



Memorandum

Memorandum No: 25-048

TO:

Honorable Mayor and Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM:

Rickelle Williams, City Manager **Physical Research**

DATE:

May 6, 2025

SUBJECT: Automated School Zone Speed Detection Camera Program Update

The April 1, 2025, City Commission agenda included two (2) items associated with the proposed Automated School Zone Speed Detection Camera Program.

- Agenda item M-2 (CAM #25-0379) Appeal of Decision of the Chief Procurement Officer's Denial of Protest Submitted by Blue Line Solutions, LLC on the Recommendation to Award Request for Proposals No. 332-5, Automated School Zone Speed Detection Camera Program - RedSpeed Florida LLC. The agenda item was tabled by the City Commission through a 5 – 0 vote.
- Agenda item M-3 (CAM #25-0319) Motion Approving an Agreement for an Automated School Zone Speed Detection Camera Program - RedSpeed Florida LLC. The motion was denied by the City Commission through a 4-1 vote.

As a result, City staff are finalizing a new solicitation, which will include all schools (public and private) within the City of Fort Lauderdale. The new solicitation is expected to be released in May 2025 with a recommendation for City Commission consideration after the summer recess with a phased implementation thereafter.

According to Florida Statute s. 316.008(9)(c), a county or municipality must enact an ordinance in order to authorize the placement or installation of a speed detection system on a roadway maintained as a school zone. As part of the public hearing on such proposed ordinance, the county or municipality must consider traffic data or other evidence supporting the installation and operation of each proposed school zone speed detection system, and the county or municipality must determine that the school zone where a speed detection system is to be placed or installed constitutes a heightened safety risk that warrants additional enforcement measures.

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As such, City staff are coordinating, with an existing City-approved contracted consultant, to collect speed data for the recommended Phase 1 schools (listed below) in mid-May, prior to the end of the current school year. The Phase 1 schools were identified through Fort Lauderdale Police Department field observations, Transportation & Mobility Department feedback, and the review of limited existing traffic data.

Commission District	Phase 1 Schools
District 1	Bayview Elementary School
	Cardinal Gibbons High School
	Sunrise Middle School
District 2	Fort Lauderdale High School
	Thurgood Marshall Elementary School
	Virginia Shuman Young Elementary School
District 3	Saint Thomas Aquinas High School
	Sunland Park Elementary School
	Walker Elementary School
District 4	Croissant Park Elementary School
	Harbordale Elementary School
	Stranahan High School

Once the speed data is collected, analyzed, and it is determined that the school(s) warrant additional speed enforcement measures, City staff will finalize the City ordinance for City Commission consideration. The ordinance will require two (2) readings by the City Commission. Additional schools may be incorporated as part of future phases of the program, which will require augmented data collection and ordinance modifications.

If you have any questions or comments regarding solicitation status or the Phase 1 school selections, please contact Milos Majstorovic, Acting Director of Transportation and Mobility, at 954-828-5216 or mmajstorovic@fortlauderdale.gov by May 12th (in advance of data collection).

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