

## DGO 10.12 Public Comment Joint Responses

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| #         | Public Comment                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Date Received | SFPD response                                                 | SFPD Explanation                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | DPA Explanation                |
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| <b>R1</b> | Change to "Department" and not "SFPD" throughout to align with DGO 3.02. Move laws to policy section. Do not say in accordance to in purpose because those laws do not define all privacy rights.                                        | <b>3/3/26</b> | Recommendation has been included in draft DGO                 | The term "Department" is now used throughout the DGO.                                                                                                                                                                                    | DPA had no additional comment. |
| <b>R2</b> | Remove second paragraph of purpose. Do not quote cited laws. Repetitive.                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>3/3/26</b> | Recommendation will be modified and included in the draft DGO | The quotation has been removed, but the hyperlink remains.                                                                                                                                                                               | DPA had no additional comment. |
| <b>R3</b> | Change to EITHER "drones" or "UAVs" throughout to be consistent. Make citations consistent. the DFR definition could be more concise "UAS operations where the drone arrives to an incident before or in coordination with ground units" | <b>3/3/26</b> | Recommendation will be modified and included in the draft DGO | The term "UAVs" is now used throughout the DGO.<br><br>The DFR definition now reads, "UAS operations involving an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) launched with the goal of the UAV arriving before or in coordination with ground units." | DPA had no additional comment. |
| <b>R4</b> | "Public footage" has the implication that that footage will be made public to the community. Change the name of this definition as this footage will not be released.                                                                    | <b>3/3/26</b> | Recommendation will be modified and included in the draft DGO | The Definition has been modified: "Footage from UAS operations that has no evidentiary value."                                                                                                                                           | DPA had no additional comment. |
| <b>R5</b> | the UAV definition is inconsistent with DGO formatting...remove "commonly known as a drone" and put in the definition title Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV/drone) - ...                                                                    | <b>3/3/26</b> | Recommendation will not be included in Draft DGO              | There is limited "drone" reference in the DGO. Will be left "as is" to help the common understanding/recognition of a UAV.                                                                                                               | DPA had no additional comment. |
| <b>R6</b> | Make the term "member" consistent throughout. The policy is repetitive and not structured well. Change language to be more concisely written and straight forward.                                                                       | <b>3/4/26</b> | Recommendation will be modified and included in the draft DGO | The term "member" is now used throughout the DGO.<br><br>Language has been made more concise throughout the DGO.                                                                                                                         | DPA had no additional comment. |
| <b>R7</b> | DGOs format should not look like this. After policy, it should be procedures and A. Privacy, B. Authorized Use, C. Prohibited Use, etc.                                                                                                  | <b>3/4/26</b> | Recommendation has been included in draft DGO                 | The DGO has been reformatted to the correct DGO styleguiding.                                                                                                                                                                            | DPA had no additional comment. |

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| <b>R8</b>  | For 10.12.06.A, which laws or which prohibitions? How does an officer know what the requirements are if no link to where they are listed? 10.12.08.C is too general for privacy and confidentiality rights to potentially be violated unknowingly.    | <b>3/4/26</b>  | Recommendation will not be included in Draft DGO              | DGO was restructured and renumbered. Section "10.12.03 Policy" provides hyperlinks to UAV operations' specific governing requirements. Technology privacy concerns overseen by the Board of Supervisors and are addressed in the SF Admin codes previously specified. | DPA had no additional comment. |
| <b>R9</b>  | Link FAA regulations. In 10.12.08.D, is general counsel the City Attorney, RMO, etc.? Specify                                                                                                                                                         | <b>3/4/26</b>  | Recommendation will be modified and included in the draft DGO | DGO was restructured and renumbered. FAA regulations are now linked. General Counsel has been clarified to "Office of the City Attorney"                                                                                                                              | DPA had no additional comment. |
| <b>R10</b> | [In 10.12.02], suggest the definitions to be reordered currently the definition of counter-UAS is before UAS... The definitions could be in stairstep logic, UAV, UAS, UAS-operator, counter-UAS, DFR, public footage.                                | <b>3/4/26</b>  | Recommendation will be modified and included in the draft DGO | The styleguide typically follows alphabetical order, but for clarity, we have made the edit.                                                                                                                                                                          | DPA had no additional comment. |
| <b>R11</b> | [In 10.12.06]C. does this apply to all protected classes or just the four listed? (doesn't include: nation or origin, age, disability, or military status) California has more than the federal level also.                                           | <b>3/4/26</b>  | Recommendation will be modified and included in the draft DGO | Updated language to "based on legally protected classes such as race, gender, religion, or sexual orientation"                                                                                                                                                        | DPA had no additional comment. |
| <b>R12</b> | (part 1) A drone launch and charging pad was just installed outside the window where I get dressed on a fire station roof. This should not be allowed. Launch and charging stations create regular, disruptive noise, and regular privacy incursions. | <b>3/21/26</b> | Administrative Question and Answer-not for inclusion in DGO   | There are codified privacy requirements prohibiting the Department from retaining public footage and which protect the privacy of the public.                                                                                                                         | DPA had no additional comment. |
| <b>R13</b> | (part 2) The policy is lacking consideration for launch and charging station placement so as not to be adjacent to or below residential windows, perhaps within a 100' radius, to avoid regular privacy and noise disturbances. (end)                 | <b>3/21/26</b> | Administrative Question and Answer-not for inclusion in DGO   | Living in a major city next to an active fire station will come with noise disturbances.                                                                                                                                                                              | DPA had no additional comment. |

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| R14 | Drones are causing significant noise and disturbance in our neighborhood. I wonder if there is a better place than the roof of Engine 28 on Stockton to put the landing pad. How effective are drones for police work, and how was this site selected?                   | 3/31/26       | Administrative Question and Answer-not for inclusion in DGO | This commenter may live near a very active fire station (Engine 28). From a noise pollution standpoint, fire apparatus are louder than drones. Current data shows that drone usage is a highly effective tool for police work. Please refer to SFPD's Drone website page for further information regarding efficacy. | DPA had no additional comment. |
| R15 | [Per AB 481], verify on SFPD website that DOJ recommendations regarding Military Equipment Use Policy (Sec. III) and include "procedures by which public may register complaints or questions about each equip" and "how LEA will ensure a response in a timely manner." | 4/13/26       | Recommendation will not be included in Draft DGO            | This edit will be forwarded to the SFPD website staff for implementation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | DPA had no additional comment. |