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Dear Jann,

My apologies in/with the delay on getting this information to you. I just returned from an overseas vacation with my family and have been busy playing "catch up". As I want to ensure you have the information you are requesting, I will go through item by item to explain:

1. Current policies and procedures regarding Taser – attached
2. ALPR – not applicable as we do not own or use
3. Cell phone data – I am a bit confused with both A and B as we have utilized search warrants signed by judges to examine cell phones for information. Our only procedure for such would be to obtain a search warrant through our normal procedure (attached).
4. We do not have any formal policy on the matter of the public photographing or video recording officers. We encourage officers to be cognizant of the recording of their actions in hopes of being as transparent as possible with those we serve.

You will note the name Dan Coulombe on the items I am sending you. I am currently in the process of utilizing Lexipol to reformat all our previous policies to ensure we are consistent with other agencies in Oregon. Dan Coulombe was the former chief. I was appointed in late May.

Sincerely,

Jason Edmiston – Chief of Police
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