

Calgary



Impacts of Photo Radar Restrictions

2025 March 18

Regular Meeting of Council

Previous Council Direction

Notice of Motion: EC2025-0230 on 2025 February 25 directed Administration to:

- support the Calgary Police Commission in developing a report on funding shortfall options,
- inquire with the Commission as to its desire to separate revenue from enforcement,
- support the Commission in advocating to the province for the relaxation of restrictions on photo radar use, and;
- provide a report to Council on 2025 March 18 comparing traffic calming and photo radar.



Recommendations

That Council:

- 1. Authorize the “Police Services” service line to access additional funding up to \$28 million in 2025 from the Fiscal Stability Reserve to offset the revenue shortfall from changes in traffic fine revenue.**
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- Photo radar restrictions cause a revenue shortfall of up to \$28M in 2025.
- Police Commission requests additional funding to avoid service reductions.
- Admin recommends up to \$28M from Fiscal Stability Reserve.
- Photo radar & traffic calming are not interchangeable.





Police Commission Input

- \$28M in replacement funding would avoid service reductions.
- Request to remove & replace all fine revenue in police budget.
- Advocacy to Province underway.



Traffic Calming & Photo Radar



Traffic Calming & Roadway Redesign

- Discourages speeding through design.
- Ideal for lower volume roads such as collectors.
- Prioritizes safety over traffic flow.

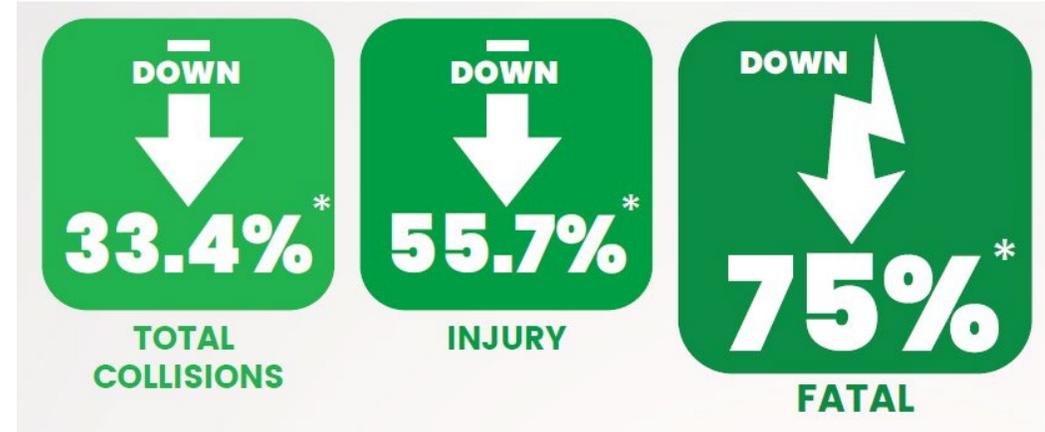


Photo Radar

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- Ideal on higher speed roads.
- Reduces collision rates at intersections.

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