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AMENDED AT THE APRIL 24, 2018 PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

ORDINANCE NO. _____ C.M.S.

ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 9.64 TO THE OAKLAND MUNICIPAL CODE ESTABLISHING RULES FOR THE CITY'S ACQUISITION AND USE OF SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it is essential to have an informed public debate as early as possible about decisions related to the City of Oakland's ("City") acquisition and use of surveillance technology; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that, while the use of surveillance technology may threaten the privacy of all citizens, throughout history, surveillance efforts have been used to intimidate and oppress certain communities and groups more than others, including those that are defined by a common race, ethnicity, religion, national origin, income level, sexual orientation, or political perspective; and

WHEREAS, while acknowledging the significance of protecting the privacy of citizens, the City Council finds that surveillance technology may also be a valuable tool to bolster community safety and aid in the investigation and prosecution of crimes; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that surveillance technology includes not just technology capable of accessing non-public places or information (such as wiretaps) but also may include technology which aggregates publicly available information, because such information, in the aggregate or when pieced together with other information, has the potential to reveal a wealth of detail about a person's familial, political, professional, religious, or sexual associations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that no decisions relating to the City's use of surveillance technology should occur without strong consideration being given to the impact such technologies may have on civil rights and civil liberties, including those rights guaranteed by the California and United States Constitutions; and

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WHEREAS, the City Council finds that any and all decisions regarding if and how the City's surveillance technologies should be funded, acquired, or used should include meaningful public input and that public opinion should be given significant weight in policy decisions; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that legally enforceable safeguards, including robust transparency, oversight, and accountability measures, must be in place to protect civil rights and civil liberties before any City surveillance technology is deployed; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that if a surveillance technology is approved, data reporting measures must be adopted that empower the City Council and public to verify that mandated civil rights and civil liberties safeguards have been strictly adhered to.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OAKLAND DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. This Ordinance shall be known as the Surveillance and Community Safety Ordinance.

SECTION 2. Oakland Municipal Code Chapter 9.64, is hereby added as set forth below (chapter and section numbers are indicated in **bold type**).

Chapter 9.64 REGULATIONS ON CITY'S ACQUISITION AND USE OF SURVEILLANCE TECHNOLOGY

9.64.010. DEFINITIONS. The following definitions apply to this Chapter.

1. "Annual Surveillance Report" means a written report concerning a specific surveillance technology that includes all the following:
 - A. A description of how the surveillance technology was used, including the type and quantity of data gathered or analyzed by the technology;
 - B. Whether and how often data acquired through the use of the surveillance technology was shared with outside entities, the name of any recipient entity, the type(s) of data disclosed, under what legal standard(s) the information was disclosed, and the justification for the disclosure(s);
 - C. Where applicable, a breakdown of what physical objects the surveillance technology hardware was installed upon; using general descriptive terms so as not to reveal the specific location of such

- hardware; for surveillance technology software, a breakdown of what data sources the surveillance technology was applied to;
- D. Where applicable, a breakdown of where the surveillance technology was deployed geographically, by each Police Area in the relevant year;
 - E. A summary of community complaints or concerns about the surveillance technology, and an analysis of the technology's adopted use policy and whether it is adequate in protecting civil rights and civil liberties.
 - F. The results of any internal audits, any information about violations or potential violations of the Surveillance Use Policy, and any actions taken in response unless the release of such information is prohibited by law, including but not limited to confidential personnel file information.
 - G. Information about any data breaches or other unauthorized access to the data collected by the surveillance technology, including information about the scope of the breach and the actions taken in response;
 - H. Information, including crime statistics, that helps the community assess whether the surveillance technology has been effective at achieving its identified purposes;
 - I. Statistics and information about public records act requests regarding the relevant subject surveillance technology, including response rates;
 - J. Total annual costs for the surveillance technology, including personnel and other ongoing costs, and what source of funding will fund the technology in the coming year; and
 - K. Any requested modifications to the Surveillance Use Policy and a detailed basis for the request.
2. "City" means any department, agency, bureau, and/or subordinate division of the City of Oakland as provided by Chapter 2.29 of the Oakland Municipal Code.
 3. "City staff" means City personnel authorized by the City Administrator or designee to seek City Council Approval of Surveillance Technology in conformance with this Chapter.
 4. "Continuing agreement" means an agreement that automatically renews unless terminated by one party.
 5. "Exigent circumstances" means a law enforcement agency's good faith belief that an emergency involving danger of, or imminent threat of the destruction of evidence regarding, death or serious physical injury to any person requires the use of surveillance technology or the information it provides.

