TO: HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: CITY MANAGER DEPARTMENT: POLICE

DATE: MAY 6, 2002 CMR:223:02

SUBJECT: QUARTERLY REPORT ON DEMOGRAPHIC DATA COLLECTION (PROFILING)

This is an information report. No Council action is required.

DISCUSSION

On September 10, 2001, the Police Department submitted its first quarterly report of demographic data on police contacts to Council. These reports were the result of a commitment on the part of the Police Department to voluntarily initiate a program of data collection on all police contacts, not just car stops as many departments across the nation have done. (Ref. CMR:145:00 and CMR:350:01)

While the policy of data collection has remained in place, the events of September 11th and the attendant re-assignment of police resources to security functions, training and coordination of efforts with outside County, State and Federal authorities delayed submittal of the subsequent reports until now. The attached reports cover the first and second quarters of Fiscal Year 2001-2002.

A critical element of the Police Department’s data collection program is the analysis of the collected data. A select working group consisting of both community members and police department staff will be meeting on May 8th to review and interpret the Department’s first full year of data.

RESOURCE IMPACT

None.
POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This policy is consistent with existing City policies.

ATTACHMENTS

Quarterly Data Collection Summaries, First and Second Quarter FY 2001-02

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