



Wayzata Police Department Body Worn Camera Policy Survey

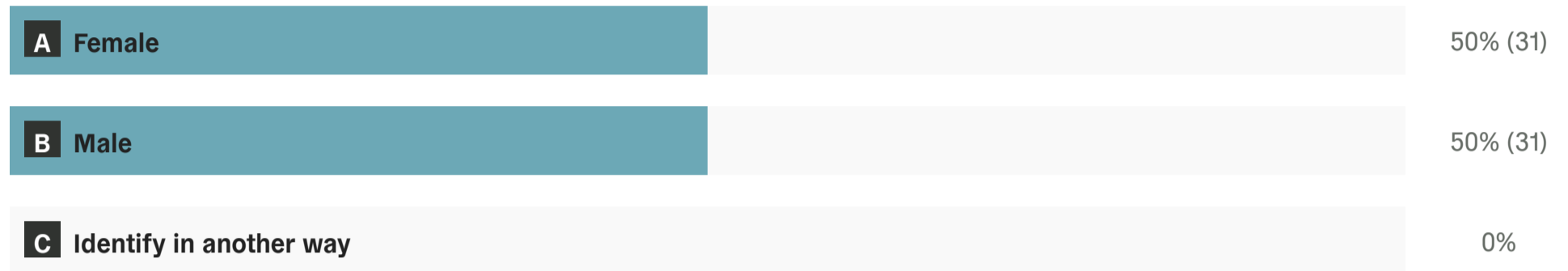
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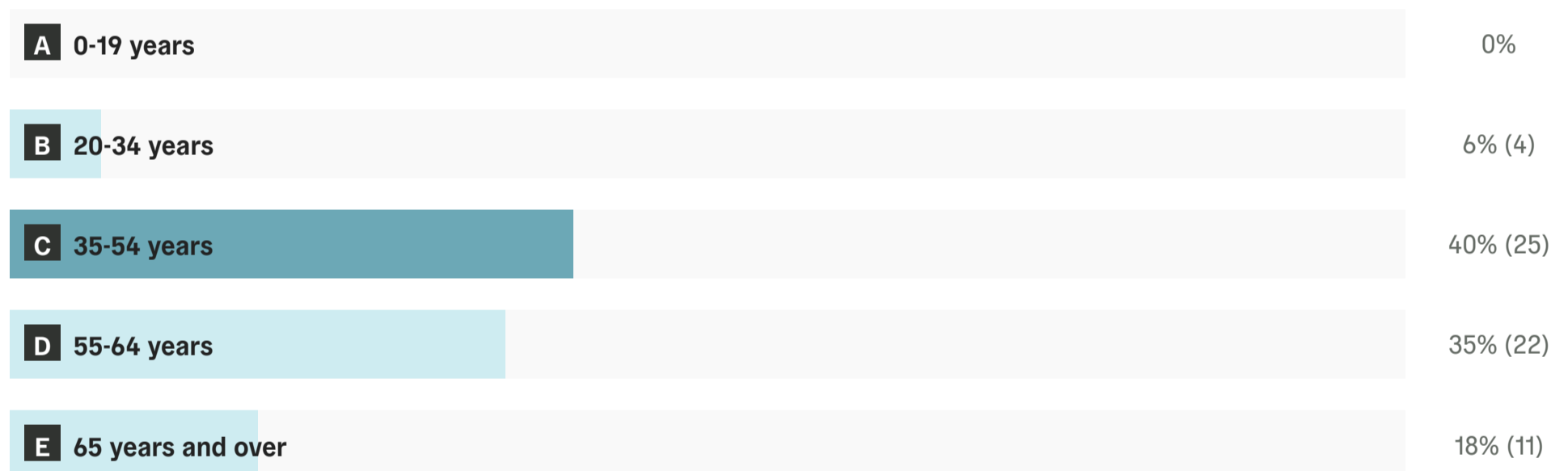
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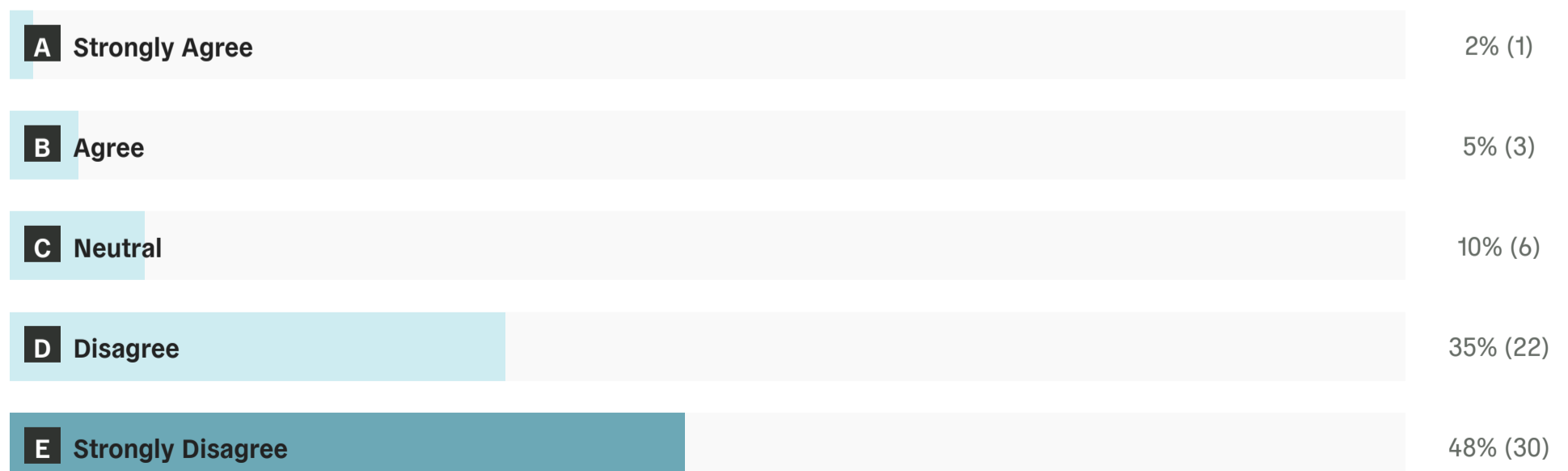
