended that Council approve this technology with modifications to the Surveillance Use Policy; and

WHEREAS, SDPD received and reviewed the recommendations of the Board and, in response, has made modifications to the Surveillance Use Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Council has considered the Surveillance Use Policy and Surveillance Impact Report for Swift Under Door Camera technology; and

WHEREAS, the Council has considered the recommendations of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Attorney has drafted this resolution based on the information provided by City staff, with the understanding that this information is complete, true, and accurate; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of San Diego, that the benefits to the community of Swift Under Door Camera technology outweigh the costs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council determines the City's proposal for Swift Under Door Camera technology will safeguard civil liberties and civil rights.

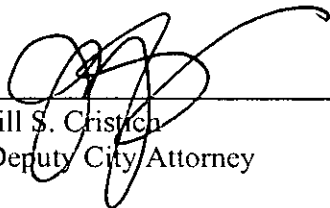
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council determines that no alternative with a lesser economic cost or lesser impact on civil rights or civil liberties would be as effective as Swift Under Door Camera technology.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Swift Under Door Camera technology is hereby approved by the Council under the TRUST Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this approval is not intended to and shall not supersede existing processes to seek approval for the appropriation and expenditure of specific funds through the annual budget process, or existing processes for the approval and execution of contracts, donations, and grants.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council shall review this approval annually as required by the TRUST Ordinance.

APPROVED: MARA W. ELLIOTT, City Attorney

By 

Jill S. Cristich
Deputy City Attorney

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I certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of SEP 24 2024.

DIANA J.S. FUENTES
City Clerk

By 

Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 10/3/24

(date)



TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Passed by the Council of The City of San Diego on SEP 24 2024, by the following vote:

Councilmembers	Yeas	Nays	Not Present	Recused
Joe LaCava	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jennifer Campbell	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen Whitburn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Henry L. Foster III	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marni von Wilpert	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kent Lee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Raul A. Campillo	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vivian Moreno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sean Elo-Rivera	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Date of final passage OCT 03 2024.

(Please note: When a resolution is approved by the Mayor, the date of final passage is the date the approved resolution was returned to the Office of the City Clerk.)

AUTHENTICATED BY:

TODD GLORIA
Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.

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DIANA J.S. FUENTES
City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.

By *Linda Drwin*, Deputy
For Connie Patterson

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