



COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Commissioner Alex Fernandez

DATE: February 3, 2025

TITLE: REFERRAL TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE, AND THE FINANCE AND ECONOMIC RESILIENCY COMMITTEE, TO DISCUSS THE POTENTIAL REPEAL OF THE CITY'S RED LIGHT CAMERA ORDINANCE.

RECOMMENDATION

Please place on the February 3, 2025 City Commission agenda a dual referral to the Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee ("PSNQLC"), and the Finance and Economic Resiliency Committee ("FERC"), to discuss potentially repealing the City's red light camera ordinance.

In July of 2010, the City Commission approved Ordinance No. 2010-3686, which adopted the Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Act, and the Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Program (collectively, the "Act"), as set forth in Florida Statute 316.0083, and as authorized pursuant to Florida Statute 316.008(8). By adopting the Act, the City was authorized to install and operate, or contract with a vendor to install and operate, traffic infraction detectors ("red light cameras") to capture vehicles proceeding through a steady red traffic signal or turning right on a steady red traffic signal in locations where a right turn on red is prohibited or, where permitted, in other than a careful and prudent manner. As such, since 2011 the City has, through its vendor, issued red light camera violations to vehicles illegally proceeding through steady red traffic signals.

Accordingly, I would request that the City Administration be prepared at Committee to discuss the potential repeal of the City's red light camera ordinance and any consequences or benefits of doing so.

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

ANALYSIS

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Does this Ordinance require a Business Impact Estimate?
(FOR ORDINANCES ONLY)

If applicable, the Business Impact Estimate (BIE) was published on:
See BIE at: <https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/city-clerk/meeting-notices/>

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

CONCLUSION

Applicable Area

Citywide

**Is this a "Residents Right to Know" item,
pursuant to City Code Section 2-17?**

Yes

**Is this item related to a G.O. Bond
Project?**

No

**Was this Agenda Item initially requested by a lobbyist which, as defined in Code Sec. 2-481,
includes a principal engaged in lobbying?** No

If so, specify the name of lobbyist(s) and principal(s):

Department

Office of Commissioner Alex Fernandez

Sponsor(s)

Commissioner Alex Fernandez

Co-sponsor(s)

Condensed Title

Ref: PSNQLC/FERC - Repeal Red Light Camera Ordinance. (Fernandez)