

Amendment 4 to CB 120518 – FLIR SIR Material Change

Councilmember Nelson

Executive-Requested Technical Edits to Surveillance Impact Report

Effect: Provides technical edits to clarify how often the technology will be in operation, the format of shared data and references to SPD’s evidence management system.

Amend the following subsections of Attachment 1 as follows:

4.4 How often will the technology be in operation?

The Air Support Unit operates six days per week and averages 1200 hours of flight time in the region annually for all agencies. In 2021, Guardian One responded to 26 SPD events.

~~In 2018, Guardian One responded to 45 SPD Events.~~ Guardian Two did not dispatch to any SPD calls for service.

4.7 How will data that is collected be accessed and by whom?

~~The only information relayed to SPD during the Unit operation is radio transmission from the Air Support Unit. Though the KCSO helicopters have a real-time microwave video downlink capable of transmitting video of ongoing events to units on the ground, SPD does not utilize this function. The Maple Leaf Downlink site allows SPD to view the video from the KCSO helicopters in real-time only. SPD does not record or save any video or images provided by this downlink.~~ Recordings made by Guardian helicopters associated with SPD calls for service are regularly requested as video evidence from the King County Sheriff’s Office, including FLIR video is needed for evidentiary or investigative purposes. These recordings are provided by the KCSO on ~~((on evidence-grade DVD, USB drive, external hard drive or other physical media))~~ high quality evidence-grade DVD, as digital files consistent with SPD Policy 7.010 which governs the submission of evidence and requires that all collected evidence be documented in a GO Report. Per Policy 7.090 – Photographic Evidence, all video evidence not produced by SPD employees is submitted to the SPD Evidence Unit. The SPD Evidence Unit stores the video in SPD’s Evidence Management System in the Digital Evidence Management System (DEMS). The King County Sheriff’s Office Air Support Unit does record audio and video of their operations and occasionally does release these recordings to the public, including video posted on their YouTube channel.

5.1 How will data be securely stored?

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Recordings made by Guardian helicopters associated with SPD calls for service are requested as video evidence from the King County Sheriff's Office, including FLIR video is needed for evidentiary or investigative purposes related to the investigation of a crime or missing person. These recordings are ~~provided by the KCSO on high quality evidence grade DVD.~~ provided by the KCSO as digital files consistent with [SPD Policy 7.010](#) which governs the submission of evidence and requires that all collected evidence be documented in a GO Report. Per SPD Policy 7.090 – Photographic Evidence, all video evidence not produced by SPD employees is submitted to the SPD Evidence Unit. The SPD Evidence Unit stores the video in the Digital Evidence Management System (DEMS).

SPD policy contains multiple provisions to avoid improperly collecting data. [SPD Policy 7.010](#) governs the submission of evidence and requires that all collected evidence be documented in a GO Report. Per [Policy 7.090 – Photographic Evidence](#), all video evidence not produced by SPD employees is submitted to the SPD Evidence Unit. ~~The SPD Evidence Unit stores the video in the CJS certified Digital Evidence Management System (DEMS).~~