



CITY OF BATAVIA

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE



March 6, 2023

Illinois General Assembly
Springfield, IL 62703

Subject: Batavia Police Department – 2022 Body Worn Camera Report

Illinois General Assembly,

The Batavia Police Department activated and deployed its body worn camera program on May 10, 2021. Getac was selected as the camera vendor and model BC-2 is the camera used by all officers during this annual report cycle. There are 41 cameras that were purchased. Currently all sworn members of the department are issued and operate their own body worn camera.

During this reporting period our agency did not experience any technical issues with any of the cameras. There were a few occasions where there were issues with the camera charging stations not connecting with the server which caused delays in charging and in uploads of videos. Although a minor inconvenience, we never experienced a loss of any body worn camera footage.

I have attached a copy of Batavia Police Department Policy 700 which governs the use of our body worn camera program. This policy was issued and effective on April 27, 2021. Batavia Police Department currently contracts with Lexipol for policy management. Our agency will continue to update the policy as state mandates change.

When requested, body worn camera footage from criminal cases is shared with the Kane County State's Attorney's Office to ensure video evidence is available when needed for prosecution. The Batavia Police Department Records Division processes these requests and sends a link via email to the Kane County State Attorney's Office that enables full review of all videos. Please see the attached chart outlining each instance in which a body camera was used in prosecution.

This memorandum and attached supporting documents should satisfy the requirements pursuant to 50 ILCS 706/10-25. A copy of this report will also be sent to Governor Pritzker's Office per statute. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Respectfully Submitted,

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