

**Town of Riverdale Park, Maryland**  
**Resolution**  
**2009-R-15**

A Resolution Approving a Service Agreement between the Town of Riverdale Park and Optotraffic for Use of Red Light Enforcement Cameras and a Photo Speed Monitoring System in School Zones

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

**WHEREAS**, studies show that red light cameras significantly reduce the number of red light violations and intersection crashes; and

**WHEREAS**, red light cameras and speed monitoring systems provide safe and consistent enforcement at a reasonable cost, while allowing police officers to focus on other enforcement efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, Maryland law allows municipalities to use photo speed monitoring systems in school zones and to issue citations or warnings to vehicle owners who travel at or in excess of 12 miles per hour over the posted speed limit based on the images recorded by cameras; and

**WHEREAS**, by Ordinance No. 2009-OR-02, effective on October 25, 2009, the Council authorized the use of photo speed monitoring systems within school zones in the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, Optotraffic, a subsidiary of Sigma Space Corporation, is willing and able to provide mobile red light enforcement cameras to the Town for use at traffic signals on Town streets; and

**WHEREAS**, Optotraffic is willing and able to provide an automated photo speed monitoring system to detect and record speed violations within a school zone or zones in the Town, at service locations designated by the Town's Chief of Police or his/her designee; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town desires to enter into a Service Agreement with Optotraffic to provide automated red light and photo speeding violation detection, imaging, and citation services for the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town believes that the use of red light cameras and speed monitoring systems will benefit the public's health, safety, and welfare

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

1. That the Town of Riverdale Park shall enter into a Service Agreement with Optotraffic, a division of Sigma Space Corporation, to provide and maintain an automated photo speed

monitoring system in school zones in the Town as well as red light camera enforcement at signalized intersections in the Town.

2. The Town Administrator is authorized to enter into agreement with Optotraffic, which terms and conditions shall be substantially as set forth in the Service Agreement attached to this Resolution, for the installation and use of red light enforcement cameras and an automated school zone photo monitoring system to enforce Town laws.
3. The red light camera enforcement and speed monitoring programs shall be conducted in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Maryland Vehicle Law.

THIS RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK THIS 2<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2009.

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**Sara Imhulse, Town Administrator**

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**Vernon Archer, Mayor**

Introduced By:

Introduced : November 2, 2009

Approved: November 2, 2009

Effective: November 2, 2009