

**RESOLUTION
RES 2026-09**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF DALLAS, GEORGIA ESTABLISHING OPERATIONAL
HOURS FOR AUTOMATED SCHOOL ZONE SPEED DETECTION
DEVICES; RESERVING THE RIGHT TO MODIFY SUCH HOURS;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, the City of Dallas, Georgia ("City") has entered into a Professional Services Agreement with RedSpeed Georgia LLC ("RedSpeed") for the provision of automated school zone speed detection devices and related services; and

WHEREAS, O.C.G.A. § 40-14-18 authorizes the use of automated speed detection devices in school zones to enhance the safety of students, faculty, staff, and the general public; and

WHEREAS, O.C.G.A. § 40-14-18(b)(1)(D) provides that automated speed detection devices in school zones may only be used during the time in which the school speed zone is in effect, which is limited to a maximum of one hour before school begins until one hour after school ends; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to establish the specific operational hours during which the automated school zone speed detection devices will be active and operational; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police, Joe Duvall, has recommended that the Mayor and City Council establish such operational hours by resolution to provide clarity and consistency in enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council find that establishing such operational hours is in the best interest of public safety and the citizens of the City of Dallas; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council desire to reserve the right to review and modify such operational hours in the future as circumstances warrant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Dallas, Georgia, as follows:

SECTION 1. OPERATIONAL HOURS ESTABLISHED

The automated school zone speed detection devices installed and operated by RedSpeed within the corporate limits of the City of Dallas shall be active and operational during the following hours on days when school is in session:

(Select one by striking the inapplicable options):

- During all hours that the school zone speed limit is in effect, as indicated by posted signage and flashing warning lights, not to exceed one hour before the school day begins until one hour after the school day ends.
- During flashing light times only, as follows: during morning student arrival times and afternoon student dismissal times when warning lights are actively flashing, not to exceed one hour before the school day begins until one hour after the school day ends.
- During specifically designated hours, as follows: from _____ a.m. to _____ a.m. and from _____ p.m. to _____ p.m. on days when school is in session, not to exceed one hour before the school day begins until one hour after the school day ends.

SECTION 2. COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW

All operational hours established pursuant to this Resolution shall comply with the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 40-14-18 and any other applicable state law, including but not limited to:

- (a) Automated speed detection devices shall only be used during the time in which the school speed zone is in effect;
- (b) School speed zones shall be in effect for a maximum period of one hour before school begins until one hour after school ends; and
- (c) Automated speed detection devices shall not be used on days when school is not in session.

SECTION 3. SIGNAGE AND NOTICE

The Chief of Police, or his designee, shall ensure that appropriate signage is installed and maintained in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 40-14-18(e) to provide notice to the public of the use of automated school zone speed detection devices, including the posted speed limit and operational hours.

SECTION 4. AUTHORITY TO MODIFY HOURS

The Mayor and City Council expressly reserve the right to review, revise, amend, or modify the operational hours established by this Resolution at any time by subsequent resolution. The Chief of Police is authorized to make recommendations to the Mayor and City Council regarding any proposed changes to operational hours based on traffic patterns, safety concerns, or other relevant factors.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and City Council.

SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY

Should any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Resolution be declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the Resolution as a whole or any part thereof other than the part so declared to be invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 7. REPEALER

All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this Resolution are hereby repealed.

RESOLVED this _____ day of March, 2026.

L. James Kelly, Mayor

James Henson, Councilmember

Christopher B. Carter, Councilmember

Nancy R. Arnold, Councilmember

Leah Alls, Councilmember

Cooper Cochran, Councilmember

Candace Callaway, Councilmember

Attest: _____
Tina Clark, City Clerk