



CITY SECRETARY'S OFFICE
ELECTION INFORMATION

MAY 9, 2015 GENERAL AND SPECIAL ELECTION

MAYOR	VOTE TOTALS	PERCENTAGES
JEFF WILLIAMS	15,501	58.07%
ROBERT CLUCK	10,461	39.19%
DIDMUS B. BANDA	211	0.79%
JERRY PIKULINSKI	520	1.95%
TOTALS	26,693	
DISTRICT 3	VOTE TOTALS	PERCENTAGES
MARVIN SUTTON	1,094	39.39%
ROBERT RIVERA	1,734	57.68%
DANIEL R. MELENDEZ	178	5.92%
TOTALS	3,006	
DISTRICT 4	VOTE TOTALS	PERCENTAGES
KATHRYN WILEMON	6,396	81.07%
NICOLAS NERVO	1,493	18.93%
TOTALS	7,889	
DISTRICT 5	VOTE TOTALS	PERCENTAGES
MARK LIBERTO	579	18.79%
ELEONOR HERNANDEZ	576	18.69%
LANA WOLFF	1,927	62.52%
TOTALS	3,082	
DISTRICT 8	VOTE TOTALS	PERCENTAGES
CHRIS DOBSON	5,473	24.77%
MICHAEL GLASPIE, SR.	11,958	54.13%
RICHARD WEBER	3,811	17.25%
GREGORY GERAMI	849	3.84%
TOTALS	22,091	

Proposition No. 1:		
Addition of Section 12 of Article X of the City Charter to prohibit photographic traffic signal enforcement.		
	VOTE TOTALS	PERCENTAGES
FOR	15,885	59.51%
AGAINST	10,809	40.49%
TOTALS	26,694	

Red Light Camera FAQ



When did the City of Arlington establish the Automated Red Light Enforcement Program?

- In September 2003, enabling legislation State Senate Bill 1184, allowed municipalities to establish civil penalties against registered vehicle owners for red light violations.
- On July 25, 2006, City of Arlington Ordinance No. 06-074 was established.
- On January 9, 2007, City Council Resolution No. 07-004 authorized the execution of a contract with American Traffic Solutions, Inc. for digital red light photo enforcement program services. The 15 year contract was signed on January 10, 2007.
- Effective September 1, 2007, State Senate Bill 1119 established responsible guidelines for photographic traffic signal enforcement systems.

Why did the City of Arlington implement the Automated Red Light Enforcement Program?

The purpose of the red light camera program is to increase traffic safety in the City of Arlington. From January 2004 to July 2006 red light running in Arlington resulted in:

- 1295 collisions
- 6 fatalities
- 83 incapacitating injuries
- 425 non-incapacitating injuries

What company provides the red light camera program in Arlington?

