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2 **COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK**

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4 **ORDINANCE 2025-OR-06**

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7 **Introduced By:** CM Aaron Faulx

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9 **Date Introduced:** September 8, 2025

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11 **Date Public Hearing Held:** October 6, 2025

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13 **Date Adopted:** October 27, 2025

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15 **Date Effective:** November 16, 2025

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18 **AN ORDINANCE concerning**

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20 **STOP SIGN AUTOMATED ENFORCEMENT**

21 **FOR** the purpose of providing for a system of stop sign automated
22 enforcement as authorized by State law; and generally relating to stop sign
23 enforcement in the Town of Riverdale Park.

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25 **BY** adding
26 Chapter 64, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC
27 Section 64-22
28 Code of the Town of Riverdale Park
29 (January 2008 Revision as Supplemented)

30 **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT:** effective July 1, 2024. Md. Code Ann.,
31 Transp. Art., § 21-707.1 ("TR 21- 707.1"), authorizes the Town to implement a stop
32 sign monitoring system, provided the Town has enacted legislation implementing such
33 a program. The Mayor and Council believe the implementation of a camera-based
34 stop sign monitoring system, in conformance with the requirements of TR 21-
35 707.1, is in the best interests of the Town and its residents.

36 **SECTION 1: NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE**
37 **COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK**, that new Section 64-22, to
38 be under Chapter 64, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, be and it is hereby added to the
39 Code of the Town of Riverdale Park (January 2008 Revision as Supplemented), to
40 follow immediately after Section 64-21 of Chapter 64, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC,
41 and to read as follows:

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43 Chapter 64, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC
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45 SECTION 64-22. STOP SIGN MONITORING SYSTEMS.
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47 A. IN THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED,
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49 1. DEPARTMENT MEANS THE RIVERDALE PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT.
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51 2. (A) OWNERS MEANS THE REGISTERED OWNER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE
52 OR A LESSEE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE UNDER A LEASE OF SIX (6) MONTHS OR
53 MORE.
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55 (B) OWNER DOES NOT INCLUDE:
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- 57 (i) A MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL OR LEASING COMPANY; OR
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59 (ii) A HOLDER OF A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE ISSUED
60 UNDER MD. CODE ANN., TRANSP. ART., TITLE 13,
61 SUBTITLE 9, PART III.
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63 3. RECORDED IMAGE MEANS IMAGES RECORDED BY A STOP SIGN
64 MONITORING SYSTEM:
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66 (A) ON:

- 67 (i) TWO OR MORE PHOTOGRAPHS,
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69 (ii) TWO OR MORE MICROPHOTOGRAPHS,
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71 (iii) TWO OR MORE ELECTRONIC IMAGES,
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73 (IV) VIDEOTAPE, OR
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75 (V) ANY OTHER MEDIUM, AND
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78 (B) SHOWING A MOTOR VEHICLE AND, ON AT LEAST ONE IMAGE
79 OR PORTION OF THE TAPE, CLEARLY IDENTIFYING THE REGISTRATION
80 PLATE NUMBER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE.
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82 4. STOP SIGN MONITORING SYSTEM MEANS A DEVICE DESIGNED TO
83 CAPTURE A RECORDED IMAGE OF A VIOLATION.
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85 5. (A) VIOLATION MEANS A FAILURE TO COME TO A COMPLETE STOP
86 AT A STOP SIGN IN VIOLATION OF § 21-707 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE.
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88 (B) VIOLATION DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY ACTION A DRIVER IS
89 INSTRUCTED TO TAKE BY A POLICE OFFICER.

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91 B. THE DEPARTMENT IS AUTHORIZED TO OPERATE STOP SIGN MONITORING
92 SYSTEMS:

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94 1. ON HIGHWAYS LOCATED IN A SCHOOL ZONE MAINTAINED BY THE
95 TOWN, IF AUTHORIZED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL AND THE PRINCE GEORGE'S
96 COUNTY COUNCIL; AND

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98 2. ON STATE HIGHWAYS LOCATED IN A SCHOOL ZONE, IF AUTHORIZED
99 BY THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION.

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101 C. BEFORE BEGINNING USE OF A STOP SIGN MONITORING SYSTEM, THE TOWN
102 SHALL PUBLISH NOTICE THAT IT HAS ADOPTED THE USE OF STOP SIGN
103 MONITORING SYSTEMS ON THE TOWN'S WEBSITE AND IN A NEWSPAPER OF
104 GENERAL CIRCULATION IN THE TOWN.

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106 D. A RECORDED IMAGE UNDER THIS SECTION INDICATING THAT THE DRIVER OF
107 A MOTOR VEHICLE HAS COMMITTED A VIOLATION SHALL INCLUDE:

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109 1. THE TIME AND DATE OF THE VIOLATION; AND

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111 2. TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, THE LOCATION OF THE VIOLATION.

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113 E. UNLESS THE DRIVER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE RECEIVED A CITATION FROM A
114 POLICE OFFICER AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION, THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE
115 OR THE DRIVER OF A VEHICLE IF THE DISTRICT COURT FINDS THAT A PERSON
116 OTHER THAN THE OWNER WAS DRIVING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE
117 CHARGED VIOLATION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF MD. CODE
118 ANN., TRANSP. ART., SECTION 27-707.1(H)(3)—(H)(5), IS SUBJECT TO THE CIVIL
119 PENALTY SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION G OF THIS SECTION IF THE MOTOR
120 VEHICLE IS RECORDED BY A STOP SIGN MONITORING SYSTEM DURING THE
121 COMMISSION OF A VIOLATION.

