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for the period of time from September 2, 2025, to March 1, 2026

The San Francisco Administrative Code via Chapter 19B: Acquisition of Surveillance Technology requires the Committee on Information Technology (COIT) staff to maintain an inventory of all surveillance technologies that departments plan to buy or are using, and to publish a biannual report on the inventory's status. The Biannual Surveillance Technology Inventory Report includes the name of each technology in the inventory, a general technology category description, the department using or planning to use the technology, and information about where that technology is in the policy creation and approval process.

This report provides the current status of technologies in the surveillance technology inventory and changes that occurred from September 2, 2025, to March 1, 2026. As of March 1, 2026, 66% of surveillance technologies in use or in the process of being procured have a surveillance technology policy approved by the Board of Supervisors, 7% have a draft policy that has been reviewed by the COIT Privacy and Surveillance Advisory Board, 1% is represented by technologies seeking to be procured by the department but not yet in use or is in a pilot period, and 26% are surveillance technologies currently in use without a policy.

Since the last Biannual Surveillance Technology Inventory Report was published on September 1, 2025, there have been two updates. San Francisco Airport (SFO) sought to purchase and use a new technology for Virtual Vehicle Queuing Systems, drafted a policy for the technology, and brought it to the COIT Privacy and Surveillance Advisory Board, which reviewed and recommended the policy for Board of Supervisors approval (see Appendix B). Additionally, the San Francisco Police Department sought to procure a Video Analytics with AI technology and has entered a pilot period for this technology (see Appendix C).

The Surveillance Technology Inventory is posted online and can be accessed by visiting <https://www.sf.gov/biannual-surveillance-technology-inventory-reports>. Publishing the Surveillance Technology Inventory Report on the COIT website, allows anyone to track the progress of the surveillance technology policy creation and approval, understand which technologies still need policies and which are being used. If you have questions regarding this report, please direct them to coit.staff@sfgov.org.

Appendix A. Technology Policies approved by the Board of Supervisors (BOS)

The surveillance technology policies listed below were approved by the San Francisco Board of Supervisors prior to March 1, 2026. This list includes 93 technologies and 58 surveillance technology policies.

There have been no changes in this section from the September 1, 2025, Surveillance Technology Inventory Report as no surveillance technology policies were approved by the Board of Supervisors between September 2, 2025, and March 1, 2026.

| Technology Category | Department Name | Technology Name | BOS Approval Date |
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| ALPR | Municipal Transportation Agency | Transit-only lane enforcement (TOLE) cameras | 10/25/2022 |
| Audio Recorder | Airport | Airport Gunshot Detection - proof of concept | 11/28/2023 |
| Audio Recorder | Department of Emergency Management | Gunshot Detection Hardware and Services (ShotSpotter) | 9/24/2024 |
| Audio Recorder | Human Services Agency | Call Recording Software | 6/4/2024 |
| Audio Recorder | Police Department | ShotSpotter | 7/27/2021 |
| Automated License Plate Reader | Airport | License Plate Recognition System | 7/27/2021 |
| Automated License Plate Reader | Department of Public Works | Automatic License Plate Reader | 7/27/2021 |
| Automated License Plate Reader | Municipal Transportation Agency | Automated License Plate Reader | 10/25/2022 |
| Automated License Plate Reader | Police Department | Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) | 7/27/2021 |
| Automated License Plate Reader | Recreation and Park Department | License Plate Readers | 7/27/2021 |
| Biometric Processing Software and/or System | Juvenile Probation Department | SCRAM CAM | 10/25/2022 |
| Camera | Asian Art Museum | Security Camera System | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | City Administrator's Office – Real Estate Department | Security Camera Systems | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | Airport | Pre-security Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) Cameras | 7/27/2021 |

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| Camera | Airport | Third-Party Cameras | 11/15/2022 |
| Camera | Arts Commission | Surveillance Cameras | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | Child Support Services | Sonitrol Security Cameras | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | Department of Emergency Management | Closed Circuit Television Cameras | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | Department of Human Resources | Security Cameras | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | Department of Public Health | CCTV Security Cameras | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | Department of Technology | Outdoor Facility Cameras | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | Fine Arts Museum | Closed-circuit television cameras (CCTVs), connected to recording devices | 12/12/2023 |
| Camera | Fire Department | Body-Worn Cameras | 10/25/2022 |
| Camera | Fire Department | Surveillance Cameras | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing | Security camera system | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | Human Services Agency | Client Lobby Cameras | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | Public Library | Security Cameras | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | Public Library | Sensource People Counters | 10/25/2022 |
| Camera | Municipal Transportation Agency | Automated Speed Enforcement Cameras | 6/11/2024 |
| Camera | Municipal Transportation Agency | Red Light Cameras and No Right-Turn Cameras | 7/1/2025 |
| Camera | Municipal Transportation Agency | Security cameras inside SFMTA-regulated taxi cabs | 10/25/2022 |
| Camera | Municipal Transportation Agency | Genetec video management software | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | Municipal Transportation Agency | Video Analytics for SFMTA passenger vehicles | 5/14/2024 |
| Camera | Municipal Transportation Agency | Video cameras | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | Police Department | Non-City Entity/ Third-Party | 9/27/2022 |

