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Dear Commissioners,

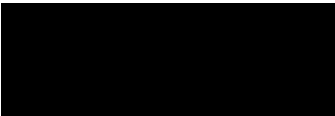
All technology created by humans is literally encoded with the biases of its creators. That said, bias alone cannot be used as an excuse for prohibiting use of technology. As a society, we need to pursue progress, not perfection. And we need to build the systems, checks, and balances that protect privacy and equity while also enabling use of new tech.

Claims to privacy when a person is in a public space, such as a roadway, or during the commission of a crime- are specious. If you're out in public or you're breaking the law, then you can't hide behind "privacy." If you're violating someone's privacy- for example by committing a property crime- then how can you credibly claim privacy to avoid prosecution?

While I strongly oppose LBPD's routine excess spending on militarized equipment, overtime, and settlements, I believe there is a role for limited, transparent, and equitable use of technology in law enforcement- NOT prediction, but enforcement. Facial recognition should be used only for forensic investigation, not for real-time surveillance.

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