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**March 18, 2026**

**POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD TRANSMITS RECOMMENDATIONS TO CITY COUNCIL REGARDING SURVEILLANCE TECHNOLOGY PROPOSALS**

BERKELEY, CA — The Berkeley Police Accountability Board (PAB) has transmitted three letters to the Berkeley City Council concerning several surveillance technology proposals currently under consideration by the City, including unmanned aerial systems (UAS), community video streams, fixed camera policies, and related vendor considerations.

The letters, dated March 18, 2026, provide analysis and recommendations regarding policy compliance, governance structures, and implementation considerations associated with the proposed technologies.

The transmitted letters are available here:

<https://berkeleyca.gov/sites/default/files/2026-03/March%2018%2C%202026%20PAB%20Recommendations%20Surveillance%20Tech.pdf>

**City Council Meeting Details:**

The Berkeley City Council will consider these items as **Item 26 on the Action Calendar** at the **Regular City Council Meeting on Tuesday, March 24, 2026, at 6:00 PM**, at the **Berkeley School District Board Room (1231 Addison Street, Berkeley, CA)**. Please see below for additional information.

Meeting Details

**Date:** Tuesday, March 24, 2026

**Time:** 6:00 PM

**Location:** School District Board Room, 1231 Addison Street, Berkeley, CA

**Remote Participation:** <https://cityofberkeley-info.zoomgov.com/j/1618457872>

**Agenda and Materials:** <https://berkeleyca.gov/city-council-regular-meeting-eagenda-march-24-2026>

**About the Police Accountability Board (PAB):**

The purpose of the Police Accountability Board is to promote public trust through independent, objective, civilian oversight of the Berkeley Police Department, provide community participation in setting and reviewing Police Department policies, practices, and procedures, and provide a means for prompt, impartial and fair investigation of complaints brought by members of the public against sworn employees of the Berkeley Police Department.

**About the Office of the Director of Police Accountability (ODPA):**

The purpose of the Director of Police Accountability is to investigate complaints filed against sworn employees of the Berkeley Police Department, to reach an independent finding as to the facts, and to recommend corrective action where warranted. The Director of Police Accountability may also serve as the Secretary to the Police Accountability Board and assist the Board in carrying out the duties prescribed herein.

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