6. "Large-scale event" means an event attracting ten thousand (10,000) or more people with the potential to attract national media attention that provides a reasonable basis to anticipate that exigent circumstances may occur.
7. "Personal communication device" means a mobile telephone, a personal digital assistant, a wireless capable tablet and a similar wireless two-way communications and/or portable Internet accessing devices, whether procured or subsidized by a City entity or personally owned, that is used in the regular course of City business.
8. "Police area" refers to each of the geographic districts assigned to a police commander and as such districts are amended from time to time.
9. "Surveillance" or "surveil" means to observe or analyze the movements, behavior, data, or actions of individuals. Individuals include those whose identity can be revealed by license plate data when combined with any other record.
10. "Surveillance technology" means any software, electronic device, system utilizing an electronic device, or similar used, designed, or primarily intended to collect, retain, analyze, process, or share audio, electronic, visual, location, thermal, olfactory, biometric, or similar information specifically associated with, or capable of being associated with, any individual or group. Examples of surveillance technology include, but is not limited to the following: cell site simulators (Stingrays); automatic license plate readers; gunshot detectors (ShotSpotter); facial recognition software; thermal imaging systems; body-worn cameras; social media analytics software; gait analysis software; video cameras that record audio or video, and transmit or can be remotely accessed. It also includes software designed to monitor social media services or forecast criminal activity or criminality, biometric identification hardware or software.
 - A. "Surveillance technology" does not include the following devices or hardware, unless they have been equipped with, or are modified to become or include, a surveillance technology as defined above:

1. Routine office hardware, such as televisions, computers, credit card machines, badge readers, copy machines, and printers, that is in widespread use and will not be used for any surveillance or law enforcement functions;
 2. Parking Ticket Devices (PTDs);
 3. Manually-operated, non-wearable, handheld digital cameras, audio recorders, and video recorders that are not designed to be used surreptitiously and whose functionality is limited to manually capturing and manually downloading video and/or audio recordings;
 4. Surveillance devices that cannot record or transmit audio or video or be remotely accessed, such as image stabilizing binoculars or night vision goggles;
 5. Manually-operated technological devices used primarily for internal municipal entity communications and are not designed to surreptitiously collect surveillance data, such as radios and email systems;
 6. City databases that do not contain any data or other information collected, captured, recorded, retained, processed, intercepted, or analyzed by surveillance technology, including payroll, accounting, or other fiscal databases.
 7. Medical equipment used to diagnose, treat, or prevent disease or injury.
 8. Police department interview room cameras.
 9. Police department case management systems.
 10. Police department early warning systems.
 11. Personal Communication Devices that have not been modified beyond stock manufacturer capabilities in a manner described above.
6. "Surveillance Impact Report" means a publicly-released written report including at a minimum the following:
- A. **Description:** Information describing the surveillance technology and how it works, including product descriptions from manufacturers;
 - B. **Purpose:** Information on the proposed purposes(s) for the surveillance technology;
 - C. **Location:** The location(s) it may be deployed, using general descriptive terms, and crime statistics for any location(s);
 - D. **Impact:** An assessment of the technology's adopted use policy and whether it is adequate in protecting civil rights and liberties and whether the surveillance technology was used or deployed, intentionally or inadvertently, in a manner that is discriminatory, viewpoint-based, or biased via algorithm;