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| | | Surveillance Cameras without financial agreement | |
| Camera | Port | Closed Circuit Television Camera (CCTV) | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | Port | Network Video Recorder | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | Public Utilities Commission | Surveillance Cameras | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | Recreation and Park Department | Body-Worn Cameras | 11/15/2022 |
| Camera | Recreation and Park Department | Security Cameras | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | Department of Elections | Nest Cameras | 11/15/2022 |
| Camera | Rent Board | Security Cameras - Lobby | 7/27/2021 |
| Camera | War Memorial | Third-Party Cameras | 10/25/2022 |
| Camera | War Memorial | Veterans Building Surveillance Camera System | 7/27/2021 |
| Data Forensics Software | Juvenile Probation Department | Web Filtering Software | 11/19/2024 |
| Drone | Department of Public Works | Aerial Drone | 7/27/2021 |
| Drone | Department of Technology | Aerial Drone | 7/27/2021 |
| Drone | Fire Department | Drone | 7/27/2021 |
| Drone | Port | Unmanned Aerial Vehicle | 7/27/2021 |
| Drone | Public Utilities Commission | Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (aka UAVs, Drones) | 7/27/2021 |
| Drone | Recreation and Park Department | UAV Drones | 7/27/2021 |
| Local Area Network | Public Library | TBS - Today's Business Solutions (MyPC, Papercut, ePrintIt, Easy Booking, ScanEZ) - Computer Time and Print Management System | 10/25/2022 |
| Location Management System | Airport | Application Based Commercial Transport (ABCT) | 11/28/2023 |

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| Location Management System | Juvenile Probation Department | Electronic Monitoring Ankle Bracelet (GPS) | 10/25/2022 |
| Network Server | Port | Network Server | 7/27/2021 |
| RFID/Toll Reader | Airport | Electronic Toll Readers | 11/28/2023 |
| RFID/Toll Reader | Public Library | RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) Tags | 7/27/2021 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Asian Art Museum | Mobile Fuse | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | City Administrator's Office – 311 | Buffer | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | City Administrator's Office – Animal Care and Control | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | City Administrator's Office – Central Office | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | City Administrator's Office – Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Airport | Hootsuite | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Arts Commission | Hootsuite | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Arts Commission | Meltwater | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Office of Assessor-Recorder | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Controller's Office | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | City Planning | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Department of Building Inspection | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Department of Children, Youth, and Their Families | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |

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| Social Media Monitoring Software | Department of Early Childhood | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Department of Emergency Management | Hootsuite | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Department of Emergency Management | Tweetdeck (freeware) | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Department of Police Accountability | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Department of Public Health | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Department of Technology | Archive Social | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Department of the Environment | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Ethics Commission | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Fire Department | Critical Mention | 9/21/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Human Rights Commission | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Human Rights Commission – Office of Transgender Initiatives | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Human Service Agency | Sprout Social | 7/25/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Human Services Agency | Meltwater | 7/25/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Public Library | Hootsuite | 10/25/2022 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Public Library | Meltwater | 10/25/2022 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Municipal Transportation Agency | Social media monitoring software | 12/12/2023 |

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| Social Media Monitoring Software | Mayor's Office | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Office of Economic and Workforce Development | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Port | Hootsuite Social Media Monitoring | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Public Utilities Commission | Hootsuite | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Recreation and Park Department | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 12/12/2023 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Department of Elections | Social Media Monitoring Technology | 10/24/2023 |

Appendix B. Technology Policies with a draft policy reviewed by COIT Privacy and Surveillance Advisory Board (PSAB)

The surveillance technologies listed below includes all of the draft policies that have been reviewed and voted on at a meeting of the Privacy and Surveillance Advisory Board, a COIT subcommittee. This list includes ten technologies represented by eight policies, from five departments.

