

**CITY of ALBUQUERQUE
NINETEENTH COUNCIL**

COUNCIL BILL NO. R-11-218 ENACTMENT NO. _____

SPONSORED BY: Dan Lewis

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:

3 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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