

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-10

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR A RED LIGHT CAMERA ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Maryland law allows municipalities to enact photo red light enforcement programs; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the red light enforcement program is to reduce traffic violations and accidents in intersections in an effort to prevent injuries and fatalities among pedestrians and motorists; and

WHEREAS, photo red light cameras are an additional tool available to police in traffic enforcement and public safety; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newport News competitively bid and awarded a contract for a red light enforcement program to Conduent with a cost of \$3,175 per camera per month; and

WHEREAS, the total cost for running the red light enforcement program is offset by the revenue generated. There is no fee for the set up of red light camera locations and once the contract ends the locations are restored to their previous conditions at no cost. If any existing locations were removed, it would incur a fee; and

WHEREAS, the locations of the red light cameras will be data based on frequency of reported accidents. The information garnered from the red light cameras will only be used for traffic violations and any issuance of citations will be governed by State law; and

WHEREAS, entering into a contract with Conduent under the terms of the City of Newport News contract would result in the establishment of a Red Light Camera Program in the City; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the City's purchasing code, the City may enter into contracts or agreements for cooperative purchasing, without the requirement of competitive bidding.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND THAT:

SECTION 1. The City Manager is authorized to enter into a contract with Conduent State and Local Solutions, Inc. for a red light camera enforcement program.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

Adopted this 23rd day of March, 2022 by roll-call vote as follows:

AYE: Stewart, Kovar, Dyballa, Kostiuk, Seamens, Smith, Searcy

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None