- E. **Mitigations:** Identify specific, affirmative technical and procedural measures that will be implemented to safeguard the public from each such impacts;
 - F. **Data Types and Sources:** A list of all types and sources of data to be collected, analyzed, or processed by the surveillance technology, including "open source" data, scores, reports, logic or algorithm used, and any additional information derived therefrom;
 - G. **Data Security:** Information about the steps that will be taken to ensure that adequate security measures are used to safeguard the data collected or generated by the technology from unauthorized access or disclosure;
 - H. **Fiscal Cost:** The fiscal costs for the surveillance technology, including initial purchase, personnel and other ongoing costs, and any current or potential sources of funding;
 - I. **Third Party Dependence:** Whether use or maintenance of the technology will require data gathered by the technology to be handled or stored by a third-party vendor on an ongoing basis;
 - J. **Alternatives:** A summary of all alternative methods (whether involving the use of a new technology or not) considered before deciding to use the proposed surveillance technology, including the costs and benefits associated with each alternative and an explanation of the reasons why each alternative is inadequate; and,
 - K. **Track Record:** A summary of the experience (if any) other entities, especially government entities, have had with the proposed technology, including, if available, quantitative information about the effectiveness of the proposed technology in achieving its stated purpose in other jurisdictions, and any known adverse information about the technology (such as unanticipated costs, failures, or civil rights and civil liberties abuses).
7. "Surveillance Use Policy" means a publicly-released and legally enforceable policy for use of the surveillance technology that at a minimum specifies the following:
- A. **Purpose:** The specific purpose(s) that the surveillance technology is intended to advance;
 - B. **Authorized Use:** The specific uses that are authorized, and the rules and processes required prior to such use;

- C. **Data Collection:** The information that can be collected by the surveillance technology. Where applicable, list any data sources the technology will rely upon, including “open source” data;
- D. **Data Access:** The category of individuals who can access or use the collected information, and the rules and processes required prior to access or use of the information;
- E. **Data Protection:** The safeguards that protect information from unauthorized access, including encryption and access control mechanisms;
- F. **Data Retention:** The time period, if any, for which information collected by the surveillance technology will be routinely retained, the reason such retention period is appropriate to further the purpose(s), the process by which the information is regularly deleted after that period lapses, and the specific conditions that must be met to retain information beyond that period;
- G. **Public Access:** How collected information can be accessed or used by members of the public, including criminal defendants;
- H. **Third Party Data Sharing:** If and how other City departments, bureaus, divisions, or non-City entities can access or use the information, including any required justification or legal standard necessary to do so and any obligations imposed on the recipient of the information;
- I. **Training:** The training required for any individual authorized to use the surveillance technology or to access information collected by the surveillance technology;
- J. **Auditing and Oversight:** The mechanisms to ensure that the Surveillance Use Policy is followed, including internal personnel assigned to ensure compliance with the policy, internal recordkeeping of the use of the technology or access to information collected by the technology, technical measures to monitor for misuse, any independent person or entity with oversight authority, and the legally enforceable sanctions for violations of the policy; and
- K. **Maintenance:** The mechanisms and procedures to ensure that the security and integrity of the surveillance technology and collected information will be maintained.

9.64.020 Privacy Advisory Commission (PAC) Notification and Review Requirements

1. PAC Notification Required Prior to City Solicitation of Funds and Proposals for Surveillance Technology.

- A. City staff shall notify the Chair of the Privacy Advisory Commission prior to:
 - 1. Seeking or soliciting funds for surveillance technology, including but not limited to applying for a grant; or,
 - 2. Soliciting proposals with a non-City entity to acquire, share or otherwise use surveillance technology or the information it provides.

 - B. Upon notification by City staff, the Chair of the Privacy Advisory Commission shall place the item on the agenda at the next Privacy Advisory Commission meeting for discussion and possible action. At this meeting, City staff shall inform the Privacy Advisory Commission of the need for the funds or equipment, or shall otherwise justify the action City staff will seek Council approval for pursuant to 9.64.030. The Privacy Advisory Commission may make a recommendation to the City Council by voting its approval to proceed, object to the proposal, recommend that the City staff modify the proposal, or take no action.

