

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2025 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-058-2025

Proposed by Council Member Fisher

Introduced by Council Members Fisher, Watson, Blegay, Olson, Burroughs, Oriadha,
Hawkins, Ivey and Dernoga

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction May 27, 2025

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Stop Sign Monitoring Systems - City of Mt. Rainier

3 For the purpose of providing County Council approval of locations for stop sign monitoring
 4 systems in the City of Mt. Rainier, and generally regarding stop sign monitoring systems.

5 WHEREAS, the City of Mt. Rainier seeks County Council approval for installing Stop Sign
 6 Enforcement Cameras pursuant to the Md. Transportation Article, Sec. 21-707.1(c)(2)(i) and
 7 Sec. 21-707.1(c)(2)(ii) and Prince George's County Code, Sec. 26-120.02(c)(2)(B) and Prince
 8 George's County Code, Sec. 26-120.02(c)(2)(C), Attachment 1 - CB-84-2024; and

9 WHEREAS, Md. Transportation Article, Sec. 21-707.1(c)(2)(i) provides that an agency
 10 may use stop sign monitoring systems on highways located in a school zone maintained by a
 11 local jurisdiction, if authorized by the governing body of the local jurisdiction, Attachment 2 -
 12 Ordinance 04-2024, City of Mt. Rainier and Attachment 3 - Official Minutes of the City of Mt.
 13 Rainier - Public Hearing Regarding Ordinance No. 04-2024 and

14 WHEREAS, Md. Transportation Article, Sec. 21-707.1(c)(2)(ii) provides that a stop sign
 15 monitoring system may only be used at a location approved by the Prince George's County
 16 Council; and

17 WHEREAS, Prince George's County Code, Sec. 26-120.02(c)(2)(B) provides that stop sign
 18 monitoring systems may only be used at a location approved by the Prince George's County
 19 Council and Sec. 26-120.02(c)(2)(C) provides that Council approval of the location of stop sign
 20 monitoring systems used by municipalities shall be by Council resolution upon receipt of a letter
 21 requesting such approval; and
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1 WHEREAS, the County Council is in receipt of the City of Mt. Rainier's request letter
2 and supporting documents for locations of stop sign monitoring systems for review and approval
3 by the County Council, Attachment 4 - Letter from Kourosh Kamali, City Manager, City of Mt.
4 Rainier, MD to Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the County Council, dated February 14, 2025
5 Regarding Installation of Stop Sign Enforcement Cameras within the City of Mt. Rainier, MD;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, Attachment 4 provides the list of locations identified for stop sign monitoring
8 systems for which the City of Mt. Rainier is seeking approval; and

9 WHEREAS, the City of Mount Rainier recently completed a Vision Zero Action Plan,
10 which determined that half of all crashes and nearly two-thirds of those causing serious injuries
11 occurred at or near the City of Mount Rainier's intersections. As part of its Vision Zero study
12 process, the City identified a High Injury Network (HIN) of corridors where the largest numbers
13 of people have been most seriously injured, all of which fall within a half-mile radius of Thomas
14 S. Stone Elementary School located at 4500 34th Street, Mount Rainier, MD 20712 and/or
15 Mount Rainer Elementary School located at 4011 32nd Street, Mount Rainier, MD 20712; and

16 WHEREAS, the City of Mount Rainier's Vision Zero study process included public
17 meetings and a community survey where residents expressed concern about speeding and drivers
18 not stopping at stop signs. Based on the results of the safety analysis and public feedback,
19 automated speed enforcement was included as a recommendation in the Vision Zero plan and as
20 such, was included in Mount Rainier's successful Safe Streets for All (SS4A) implementation
21 grant application in 2024; and

22 WHEREAS, the Mount Rainier Police Department has also conducted a stop sign
23 enforcement study documenting stop sign and speed violations over a 5-year period, and this
24 data was reviewed and discussed at a City Council Work Session on January 21, 2025. In
25 response to findings from Mount Rainier's safety analysis, public feedback, stop sign and speed
26 violation data collected by the Police Department, and discussion at the City Council Work
27 Session last month, the City of Mount Rainier requests approval from the Prince George's
28 County Council to authorize the placement of stop sign enforcement cameras on local roads
29 within the City limits at the locations identified in Attachment 4; and

30 WHEREAS, traffic safety is a significant problem throughout Mount Rainier and
31 particularly near the City of Mount Rainier's two elementary schools. Drivers who flagrantly

1 disregard stop signs put the lives of children and other pedestrians at risk. With multiple
2 automated stop sign enforcement cameras, the City of Mount Rainier can provide 24/7 city-wide
3 deterrence to prevent unsafe drivers and dramatically improve the safety of our community. This
4 also frees up police officer time to focus on more critical service calls.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's
6 County, Maryland, that the County Council hereby approves the locations for stop sign
7 monitoring systems for the City of Mt. Rainier, as set forth in Attachment 4, which is made a
8 part of this Resolution as a part thereof and a part herein.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's County,
10 Maryland that Attachment 1, Attachment 2, and Attachment 3 are made a part of this Resolution
11 as a part thereof and a part herein.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2025.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Edward P. Burroughs III
Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown
Clerk of the Council