



Town of Berwyn Heights

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ORDINANCE 149 – SPEED CAMERAS

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPEED CAMERA ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM IN THE TOWN OF BERWYN HEIGHTS

Section 1. Purpose and Authority

- A. Purpose – The purpose of the Ordinance is to authorize a speed camera enforcement program as allowed by Maryland law, § 21-809 of the Transportation Article
- B. Authority – The authority to provide for the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of and visitors to the Town are provided in Section 401 – General Powers of the Town of Berwyn Heights Charter.

Section 2. Speed Camera Enforcement

- A. Speed camera enforcement, using a mobile speed monitoring camera system, is authorized at locations within the Town as determined by the Chief of Police or designated representative. After the first speed camera monitoring system is placed within the Town, for a period of at least 30 days, a violation recorded during that period by the speed camera monitoring system may only be enforced by the issuance of a warning.
- B. The Town Council approves and authorizes the use of a mobile speed monitoring system provided by a vendor, as determined by Town Council, for speed camera monitoring enforcement within the Town.
- C. Section 21-803.1 of the Transportation Article of the Maryland Annotated Code authorizes a municipal governing body to establish a school zone within a half-mile radius of any school. Fifty-one percent of property owners of a block and/or blocks or a Town Council recognized community organization may petition the Town Council to consider establishing additional school zone(s).
- D. The speed camera monitoring enforcement program shall be conducted in compliance with all of the applicable provisions of speed camera monitoring enforcement law and the Maryland Vehicle law.

Section 3 Penalties

- A. Any civil penalty for a Speed Monitoring System violation that is unpaid longer forty-five (45) days is eligible for a late fee. Any Speed Monitoring System violation that is unpaid longer than sixty (60) days is eligible for flagging and shall be subject to a municipal flagging fee, in addition to any Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration fees.
- B. All Speed Monitoring System violation civil penalties, late fees and municipal flagging fees shall be set from time-to-time by resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Berwyn Heights.

Section 3. Severability

If any section or part of a section of this Ordinance shall be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the remainder of this Ordinance.

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