

4.E. RED LIGHT PHOTO ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM [O. DELGADO, S. PERLSTEIN, S. ALOMA]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adding enforcement of violations involving right turns on red to the Red Light Photo Enforcement Program.

Councilmember Horvath asked about data motivating the need to enforce right turns on red.

Sheriff's Dept. said that statistics show that there are approximately 2 collisions from red light turns per year in West Hollywood.

Councilmember D'Amico stated that he does not support the Item and that issuing a \$500 ticket for this, is not consistent with our City's values.

Mayor Pro Tempore Duran spoke in support of the Item and stated that it is a necessary step to enforcing this law.

Councilmember Meister stated that she did not support the item as proposed. She spoke in support of more research being done on the more busy intersections and also spoke in support of having the Transportation Commission and Public Safety Commission study busy intersections to determine if "No right on red" signs are appropriate.

Councilmember Horvath expressed some concerns with the Item and suggested that citations only be given in the instances where there is an actual public safety issue; such as when there is a pedestrian or vehicle in the crosswalk and someone is making a right turn on a red light.

Mayor Heilman spoke in support of the Item.

ACTION:

Motion by Councilmember D'Amico to 1) Continue study for 90 days to provide data of the number of incidents that occurred that would have warranted citations.

Councilmember Horvath made a Substitute Motion Horvath to 1) move forward with the Item but with limited enforcement and citation issuance only when the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department identifies a public safety concern; and 2) Direct Staff to bring back an update in 90-days. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Duran, and approved with D'Amico voting NO.