Agenda Item Summary Report

Meeting Date:	Submitted by:
April 14, 2025	Michelle Bailey Hedgepeth, Town Administrator Tyrone Collington, Police Department

Item Title: ORDINANCE 13-2025 | AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLADENSBURG TO AMEND CHAPTER 112, "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC". BY ADOPTING §112-14, "STOP SIGN MONITORING SYSTEMS IN SCHOOL ZONES" TO AUTHORIZE USE OF STOP SIGN MONITORING CAMERAS IN SCHOOL ZONES.

Work Session Item [X] Council Meeting Item [X]	Documentation Attached: Emergency Ordinance 12-2025 List of Stop Sign Locations

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends the approval of Emergency Ordinance 13-2025, amends Chapter 112 of the Town Code by adding §112-14, which officially permits the Town, through the Bladensburg Police Department, to operate stop sign cameras in school zones, as authorized by Maryland law (§21-707.1 of the Transportation Article).

Summary: This ordinance amends Chapter 112 of the Town Code by adding **§112-14**, which officially permits the Town, through the Bladensburg Police Department, to operate stop sign cameras in school zones, as authorized by Maryland law (§21-707.1 of the Transportation Article). The system aims to enforce compliance with stop signs and reduce traffic violations in high-risk areas.

Key elements of the ordinance include:

- Authorization for the Town to implement stop sign cameras in school zones, pending **site approval by the Prince George's County Council**.
- A requirement for **public notice** before the system becomes active, to be posted on the Town's website and in a local newspaper.
- Empowerment of the Town Council to designate specific stop sign enforcement locations by resolution.

This public safety measure reflects the Town's commitment to protecting pedestrians and encouraging safer driving behavior, especially around schools. As the process moves forward, updates on camera installation timelines and enforcement locations will be provided.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, the Town Administrator or the Police Chief can answer them.

Budgeted Item: Yes [ ] No [X] Budgeted Amount:$ One-Time Cost: NA Ongoing Cost:	Continued Date:
Council Priority: Yes [ ] No [ ]	Approved Date: