

**CITY OF BUCKEYE
Council Workshop Agenda
COUNCIL ACTION REPORT**

MEETING DATE: 02/17/26	AGENDA ITEM: 2.B. Buckeye Police Department-Use of Technology Workshop
DATE PREPARED: 02/12/26	DISTRICT NO.:
STAFF LIAISON: Robert Sanders, Chief of Police, rsanders@buckeyeaz.gov, (623) 349-6430	
DEPARTMENT: Police	AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Workshop Item

TIME NEEDED: 30 minutes

ACTION/MOTION: (This language identifies the formal motion to be made by the Council)
Presentation and discussion of the Buckeye Police Department's responsible use of public safety technology. (Approximate time: 30 minutes)

SUMMARY

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Buckeye Police Department understands the importance of protecting individual rights while maintaining public safety. To that end, we want to assure the council and our community that we have robust internal policies and procedures governing the use of surveillance technologies. These policies are designed to ensure responsible use for legitimate law enforcement purposes only. Every deployment and application of these tools is guided by clear standards that prioritize transparency, accountability, and compliance with all applicable laws.

Additionally, the department conducts regular audits to track and review usage, ensuring that all activities remain within the scope of approved practices. Access to these systems is restricted to authorized personnel and partner agencies, and is limited to purposes directly related to public safety and criminal investigations. Our commitment is to balance the need for effective policing with the community's expectation of privacy. By adhering to these governance measures, we aim to maintain trust and demonstrate that technology is being used responsibly and ethically.

BENEFITS:

The Buckeye Police Department's governance framework for surveillance technologies delivers clear public value while safeguarding civil liberties. By operating under established internal policies, the department ensures these tools are used solely for legitimate law enforcement purposes aligned with public safety objectives.

This structured approach increases transparency and accountability through defined standards, controlled access, and documented decision-making. Regular audits and usage reviews provide continuous oversight, ensuring compliance with applicable laws and preventing misuse. Limiting system access to authorized personnel and vetted partner agencies reduces risk exposure and strengthens operational integrity.

For the community, this means enhanced crime prevention and investigative effectiveness without compromising privacy expectations. For the Council, it provides confidence that technology investments are being managed responsibly, ethically, and in a manner consistent with community values. The net result is a balanced model that supports effective policing, protects individual rights, and reinforces public trust.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Not applicable for this workshop

CURRENT FISCAL YEAR TOTAL COST:

Not applicable for this workshop

BUDGETED:

Yes

FISCAL YEAR:

FY26

Items related to a project or facility location must include an attached vicinity map for Council Review.

ATTACHMENTS:

[460 - Automated License Plate Readers - License Plate Recognition System.pdf](#)

[812 - Protected Information.pdf](#)

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