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Subject: **Data Privacy Guidelines Implementation Plan**

As part of its Smart City Initiative, the Technology and Innovation Department (TID) developed a set of Data Privacy Guidelines (Guidelines) intended to provide a framework to help the City of Long Beach (City) incorporate privacy by design as we deploy new technologies and services in Long Beach. The Guidelines were approved by the City Council on March 9, 2021. Since then, TID has worked with the Technology and Innovation Commission (Commission) to develop an Implementation Plan to operationalize the Guidelines through City policies, educational campaigns, and procedures, as appropriate.

The Implementation Plan has been circulated internally for review among the TID Senior Leadership Team, the City Attorney's Office, and several City Departments who manage software and hardware that may pose privacy and security risks. On July 6, 2022, the Commission voted to approve the draft Implementation Plan and recommended that TID begin implementation of the strategies therein.

The Implementation Plan provides 13 tangible recommendations on how to build public trust through excellence in data privacy, data security, and community engagement. Policy recommendations are broken into four categories: capacity building, process, education and communication, and tools recommendations. To help understand the impact and feasibility of the proposed recommendations, each has been evaluated for its community and internal impact, as well as its cost effectiveness and implementation feasibility.

Completing the 13 recommendations in the Implementation Plan is largely dependent on City staff capacity. To that end, TID's top priority is to hire a Data Privacy Analyst that will lead implementation of several high-impact recommendations in the Plan, including development of a data privacy Ordinance, creation of a privacy impact assessment process and proposed use process, and management of a community privacy education campaign. This position has been requested in the Fiscal Year 2023 TID budget. Throughout implementation, TID will continue to work with the Commission, City staff, local stakeholders, and community members.

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ATTACHMENT - DATA PRIVACY GUIDELINES IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

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Data Privacy Guidelines Implementation Plan

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Summary:

In March 2021, the Long Beach City Council adopted [Data Privacy Guidelines](#) to help the City of Long Beach (City) and its partners incorporate privacy by design as we deploy new technologies and new services in Long Beach. The Data Privacy Guidelines (Guidelines) are as follows:

1. **Long Beach will be publicly transparent and accountable** in its collection and management practices of personal data, notwithstanding data requirements mandated by law. This pertains to both intended and potential uses of data, as well as data collection changes over time. The City will solicit individuals' consent when their information is being collected and used. Information will be provided in non-technical language and in English, Spanish, Tagalog, and Khmer, in compliance with the City's Language Access Policy.
2. **Long Beach will work to provide participatory, responsive feedback channels** for residents to inform the City's data collection and usage practices, exercise privacy complaints, and ensure the City is held accountable to these Guidelines. The City will equitably educate communities on its data privacy practices and inform residents how and why the City may be using personal data.
3. **Long Beach will advance digital equity** and prioritize the needs of marginalized communities on matters pertaining to data and information management. The City will enable underserved Long Beach communities to harness digital opportunities and will prioritize these same communities in providing access to data privacy protections.
4. **Long Beach will use data in an ethical and non-discriminatory manner** to not reinforce existing racial biases and prejudiced decision-making. Emerging technology promises many benefits, but may exclude, harm, and even criminalize already marginalized populations if not carefully managed.
 - a. **Long Beach will leverage a racial equity lens** to examine the burdens, benefits, and unintended consequences of data collected for technology projects and applications. The City will practice data integrity and use data for stated and public purposes.
 - b. **Long Beach will never sell, or permit vendors to sell, personally identifiable information (PII) data to third parties and will only use collected data to serve the public good and to bring value to our communities.** Long Beach will limit collection and sharing of personal data for only purposes which are directly relevant and necessary to accomplish a clearly-communicated purpose. This extends to data sharing between third parties. Long Beach will never share PII data with independent third parties without first soliciting individuals' consent unless we are legally required to do so in connection with

law enforcement investigations, mandatory contractual obligations, Public Records Act (PRA) requirements, or other legal proceedings. In these cases where the City must disclose PII as required by law, Long Beach will work to provide notice to affected individuals where possible unless doing so compromises a law enforcement investigation.