 - C. Should the Privacy Advisory Commission not make a recommendation pursuant to 9.64.020.1.B, City staff may proceed and seek Council Approval of the proposed Surveillance Technology initiative pursuant to the requirements of Section 9.64.030.
2. PAC Review Required for New Surveillance Technology Before City Council Approval
- A. Prior to seeking City Council approval under Section 9.64.030, City staff shall submit a Surveillance Impact Report and a Surveillance Use Policy for the proposed new surveillance technology initiative to the Privacy Advisory Commission for its review at a regularly noticed meeting. The Surveillance Impact Report and Surveillance Use Policy must address the specific subject matter specified for such reports as defined under 9.64.010.
 - B. The Privacy Advisory Commission shall recommend that the City Council adopt, modify, or reject the proposed Surveillance Use Policy. If the Privacy Advisory Commission proposes that the Surveillance Use Policy be modified, the Privacy Advisory Commission shall propose such modifications to City staff. City staff shall present such

modifications to City Council when seeking City Council approval under Section 9.64.030.

- C. Failure by the Privacy Advisory Commission to make its recommendation on the item within 90 days of submission shall enable the City entity to proceed to the City Council for approval of the item.

3. PAC Review Requirements for Existing Surveillance Technology Before City Council Approval

- A. Prior to seeking City Council approval for existing City surveillance technology under Section 9.64.030 City staff shall submit a Surveillance Impact Report and Surveillance Use Policy to the Privacy Advisory Commission for its review at a regularly noticed meeting. The Surveillance Impact Report and Surveillance Use Policy must address the specific subject matter specified for such reports as defined under 9.64.010.
- B. Prior to submitting the Surveillance Impact Report and proposed Surveillance Use Policy as described above, City staff shall present to the Privacy Advisory Commission a list of surveillance technology possessed and/or used by the City.
- C. The Privacy Advisory Commission shall rank the items in order of potential impact to civil liberties.
- D. Within sixty (60) days of the Privacy Advisory Commission's action in 9.64.020.1.C., City staff shall submit at least one (1) Surveillance Impact Report and proposed Surveillance Use Policy per month to the Privacy Advisory Commission for review, beginning with the highest-ranking items as determined by the Privacy Advisory Commission, and continuing thereafter each month until a policy has been submitted for each item on the list.
- E. Failure by the Privacy Advisory Commission to make its recommendation on any item within 90 days of submission shall enable City staff to proceed to the City Council for approval of the item pursuant to Section 9.64.030.

9.64.030. City Council Approval Requirements for New and Existing Surveillance Technology.

- 1. City staff must obtain City Council approval prior to any of the following:

- A. Accepting state or federal funds or in-kind or other donations for surveillance technology;
- B. Acquiring new surveillance technology, including but not limited to procuring such technology without the exchange of monies or consideration;
- C. Using new surveillance technology, or using existing surveillance technology or the information it provides for a purpose, in a manner, or in a location not previously approved by the City Council pursuant to the requirements of this ordinance; or
- D. Entering into a continuing agreement or written agreement with a non-City entity to acquire, share or otherwise use surveillance technology or the information it provides, including data sharing agreements.
- E. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, nothing herein shall be construed to prevent, restrict or interfere with any person providing evidence or information derived from surveillance technology to a law enforcement agency for the purposes of conducting a criminal investigation or the law enforcement agency from receiving such evidence or information.

2. City Council Approval Process

- A. After the PAC Notification and Review requirements in Section 9.64.020 have been met, City staff seeking City Council approval shall schedule for City Council consideration and approval of the proposed Surveillance Impact Report and proposed Surveillance Use Policy, and include Privacy Advisory Commission recommendations at least fifteen (15) days prior to a mandatory, properly-noticed, germane public hearing. Approval may only occur at a public hearing.
- B. The City Council shall only approve any action as provided in this Chapter after first considering the recommendation of the Privacy Advisory Commission, and subsequently making a determination that the benefits to the community of the surveillance technology outweigh the costs; that the proposal will safeguard civil liberties and civil rights; and that, in the City Council's judgment, no alternative with a lesser economic cost or impact on civil rights or civil liberties would be as effective.
- C. For Approval of Existing Surveillance Technology for which the Privacy Advisory Commission failed to make its recommendation within ninety (90) days of review as provided for under 9.64.020.3.E, if the City

Council has not reviewed and approved such item within four City Council meetings from when the item was initially scheduled for City Council consideration, the City shall cease its use of the surveillance technology until such review and approval occurs.

3. Surveillance Impact Reports and Surveillance Use Policies are Public Records

City staff shall make the Surveillance Impact Report and Surveillance Use Policy, as updated from time to time, available to the public as long as the City uses the surveillance technology in accordance with its request pursuant to Section 9.64.020.A.1.

