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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Detroit City Council Passes DPD Video Release Ordinance in 8 to 1 Vote**

**DETROIT, Mich. October 28, 2025** — The Detroit City Council voted 8 to 1 today to approve the Detroit Police Department Video Release Ordinance during its Formal Session. The measure, sponsored by District 2 Council Member Angela Whitfield Calloway, establishes a 30-day deadline for the public release of incident footage captured by police body-worn cameras and vehicle dashboard cameras.

The ordinance, supported by both the Detroit Police Department and the Wayne County Prosecutor’s Office, requires the release of audio or video recordings when an incident results in great bodily harm, defined as an injury serious enough to require treatment in a hospital or similar medical facility.

Under the new law, the City must publicly post all qualifying incident footage on an accessible online portal within the 30-day timeframe. The City will also make every effort to notify individuals depicted in the footage, including City employees, or their legal representatives and next of kin, prior to the release.

“This ordinance brings true accountability and transparency to our city,” said Council Member Angela Whitfield Calloway. “Families and loved ones impacted by police misconduct or brutality deserve peace of mind, and this law ensures they and the public can see that justice is being served. I am proud of what we have accomplished and deeply grateful to my colleagues for their support.”

The passage of the DPD Video Release Ordinance is an important first step in promoting openness, trust, and integrity.

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