

CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK CITY COUNCIL AGENDA COVER SHEET

Meeting Date November 9, 2023

Originating Department City Council

Contact Person Deputy Mayor French

Title Ordinance 23-1283/amending section 10.06.010 of the Lake Forest Park

Municipal Code regarding authorization for traffic safety cameras in school walk areas, public park speed zones, and zones subject to

specific penalties for racing and race attendance.

Legislative History

• First Presentation: June 21, 2022, City Council Committee of the Whole

• Second Presentation: August 22, 2022, City Council Committee of the Whole

Third Presentation: October 13, 2022, City Council Regular meeting

• Fourth Presentation: October 23, 2023, City Council Committee of the Whole

• Fifth Presentation: November 9, 2023, City Council Regular Meeting

Attachments:

1. Ordinance 23-1283

Executive Summary

The Lake Forest Park Municipal Code ("LFPMC") currently authorizes the use of automated traffic cameras for stoplight violations at intersections of two arterials and school speed zones. Chapter 46.63 RCW also authorizes the use of traffic cameras in school walk areas, public park speed zones, hospital speed zones, and zones subject to specific penalties for racing or race attendance. The proposed Ordinance 23-1283 would authorize the use of traffic safety cameras to detect speed violations on any roadway identified in a school walk area, in public park speed zones, and in locations designated as zones subject to specific penalties for racing or race attendance.

Background

"Walk Area" is defined in RCW 28A.160.160 as that "area around a school with an adequate roadway configuration to provide students access to school with a walking distance of less than one mile. Mileage must be measured along the shortest roadway or maintained public walkway where hazardous

conditions do not exist. The hazardous conditions must be documented by a process established in rule by the superintendent of public instruction and

must include roadway, environmental, and social conditions. Each elementary school shall identify walk routes within the walk area."

Public park speed zones are defined in RCW 46.63.170(b)(ii)(A) as "the marked area within public park property and extending 300 feet from the border of public park property (I) consistent with active park use; and (II) where signs are posted to indicate the location is within a public park speed zone.

Racing and race attendance restrictions and penalties are authorized pursuant to Chapter 46.41 RCW.

Fiscal & Policy Implications

The policy to allow three additional types of traffic safety cameras does not have a fiscal impact on the City at this time.

Alternatives

Options	Results
Adopt the Ordinance	Council will authorize the use of traffic cameras for school walk areas, public park speed zones, and zones subject to specific penalties for racing or race attendance
No Action	Council will not authorize the use of traffic cameras for school walk areas, public park speed zones, and zones subject to specific penalties for racing or race attendance

Staff Recommendation

Approve Ordinance 23-1283/amending LFPMC 10.06.010 to authorize the use of traffic safety cameras for school walk areas, public park speed zones, and zones subject to specific penalties for racing or race attendance