

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

Resolution No. CR-067-2025

Proposed by Council Member Oriadha

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

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction May 27, 2025

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Stop Sign Monitoring Systems – City of District Heights

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

5 WHEREAS, the City of District Heights seeks County Council approval for installing Stop
6 Sign Enforcement Cameras Pursuant to the Md. Transportation Article, Sec. 21-707.1(c)(2)(i)
7 and Sec. 21-707.1(c)(ii) and Prince Georges County Code, Sec. 26-120.02(c)(2)(B) and Sec 26-
8 120.02(c)(2)(C), Attachment 1; and

9 WHEREAS, Md. Transportation Article, Sec. 21-707.1(c)(2)(i) authorizes the use of stop
10 sign monitoring systems on highways located in a school zone maintained by a local jurisdiction
11 if authorized by the governing body of the local jurisdiction, Attachment 3 – City of District
12 Heights Stop Sign Traffic Enforcement Official Minutes; and

13 WHEREAS, Md. Transportation Article, Sec. 21-707.1(c)(2)(ii) and Prince George’s
14 County Code Sec. 26-120.02(c)(2)(B) state that a stop sign monitoring system may only be used
15 at a location approved by the Prince George’s County Council; and

16 WHEREAS, Prince George’s County Code, Sec. 26-120.02(c)(2)(C) provides that Council
17 approval of stop sign monitoring systems used by municipalities shall be made by Council
18 resolution upon receipt of a request letter from the municipality; and

19 WHEREAS, the County Council is in receipt of a letter (Attachment 1) dated November 18,
20 2024, from Ronald C. Tarpley, Chief of Police of the City of District Heights, requesting
21 approval for six stop sign monitoring system locations based on traffic study data, high violation

1 rates, and the need to improve safety for schoolchildren and pedestrians; and

2 WHEREAS, traffic studies at intersections throughout the City of District Heights revealed
3 alarming daily stop sign violation rates, ranging from 66% to 95% of observed vehicles,
4 underscoring a clear public safety hazard; and

5 WHEREAS, Attachment 1 provides the list of locations identified for stop sign monitoring
6 systems for which the City of District Heights is seeking approval.

7 WHEREAS, the City of District Heights will utilize stop sign camera monitoring systems to
8 provide continuous deterrence, freeing police officers to address more critical calls and
9 improving public safety throughout the City and County.

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's
11 County, Maryland, that the County Council hereby approves the locations for stop sign
12 monitoring systems for the City of District Heights, as set forth above and in the letter from
13 Chief Ronald C. Tarpley, dated November 18, 2024, which is made a part of this Resolution.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that by the County Council of Prince George’s County,
15 Maryland, Attachment 1, Attachment 2, Attachment 3, and Attachment 4 is made a part of this
16 Resolution 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