

RESOLUTION NO. 62,337-N.S.

IMPLEMENTING AN AUTOMATED TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH TRANSOL USA TO INSTALL A RED LIGHT ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM AT CERTAIN INTERSECTIONS IN THE CITY OF BERKELEY FOR THE PERIOD DECEMBER 20, 2003 TO DECEMBER 31, 2008

WHEREAS, State and local agencies have found that the use of red light cameras can reduce red light running by motorists, and that this type of enforcement helps to increase traffic safety by reducing the number of crashes attributable to red light running; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Berkeley held a public hearing on December 16, 2003, to hear public comment on the implementation of an automated red light enforcement system at certain intersections in the City; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department lacks sufficient resources to dedicate traffic officers to provide special enforcement of red light regulations; and

WHEREAS, there are now a number of firms who specialize in services covering all requirements of photographic enforcement; and

WHEREAS, out of three vendors Transol USA was found to offer the most technologically convenient enforcement system with the most advantageous financial arrangement for the City; which agreement requires no front-end City expenses as the revenue from the proceeds (i.e., the amount of paid citations minus Transol USA's processing costs) will go directly into the General Fund (010-7303-351-3005, project code 04AT10); CMS# WKKM8; and

WHEREAS, City staff in the Office of Transportation, working with Transol USA, are prepared to meet the requirements of Vehicle Code section 21455.5 to issue warning only notices for 30 days prior to issuing actual citations; and to make a public announcement of the automated system at least 30 days prior to beginning enforcement.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to execute an agreement and any amendments with Transol USA to install a red light enforcement system at certain intersections in the City for the period December 20, 2003 to December 31, 2008, which agreement will be on a per paid violation fee basis with any accrued revenue to be deposited to the General Fund (budget code 010-7303-351-3005; project code 04AT10; CMS Number WKKM8). A record signature copy of this agreement to be on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

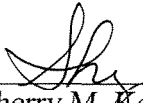
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The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Berkeley City Council on December 16, 2003 by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Hawley, Maio, Olds, Shirek, Spring, Worthington, Wozniak and Mayor Bates.

Noes: None.

Absent: Councilmember Breland.

Attest: 

Sherry M. Kelly, City Clerk



Tom Bates, Mayor