- c. **Long Beach will ensure human review of decision frameworks made by algorithms and AI.** Algorithmic and artificial intelligence (AI) technology is increasingly complex and mysterious. The City will use evidence-based practices to evaluate potentially discriminatory consequences of this technology and require human involvement on any decision-making schemas and training input that are informed by outcomes of AI, machine learning algorithms, and related technology.
5. **Long Beach will practice ethical data stewardship** throughout the data lifecycle to minimize misuse of personal data.
- a. **Long Beach will anonymize, deidentify, and/or aggregate** personal information for any City purposes when access to individual records is not expressly needed.
 - b. **Long Beach will work to ensure residents can access and correct their personal data** and provide individuals with the ability to opt out of data collection (without jeopardizing City service quality) when it is not required for a City service.
 - c. **Long Beach will securely retain and store data** only as long as it is needed and in a manner that is consistent with both applicable laws and the context in which it was collected.

The Data Privacy Guidelines Implementation Plan (Plan) aims to operationalize these guidelines and provide the City with next steps on how to build public trust through excellence in data privacy, data security, and community engagement. The Plan was informed by best practices research from the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Privacy Framework and the Cities of Seattle, Portland, Oakland, San Diego, and Boston and the County of Santa Clara contained in the Appendix. Plan recommendations are broken into four categories: capacity building, process, education and communication, and tools recommendations.

Data Privacy Policy Recommendations		Category
1.	Hire Data Privacy Staff	Capacity Building
2.	Explore Feasibility of External Privacy Advisory Commission or Alternative Advisory Structure	Capacity Building
3.	Form an Internal Implementation Workgroup	Capacity Building
4.	Adopt a Data Privacy Ordinance	Process
5.	Publish Privacy Impact Assessments	Process
6.	Publish Proposed Use Policies	Process
7.	Implement Guidelines for Data Collection	Process

8.	Implement Data Privacy in the Procurement and Contracting Process	Process
9.	Launch Data Privacy Website	Education and Communication
10.	Initiate Community Education Campaigns	Education and Communication
11.	Educate Staff on Data Privacy	Education and Communication
12.	Implement Technology to Prevent Data Loss	Tools
13.	Explore Implementation of a Digital Rights Platform	Tools

Capacity Building Recommendations

1. Hire Data Privacy Staff

Description

Adding dedicated staff to create and support data privacy programs is necessary to truly operationalize the Data Privacy Guidelines. While some recommendations may be able to be addressed by existing staff, significant policy changes will require additional staff.

Resources Required

Starting out with one dedicated data privacy analyst can help the City create a data privacy program, process, and resources. As the data privacy program and process is built out, more staff may be needed to run the programs and process, including the creation of a Data Privacy Office with a Chief Data Privacy Officer.

Level of Effort and Time Commitment

This will take a significant effort to dedicate funds to support full-time staff which should be done as part of the annual budget process. TID Leadership will need to prioritize the data privacy initiatives and determine how new and existing staff will support these initiatives.

Guidelines Covered

This recommendation has the potential to cover Data Privacy Guidelines 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5.

2. Explore Feasibility of External Privacy Advisory Commission or Alternative Advisory Structure

Description

To gain public guidance and leadership on data privacy initiatives, the City will explore the feasibility of forming an External Privacy Advisory Commission. An External Privacy Advisory Commission can be utilized to advise TID staff when creating a data privacy program. An Advisory Commission will allow the City to leverage community expertise and will augment staff capacity. TID staff will also explore the feasibility of the following options:

1. Formation of an TIC sub-committee on data privacy; or
2. Formation of an alternative governance model with data privacy subject matter experts.

Regardless of which alternative is implemented, the group will be consulted on an on-going basis for guidance on the City's data privacy programs.

Resources Required

TID staff will need to identify local community leaders from different industries, including technology, data, human rights, and other areas, who can serve on a Privacy Advisory Commission or alternate structure. This commission should be made to reflect the diverse community of Long Beach. There will also need to be support from TID staff to convene this group and present data privacy recommendations for their input and guidance. Furthermore, the commission will need administrative staff support.

Level of Effort and Time Commitment

An External Privacy Advisory Commission requires a fiscal impact analysis and approval by the City Council via Ordinance. This recommendation will require staff time to conduct the fiscal impact analysis, plan the commission's structure and membership, and draft the ordinance over a period six to nine months. Alternative structures will require less time and resources to plan and implement.

Guidelines Covered

This recommendation covers Data Privacy Guidelines 2, 3, and 4.

