



City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
September 8, 2009

ITEM TITLE:

Ordinance amending Chapter 74 of the Code of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, entitled "Traffic and Vehicles" in particular, Section 74-352, entitled "Use of Image Capture Technology" by providing further clarification; Section 74-353, entitled "Definitions" by adding definitions for further clarification; Section 74-356, by changing the title from "Ninety-Day Notice; Introductory Period" to "Thirty-Day Notice; Introductory Period"; thereby increasing the notification period from ninety (90) days from the adoption of the Ordinance (on November 12, 2007) to thirty (30) days following the notification from the Police Chief indicating that the red light camera system is operational at the initial location established; Section 74-359, entitled "Vehicle Owner Responsibilities" by providing further clarification; providing for a severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and provision for an effective date.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE CITY MANAGER:

Approval.

BACKGROUND:

On November 13, 2007, the City adopted Ordinance No. 2007-35 amending the City Code by creating Chapter 74 providing for recorded image monitoring and enforcement of red light infractions. Said Ordinance provided for a courtesy notice of violation to be issued during the first six months following the adoption of the Ordinance. This six-month period was later revised on November 18, 2008 to ninety-days after the effective date of the Ordinance.

This proposed Ordinance provides for a courtesy notice to be issued during the first thirty-day period, following notification from the Police Chief, indicating that the red light camera system is operational at the established initial location. This proposed language is consistent with practices in other locations.

On August 7, 2008, the City executed an Agreement with American Traffic Solutions, LLC to install equipment and provide services to monitor, identify and enforce red light running infractions. American Traffic Solutions, LLC is in the process of completing equipment installation at the LeJeune Road and Alhambra Circle Intersection, and have other locations under permit review by the City.




LEGISLATIVE ACTION:

Date	Resolution/Ordinance No.	Comments
11-13-2007	2007-25	Ordinance creating Chapter 74

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION(S):

Date	Form of Notification
09-04-2009	Agenda posted

APPROVED BY:

Assistant City Manager	City Attorney	City Manager
		

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Proposed Ordinance
2. Proposed Ordinance with indicated changes