

RESOLUTION 2024-0361

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

December 10, 2024

Automated Bus Stop and Bike Lane Enforcement Program

BACKGROUND

- A. Effective January 1, 2022, California Assembly Bill (“AB”) 917 (2021-2022) amended California Vehicle Code sections 40240 and 40241 to authorize the use of forward-facing cameras on city-owned or public-owned transit vehicles. This amendment allows for the capture of video images of parking violations at transit-only traffic lanes and stops. In Sacramento, these safety violations are enforced by Parking Enforcement Officers (“PEOs”) who issue parking citations pursuant to Sacramento City Code section 10.36.130A for vehicles that stop, stand, or park in designated bus zones. Vehicles frequently park in these zones causing delays to bus schedules and creating safety risks for passengers who are forced into unsafe paths of travel to board or exit the bus.
- B. California Assembly Bill 361 (2022-2023) further expanded this authority by adding California Vehicle Code section 40245, which went into effect January 1, 2024. This amendment allows forward-facing cameras to also enforce parking violations in bicycle lanes. In Sacramento, vehicles parked in or blocking, designated bike lanes are issued citations under California Vehicle Code section 21211. Such violations force cyclists to leave the bike lane and merge into traffic, creating a significant safety hazard for both bicyclists and motorists.
- C. Currently, to improve the safety of our community, PEOs patrol citywide to enforce vehicle codes and local parking ordinances. With enforcement activities and service calls occurring seven days a week across all areas of Sacramento, their ability to enforce bus zone and bike lane violations is very limited.
- D. To enhance operational efficiencies, ADA access, and improve safety through the enforcement of bus zone and bike lane violations, staff recommends the establishment of an Automated Bus Stop and Bike Lane Enforcement Program (“Program”). In accordance with California AB 917 (2021-2022) and California AB 361 (2022-2023), the Program will operate as follows:
 - 1. **Forward Facing Camera Installation:** Forward-facing cameras will be installed on Sacramento Regional Transit (“SacRT”) buses to capture video footage for identifying potential violations in bus stops and bike lanes.

2. **Data Capture During Bus Routes:** As SacRT buses travel their regular routes, the cameras will capture data of vehicles obstructing bus zones and bike lanes.
 - These cameras will be positioned to capture only images of parking violations ensuring that photographs of other drivers, vehicles, and pedestrians are excluded.
 3. **Image Transmission:** Captured images will be securely transmitted to the City's parking citation server, managed by Duncan Solutions, LLC ("Duncan").
 4. **Violation Review Process:** All transmitted images will be reviewed by a designated City of Sacramento parking enforcement officer. The officer will review the images to determine whether a parking violation occurred, ensuring accuracy and compliance with applicable laws.
- E. For vehicles found in violation, the following will be mailed to the registered vehicle owner of record within 15 calendar days of that determination:
1. **During the first 60 days from commencement of the Program:** warning notices will be issued instead of citations to educate and inform vehicle owners.
 2. **60 days after commencement of the Program:** a parking citation will be issued for violations. The registered owner will have the allocated time period prescribed under California Vehicle Code section 40202(a) to either pay the citation or submit a contest form online at www.sacpark.org to dispute the citation.
 3. **Payment Plans and Assistance:** Zero-interest citation payment plans, including plans for low-income drivers, are available. Additional information can be found under the "Citation Services" link at www.sacpark.org. Inquiries may also be made at the [Revenue Services Division](#) during office hours, or by calling (916) 808-8500 during Revenue phone hours.
 4. **Data Retention and Destruction:** Images of vehicles that are determined to not be in violation will be deleted from the system within 15 days after the information is first obtained, in compliance with California Vehicle Code section 40240(e)(2).
- F. Revenue collected from all parking citations issued under the Program, less the State of California per-citation surcharge of \$12.50, will be allocated to reimburse the City, Duncan, SacRT and Hayden for their respective implementation costs as follows:
1. **City:** 50% of revenue from bus stop violations and 50% from bike lane violations.

2. **SacRT:** 25% of revenue from bus stop violations and 5% of bike lane violations.
3. **Duncan and Hayden:** They will split the remaining 25% of revenue from bus stop violations and 45% of bike lane violations.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1.

The Automated Bus Stop and Bike Lane Enforcement Program is approved.

SECTION 2.

The City Manager or the City Manager's designee is authorized to execute a contract supplement to City agreement PRC000669 with Duncan Solutions, LLC for citation processing services, to add the Bus Stop and Bike Lane Enforcement Program.

SECTION 3.

The City Manager or the City Manager's designee is authorized to execute a four-year memorandum of understanding with Sacramento Regional Transit for the City to issue citations based on data collected from Sacramento Regional Transit buses participating in the Bus Stop and Bike Lane Enforcement Program.

SECTION 4.

The Parking Services Manager is authorized to add additional transit agencies and their routes to the program.

Adopted by the City of Sacramento City Council on December 10, 2024, by the following vote:

Ayes: Members Jennings, Kaplan, Maple, Talamantes, Thao, Vang, and Mayor Steinberg

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Members Guerra and Valenzuela

Attest:  12/12/2024

Mindy Cuppy, City Clerk

The presence of an electronic signature certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy as approved by the Sacramento City Council.