Community Action Groups (CAG) Policy Recommendations presented to Board of Public Safety, 16 October 2019

Body Camera

Executive Summary

- Body Cam audio and visual are to be activated during all interactions with the public
- Create explanatory dialogue for officers to educate the public on the need to protect both parties

Recommendation relative the policy	Overall recommendation	Commentary
 Body camera should be on at all times Sound should be on for the body cameras 360 degrees for the cameras Backup plans for malfunctioning cameras Dialogues on the body camera policy for the public – protect the police and the community Write specific policy and procedure for certain times such as lunch breaks, restroom breaks, etc. when the officer can turn the camera off for personal privacy – define non-discretionary times for when body camera can be off 	 Strongly encourage public to attend the Board of Public Safety meetings Need benchmarks to check for success Need more clarity in policy All police officers of SBPD should live in South Bend Board of Public Safety policies and procedures should be brought to light Officer needs to be subjected to firing if they violate the policies Board of Public Safety meetings should be scheduled after work hours Victim protection The police need to have accountability in vague situations 	 Accountability Police officers should learn that the policy is important – adhering to the policy and disciplinary action for when they do not adhere to it The community should be more involved in the dialogues on policy, but that means that the meetings should be at more convenient times