3. Form an Internal Implementation Workgroup

Description

Forming an internal Implementation Workgroup can help to gain an organizational view of data privacy measures the City may take. This group should consist of representatives from all Departments, especially those who have the most data privacy concerns. Involving representatives from all departments encourages a participatory process and can create ownership of the data privacy process throughout the organization. Involving input from other departments can also help TID staff gain an understanding of the feasibility of data privacy initiatives from an organizational standpoint. This group will also help implement data privacy and equity initiatives throughout the City.

TID staff will present data privacy work to this group and use their feedback to guide their work. This group will be able to provide perspective and validate data privacy work completed by TID staff.

A workgroup can also evolve into a Data Privacy Champions group to continue to build capacity around data privacy. Similar to the Equity Champions in each Department, a data privacy champion would receive training about data privacy and would assist in furthering data privacy efforts in their Department.

Resources Required

This will require facilitation of the workgroup by a TID staff member. There will also need to be organizational buy-in to coordinate representatives from each department. TID staff will need to prepare presentations on work around data privacy and facilitate conversations around data privacy with the group. Furthermore, TID staff will be tasked with implementing suggestions offered by the workgroup.

Level of Effort and Time Commitment

Depending on the frequency that the workgroup meets, this will require staff time to host the meeting and work on initiatives. Implementing a data privacy plan can take over a year. This workgroup could also build upon and leverage members from the City's existing Data Policy Steering Committee (DPSC) and Smart City Initiative Technical Advisory Committee groups led by TID to advance the City's data governance and smart cities goals

Guidelines Covered

This recommendation covers Data Privacy Guidelines 3, 4, and 5.

Process Recommendations

4. Adopt a Data Privacy Ordinance

Description

A Data Privacy Ordinance can provide clear requirements on how the City should operate in protecting residents' data. Nearly all cities with data privacy programs and offices have a Data Privacy or surveillance technology Ordinance that they tie their work to. These Ordinances govern the use of Surveillance technology which is typically defined as any software, electronic device, system utilizing an electronic device, or similar, that is used, designed, or primarily intended to collect, retain, analyze, process, or share audio, electronic, visual, location, thermal, olfactory, biometric, or similar information associated with, or capable of being associated with, any individual or group. A Data Privacy Ordinance can outline what steps the City must take to protect residents when gathering private information and employing new and existing technologies. These Ordinances also create transparent standards for analyzing new technologies and their potential privacy impacts. Many of these Ordinances also call for the City to publish an annual state of privacy report. .

Resources Required

A Data Privacy Ordinance will require the community's and City Council's support in drafting and adopting it.

Level of Effort and Time Commitment

This will require a high level of effort from TID staff to assist in drafting the Ordinance and briefing the City Council and management on its' effects. This process can take about a year.

Guidelines Covered

This recommendation covers Data Privacy Guidelines 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5.

5. Publish Privacy Impact Assessments

Description

Privacy Impact Assessments (PIA) identify the anticipated impact select technologies employed by the City will have on privacy. A PIA asks questions about the collection, use, sharing, security, governance, and access controls for data that is gathered when using a technology or program. It also requests information about policies, training, and documentation that govern the use of the technology. PIAs can include questions that assess a technology's disparate impacts on different racial and ethnic groups.

The results of a PIA are used to determine privacy risks associated with a technology project and suggest mitigations that may reduce some or all of those risks. In cases where risk cannot be appropriately mitigated PIAs can disallow the technology altogether. PIAs should be posted to a public-facing website to promote transparency. PIAs are typically issued through a public process. An example of a process to follow for the PIA is as follows: the Department employing the technology will write the PIA, TID staff will review it, the PIA will be available for public comment and an external advisory structure review, the Department and TID staff will make changes, then the PIA will be adopted by the City Council and posted on the public-facing City website.

These assessments are created internally and posted on external-facing websites for transparency. In most cities and counties PIAs are reserved for surveillance technologies or projects that gather significant personal identifying information. Additionally, criteria about what technologies or programs should go through the PIA process are often outlined and tied to a surveillance ordinance. PIAs can be performed retroactively to identify privacy risks and offer mitigation recommendations for existing technologies. With new technologies, the PIA can accompany the contract approval of the technology but does not need to be approved before the City enters into an agreement with a vendor.

PIA's can be triggered by a surveillance Ordinance or other established processes or policies determined by the City and established workgroups.

