

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 315918

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE DEC 18 2024

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

RECITALS

The Council of the City of San Diego (Council) adopts this Resolution based on the following:

- A. The San Diego Police Department (SDPD) uses or possesses Overt Camera Systems (OCS) 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).
- B. Approval of the Council is required under the TRUST Ordinance.
- C. SDPD currently owns three types of OCS technology: (1) Camera Trailer Camera System; (2) Artec Command Vehicle Camera System; and (3) SkyWatch Camera System. Each camera is designed to be used on a viewing platform to provide SDPD the ability to display live video.
- D. The live video footage is as close to real-time video imagery as possible, which assists SDPD in making critical decisions during an incident.
- E. OCS technology benefits the community by providing live video footage to the command post for enhanced security overwatch, anti-terrorist efforts, and situational awareness during special events and large gatherings, and supports first responders during critical incidents, disasters, and other types of hazard emergencies.

F. OCS technology safeguards civil liberties and civil rights. OCS technology is only active, recording, and/or transmitting data when deployed at an authorized incident or event in accordance with the Use Policy.

G. The benefits of OCS technology to the community outweigh the costs. The City of San Diego (City) hosts numerous large events that get nationwide attention and SDPD is required to provide a secure and safe environment for citizens and visitors attending the events. SDPD also supports first responders during critical incidents, disasters, and other types of hazard emergencies. SDPD currently owns these technologies and there are minimal costs for maintenance.

H. The OCS technology will be used Citywide and SDPD held community meetings discussing OCS technology in all Council Districts on April 4, 2024, received one public comment expressing general support, and incorporated the public comment into the Surveillance Impact Reports.

I. SDPD has prepared and publicly released and posted three Surveillance Use Policies and three Surveillance Impact reports for OCS technology, on file with the City Clerk as document numbers as follows:

a. Camera Trailer Camera System:

- i. Use Policy, Document Number RR-315918-1
- ii. Impact Report, Document Number RR-315918-2

b. Arteco Command Vehicle Camera System:

- i. Use Policy, Document Number RR-315918-3
- ii. Impact Report, Document Number RR-315918-4

c. SkyWatch Camera System:

- i. Use Policy, Document Number RR-315918-5
- ii. Impact Report, Document Number RR-315918-6

J. SDPD notified the Chair of the Privacy Advisory Board (Board) of the OCS technology and provided the Surveillance Use Policies and Surveillance Impact Reports on April 11, 2024

K. OCS technology, including the proposed Surveillance Use Policies and the Surveillance Impact Reports, was reviewed by the Board on May 23, 2024, at a publicly noticed meeting.

L. The Board provided questions and SDPD responded in a memorandum dated October 24, 2024.

M. The Board did not make a recommendation on the proposed surveillance technology within 90 days of notice to the Board Chair, and SDPD now seeks Council approval of OCS technology.

N. The Council has considered the Surveillance Impact Reports and Surveillance Use Policies for OCS technology.

O. The Office of the City Attorney prepared this Resolution based on the information provided by City staff, with the understanding that this information is complete and accurate.

ACTION ITEMS

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of San Diego:

1. The benefits to the community of OCS technology outweigh the costs.
2. The City's proposal for OCS technology will safeguard civil liberties and civil rights.

3. No alternative with a lesser economic cost or lesser impact on civil rights or civil liberties would be as effective as OCS technology.

4. OCS technology is hereby approved by the Council under the TRUST Ordinance.

5. 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.

6. The Council shall review this approval annually as required by the TRUST Ordinance.

APPROVED: MARA W. ELLIOTT, City Attorney

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Deputy City Attorney

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I certify that the Council of the City of San Diego adopted this Resolution at a meeting held on
DEC 09 2024

DIANA J.S. FUENTES
City Clerk

By Connie Patterson
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 12/13/24
(date)

Todd Gloria
TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Passed by the Council of The City of San Diego on DEC 09 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen Whitburn	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vivian Moreno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Date of final passage DEC 18 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 Irwin, Deputy
For Connie Patterson

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