

EMERGENCY

City of Cincinnati

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An Ordinance No. _____

- 2023

TO SUBMIT to the electors of the City of Cincinnati an amendment to the Charter of the City of Cincinnati repealing Article XIV, "Limitations on Use of Photo-Monitoring Devices to Detect Certain Traffic Law Violations."

WHEREAS, at the election on November 4, 2008, the voters of the City of Cincinnati amended the Charter to add Article XIV, "Limitations on Use of Photo-Monitoring Devices to Detect Certain Traffic Law Violations," to restrict the City's ability to use cameras to assist with the enforcement of traffic laws regulating speeding and obeying traffic control signals, such as red lights; and

WHEREAS, the City has experienced significant increases in pedestrians being injured and killed as a result of traffic accidents, including in and around school zones, since the adoption of Article XIV; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio, two-thirds of the members elected thereto concurring:

Section 1. That there shall be submitted to the vote of the qualified electors of the City of Cincinnati for their approval or disapproval at the general election to be held November 7, 2023, an amendment to the Charter of the City of Cincinnati repealing Article XIV, "Limitations on Use of Photo-Monitoring Devices to Detect Certain Traffic Law Violations."

Section 2. That the form of the submission of the proposed amendment to the electors shall be substantially as follows:

CHARTER AMENDMENT	
A majority vote is necessary for passage.	
YES	Shall the Charter of the City of Cincinnati be amended by repealing Article XIV, "Limitations on Use of Photo-Monitoring Devices to Detect Certain Traffic Law Violations" of the Cincinnati Charter?
NO	

Section 3. That the Clerk of Council shall give notice of the proposed Charter Amendment in the manner provided by Sections 8 and 9 of Article XVIII of the Ohio Constitution and Section 731.211 (B) of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4. That the Clerk of Council is directed to certify and transmit to the Board of Elections of Hamilton County, Ohio, a copy of this ordinance and direct the said Board to submit the proposed Charter amendment to the electors of the City of Cincinnati as provided by law.

Section 5. That the Board of Elections of Hamilton County, Ohio, shall certify to the Council the result of the vote upon said amendment, and if said amendment is approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon, the Charter of the City of Cincinnati shall be amended to repeal existing Article XIV.

Section 6. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, go into effect forthwith. The reason for the emergency is the immediate necessity to authorize the Clerk of Council to certify and transmit this ordinance to the Board of Elections at least sixty days prior to the November 7, 2023 general election.

Passed _____, 2023

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk