

September 24, 2025

Prince George's County Council Wayne K. Curry Administration Building Largo, MD 20774

To: The Honorable Edward Burroughs, County Council Chair

CC: All Prince George's County Council Members

Subject: Request for Approval — Stop Sign Enforcement Cameras in Forest Heights

Dear Chair Burroughs and Members of the Council,

I are writing to formally request your support and approval to install stop sign enforcement cameras in Forest Heights, pursuant to HB364. As you know, this landmark legislation made Prince George's County the first in the nation to authorize automated stop sign enforcement — and we're proud to take part in this innovative push for safer streets.

Our children and pedestrians are at risk. Across key intersections in our community, flagrant stop sign violations have become a daily threat. Traffic studies show violations at rates as high as 80%—with hundreds of violations daily. The danger is real, and the time to act is now.

The stop sign program is already providing tremendous results for eight (8) PG County municipalities showing a 50-65% reduction in violations in the first 4 months of deployment!

Why We're Acting Now

We have conducted multiple traffic studies at dangerous intersections in our community, gathering detailed video evidence and violation data. Our findings include:

Study #1: N/B Arapahoe Dr at Livingston Road

- Number of Vehicles Per Day: 167
- Number of Stop Sign Violators / Day: 76
- <u>Video Evidence Link</u>

Study #2: Comanche Dr at Livingston Rd E

- Number of Vehicles Per Day: 223
- Number of Stop Sign Violators / Day: 156
- Video Evidence Link

Study #3: Indian Head Service Rd at Talbert Dr NB

- Number of Vehicles Per Day: 979
- Number of Stop Sign Violators / Day: 772
- Video Evidence Link

Study #4: Indian Service Rd at Livingston Rd SB

- Number of Vehicles Per Day: 132
- Number of Stop Sign Violators / Day: 99
- Video Evidence Link

Study #5: Ottawa St at Comanche Dr SE

- Number of Vehicles Per Day: 150
- Number of Stop Sign Violators / Day: 125
- Video Evidence Link

Study #6: Ottawa St at Terrell Ave NW

- Number of Vehicles Per Day: 104
- Number of Stop Sign Violators / Day: 83
- Video Evidence Link

Study #7: Quade St at Comanche Dr SE

- Number of Vehicles Per Day: 75
- Number of Stop Sign Violators / Day: 72
- Video Evidence Link

Study #8: Ottawa St at Terrell Ave SE

- Number of Vehicles Per Day: 227
- Number of Stop Sign Violators / Day: 176
- Video Evidence Link

Study #9: Woodland Dr at Seneca Dr NB

- Number of Vehicles Per Day: 612
- Number of Stop Sign Violators / Day: 556
- Video Evidence Link

Study #10: Seneca Dr at Mohican Dr NB

- Number of Vehicles Per Day: 480
- Number of Stop Sign Violators / Day: 389
- Video Evidence Link

Study #11: Seneca Dr at Mohican Dr SB

- Number of Vehicles Per Day: 432
- Number of Stop Sign Violators / Day: 273
- Video Evidence Link

This level of noncompliance is not just alarming — it's an emergency.

We are therefore requesting the County Council's approval to install **up to 11 stop sign cameras** at the following high-risk locations:

- 1. Arapahoe Dr at Livings NB
- 2. Comanche Dr at Livingston Rd E
- 3. Indian Head Service Rd at Talbert Dr NB
- 4. Indian Service Rd at Livingston Rd SB
- 5. Ottawa St at Comanche Dr SE
- 6. Ottawa St at Terrell Ave NW
- 7. Quade St at Comanche Dr SE
- 8. Ottawa St at Terrell Ave SE
- 9. Woodland Dr at Seneca Dr NB
- 10. Seneca Dr at Mohican Dr NB
- 11. Seneca Dr at Mohican Dr SB

Rate of Occurrence - The Town is experiencing hundreds of violations daily and this legislative body, along with the Chief of Police, are fearful these infractions can result in a tragic incident if not prevented. This letter seeks approval from Prince George's County Council to quickly authorize the placement of additional stop sign enforcement cameras in our jurisdiction. On behalf of the Town, we appreciate any consideration given in advance and patiently look forward to your response.

Let's Drive Safer.

Sincerely,

Troy Barrington Lilly

Mayor, Town of Forest Heights

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