

ORDINANCES

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Council Member Applyrs introduced the following:

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BE IT ENACTED by the Common Council of the City of Albany as follows:

Section 1. Part 1 of Chapter 42 of the Code of the City of Albany is hereby amended by adding a new Section 42-50 to read as follows:

Section 42-50. In order to foster trust between the community and the police department and to increase transparency in police practices, the Albany Police Department shall maintain a policy requiring officers to provide the public with a written record of their interactions with the police in situations that do not result in an arrest or summons. Such written record shall include the name, rank and command of the officer, the and the contact information for the Citizens' Police Review Board.

Section 2. Severability. If any provision of this bill or any other provision of this local law, or any amendments thereto, shall be held invalid or ineffective in whole or in part or inapplicable to any person or situation, such holding shall not affect, impair or invalidate any portion of or the remainder of this local law, and all other provisions thereof shall nevertheless be separately and fully effective and the application of any such provision to other persons or situations shall not be affected.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect ninety days after final passage, public hearing and filing with the Secretary of State.

APPROVED AS TO FORM
August _____, 2017

First Assistant Corporation Counsel

To: Gerald Campbell, City Clerk
From: Marisa Franchini, First Assistant Corporation
Re: Request for Common Council Legislation Supporting Memorandum
Date: August 11, 2017

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GENERAL PURPOSE OF LEGISLATION:

This ordinance would require that during public interactions police officers, the officer shall provide the public with a business card that identifies themselves and provides contact information for the Citizens' Police Review Board This requirement will serve to increase transparency during police interactions, ensure accountability and provide information about where to file complaints.

NECESSITY FOR LEGISLATION AND ANY CHANGE TO EXISTING LAW:

Any amendment of the Code requires the passage of an ordinance.

EXPLANATION OF DEADLINE OR REQUESTED TIME FRAME FOR PASSAGE:

N/A

SPECIFICS OF BIDDING OR OTHER PROCUREMENT PROCESS (if applicable):

N/A

SPECIFICS OF REAL PROPERTY SALE OR ACQUISITION (if applicable):

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT(S):

To be determined.