



CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK

CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA COVER SHEET

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| Meeting Date | March 7, 2024 |
| Originating Department | Administration |
| Contact Person | Tom French, Mayor Kim Adams Pratt, City Attorney |
| Title | Ordinance 24-1290/Amending LFPMC 10.06.030 related to automatic traffic safety cameras |

Legislative History

- First Presentation March 7, 2024 - Regular Meeting
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Attachments:

1. Ordinance 24-1290
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Executive Summary

The proposed amendment to chapter 10.06 of the Lake Forest Park Municipal Code (“LFPMC”), Automated Traffic Safety Cameras, will amend the “presumption” section of the chapter to apply to all types of traffic cameras in the City. It currently specifies only stoplight violations and school speed zone violations. This amendment will apply the same presumption if the City adds traffic cameras for speed zone violations in school walk areas and speed zone violations in public park speeds zones.

Background

In LFPMC 10.06.030, *Prima facie presumptions*, traffic camera infractions are presumed to have occurred from evidence that the particular vehicle described in the notice of traffic infraction was involved in the violation, together with proof that the person named in the notice of infraction was at the time of the violation the registered owner of the vehicle. To rebut this presumption the registered owner must sign a statement that the vehicle involved was, at the time, stolen or in the care, custody or control of some person other than the registered owner. The proposed amendment would apply this presumption to any type of traffic camera in the City.

Fiscal & Policy Implications

The amendment does not have fiscal or policy implications.

Alternatives

| <i>Options</i> | <i>Results</i> |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adopt the amendment to LFP MC 10.06.030 | All traffic safety cameras infractions will have the same presumption applied. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do adopt the amendment | Only stoplight violations and school speed zone violations will have the presumption applied. |
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Staff Recommendation

Adopt Ordinance 24-1290 amending section 10.06.030 LFP MC.