Resources Required

To implement PIAs Citywide, there will need to be organizational and executive buy-in. This will require TID to create a process for completing PIAs, including creating a template, educating staff throughout the City on how to complete a PIA, then serving as a resource to review PIAs and analyze public comments. Staff should also determine how and if PIAs will be tied to City Council approval and/or reviewed by an External Privacy Advisory Commission or alternative structure.

Level of Effort and Time Commitment

This will require effort from TID staff to create the PIA process. Once the process is created, TID staff will act as a facilitator of the process for Departments completing PIAs. This will add another layer of work when implementing new technology but has the benefit of identifying privacy and equity risks before technology or program causes harm. Establishing a PIA process can take about a year to do and is led by one full time employee. After establishing the process, it can take departments around 1-3 months to complete a PIA.

Guidelines Covered

This recommendation covers Data Privacy Guidelines 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5.

6. Publish Proposed Use Policies

Description

Proposed Use Policies create a transparent guideline for how select technologies can be used. Use policies can outline the purpose, authorized use, data collection, data access, data protection, data retention, public access, third-party data-sharing, training, auditing and oversight, and maintenance of technologies used by the City. Proposed Use Policies should be posted to a public-facing City website.

Resources Required

To implement this process Citywide there will need to be organizational and executive buy-in. This will require the Department that is implementing policy to assist in filling out the use policy and TID staff to review the use policy. Staff should also determine how Proposed Use Policies will be reviewed by the public or an External Privacy Advisory Commission or alternate structure.

Level of Effort and Time Commitment

TID staff will need to create a proposed use policy template. Both Departmental and TID staff time will be required to complete use policies for new or existing technologies considered for use. Use policies can take about 1-3 months to be completed.

Guidelines Covered

This recommendation covers Data Privacy Guidelines 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5.

7. Implement Guidelines for Data Collection

Description

Guidelines for Data Collection provide general recommendations to staff about how to collect data and protect the privacy of residents. An example guideline in the City's [Equitable Data Collection Toolkit](#) which provides staff with best practices for designing and distributing demographic surveys. Creating these Guidelines can inform staff about when to collect private data, best practices in collecting private data, and how to manage and store this data. These guidelines can encourage staff to limit their collection of personal information when distributing surveys or collecting data during public engagement events.

Resources Required

This recommendation requires TID Staff and Departments to create these guidelines. TID staff will also create a shareable document with guidelines on when to collect personal identifying information and recommendations for mitigating privacy risks. In other cities, there is typically one full-time employee leading this work as well as other data privacy projects.

Level of Effort and Time Commitment

This will require effort from TID staff to create the document and promotion of these guidelines to all departments. It can take around 3 months to develop this type of document. The document should be updated annually.

Guidelines Covered

This recommendation covers Data Privacy Guidelines 4 and 5.

8. Implement Data Privacy in the Procurement and Contracting Process

Description

The Data Privacy Guidelines should be embedded into the work vendors and external partners undertake. This can be achieved by adding screening questions about data privacy and equity into vendor contracts, the Vendor Information Security Assessment (VISA) Questionnaire, and the City's Request for Proposal (RFP) Template.

Resources Required

This requires TID staff time to review these documents and insert screening questions that can help the City understand how the vendor will collect and manage sensitive data.

Procurement staff will also need to review these questions and implement them into these forms. Language regarding data privacy would also be drafted and included in contracts with vendors and external partners.

Level of Effort and Time Commitment

Both TID and Procurement staff time will be required to implement screening questions into these forms and City Attorney staff to draft the language to be included in contracts. After this, staff must be trained on how to assess answers to these questions when reviewing RFPs. The initial process should take around 3 months to complete.

Guidelines Covered

This recommendation covers Data Privacy Guidelines 4 and 5.

Education and Communication Recommendations

9. Launch Data Privacy Website

Description

A data privacy website can serve as a central page to inform the community on what work is being done around the Data Privacy Guidelines. This website will increase transparency about data privacy in the City and can serve as a hub for data privacy resources.

Resources Required

This will require TID staff to create a new webpage for data privacy, and input resources and updates about data privacy on the webpage. The webpage will require maintenance on a regular basis.

Level of Effort and Time Commitment

A data privacy website will require support from existing TID staff. The process of creating the website can take around 1-2 months and should be updated regularly to reflect data privacy work.