There were two changes in this section since the September 1, 2025 Surveillance Technology Inventory Report. The first change is that San Francisco Airport sought to purchase and use a new technology for Virtual Vehicle Queuing Systems. The department drafted a policy for the technology and brought it to the COIT Privacy and Surveillance Advisory Board, where it was recommended for Board of Supervisors review pending changes. The second change is that the Fine Arts Museum will fulfill the requirement to create a surveillance technology policy for its Social Media Monitoring Technology by adding itself by an upcoming amendment to the multi-departmental Social Media Monitoring Software Surveillance Technology Policy (originally passed by the Board of Supervisors on December 12, 2023).

| Technology Category | Technology Name | Department | PSAB Recommendation Date |
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| Biometric Processing Software and/or System | Alcohol Monitoring Ankle Bracelet | Adult Probation Department | 10/28/2022 |
| Camera | Body-Worn Cameras | Police Department | 4/24/2025 |
| Data Forensics Software | Data Extraction Tool for Computers and Cell Phones | Police Department | 6/29/2023 |
| Location Management System | GPS Monitoring Ankle Bracelet | Adult Probation Department | 10/28/2022 |
| Location Management System | Electronic Location Tracking Devices | Police Department | 7/25/2024 |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Social Media Monitoring Software | Fire Department | 8/24/2023 |
| Temporary ID and Contact Tracing System | Temporary Visitor Registration, ID, and Tracking System | Department of Public Health | 2/27/2025 |
| Location Management System | Virtual Vehicle Queuing System | Airport | 12/4/2025 |

Appendix C. Technologies seeking to be procured by department but not yet in use or is in the Police Department pilot period

This category includes technologies that departments are seeking to procure but have not yet deployed for full operational use. Under the Chapter 19B Ordinance enacted in July 2019, surveillance technologies require Board of Supervisors-approved policies before use. However, the ordinance includes a specific provision allowing the Police Department—and only the Police Department—to conduct a one-year pilot period for new surveillance technologies before obtaining final policy approval. This pilot provision was added through a voter-approved ballot measure in March 2024, which amended Chapter 19B to allow for real-world testing of police surveillance technologies before committing to full deployment and policy formalization.

Therefore, technologies in this category fall into one of two situations: (a) technologies that departments sought to procure for the first time after July 2019 but have not yet received review and recommendation from COIT's Privacy and Surveillance Advisory Board or Board of Supervisors approval, or (b) technologies being piloted by the Police Department under the one-year pilot provision. No technologies listed in this section were in use prior to the July 2019 enactment of Chapter 19B.

There is currently one technology in this category, which is in a pilot period with the Police Department.

| Technology Category | Technology Name | Department |
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| Data Analytics Software | Video Analytics with AI | Police Department |

Appendix D. Technologies being used without an approved policy

These technologies are currently being used without an approved Surveillance Technology Policy. All of the technologies listed below were used or in use prior to the 19B Ordinance being enacted in July 2019. This list includes 37 technologies from nine departments.

| Technology Category | Technology Name | Department |
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| Audio Recorder | Audio Recorders on Surveillance Van | Police Department |
| Audio Recorder/ Video Recorder | Hostage Negotiation Throw Phone (with and without camera) | Police Department |
| Biometric Processing Software and/or System | Cogent ABIS (Automatic Biometric Identification System) | Police Department |
| Biometric Processing Software and/or System | DataWorksPlus Digital Crime Scene system | Police Department |
| Biometric Processing Software and/or System | DataWorksPlus Digital Photo Manager system | Police Department |
| Biometric Processing Software and/or System | Microblink Software | Police Department |
| Camera | CommPort Tech (Under Vehicle Camera) | Police Department |
| Camera | Fiber Optic Camera | Police Department |
| Camera | IP Cameras (Digital Cameras) | Police Department |
| Camera | Pole Camera | Police Department |
| Camera | Security Cameras (City Department Surveillance Cameras) | Police Department |
| Camera | SWAT Camera | Police Department |
| Camera | Tactical Electronics Fiber Scope | Police Department |
| Camera | Under Door Camera | Police Department |
| Camera | Under Vehicle Camera | Police Department |
| Camera | Vertmax Camera | Police Department |
| Data Forensics Software | Cellebrite Inseyets | Police Department |
| Data Forensics Software | Cellebrite Pathfinder | Police Department |
| Data Forensics Software | DVR Recorder | Police Department |
| Data Forensics Software | Forensic Toolkit | Police Department |
| Data Forensics Software | Gray Key Forensic Tool (used with Magnetic Forensics) | Police Department |
| Data Forensics Software | MacQuisition | Police Department |
| Data Forensics Software | Magnetic Forensics | Police Department |
| Data Forensics Software | OpenText EnCase Forensic | Police Department |
| Local Area Network | Public Wi-Fi Network (multi-departmental) | Asian Art Museum |
| | | Airport |
| | | Department of Public Health |
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| | | Fine Arts Museum |
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| | | Public Utilities Commission |
| Location Management System | Data Feeds for Stationless Bicycles | Municipal Transportation Agency |
| Location Management System | Electronic Taxi Access System | Municipal Transportation Agency |
| Location Management System | CellHawk | Police Department |
| Social Media Monitoring Software | Penlink | Police Department |
| Weapons Detection System | Weapons Detection System | Department of Public Health |