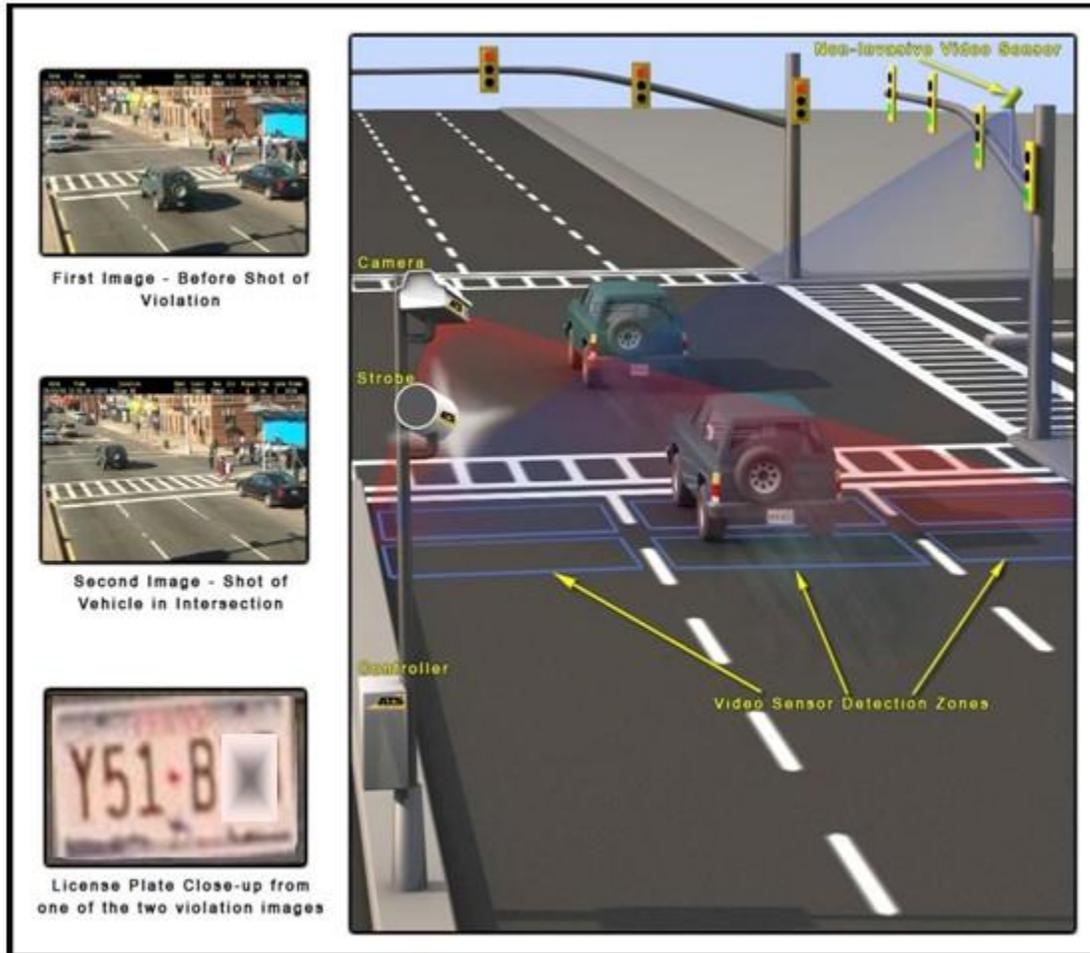
The City of Arlington has contracted with American Traffic Solutions Inc. (ATS) to provide the Automated Red Light Enforcement program. ATS installs and maintains all equipment related to this program and process violations captured by the equipment.

What does the red light enforcement system consist of at an intersection where installed?

- A 12.4 mega pixel digital camera
- A video camera that captures 12 seconds of violation video
- 1 strobe light flash unit
- System is completely separate from traffic light

How does a red light camera work?

The camera system is only triggered during the red light signal phase. Vehicles that enter on yellow and are in the intersection when the light changes to red are not photographed.



First image: The “A” shot is captured from the rear approach showing: the scene of the violation including the back of the violating vehicle in front of the stop line; one or more visible red light signals.

Second image: The “B” shot is also captured from the rear approach showing: the scene of the violation including the back of the violating vehicle after the rear axle has crossed the stop line and the vehicle has illegally entered the intersection; one or more visible red light signals; and a clear image of the license plate of the offending vehicle.

License plate close-up: A magnified “crop” of the license plate is created from one of the two images for easy viewing.

Police Officer review:

All offenses are reviewed by an Arlington police officer. There are two funded part-time positions to manage the volume, but only one officer confirms each individual violation.

- If the police officer confirms an observed violation, the violation is mailed to the registered vehicle owner.
- If the police officer rejects the violation, no violation is mailed. Approximately 4% of all violations are rejected by the reviewing police officer.
- The system uses encryption to safeguard the images against alteration. Only the videos of violations confirmed by an officer are retained.

How many violations have been captured on red light cameras in Arlington?

- 84,677 in 2011 (20 cameras)
- 83,004 in 2012 (20 cameras)
- 92,941 in 2013 (23 cameras)
- 94,413 in 2014 (23 cameras)

What is the revenue from red light camera violations?