Guidelines Covered

This recommendation covers Data Privacy Guidelines 1, 2, and 3.

10. Initiate Community Education Campaigns

Description

Community Education Campaigns can serve as a tool to educate residents about data privacy and how the City utilizes data. This can be done by creating materials that outline data privacy precautions residents can make and distributing these materials at community events. Specific events around data privacy can also be held to engage residents on their data privacy rights. Staff should consult and engage communities most impacted by the potential use of technologies, like BIPOC and immigrant communities, in their community engagement efforts.

Outreach to the public may also include gathering public comment on PIAs and Proposed Use Policies and using the feedback gathered to review a PIA or proposed use policy before it is formally published.

Resources Required

This will require TID staff to create materials and a curriculum around data privacy that will engage residents. Creating these materials can be done by existing TID staff or an intern. After this, TID staff should identify events and opportunities to share these resources requiring coordination with other City events and the creation of specific data privacy events.

Level of Effort and Time Commitment

Identifying data privacy resources and creating materials can take around 2 to 3 months. After the creation of the resources, they should be distributed and promoted to residents on an ongoing basis which will require TID staff time. Beyond this, planning data privacy specific events will be an ongoing effort.

Guidelines Covered

This recommendation covers Data Privacy Guidelines 2 and 3.

11. Educate Staff on Data Privacy

Description

To implement the Data Privacy Guidelines throughout the City, staff must be aware of the data collection guidelines and other measures they can take to protect residents' data. This can be accomplished through annual training and capacity building such as an Annual Security and Awareness Training. Online training materials about data privacy can also be distributed to employees instead of a workshop/meeting. Ultimately, educating staff on data privacy (and any related policies) will show them that taking data privacy precautions is not a roadblock to their work.

Resources Required

This would require TID staff to coordinate and prepare training materials for City staff. There would need to be proper video-conferencing tools to host a large training as well.

Level of Effort and Time Commitment

This recommendation requires organizational buy-in to coordinate a City-wide training. TID Staff would need to identify which staff from each Department would benefit most from this type of workshop. Preparing and distributing electronic training materials would also require TID staff time to create the documents and Citywide coordination to distribute them to staff. This requires an ongoing annual effort from TID staff to update training materials.

Guidelines Covered

This recommendation covers Data Privacy Guidelines 4 and 5.

Tools Recommendations

12. Implement Technology to Prevent Data Loss

Description

Data loss prevention (DLP) software, also known as data leak prevention software, is used to secure and control access to sensitive information. This helps to ensure regulatory compliance (e.g. HIPAA, PCI, etc.) A key component of DLP solutions is distribution control, which ensures users do not send private information outside of organizational networks.

Security staff and network administrators set organizational rules that determine who can view, change, and share confidential data. DLP tools often control data on both the network and endpoint level to ensure policies remain consistent across the company. These tools are used to ensure the protection of data and prevent leaks by internal sources.

There are overlaps between DLP tools and some governance, risk and compliance (GRC) software, but these tools are specifically geared toward data control. GRC software are used to manage the flow and accessibility of information within an organization and can be used to identify risks, implement policies, and track compliance.

Resources Required

This will require TID staff to request the purchase of this software and identify the best DLP software for the organization. Funding would also need to be secured through the budget process. TID staff will then need to implement the software and educate staff on its purpose.

Level of Effort and Time Commitment

This will likely need to go through the RFP process and may take several months to select a software. There will need to be time allotted to allow for the implementation of the software.

Guidelines Covered

This recommendation covers Data Privacy Guidelines 1 and 5.

13. Explore Implementation of a Digital Rights Platform

Description

During community engagement sessions conducted by the City to develop the Data Privacy Guidelines, Long Beach residents urged the City to provide greater transparency and accountability regarding the use of data collected through surveillance technologies, such as automated license plate readers and security cameras.

The City could advance transparency and accountability by exploring the creation of a digital rights platform to provide community members with a clear understanding of how City technology may collect, use, share, and store personal data. The digital rights platform would consist of two elements. First, the platform will feature iconography that visually conveys how the City is using specific technologies and what data the devices collect (the iconography may exist as physical signage or be accessed digitally). This array of information points could be strategically located across the City adjacent to or embedded within civic technologies (e.g. sensors, cameras, mobile payment kiosks, a 311 app). Second, the platform would include a digital feedback application where residents may learn additional details and share comments/concerns with the City.

