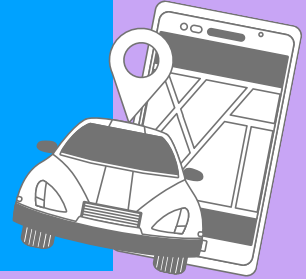# PUBLIC COMMENTS NEEDED ON POLICE SURVEILLANCE TECH!
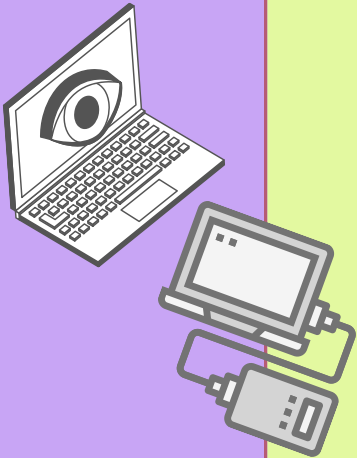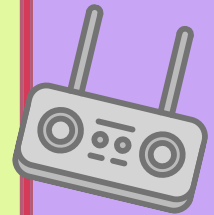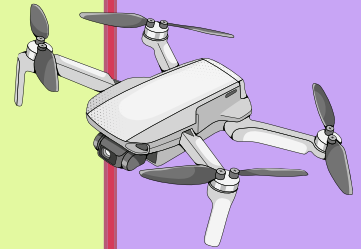
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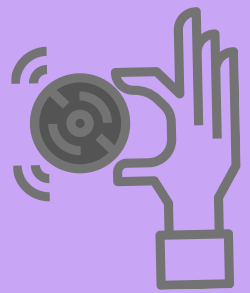
Quick intro

Tonight's agenda:
- Brief info on 4b tech
- How to Send in public comment!
- How to comment securely
- Q & A and drafting help

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GeoTime

This tech works by mapping events and connections over time
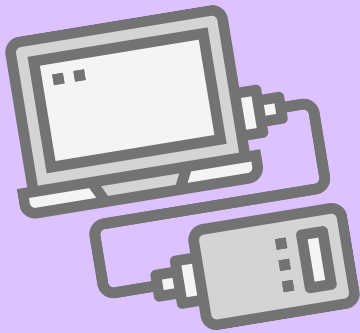
Uses Data from:

- Call reports, Credit Card statements, license plate scanners, social media and more.
- either public or with warrant

Recommendations to City Council

Limit to violent offenses

PROHIBIT:

- Social media analysis
- Use with predictive software
- Sharing data or assisting with investigations of crimes in other states when not a crime in WA state

Computer, cellphone & other Device Extraction Tools

Able to copy all data on the device:

- **Call, texts, contacts, files, photos, musics, app data, cloud passwords, deleted files, log data...**

While there are other devices known as "stingrays" or "Cell Site Simulators" that collect information from devices, **these tools require physical access to the device.**

Key Concerns

- **Vast amount of data/information can be collected**
- **Coercive consent(often limitless**

Recommendations to City Council

- **Limit to violent crimes**
- **Require legal representation for consent**

Covert Camera systems

Undercover camera systems are concealed on a person, or hidden IN or ON objects
Used in:
Private spaces with warrent or consent AND/OR in public spaces.

Recommendations to City Council

- Limit to violent crimes
- Require legal representation for consent-based usage

Prohibit

- Biomentric use: gait/face/etc analysis
- Use w Predictive policing software

Covert Tracking Devices

Undercover location tracking devices

GPS device hidden on a person/vehicle

Used under warrant or consent (informant)

Key Concerns

- Personal Use (stalking)

