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## **CITY MANAGER MEMORANDUM**

**To:** The Honorable Mayor and City Commissioners

**Through:** James R. Elensky, City Manager

**From:** Gregory L. Goreck, Chief of Police

**Date:** December 2, 2024

**Subject:** Red Light Camera Summary Report

### **Executive Summary**

Florida Statute §316.0083 requires counties and cities operating red light cameras to report program outcomes to their governing body annually at a regular or special meeting, allowing for public comment. This report must include the number of violations issued, contested, upheld, dismissed, and paid; the number of Uniform Traffic Citations issued; and a detailed financial breakdown of how collected funds were distributed. The Haines City Police Department, in partnership with its red-light camera vendor, has prepared this report covering the period from July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024, to meet statutory requirements, ensure transparency, and highlight the program's role in improving road safety.

Staff Contact: Gregory L. Goreck, Chief of Police

### **Introduction**

The intent of this item is to provide the City Commission with an annual report on the City of Haines City's red light camera program, as required by Florida Statute §316.0083. This meeting will also provide an opportunity for public comment on the program, ensuring transparency and fostering community engagement.

### **Background**

In 2013, the City Commission approved the establishment of the City of Haines City's Red Light Camera Program. This program was implemented to enhance the safety of Haines City's roadways by holding drivers accountable for running red lights, mitigating risks to others, and encouraging compliance with traffic laws to create a safer driving environment.

On July 1, 2013, the State of Florida enacted legislation pursuant to Florida Statute §316.0083, known as the "Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Program." This legislation preempted local jurisdiction requirements by establishing consistent statewide provisions for detecting, processing, and adjudicating red light camera



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violations under the Florida Uniform Traffic Control Law. Effective July 1, 2024, Florida Statute §316.0083 was amended to require counties and cities operating red light cameras to submit an annual summary report of all cameras within their jurisdictions. This report must be presented at a regular or special governing body meeting and allow for public comment.

Accordingly, the Haines City Police Department respectfully submits this Red-Light Camera Summary Report regarding the use of red-light cameras within the jurisdictional boundaries of Haines City, Florida. This report includes data gathered by the City in partnership with its red light camera vendor, Verra Mobility, during the reporting period from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

The following information regarding Haines City's Red Light Camera Program is provided for this reporting period:

Category	Value
Number of red-light cameras installed	12
Number of intersections covered	6
Number of red-light camera violations issued	23,777
Number of violations contested	87
Number of violations upheld	68
Number of violations dismissed	6
Number of Uniform Traffic Citations issued	6,471
Number of violations paid	15,786
Total Amount of Red-Light Camera Revenue Collected	\$2,923,348.12
Amount remitted to State of Florida	\$1,322,273.00
City Administration Fees & Expenses	\$623,952.28
Funds distributed to City General Fund	\$977,122.84

### **Organizational Goal(s)**

Safety: Provide responsive public services that protect the health, welfare and safety of the community.

### **Budget Impact**

There is no budget impact as a result of this reporting item.



**Recommendation**

There are no Recommendations; this Red-Light Camera Program summary report is for informational purposes only.