Resources Required

This recommendation will require TID staff to conduct research on potential digital rights platforms. If TID decides to move forward with implementation, this will require staff to solicit solutions via an RFP, as well as technical staff to implement the solution. Funding would also need to be secured through the budget process. TID staff will also need to coordinate user testing with Long Beach residents and collaborate with other Departments such as Public Works and Police for integration with technology devices and systems.

Level of Effort and Time Commitment

This will likely need to go through the RFP process and may take several months to select a platform. There will need to be time allotted to allow for the implementation of the software.

Guidelines Covered

This recommendation covers Data Privacy Guidelines 1 and 2.

Recommendations' Impact and Feasibility

To help understand the impact and feasibility of the proposed recommendations, each recommendation has been evaluated for its community and internal impact, cost effectiveness and implementation feasibility, as well as dependencies on completion of other precursor recommendations. This can help staff prioritize how to implement these recommendations.

	Recommendation	Overall Impact	Overall Feasibility	Dependencies
1	Hire Data Privacy Staff	Highest Impact	Low Feasibility	-
2	Explore Feasibility of External Privacy Advisory Commission or Alternative Advisory Structure	High Impact	Low Feasibility	Recommendation 1
3	Form an Internal Implementation Workgroup	Low Impact	Medium Feasibility	-
4	Adopt a Data Privacy Ordinance	Highest Impact	Medium Feasibility	Recommendation 1
5	Publish Privacy Impact Assessments	Highest Impact	Medium Feasibility	Recommendation 4
6	Publish Proposed Use Policies	Highest Impact	Medium Feasibility	Recommendation 4
7	Implement Guidelines for Data Collection	High Impact	Highest Feasibility	-
8	Implement Data Privacy in the Procurement and Contracting Process	High Impact	Highest Feasibility	-
9	Launch Data Privacy Website	High Impact	High Feasibility	-
10	Initiate Community Education Campaign	High Impact	Medium Feasibility	-
11	Educate Staff on Data Privacy	Medium Impact	High Feasibility	-
12	Implement Technology to Prevent Data Loss	Medium Impact	Low Feasibility	Recommendation 1
13	Explore Implementation of a Digital Rights Platform	High Impact	Low Feasibility	Recommendation 1

Next Steps and Timeline

Implementing the Data Privacy Guidelines is largely dependent on City staff capacity. Understanding this, the Technology and Innovation Department (TID) has requested the addition of a Data Privacy Analyst (Recommendation #1) in the FY 23 budget. The addition of at least one staff member dedicated to data privacy will add focused staff capacity and increase the feasibility of implementing the following high-impact recommendations: External Privacy Advisory Commission or Alternative Advisory Structure, Adopt a Data Privacy Ordinance, Privacy Impact Assessments, and Proposed Use Policies by the end of FY 23. Implementation of Technology to Prevent Data Loss and a Digital Rights Platform would require resources to be identified and longer lead times due to procurement and implementation processes.

Even without the additional staff member, existing TID staff is dedicated to continuing to advance the Data Privacy Guidelines Implementation Plan. Staff is already making progress on developing Guidelines for Data Collection and Implementing Data Privacy in the Procurement and Contracting Process. Additionally, the City's existing Data Policy Steering Committee Workgroup can be utilized as the Internal Implementation Workgroup, and staff will continue to consult with the Technology & Innovation Commission on implementation of the Data Privacy Guidelines. Recommendations that do not necessarily require additional staff include Community Education Campaigns, Educating Staff on Data Privacy, and creating a Data Privacy Website; however, work on these will occur at a slower pace without the addition of a dedicated Data Privacy staff member.

Appendix: Best Practice Research

National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Privacy Framework

[NIST Privacy Framework: A Tool for Improving Privacy through Enterprise Risk Management](#)

The NIST Privacy Framework helps organizations build better privacy foundations by bringing privacy risk into parity. The NIST Privacy Framework can be utilized to implement privacy risk management in the organization. When used as a risk management tool, the Privacy Framework can assist an organization in its efforts to optimize beneficial uses of data and the development of innovative systems, products, and services while minimizing adverse consequences for individuals. The Privacy Framework can help organizations answer the fundamental question, "How are we considering the impacts to individuals as we develop our systems, products, and services?" When implementing these recommendations, the NIST Privacy Framework can help to ensure the programs, procedures, and processes built protect the individual and the organization.