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123 F. 1. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAIL TO THE OWNER LIABLE UNDER
124 SUBSECTION E OF THIS SECTION A CITATION THAT SHALL INCLUDE:

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126 (A) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE REGISTERED OWNER OF
127 THE VEHICLE AND THE REGISTRATION NUMBER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE
128 INVOLVED IN THE VIOLATION;

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130 (B) THE VIOLATION CHARGED;

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132 (C) TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, THE LOCATION OF THE
133 VIOLATION; THE DATE AND TIME OF THE VIOLATION;

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(D) A COPY OF THE RECORDED IMAGE;

(E) THE AMOUNT OF THE CIVIL PENALTY IMPOSED AND THE DATE BY WHICH THE CIVIL PENALTY MUST BE PAID;

(F) A SIGNED STATEMENT BY A TECHNICIAN EMPLOYED BY THE TOWN THAT, BASED ON THE INSPECTION OF THE RECORDED IMAGE, THE MOTOR VEHICLE WAS BEING OPERATED DURING THE COMMISSION OF A VIOLATION;

(G) A STATEMENT THAT THE RECORDED IMAGE IS EVIDENCE OF A VIOLATION; AND

(H) INFORMATION ADVISING THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LIABLE UNDER THIS SECTION:

(I) OF THE MANNER AND TIME IN WHICH LIABILITY AS ALLEGED IN THE CITATION MAY BE CONTESTED IN THE DISTRICT COURT; AND

(II) THAT FAILURE TO PAY THE CIVIL PENALTY OR TO CONTEST LIABILITY IN A TIMELY MANNER IS AN ADMISSION OF LIABILITY AND MAY RESULT IN REFUSAL OR SUSPENSION OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION.

2. THE DEPARTMENT MAY MAIL A WARNING NOTICE IN PLACE OF A CITATION TO AN OWNER LIABLE UNDER SUBSECTION E OF THIS SECTION.

3. EXCEPT WHEN THE DISTRICT COURT FINDS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF MD. CODE ANN., TRANSP. ART., § 27-707.1(H) THAT A PERSON OTHER THAN THE VEHICLE OWNER WAS OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE CHARGED VIOLATION, A CITATION ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE MAILED NOT LATER THAN 2 WEEKS AFTER THE ALLEGED VIOLATION.

4. A PERSON WHO RECEIVES A CITATION UNDER PARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS SUBSECTION MAY:

(A) PAY THE CIVIL PENALTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS ON THE CITATION; OR

(B) ELECT TO STAND TRIAL FOR THE ALLEGED VIOLATION.

G. THE PENALTY FOR FAILING TO STOP AT A STOP SIGN IN THE TOWN AS DETECTED BY THE TOWN'S STOP SIGN MONITORING SYSTEM SHALL BE FORTY DOLLARS (\$40.00), OR THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT PERMITTED BY STATE LAW,

180 WHICHEVER IS GREATER.

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182 SECTION 2: AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Ordinance shall become
183 effective at the expiration of twenty (20) days following approval by the Mayor and Council.

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185 ATTEST:

COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF
RIVERDALE PARK

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Jessica E. Barnes, Deputy Town Manager



Ifiok Inyang, Mayor

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192 EXPLANATION:

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194 CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

195 Underlining indicates amendments to the Ordinance.

196 Strike Out indicates matter deleted from the law or stricken from the Ordinance by amendment.

197 *** indicate omission of existing text not modified by this Ordinance.

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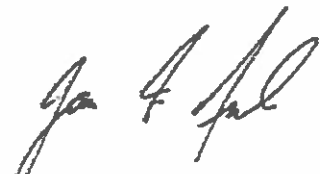
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**TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Riverdale Park will hold a public hearing to receive public comments on Ordinance 2025-OR-06, which would provide for a system of automated stop sign enforcement as authorized by State law and generally relate to stop sign enforcement in the Town of Riverdale Park.

PLACE OF MEETING: 5008 Queensbury Road, Riverdale Park, also anticipated to be a hybrid meeting (in person and via Zoom). Details regarding the hybrid meeting can be found on the Town's website, RiverdaleParkMD.gov, under "Agendas and Minutes".

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

DATE: Monday, October 6, 2025

WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS MAY BE SUBMITTED TO: The Town of Riverdale Park at 5008 Queensbury Road, Riverdale Park, MD 20737, or by e-mail to community_input@riverdaleparkmd.gov.

**FAIR SUMMARY OF
ORDINANCE 2025-OR-06
STOP SIGN AUTOMATED ENFORCEMENT**

This is to give notice that the Riverdale Park Town Council has introduced and intends to take action on Ordinance 2025-OR-06.

Ordinance 2025-OR-06 would provide for a system of automated stop sign enforcement as authorized by State law and generally relate to stop sign enforcement in the Town of Riverdale Park.

Ordinance 2025-OR-06 is available for inspection by the public on the Town's website www.riverdaleparkmd.gov, by calling 301-927-4381, or by e-mail request to community_input@riverdaleparkmd.gov.

RIVERDALE PARK TOWN COUNCIL
By: JESSICA BARNES, DEPUTY TOWN MANAGER

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