

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

**RESOLUTION**

**REQUIRING THE ADMINISTRATION TO PRESENT EVIDENCE THAT THE**

**CITY'S SAFE TRAFFIC OPERATIONS PROGRAM CONTRIBUTES TO**

**TRAFFIC SAFETY**

5           **WHEREAS, on November 9, 2005, City Council enactment O-2005-**  
6   **65 became effective authorizing the creation of the Safe Traffic**  
7   **Operations Program (“STOP”) to deal with drivers who violate the**  
8   **requirement to obey red lights and not to speed in school zones; and**

9           **WHEREAS, the STOP has since been expanded to deal with**  
10   **speeding violations at other locations; and**

11 WHEREAS, the City of Albuquerque web-site states that the goal  
12 of the red light camera enforcement program is to “reduce violations,  
13 prevent crashes, avoid injuries, and most importantly save lives”; and

14 WHEREAS, the Mayor asserts that a one week discontinuance of  
15 the red light camera program caused a 100% increase in traffic violations  
16 in the City; and

17           WHEREAS, there is evidence as whether the STOP is effective  
18   that is not being provided to the City Council; and

19 WHEREAS, it has been announced that the City Council will be  
20 asked, following the current New Mexico legislative session, to approve  
21 a multi-year extension of the contract with Redflex to continue the STOP;  
22 and

23 WHEREAS, the City Council should have the best available  
24 information on whether the STOP works prior to approving a multi-year  
25 extension.

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1           Section 1. Within 60 days of the adoption of this Resolution the  
2 Administration shall deliver to the City Council all available information  
3 that either supports or refutes the claim that the STOP prevents  
4 accidents and saves lives.

5           Section 2. The information provided to the City Council shall not  
6 be anecdotal but shall be supported by verifiable evidence.

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