- Disproportionate or Nefarious use

- Coercive consent(often limitless
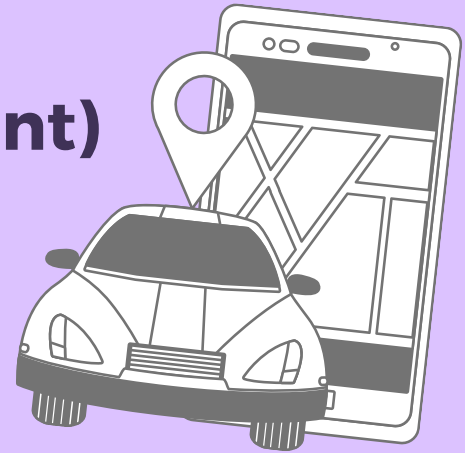
Recommendations to City Council

- Individuals must be liable for actions that fall outside of SIR

- Limit to violent crimes

- Require legal representation for consent

- Prohibit use on shared and/or work vehicles

Crash Data Retrieval Systems

Vehicle's Event Data Recorder (EDR)
(like a "black box" on planes)
After a crash, SPD Collision Investigators download the
EDR Data using Crash Data Retrieval Tool

Question:
- **When/how would SPD attain location data from the car?**

Key Concerns
- **Car computers can have very personal data, like location history, call logs, contacts**

Recommendations to City Council
- **Restrict pos-crash warrants to only the car data salient to the incident**

Remotely Operated Vehicles
ROVs

SWAT has seven, Arson/Bomb has five, Harbor Unit has two

Key Concerns:
- **Militarization of the police**
- **Weaponization of ROVS**

This is a very real threat. San Francisco & Los Angeles residents have been fighting to block armed robots from being deployed in their cities.

Recommendations to City Council
- **prohibit weapons on ROVs with intent to harm or kill**
- **Prohibit recording of livestream video (non-harbor)**

Who can comment?

You don't have to be a resident of Seattle in order to give written or verbal public comments.

Police departments have sharing agreements, thus this tech is not limited to use by SPD.

If you aren't a resident, then feel free to add something like: "As someone who lives in X but frequently travels to Seattle..." or "As someone who would visit Seattle more if there was less surveillance technologies in the city..." or some other similar thing.

How to offer verbal comment:

Remote Public Comment - Register online to speak during the Public Comment period at the meeting at http://www.seattle.gov/council/committees/public-comment.

Look for the **Economic Development, Technology, & City Light (EDTCL) Committee** meeting on Wednesday, the 8th, 9:30am

You can also sign up IN PERSON at City Hall. *YAY!* There tend to be a very small number of people signed up to comment, so the comments go by fast.

It's important to sign up by 9:30am and arrive to the meeting early/promptly to make sure you don't miss it! Often, the comment period is so short that it's less than ten minutes long.

THAT'S HOW BADLY WE NEED MORE PUBLIC INPUT!

How send written comments:

Best timing is to email comments **by the 7th/8th (before** committee meeting) **or by Feb.9th (as a follow-on after** committee meeting).

Written comments are accepted up until the full City Council votes, but if your goal is for comments to hopefully have influence in Council Member votes /amendments, earlier is better.

Email your comments to: **council@seattle.gov**

(This emails the entire Seattle City Council, not just the EDTCL Committee, **but** this is smart, as it ensures that all members of the City Council have the chance to see your feedback before they consider amendments/eventually vote.

WA PP also likes to recommend using a different email address that is not your main and/personal email for public-records-available communications).

Attending to your own safety & data security when offering public comment:

You can use an **email address** that is NOT your main email for personal communications and accounts. That keeps your personal email out of the public record, and more protected from hacks or nefarious actors.

If you are at a racial justice or other equity-focused organization, sending comment from your work email can be a great way to go!

When you testify remotely, you are asked to enter a phone number. This isn't actually legally required for public comment, but for remote comments, Seattle City Council actually has you call in and use your phone while you're also in cue of people on zoom. That means you DO need to use a valid number, BUT if you have a spare online number that you don't use for personal communications and important financial and other accounts, that's a good secure way to go!

¡Muchas GRACIAS! THANK YOU!

for taking action and adding your voice!

Because surveillance isn't safety. We create safety by meeting people's needs.

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