Hire Data Privacy Staff

City of Portland

The City of Portland's data privacy programs are led by one Program Coordinator. This Program Coordinator's main role is to create a data privacy toolkit and educate other department staff on data privacy.

City of Seattle

The City of Seattle has a fully staffed data privacy office, including 3 Privacy Analysts, 1 Manager, and 1 Chief Privacy Officer. This allows them to have a more robust data privacy program. Their office acts as consultants and guides to other departments interested in utilizing a new technology. They also manage the City's data privacy programs.

City of Oakland

The City of Oakland has a Commission liaison that supports the work of their Advisory Commission.

Explore Feasibility of External Privacy Advisory Commission or Other Advisory Structure

City of Seattle

In the [City of Seattle](#), staff utilized a Privacy Advisory Committee of area data privacy thought leaders from academia, local companies, private legal practice, and community activist groups to provide best practices recommendations on their data privacy programs.

City of Oakland

The [City of Oakland](#) utilizes a Privacy Advisory Commission to provide advice on best practices to protect residents' privacy rights in connection with the City of Oakland's purchase and use of surveillance equipment and other technology that collects or stores data. This Commission also approves Impact Assessments and Use Policies for the City of Oakland. The commission members are officially appointed by the Mayor.

Form an Internal Implementation Workgroup

City of Portland

The City of Portland has utilized a Data Privacy Implementation Workgroup to guide their data privacy efforts and implement data privacy programs throughout the organization. One Data Privacy Program Manager leads this Workgroup in Portland. In the [City of Portland](#), one FTE is devoted to data privacy and leads the workgroup.

City of Seattle

A workgroup can also evolve into a Data Privacy Champions group to continue to build capacity around data privacy. A data privacy champion would receive training about data privacy and would assist in furthering data privacy efforts in their Department. [The City of Seattle](#) has piloted this model to help implement data programs in the organization.

Adopt a Data Privacy Ordinance

City of San Diego

The City of San Diego's Surveillance Ordinance, the [Transparent and Responsible Use of Surveillance Technology \(TRUST\) ordinance](#), establishes processes for creating transparency, accountability, and public deliberation informing the City of San Diego's acquisition and usage of surveillance technology.

Note:

Many cities have used the [ACLU's Community Control Over Police Surveillance \(CCOPS\) Model Bill](#) as a reference and guide when drafting their own legislation.

Privacy Impact Assessments

Federal Government Practices

The Department of Justice released Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) guidance for [State, Local, and Tribal Justice Entities](#). A PIA aids in privacy policy development by allowing organizations analyze privacy risks and exposures of data storage and information sharing. Policies following the PIA should address these privacy risks.

A PIA should be conducted to evaluate privacy implications when information systems are created, when existing systems are significantly modified, and also at any other time.

The Department of Education's [PIA inventory](#), provides examples of the agency's PIAs and guidance on what a PIA should include.

The objectives of a PIA include:

- Provide a tool to make informed policy and system design or procurement decisions based on an understanding of privacy risks and options available for mitigating these risks.
- Ensure that system and program managers are accountable for the proper handling of privacy issues.

- Establish a consistent format and structured process for analyzing both technical and legal compliance with applicable privacy laws and regulations, as well as accepted privacy policy.
- Provide basic documentation on the flow of personal information within systems for use and review by policy, program, and management staff; systems analysts; and security specialists.
- Provide the public with assurances that their personal information is protected.

Local Government Practices

Local governments use tools similar to PIAs to identify privacy risks and communicate with these risks to the public.

Several organizations including the [City of Oakland](#) and Seattle and the [County of Santa Clara](#) publish Privacy Impact Assessments.

City of Seattle

The City of Seattle's issues Surveillance [Impact Reports](#) (SIR) and [Privacy Reviews](#).

There are several steps the City of Seattle takes to review surveillance technologies. This process allows for the staff to review policies, identify surveillance data risks, and gain public feedback.

