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The Ordinances & Rules Committee respectfully requests that the City Solicitor draft an order to adopt a policy on the use of Surveillance Technology by City Departments. The policy should contain the following elements:

- A statement of Purpose.
- A definition of "surveillance technology" and other terms unique to this policy.
- A provision that any City Department using "surveillance technology" should have a written Surveillance Technology Use Policy.
- A detailed description of what should be included in every Surveillance Technology Use Policy.
- A provision that the Mayor (and/or Department Head) should submit to the City Council, for its review and comment, any proposed Surveillance Technology Use Policy prior to implementation.
- A provision that the Mayor (and/or Department Head) should consult with the City Council prior to the City/Department acquiring, using or entering into an agreement to acquire, share or otherwise use, surveillance technology or surveillance data not previously reviewed by the City Council.
- A specific policy against the use of mass surveillance technology based on facial recognition.
- A provision that the Mayor (and/or Department Head) should submit to the City Council for its review and approval an Annual Surveillance Report for each applicable City Department that possesses or uses surveillance technology, and a description of what should be included in the report.

The Committee further requests that the City Solicitor provide the Ordinances & Rules Committee with an initial draft in advance of its meeting on May 18, 2026 and that the City Solicitor attend the May 18, 2026 meeting to discuss the draft ordinance.

Respectfully submitted:

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