From:	Denyse Trepanier
То:	<u>City Clerk</u>
Cc:	<u>board</u>
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Comments for City Council on Item 7-A: Automated Red Light Enforcement Pilot Program
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Dear City Council,

We hope you will consider our attached support for this item in your discussion this evening.

Thank you,

Bike Walk Alameda Board

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Denyse Trepanier Board President, Bike Walk Alameda



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March 3, 2025

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Lucy Gigli Founder, non-voting RE: Item 7-A: Automated Red Light Enforcement Pilot Program

Dear Mayor Ezzy Ashcraft and Members of the City Council,

We appreciate the staff report on this item and are in support of the pilot. Lack of compliance to 'no right on red' prohibitions, which we assume inspired this initiative, has been a growing concern around town, and having a strategy to address it is encouraging. Should the pilot proceed, it will test the effectiveness of automated enforcement for reducing conflicts at select intersections. The study referenced in the staff report looks promising, and we're hopeful.

That said, there are some potential issues that should be considered. First, the need to cover all costs through ticketing may adversely affect the program. Second, there are privacy implications around access and sharing of the footage — APD's policy will be important. And finally, while red light cameras have been shown to reduce the most dangerous types of crashes, they may increase others (specifically rear-end collisions due to sudden braking). However, that's an acceptable tradeoff, if more serious injuries are reduced, but it's a possibility to be aware of, and if possible, to mitigate.

Thank you for your support of this item and for making our streets safer!

Bike Walk Alameda Board