1. Upcoming for review: This stage denotes that the technology is upcoming for review, but the department has not begun drafting the Surveillance Impact Report (SIR).
2. Initial draft: Research and documentation about the technology is drafted and compiled during this stage.
3. Public Comment: The initial draft of the SIR and supporting materials have been released for public review and comment. During this time, one or more public meetings will take place to solicit feedback.
4. Final draft: During this stage the SIR, including collection of all public comments related to the specific technology, is being compiled and finalized.
5. Working Group: The Surveillance Advisory Working Group will review each SIR final draft and complete a Civil Liberties and Privacy Assessment, which will then be included with the SIR and submitted to Council.
6. SIR finalization: During this stage the final SIR is being compiled, including the CTO Response to the Working Group's Privacy and Civil Liberties Impact Assessment, fiscal note, and drafted legislation.
7. Council Review: The technology is transmitted to City Council for review and determination for use.

The City of Seattle also uses Privacy Impact Assessments (PIA) to conduct in-depth privacy reviews of a programs or projects.

PIAs ask questions about the collection, use, sharing, security and access controls for data that is gathered using a technology or program. They also request information about policies, training and documentation that govern use of the technology. The PIA responses are used to determine privacy risks associated with a project and mitigations that may reduce some or all of those risks.

To promote transparency, the City of Seattle publishes all PIAs on their website.

The City of Seattle conducts a PIA in two circumstances.

- When a project, technology, or other review has been flagged as having a high privacy risk.
- When a technology is required to complete the Surveillance Impact Report process. This is one deliverable that comprises the report.

The City of Seattle uses a PIA template and guidelines to create a standard for their PIAs. Guidelines include that reports must be drafted without the use of acronyms, slang, or other terms which may not be well-known to external audiences. Additionally, the City of Seattle requires that PIAs principally use non-technical language to ensure they are accessible to audiences unfamiliar with the topic.

County of Santa Clara

The County of Santa Clara issues [Surveillance Assessments](#), for new technologies used by the County. Surveillance Assessments are approved by the Board of Supervisors. The Surveillance Assessments include these sections:

1. Purpose
2. Authorized and Prohibited Uses
3. Data Collection
4. Data Access
5. Data Protection
6. Data Retention
7. Public Access
8. Third-Party Data-Sharing
9. Training
10. Oversight

City of Oakland

The City of Oakland issues [Impact Reports and Use Policies](#) for new technologies. In the [City of Oakland, Proposed Use Policies](#) accompany PIAs and clearly outline the uses of certain technologies.

Impact reports include these sections:

1. Information Describing the Technology and How it Works
2. Proposed Purpose
3. Locations of Deployment
4. Potential Impact on Civil Liberties and Privacy
5. Mitigations
6. Data Types and Sources
7. Data Security
8. Fiscal Cost
9. Third Party Dependence
10. Alternatives
11. Track Record

Use policies include these sections:

1. Purpose
2. Authorized Use
3. Data Collection
4. Data Access
5. Data protection
6. Data retention
7. Public Access
8. Third-Party Data-Sharing
9. Training
10. Auditing and oversight
11. Maintenance

Launch Data Privacy Website

City of Seattle

The [City of Seattle](#) has a more robust data privacy website including Privacy Impact Assessments and other data privacy initiatives.

City of Oakland

The [City of Oakland](#) utilizes a centralized website to post all Privacy Impact Assessments and Use Reports.

Initiate Community Education Campaigns

City of Portland

The City of Portland has planned data privacy events where residents can learn about [Digital Justice, Digital Rights, and Surveillance Technologies](#). They have also created a [Community Leads Campaign](#) where they are contracting (in practice, subcontracting) community organizers to directly guide the public outreach around data privacy and surveillance.

Educate Staff on Data Privacy

City of Seattle

The City of [Boston partnered with Helpful Places](#) to test out an iconography and feedback platform for sensors in the public realm to enable residents to actively take part in shaping data collection practices. Their goal was to ensure residents stay informed on the current technologies they use in the public realm and can provide feedback.

City of Boston

The City of Seattle hosts an Annual Security and Awareness Training where they inform staff about how data privacy principles impact their work and their role in the data privacy programs..

Explore Implementation of a Digital Rights Platform

Privacy Matrices

Creating a data risk classification matrix is another tool to assess risk. A data risk matrix classifies information assets into risk categories to determine who may access the information and what minimum security precautions must be taken to protect it against unauthorized access.

[University of Pittsburgh Data Risk Classification and Compliance](#)