9.64.035. Use of Unapproved Technology during Exigent Circumstances or Large-Scale Event

1. City staff may temporarily acquire or use surveillance technology and the data derived from that use in a manner not expressly allowed by a Surveillance Use Policy in two types of circumstances without following the provisions of Section 9.64.030: (A) Exigent circumstances, and (B) a Large-scale event.
2. If City staff acquires or uses a surveillance technology in the two circumstances pursuant to subdivision (1), the City staff shall:
 - A. Use the surveillance technology to solely respond to the Exigent circumstances or Large-scale event.
 - B. Cease using the surveillance technology when the Exigent circumstances or Large scale event ends.
 - C. Only keep and maintain data related to the Exigent circumstances and dispose of any data that is not relevant to an ongoing investigation.
 - D. Following the end of the Exigent circumstances or Large-scale event, report that acquisition or use to the PAC at their next respective meetings for discussion and/or possible recommendation to the City Council in accordance with the Sunshine Ordinance, the Brown Act, and City Administrator deadlines.
3. Any technology temporarily acquired in Exigent circumstances or during a Large-scale event shall be returned within seven days following its acquisition, or when the exigent circumstances end, whichever is sooner, unless the technology is submitted to the City Council for approval pursuant to Section 9.64.030 and is approved. If

the agency is unable to comply with the seven-day timeline, the agency shall notify the City Council, who may grant an extension.

9.64.040. Oversight Following City Council Approval

1. On March 15th of each year, or at the next closest regularly scheduled Privacy Advisory Commission meeting, City staff must present a written Annual Surveillance Report for Privacy Advisory Commission review for each approved surveillance technology item. If City staff is unable to meet the March 15th deadline, City staff shall notify the Privacy Advisory Commission in writing of staff's request to extend this period, and the reasons for that request. The Privacy Advisory Commission may grant a single extension of up to sixty (60) days to comply with this provision.
 - A. After review by the Privacy Advisory Commission, City staff shall submit the Annual Surveillance Report to the City Council.
 - B. The Privacy Advisory Commission shall recommend to the City Council that the benefits to the community of the surveillance technology outweigh the costs and that civil liberties and civil rights are safeguarded; that use of the surveillance technology cease; or propose modifications to the corresponding Surveillance Use Policy that will resolve the concerns.
 - C. Failure by the Privacy Advisory Commission to make its recommendation on the item within 90 days of submission shall enable the City entity to proceed to the City Council for approval of the Annual Surveillance Report.
 - D. In addition to the above submission of any Annual Surveillance Report, City staff shall provide in its report to the City Council a summary of all requests for City Council approval pursuant to Section 9.64.030 and the pertinent Privacy Advisory Commission recommendation, including whether the City Council approved or rejected the proposal and/or required changes to a proposed Surveillance Use Policy before approval.
2. Based upon information provided in City staff's Annual Surveillance Report and after considering the recommendation of the Privacy Advisory

Commission, the City Council shall re-visit its “cost benefit” analysis as provided in Section 9.64.030.2.B and either uphold or set aside the previous determination. Should the City Council set aside its previous determination, the City’s use of the surveillance technology must cease. Alternatively, City Council may require modifications to the Surveillance Use Policy that will resolve any deficiencies.

9.64.050. Enforcement

1. Violations of this article are subject to the following remedies:
 - A. Any violation of this Ordinance, or of a Surveillance Use Policy promulgated under this Ordinance, constitutes an injury and any person may institute proceedings for injunctive relief, declaratory relief, or writ of mandate in the Superior Court of the State of California to enforce this Ordinance. An action instituted under this paragraph shall be brought against the respective City department, and the City of Oakland, and, if necessary to effectuate compliance with this Ordinance or a Surveillance Use Policy (including to expunge information unlawfully collected, retained, or shared thereunder), any other governmental agency with possession, custody, or control of data subject to this Ordinance, to the extent permitted by law.
 - B. Any person who has been subjected to a surveillance technology in violation of this Ordinance, or about whom information has been obtained, retained, accessed, shared, or used in violation of this Ordinance or of a Surveillance Use Policy promulgated under this Ordinance, may institute proceedings in the Superior Court of the State of California against the City of Oakland and shall be entitled to recover actual damages (but not less than liquidated damages of \$1,000 or \$100 per day for each day of violation, whichever is greater).
 - C. A court shall award costs and reasonable attorneys’ fees to the plaintiff who is the prevailing party in an action brought under paragraphs (A) or (B).
 - D. Violations of this Ordinance by a City employee shall result in consequences that may include retraining, suspension, or termination, subject to due process requirements and in accordance with any Memorandums of Understanding with employee bargaining units.

