

Amendment 1 to CB 120600 - Automated Camera Enforcement and Restricted Racing Zones

Sponsor: Councilmember Pedersen

Technical Edits to Code Language

Effect: This amendment would make technical edits to code language for consistency with SMC 11.50.570, as previously adopted in Ordinance 126183. This amendment does not materially impact the policy direction of the proposed legislation.

Substitute Section 1 of CB 120600 with text as follows:

Section 1. Section 11.50.570 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 126183, is amended as follows:

11.50.570 Automated traffic safety cameras

A. Automated traffic safety cameras may be used to detect one ~~((+))~~ or more of the following: stoplight, railroad crossing or school speed zone violations, ~~((+))~~ violations included in subsection 11.50.570.H for the duration of the pilot program authorized under subsection 11.50.570.H, maximum speed limit violations in school walk, park, and hospital zones as permitted by state law, or, consistent with RCW 46.63.170(1)(d)(i), on streets that are either designated as a priority location in a road safety plan submitted to the state, show a significantly higher rate of collisions than the City average over a period of at least three years prior to installation and other speed reduction measures are not feasible or have not been sufficiently effective at reducing travel speeds, or is a street designated by ordinance as a restricted racing zone. Except as provided in subsection 11.50.570.H, use of automated traffic safety cameras is restricted to the following locations only:

1. Intersections of two ~~((2))~~ or more arterials with traffic control signals that have yellow change interval durations in accordance with Section 11.50.130, which interval may not be reduced after placement of the cameras;

2. Railroad crossings; ~~((and))~~

3. School speed zones ~~((-))~~ ;

4. School walk areas as defined in RCW 28A.160.160;

5. Public park speed zones;

6. Hospital speed zones; and

7. Additional speed detection locations that meet any of the criteria in RCW 46.63.170(1)(d).

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C. Before adding additional automated traffic safety cameras or relocating any existing camera, the City Council must prepare an analysis of the locations within the City where automated traffic safety cameras are proposed to be located. Beginning June 7, 2013, an annual report must be posted on the City's website of the number of traffic accidents that occurred at each location where an automated traffic safety camera is located as well as the number of notices of infraction issued for each camera and any other relevant information deemed appropriate. For automated traffic safety cameras authorized by RCW 46.63.170(1)(d)(i), the City must complete an equity analysis that evaluates livability, accessibility, economics, education, and environmental health, and shall consider the outcome of that analysis when identifying where to locate an automated traffic safety camera.

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