

# City of Alexandria, Virginia

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## MEMORANDUM

DATE: JUNE 24, 2022

TO: JOINT CITY COUNCIL/SCHOOL BOARD SUBCOMMITTEE

FROM: DON HAYES, CHIEF, APD  
YON LAMBERT, AICP, DIRECTOR, T&ES

SUBJECT: UPDATE ON AUTOMATED SPEED ENFORCEMENT IN SCHOOL ZONES

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In 2020, the Code of Virginia was amended to allow the use of automated speed enforcement, also known as speed cameras, in school zones and work zones. In May 2022, Alexandria City Council approved funding for five speed cameras in school zones as part of the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget, with placement of those cameras to be prioritized by the Department of Transportation and Environmental Services. This would be the first time the City has employed the use of speed cameras.

Staff have immediately mobilized to develop and implement this new program. A staff working group, which includes representatives from ACPS, APD, T&ES, and others, has formed to address the various aspects of such a program, including location selection, public communications, procurement, and other critical tasks. This group is working towards the goal of launching the program by early 2023.

A program webpage is expected to be published in the coming weeks. Staff also anticipate providing additional updates to the Joint City Council/School Board Subcommittee in the fall as program details are developed.