

Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 14, ARTICLE IV, Sec. 14-189 OF THE CITY CODE.

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA, THAT:

Section 1: Chapter 14, Article IV, Sec. 14-189 of the City Code is amended to read as follows:

A violation detected by a traffic control photographic system shall be deemed a noncriminal violation for which a civil penalty of \$75.00 shall be assessed, and for which no points authorized by G.S. 20-16(c) shall be assigned to the owner or driver of the vehicle nor insurance points as authorized by G.S. 58-36-65. The owner of the vehicle shall be issued a citation which shall clearly state the manner in which the violation may be challenged, and the owner shall comply with the directions on the citation. The citation shall be processed by officials or agents of the city and shall be forwarded by personal service or first class mail to the address given on the motor vehicle registration. If the owner fails, within 30 days of notification of the violation, to pay the civil penalty, appeal the citation, or respond in accordance with section 14-188(b), the owner shall have waived the right to contest responsibility for the violation, and shall be assessed an additional civil penalty of \$100.00. The city may establish procedures for the collection of these penalties and may enforce the penalties by civil action in the nature of debt.

Section 2: This ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

Approved as to form:

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City Attorney