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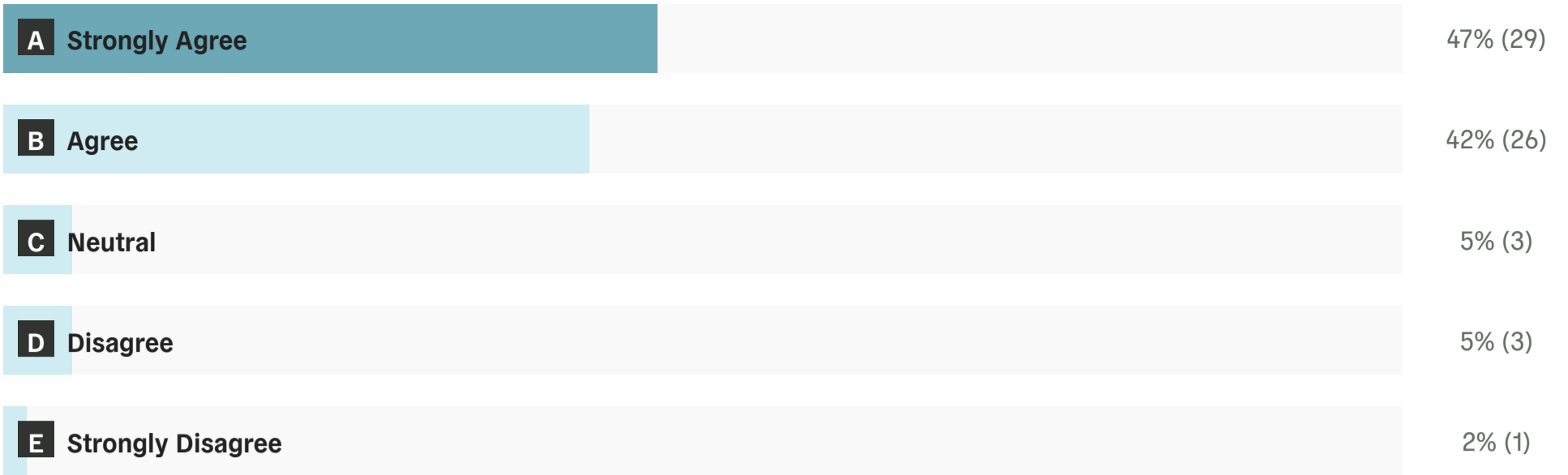
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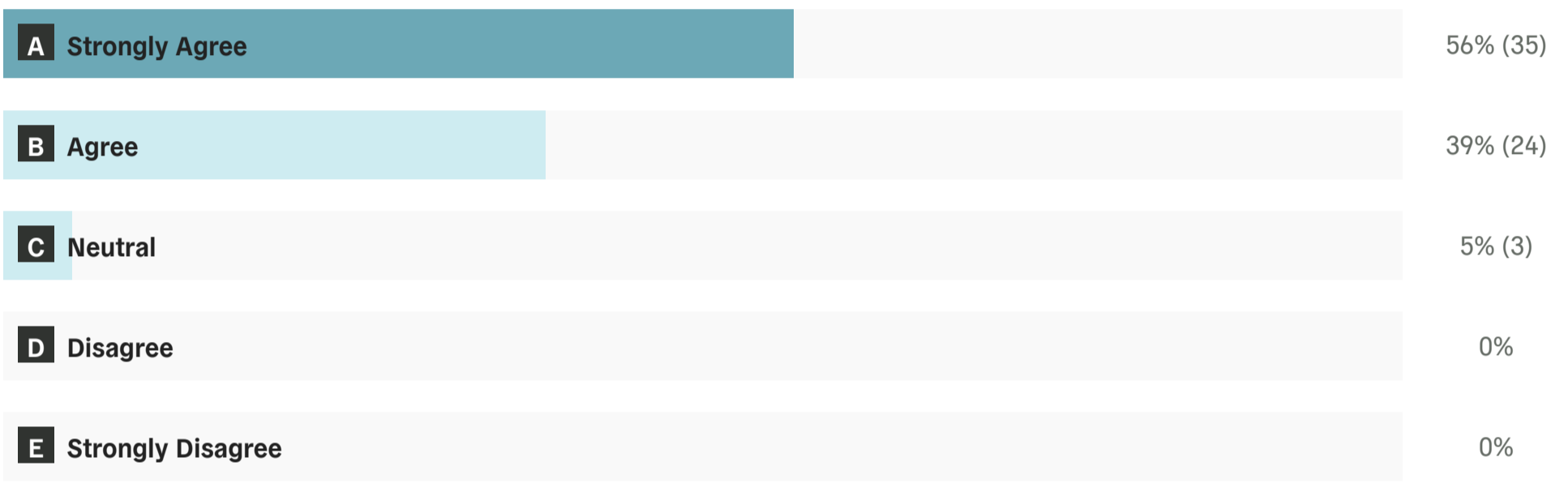
I feel concerned about my privacy when having to deal with officers wearing body cameras.



