

# CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

## NINETEENTH COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. \_\_\_\_\_ ENACTMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSORED BY:

1 RESOLUTION

2 ADOPTING A PROPOSITION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT THE  
3 NEXT MUNICIPAL ELECTION CONCERNING CONTINUATION OF THE SAFE  
4 TRAFFIC OPERATIONS [“RED LIGHT”] PROGRAM .

5 WHEREAS, on April 4, 2005 the City Council approved the creation of the  
6 Safe Traffic Operations Program (“STOP”); and

7 WHEREAS, STOP allows the use of photo red light cameras and electronic  
8 speed detection equipment to determine if a speeding or red light violation  
9 had occurred and to document such violation with photographic or electronic  
10 evidence; and

11 WHEREAS, STOP violations are declared to be a nuisance, enforceable  
12 through a civil process; and

13 WHEREAS, the ordinance creating STOP has been amended on at least  
14 seven separate occasions, including the need to amend the ordinance to deal  
15 with legislation adopted by the State of New Mexico imposing limits on STOP  
16 and similar programs; and

17 WHEREAS, the value of STOP as a deterrent to dangerous driving behavior  
18 and as a benefit to the safety of residents of Albuquerque is disputed; and

19 WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the voters of the City of Albuquerque  
20 should consider the benefits and detriments of STOP and determine if it is in  
21 the best interest of the residents of the City to continue the program.

22 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF  
23 ALBUQUERQUE:

24 Section 1. That the City Clerk is instructed to place the following proposal  
25 on the next municipal election ballot, and the qualified voters of the City of

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1 Albuquerque shall be permitted to vote “for” or “against” the following  
2 proposal:

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**PROPOSITION**

4 **SHALL THE ALBUQUERQUE CITY COUNCIL CONTINUE AUTHORIZING THE**  
5 **“SAFE TRAFFIC OPERATIONS PROGRAM”, COMMONLY CALLED THE “RED**  
6 **LIGHT CAMERA PROGRAM”?**

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