

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES

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The Honorable Thomas E. Dernoga, District 1
The Honorable Eric C. Olson, District 3
Prince George's County Council
1301 McCormick Drive
Wayne K. Curry Administration Building
Largo, MD 20774

RE: Installation of Stop Sign Enforcement Cameras within College Park

Dear Councilmembers,

The City of College Park seeks County Council's approval for installation of Stop Sign Enforcement Cameras, with respect to the requirements outlined in HB364.

Traffic Safety is a dangerous problem near the schools of College Park, with flagrant disregard for stop signs, drivers are putting the lives of children and other pedestrians at risk. The installation of multiple automated stop sign enforcement cameras will allow College Park to provide 24/7 city-wide deterrence to stop unsafe drivers and dramatically improve the safety of our community. Additionally, automated enforcement would allow police officers more time to focus on more critical issues.

Our municipality has collected traffic study data across multiple intersections to quantify the severity of the problem and collect video evidence: this has helped us draw the conclusion there is high risk across multiple areas in town, and we would like to request a resolution for approval from the County Council for our desire to install up to 5 cameras across the City of College Park.

Request for Cameras at the following locations:

- 1. Edgewood Rd & 52nd PI School Zone: Hollywood Elementary School [District 1]
- 2. College Ave and Yale Ave School Zone: University of Maryland College Park Foundation [District 3]
- St Andrews PI & Davidson St School Zone: Cherokee Lane Elementary School [District 4]
- 4. Rhode Island Ave & Lakeland Rd School Zone: Paint Branch Elementary School [District 2]
- 5. Calvert Rd & Rhode Island Ave School Zone: University of Maryland College Park Foundation [District 3]

Below are summaries of traffic studies performed to understand the rate of violations. Links to the street view and video evidence are shared in the email delivering this letter.

Study #1: Edgewood Rd & 52nd Pl; enforce on cars driving Eastbound on Edgewood Rd

- Number of Vehicles Per Day: 923
- Number of Stop Sign Violators / Day: 756

Study #2: College Ave and Yale Ave, enforce on cars driving Westbound on College Ave

- Number of Vehicles Per Day: 952
- Number of Stop Sign Violators / Day: 656

Study #3: St Andrews PI & Davidson St, enforce on cars driving Westbound on St Andrews PI

- Number of Vehicles Per Day: 459
- Number of Stop Sign Violators / Day: 354

Study #4: Rhode Island Ave & Lakeland Rd, enforce on cars driving Southbound on Rhode Island Ave

- Number of Vehicles Per Day: 351
- Number of Stop Sign Violators / Day: 322

Study #5: Calvert Rd & Rhode Island Ave, enforce on cars driving Westbound on Calvert Rd

- Number of Vehicles Per Day: 241
- Number of Stop Sign Violators / Day: 185

We see hundreds of violations a day – any one of these 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 stop sign enforcement cameras in our jurisdiction. This will not only improve public safety in College Park, but contribute to driver deterrence across all of Prince George's County.

Sincerely,

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Director