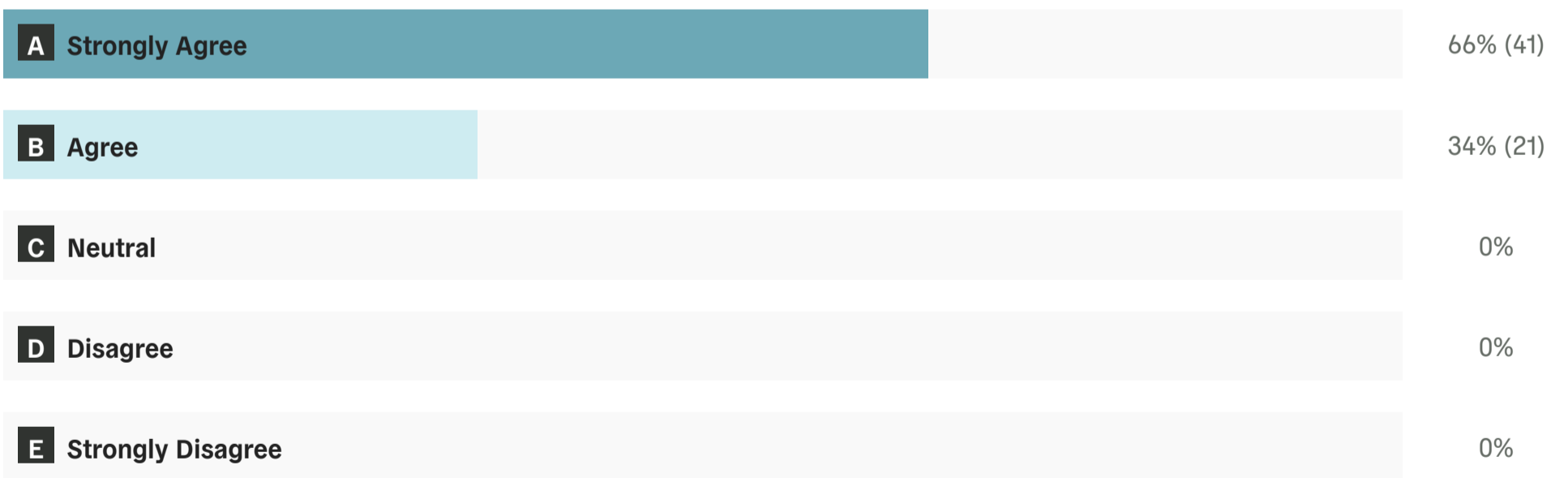
An interaction with the police is less likely to result in a confrontation if everybody knows the interaction is being recorded with body worn video.



