

City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor & City Council Members From: Allan Roeder
Dept: Dept: City Manager
Subject: REVIEW OF EXISTING RED LIGHT Date: June 9, 2015
CAMERA PROGRAM

OBJECTIVE

To provide background information for Mayor Bao Nguyen's request for City Council review of the existing agreement with Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc. for the Red Light Camera Program.

BACKGROUND

The City of Garden Grove currently maintains an agreement with Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc. for the provision of red light enforcement cameras and all support equipment for monitoring enforcement of Red-light running violations at up to 25 approaches in the City (hereinafter referred to as the Red Light Camera Program). The City initially entered into an agreement for provision of the Red Light Camera Program in July, 1999 with a First Amended Agreement approved in 2007 and subsequent Amendment in 2012. Under existing terms, the Agreement will be automatically renewed for two (2) additional one (1) year terms unless either party provides written notification of its intent not to extend the Agreement (please refer to the attached Agreement and staff report).

Because the Agreement is up for auto renewal this month, the Mayor has requested that City Council review the program to ascertain if it is still achieving its intended purpose of cost effectively improving public safety. This would involve a discussion on revenues/expenditures, legal liability for the program, cost of civilian and sworn staff time to administer, effectiveness in improving safety based on verified traffic accident data, alternatives and impacts (if any) on traffic operations. The Mayor would also like information on current clients of Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc.; the number of cities added to their system since 2012 as well as the number of cities who have discontinued the program.

Under the existing Agreement, the City has the authority to terminate the program with Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc. by issuance of a 30 day written notice. The auto renewal does not impair the City's ability to terminate the Agreement with proper written notice.

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With City Council approval of the Mayor's request, this item will be scheduled for a presentation at an upcoming City Council regular meeting or Study Session, at the earliest possible date.



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Attachment