9.64.060. Secrecy of Surveillance Technology

It shall be unlawful for the City to enter into any surveillance-related contract or other agreement that conflicts with the provisions of this Ordinance, and any conflicting provisions in such future contracts or agreements, including but not limited to non-disclosure agreements, shall be deemed void and legally unenforceable.

To the extent permitted by law, the City shall publicly disclose all of its surveillance-related contracts, including any and all related non-disclosure agreements, if any, regardless of any contract terms to the contrary.

9.64.070. Whistleblower Protections.

1. Neither the City nor anyone acting on behalf of the City may take or fail to take, or threaten to take or fail to take, a personnel action with respect to any employee or applicant for employment, including but not limited to discriminating with respect to compensation, terms and conditions of employment, access to information, restrictions on due process rights, or civil or criminal liability, because:
 - A. The employee or applicant was perceived to, about to, or assisted in any lawful disclosure of information concerning the funding, acquisition, or use of a surveillance technology or surveillance data based upon a good faith belief that the disclosure evidenced a violation of this Ordinance; or
 - B. The employee or applicant was perceived to, about to, or assisted or participated in any proceeding or action to carry out the purposes of this Ordinance.
2. It shall be grounds for disciplinary action for a City employee or anyone else acting on behalf of the City to retaliate against another City employee or applicant who makes a good-faith complaint that there has been a failure to comply with any Surveillance Use Policy or Administrative Instruction promulgated under this Ordinance.
3. Any employee or applicant who is injured by a violation of this section may institute a proceeding for monetary damages and injunctive relief against the City in any court of competent jurisdiction.

SECTION 3. Existing Surveillance Use Policies for the Domain Awareness Center, Forward Looking Infrared Thermal Imaging Camera System, and Cell Site Simulator, Must Be Adopted as Ordinances.

Within 180 days of the effective date of this ordinance, City staff shall return to City Council with an ordinance or ordinances adopting and codifying the following surveillance use policies under the Oakland Municipal Code: the Domain Awareness Center (DAC) Policy for Privacy and Data Retention (Resolution No. 85638 C.M.S., passed June 2, 2015); the Forward Looking Infrared Thermal Imaging Camera System (FLIR) Privacy and Data Retention Policy (Resolution No. 85807 C.M.S., passed October 6, 2015); and the Cell Site Simulator Policy (Resolution No. 86585 C.M.S., passed February 7, 2017).

SECTION 4. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the Chapter. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and each section, subsection, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that one or more other sections, subsections, clauses or phrases may be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately on final adoption if it receives six or more affirmative votes; otherwise it shall become effective upon the seventh day after final adoption.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, CAMPBELL-WASHINGTON, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, GUILLÉN, KALB, KAPLAN AND PRESIDENT REID

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: _____

LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California

Date of Attestation: _____

NOTICE AND DIGEST

ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 9.64 TO THE OAKLAND MUNICIPAL CODE ESTABLISHING RULES FOR THE CITY'S ACQUISITION AND USE OF SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT

This ordinance sets rules for how the City of Oakland acquires and uses surveillance technology. It requires the City to establish policies governing the use of surveillance technology. It also provides a review process for new and existing surveillance technology whereby the Privacy Advisory Commission will evaluate and provide a public forum for discussion on proposed and existing City surveillance technology in regards to privacy rights, public safety, and fiscal considerations. The Ordinance also specifies that City Council approval is required for the City to use new and existing surveillance technology. Further, it establishes an ongoing review process for City Council, on an annual basis to evaluate whether already approved surveillance technology should continue to be used based on the same considerations referenced above.