Police use of body worn video is a step in the right direction.



Body worn video protects police against false accusations.



Police should be required to notify individuals when they are being recorded on body worn video.



E Strongly Disagree 13% (8)

I feel safer when a police officer is wearing a video camera.

A Strongly Agree 44% (27)

B Agree 31% (19)

C Neutral 21% (13)

D Disagree 3% (2)

E Strongly Disagree 2% (1)

It is acceptable for Police to record body worn video as part of their official duties.

A Strongly Agree 58% (36)

B Agree 37% (23)

C Neutral 5% (3)

D Disagree 0%

E Strongly Disagree 0%

An officer should be able to view (not edit) body worn video prior to writing a report.

A Strongly Agree 34% (21)

B Agree 40% (25)

C Neutral 15% (9)

D Disagree 8% (5)

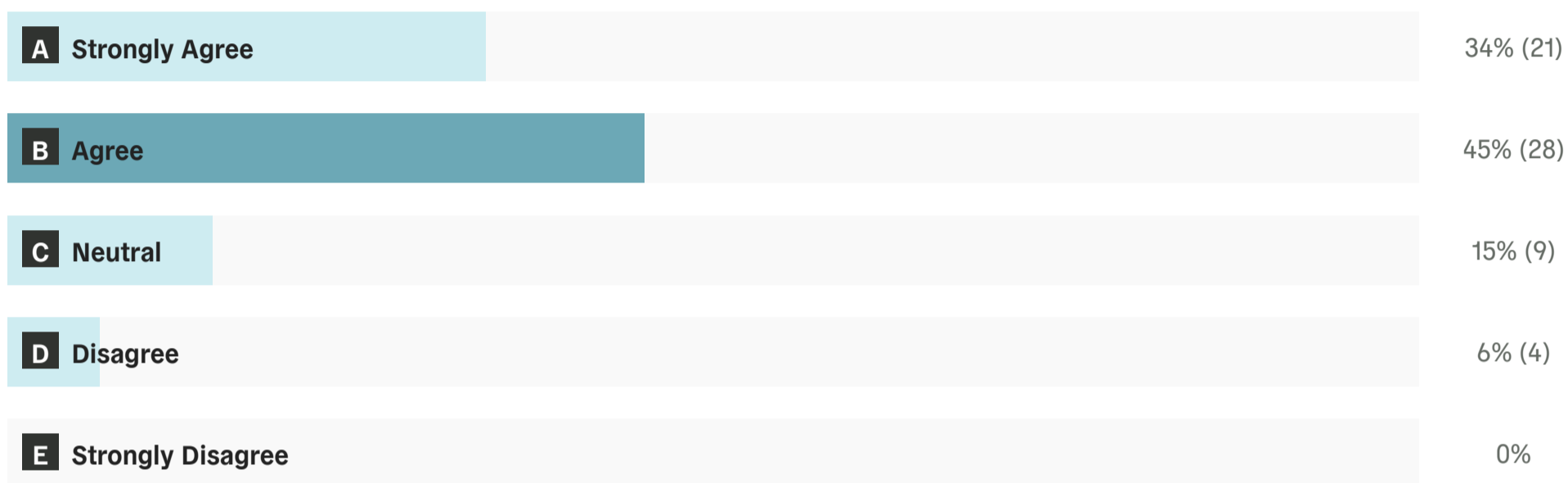
E Strongly Disagree 3% (2)

All police interactions with the public should be recorded with body worn video.

