

# CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

## TWENTY FIFTH COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. R-22-76 ENACTMENT NO. R-2022-082

SPONSORED BY: Isaac Benton, Brook Bassan, Trudy Jones

1 RESOLUTION

2 DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO DEVELOP A PILOT PROGRAM  
3 UTILIZING NOISE CAMERAS FOR AUTOMATED VEHICLE NOISE  
4 ENFORCEMENT.

5 WHEREAS, Excessive vehicle noise due to modified exhaust systems is  
6 causing a nuisance to residents city-wide, negatively impacting the quality of  
7 life with unnecessary noise pollution; and

8 WHEREAS, Excessive vehicle noise is in violation of the Code of  
9 Ordinances, Vehicles Nuisance Ordinance, Section 7-10-3 (E) and New Mexico  
10 State statute 66-3-844; and

11 WHEREAS, New technology is available that allows cameras to capture  
12 vehicle information based on noise levels as they drive by, similar to  
13 automated speed cameras; and

14 WHEREAS, The City of Albuquerque has already implemented an  
15 automated mobile speed enforcement initiative to help address the issue of  
16 reckless driving and street racing and can similarly do so to combat excessive  
17 vehicle noise; and

18 WHEREAS, Other cities in the U.S. have piloted or implemented automated  
19 noise camera enforcement programs. These include Knoxville, TN, New York,  
20 NY, and Longmont, CO; and

21 WHEREAS, Noise cameras can provide the police department the ability to  
22 focus on higher-priority calls as opposed to excessive vehicle noise  
23 violations; and

24 WHEREAS, conducting an automated vehicle noise pilot program can  
25 provide data on the effectiveness and viability for the City to consider full  
26 implementation.

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1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF  
2 ALBUQUERQUE:

3 SECTION 1. The City Administration shall develop a pilot program to utilize  
4 and evaluate noise camera technology for the automated enforcement of  
5 vehicular noise violations.

6 SECTION 2. The Administration shall consult and work with APD, the  
7 Department of Municipal Development, the Environmental Health Department  
8 and other departments and agencies as relevant to develop and administer the  
9 pilot program.

10 SECTION 3. The Administration shall report status of the program  
11 development within three months of this enactment and shall commence the  
12 pilot test program within three months thereafter.

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1 PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF December, 2022  
2 BY A VOTE OF: 8 FOR 1 AGAINST.

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5 Against: Peña

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8 Isaac Benton, President  
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13 APPROVED THIS 14 DAY OF December, 2022

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21 Timothy M. Keller, Mayor  
22 City of Albuquerque

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30 Ethan Watson, City Clerk

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