

CITY OF LILBURN AGENDA FORM

**Must be completed before submission to
Executive Assistant to the City Manager.**

Date:	March 3, 2009	To:	Mayor and Council
From:	J.B.Davidson	Department:	Police
Work Session Date Requested:	March 9, 2009	Presenter:	J.B. Davidson Bill Johnsa
Agenda Title:	Discussion Of Automated Traffic Enforcement Program		
Audio/Visual Requirements:	None	Deadline Date:	March 9, 2009

Agenda Item (Background/History/Details):
Since June 2005, Lilburn has conducted an automated traffic enforcement program. The City now has 8 automated cameras at three intersections. With the changes mandated by the passage of HB 77, effective January 1, 2009, there has been a precipitous decline in the number of citations issued through the program (-79.5%). The program vendor has proposed a plan to suspend the program for a 90-day period, and the vendor will waive all Lasercraft charges during the suspension period.

Staff Recommendations:
That the council authorize the City Manager to accept the Lasercraft proposal to suspend the automated traffic enforcement program as described in the attached Lasercraft correspondence if the vendor is willing to amend the proposal to forego billing the City of Lilburn at the end of the evaluation period if the city decides not to reinstate the program (see second bulleted item – Lasercraft letter).

Department Head Approval:	J.B. Davidson
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Mayor's Signature Required:	YES	NO
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List Attachments:
Letter – Lasercraft Proposal
Citations Issued Tables
Accident Frequency Tables

Financial Information (For Financial Services Use Only)

Budgeted Yes/No	Fund Name & Code	Current Balance	Requested Allocation	City Manager's Initials

**LILBURN POLICE DEPARTMENT
ACCIDENT COUNT TOTALS**

LOCATION: GA 8 (Highway 29)/GA 378 (Beaver Ruin Rd)& Arcado Rd Intersection.

Red light camera installed July 2007.

FISCAL YEAR	2005/2006	2006/2007	2007/2008	2008/2009ytd
JULY	6	3	5	9
AUGUST	7	8	4	6
SEPTEMBER	3	6	2	4
OCTOBER	6	7	6	2
NOVEMBER	8	7	5	6
DECEMBER	7	3	6	6
JANUARY	5	2	6	2
FEBRUARY	2	6	6	3
MARCH	4	5	6	
APRIL	5	6	5	
MAY	4	3	8	
JUNE	6	5	4	
TOTALS	63	61	63	38 (to date)

LOCATION: GA 8 (Highway 29)/Indian Trail/Killian Hill Rd Intersection

Red light camera installed June 2005.

FISCAL YEAR	2004/2005	2005/2006	2006/2007	2007/2008	2008/2009ytd
JULY	6	5	4	4	5
AUGUST	7	11	7	4	8
SEPTEMBER	2	7	4	2	1
OCTOBER	8	6	6	8	7
NOVEMBER	9	6	4	9	5
DECEMBER	2	6	6	4	4
JANUARY	3	7	3	4	6
FEBRUARY	6	4	4	1	1
MARCH	10	3	1	0	
APRIL	7	4	6	8	
MAY	10	9	6	6	
JUNE	5	7	3	5	
TOTALS	75	75	54	55	37 (to date)

LOCATION: GA 8 (Highway 29)/Rockbridge Rd Intersection.

Red light camera installed July 2006.

FISCAL YEAR	2005/2006	2006/2007	2007/2008	2008/2009ytd
JULY	4	2	3	4
AUGUST	5	4	4	1
SEPTEMBER	6	4	4	2
OCTOBER	7	7	2	1
NOVEMBER	4	2	0	3
DECEMBER	2	4	2	1
JANUARY	2	5	5	3
FEBRUARY	5	2	1	1
MARCH	2	0	4	
APRIL	2	2	3	
MAY	4	3	1	
JUNE	2	1	1	
TOTALS	45	36	30	16 (to date)

**RED LIGHT CAMERA CITATION COUNT
ALL INTERSECTIONS - (8 Cameras)**

YEAR	2005		2006		2007		2008		2009
Month	Number Citations Issued		Number Citations Issued		Number Citations Issued		Number Citations Issued		Number Citations Issued
January			991		1103		1468		313
February			996		1179		1642		354
March			1228		1441		1791		
April			1034		1159		1860		
May			1033		966		1785		
June-(4 days)	208		858		879		1451		
July	1031		751 *		2409		1433		
August	1063 *		1427		2741		1709		
September	780		1318		2078		1641		
October	719		1377		2095		1506		
November	789		1125		1548		1257		
December	1094		1147		1582		1169		
Total Year	5,684		13,285		19,180		18,712		667

Grand Total Since Installation

57,528

WARNINGS

Indian Trail/Killian Hill Rd/ Hwy 29 (2)
 Highway 29 & Rockbridge Road (2)
 Beaver Ruin/Arcado Rd & Hwy 29 (4)

June 2005 1257
 July 2006 444
 June 2007 1810



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March 2, 2009

Chief John Davidson
City of Lilburn Police Department
76 Main Street
Lilburn, Georgia 30047

Dear Chief Davidson;

As we discussed in our meeting of Wednesday, February 25, 2009, LaserCraft is dedicated to providing the City of Lilburn with an Automated Red Light Enforcement Program that changes driver behavior resulting in reductions in red light running and subsequently reduces crashes. To date, the existing program has done exactly that – made the streets of Lilburn safer.

In the current economic environment, LaserCraft understands that the City of Lilburn cannot fund programs that are not financially viable. Yet, LaserCraft urges the City not to make a permanent decision to terminate the Automated Red Light program based on the results from only eight weeks worth of performance data. If the program is terminated immediately, it is probable that red light running and accidents will return to their pre-program levels.

To ensure that LaserCraft and the City of Lilburn allow adequate time to assess the changes in driving behavior and system performance that have been affected by the recent system modifications, LaserCraft recommends that the program be suspended effective March 9, 2009. The specifics of the suspension period are as follows:

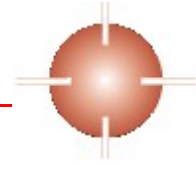
- Suspension period will be in effect for up to 90 days
- During the suspension period LaserCraft will not bill the City of Lilburn the monthly fees per approach or seek payment for the suspension period if the program is re-instated.
- The approaches will continue to capture events, but citations will not be issued to the public
- During the suspension period, LaserCraft and the City of Lilburn will meet to discuss possible decommissioning of the automated red light systems at US29 at Rockbridge and US29 at Arcado Road due to low event captures experienced in 2008
- In 60 days, on or before May 8, 2009, LaserCraft will provide the City of Lilburn with a report indicating the violation counts for the March and April time frame
- In 90 days, on or before June 7th, the City and LaserCraft will meet to review the most current citation counts and make a decision as to reactivation of approaches, continuation of the suspension period, or de-commission the program



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- Upon reactivation, the City may institute a warning period, at the discretion of the City

Norcross, Georgia
Automated Red Light Enforcement Program



LaserCraft asks the City to review the offer above; keeping in mind that automated enforcement is designed to change driver behavior and ensure the roads are safer. I look forward to hearing from you as to your direction on the program. In the interim, please let me know if there are questions.

Sincerely,

Ty Sellers

Ty Sellers
Regional Operations Director

Cc: PJ Lynch, CEO and President
Burbank Herndon, Vice President