A Strongly Agree 42% (26)



Police officers collect body worn video to protect me.



Are there specific questions you believe the Wayzata Police Department's body worn camera policy should address?

By individual officer, what is your answers to the questions we just answered from your concept and perception?

The policy of turning the camera off. What will be the policy of releasing footage whether it clears and officer or not. What is done when video is appropriately shared (nude video, graphic, etc). How long is video kept that is not part of a criminal proceeding?

will these videos be reviewed regularly?

What role does body camera footage play when police are responding to medical emergencies in their communities?

Thank you for the survey!

I believe that routine interaction with police should not require body camera use, Police should turn their camera on when the interaction becomes non-routine, or when there is evidence that a law has been broken. (other than minor traffic infractions).

No questions. My family supports the Police Department 100%, and if they need body cam footage to protect themselves from false accusations, it is fine by us.

Fines and suspension, etc when someone turns off their camera. Cannot allow some incidents to be filmed and others not. I'm in favor of The ability for people to "screen" their personal identifying information (address, name, etc) from the general public, especially if a mental health condition is the underlying issue and reason for the call vs a crime (ie, Probably not a good idea to be posting all film publicly unless there is a dispute. Allow citizens to protect their ID if desired, within reason). Use common sense to protect privacy.

Body cams should be auto-on. Police shouldn't have to turn it on - they may forget or selectively omit when they don't want to record

No

When police are required to turn them on. It should be all the time.

Policy for disciplining officers if they don't reliably or consistently use their PRS.

Security of stored body cam video e.g. against tampering or unauthorized access

This is not a question, but a comment. As a person who has had the opportunity to ride numerous times (15+ years ago) with many impressive officers of two suburban metro-mpls police departments, I can see how the use of a body cam can be a real benefit (potentially to both the officer and the citizen) and also "one more thing to manage in a quickly unfolding situation". I'm sure it can be a powerful training tool, and a way to recall very dynamic situations. Hopefully, it is not in any way a liability to the officer as one more thing to think of when timing counts. My hope is that this tool will be an enhancement to the job and not an encumbrance. With that,

thank you for what you do to keep us safe, and act as a valuable resource! We hope that unsuitable cops can be dealt with so that the good cops can do what they do so well! Thank you for being there for us!

Are there questions community advocates should ask Wayzata Police Department during the development of the body camera program?

What is done with the digital recordings? Hourly? Daily? Weekly? Monthly? Quarterly or annually or forever? Is this like DNA evidence that remains part of every interaction in perpetuity?

Yes, what about gun cameras in addition to or in place of, body cameras. They are less money and are made locally in Maple Plain. Viridian Weapon Technologies.

will they be on at all times? not have the ability to be turned off?

Does the body camera policy and system include night vision capability?

Thank you for the opportunity!

What is best practice to protect the public in allowing police to review or not review recorded video prior to writing a report?

Not really a question but I would like to have normal day-day conversations with police without it being recorded. I also believe there should be a high bar for release of any recordings regardless of whether or not a law has been broken.

Will they be able to turn it off? Why?

Are body worn camera recording audited to find police that may be breaking rules unknowingly or knowingly? Who should be doing the auditing to ensure there's no conflict of interest?

Whose input has been gathered in this process? The police work for the people, and if the surveys have mostly been encouraged by police officers asking friends/ family to take it, or if the police force is equal or greater than the voice of citizens, that's not democracy. It should be citizen's choice, with strong police input AND what the data says around impact and risks of body cams.

No

Why would cops prefer not to do cams? It seems like it's a win-win for all parties.

When pulling people over and as soon as they turn their camera on, should they record their initial reason or rationale for pulling someone over?

How do the Wayzata Police officers feel about this, pros/cons?

I think regarding the officer reviewing video prior to writing reports: the procedure that Wayzata adopts should be the procedure that offers the highest level of protection and service to the public. Moreover, the procedure Wayzata uses should be whatever procedure is considered best practice across the nation. The Volusia County Sheriff's Dept of Florida has become a model of success for training officers to serve a diverse population. I would like our police dept to adopt regular training that is similar to that of Volusia County.

