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Item No. 10.2.1

Request for Board of Police Commission Consideration			
(Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon at least 5 working days prior	Added Item (Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon at least one day prior to meeting)		Request from the Floor
Date of Meeting: July 9, 2020			
Subject: Body Worn Video Pilot Project			
Motion for Board of Police Commission to Consider:			
That the Halifax Board of Police Commissioners requests a report detailing the feasibility of a body worn video pilot program for Halifax Regional Police and Halifax District RCMP patrol officers that addresses costs, benefits and technological requirements.			
Reason: Halifax Regional Police and the Halifax District of the RCMP have been diligent in responding to many of the concerns and recommendations raised in the 2019 Street Checks Report by Scot Wortley. However, given the recent public demonstrations, a petition with over 25,000 signatures and the report's public consultations, there is still more to be done to improve the trust and relationship between Police and the community, particularly with minority communities. Body worn video could provide both more accountability and protect officers from false allegations.			
This technology has been beneficial in other areas of the country including Calgary and the most recent staff report came forward in 2017. If implemented, Body Worn Cameras could encourage positive interactions and increase confidence to better improve Police and community relationships.			
Outcome Sought: Staff report on Body Worn video pilot program.			
Councillor Tony Mancini	District 6		