- City of Arlington: \$2,170,000
- State of Texas: \$1,780,000
- Vendor: \$1,333,000 (The vendor is compensated a fee of \$58,000 per camera. They are not compensated by the number of violations)

How does the City spend red light camera revenue?

The State of Texas requires revenue from the program to be spent on traffic safety programs. In Arlington, revenue from the program provides for:

- 14 Patrol Officers (12 officers, 2 sergeants): \$1,354,138
- DWI Unit (9 officers): \$437,423
- Program Admin (hearing officer/reviewers/clerical): \$378,439

Where are the automated red light cameras located?

There are 23 cameras activated at 19 intersections throughout the city. Intersections with cameras are marked with “Photo Enforced” warning signs. Intersections in the City equipped with red light camera systems are:

287 Frontage Rd @ Little
Collins @ Pioneer (2)
Cooper @ Main
Cooper @ Park Row (2)
Fielder @ Randol Mill
Matlock @ Arbrook
Watson @ Six Flags

287 Frontage Rd @ Sublett
Collins @ Sublett
Cooper @ Mayfield
Cooper @ Pioneer (2)
Green Oaks @ Pleasant Ridge
Pioneer @ Browning

Collins @ Lamar (2)
Cooper @ Division
Cooper @ Sublett
Cooper @ Road to Six Flags
Little @ Poly Webb
Watson @ Avenue H

What criteria were used in selecting the intersections which have red light cameras?

- Utilized historical crash information where red light running was the primary contributing cause
- Traffic volume
- Geographical location
- Construction and road improvement considerations
- Independent video monitoring and analysis

What is considered a red light running violation?

A red light running violation occurs when a motorist enters an intersection after the traffic signal has turned red. Motorists already in the intersection when the signal changes to red, when waiting to turn for example, does not constitute a red light violation.

When is a Right Turn On Red a violation?

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION CODE 544.007. TRAFFIC-CONTROL SIGNALS IN GENERAL. An operator of a vehicle facing only a steady red signal shall stop at a clearly marked stop line. In the absence of a stop line, the operator shall stop before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection. A vehicle that is not turning shall remain standing until an indication to proceed is shown. After stopping, standing until the intersection may be entered safely, and yielding right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully in an adjacent crosswalk and other traffic lawfully using the intersection, the operator may turn right. 56% of violations are based on right turns.

If a driver is in the intersection when the light is yellow and the light changes to red, will that driver receive a Notice of Violation?

No. The automated system only becomes active once the red light is showing. It will not capture a vehicle if the vehicle enters the intersection prior to the light changing to red. If a motorist enters the intersection on yellow, it is legal to clear the intersection if the light turned red while the motorist is still in the intersection.

How much is a red light violation penalty?

A civil penalty is assessed to the vehicle owner. There is a \$75 fee. There is also a \$25 late payment penalty.

Does a person who has received a Notice of Violation have the right to contest?

Yes. There is an opportunity to explain the case before an Administrative Hearing Officer and a final appeal may be made to a Municipal Court Judge.

What happens if the Notice of Violation is ignored?

Failure to pay the civil penalty or to contest liability by the due date on the Notice is an admission of liability. Failure to appear at an administrative hearing after having requested a hearing is an admission of liability and constitutes a waiver of the right to appeal. Failure to pay the civil penalty by the due date on the Notice of Violation shall result in a late-payment fee of \$25. If the second notice remains unpaid, the notice will be sent to collections.

Will the red light cameras take a picture of the driver of the vehicle?

No. It is a civil penalty assessed against the registered owner of the vehicle, it is not a criminal violation. Similar to a parking ticket, there is no need to identify the driver and therefore, no need to capture the image of the driver.

How can a driver know that these violations are valid?

Images of the vehicle are captured by an Automated Photo Enforcement System. The images and video of the violation may be viewed online at www.ViolationInfo.com. The images and video are reviewed by qualified technicians and by an Arlington police officer before the violation is mailed.