## NINE STEP PLANNER CLARK COUNTY WORK SESSIONS

This form needs to be reviewed and approved by the council **before** a work session is scheduled.

REQUESTED BY: Undersheriff Mike Cooke

1. <u>TOPIC</u>: Law Enforcement Body Worn Cameras

## 2. WORK SESSION:

Presenting: Jean Dahlquist, Visiting Fellow, Portland State University Attending: Sheriff Chuck Atkins, Undersheriff Mike Cooke, Chief Enforcement Deputy John Chapman

## 3. TIME FRAME:

LENGTH OF TIME NEEDED: 1 hour
DESIRED DATE: Wednesday, August 14, 2019
SCHEDULED DATE OF WORK SESSION:

- 4. <u>TIMING CONSIDERATIONS</u>: Recent events of police use of force in the larger community has community members inquiring about the need for body worn cameras
- **DESIRED RESULTS**: For the BOCC to be informed as to the state of the industry, types of equipment available, model policies, and estimated costs.
- **6.** IMPACTS (COMMUNITY/FINANCIAL/STAFF/OTHER): So as to be informed, and have such information available in light of potential calls by the community for the Sheriff's Office to implement a body cam program.
- 7. <u>POLICY IMPLICATIONS</u>: Body cameras are widely used across the country by a growing number of police agencies, for the purposes of establishing, restoring and or maintaining transparency and public trust.
- 8. <u>ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED</u>: There is controversy regarding privacy issues, particularly as related to the privacy of victims, witnesses, suspects and the police. Body camera programs are expensive to implement and to maintain, especially in light of Washington's public disclosure laws. While they increase accountability, they are not without limitations and great responsibility for their use.
- **RECOMMENDED ACTION**: To request of the Sheriff, should the BOCC wish to proceed, with further evaluation and consideration of implementing a body camera program, given the costs and complexity as discussed.

Signature of requestor:	
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## **APPROVED FOR SCHEDULING:**

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