# Council Item of Special Interest: Red Light Cameras

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#### Purpose and Council Guidance

- Council Item of Special Interest: Possibility of red light cameras to help prevent accidents at dangerous intersections
  - Should a red light camera study be conducted?
  - If so, which option best meets the needs of the study?
  - Which intersection(s) should be used for the study?



#### **Statistics**

- Glendale historically has some of the most dangerous intersections in the valley based on MAG data
- A three year historical review of collisions in the City revealed:
  - 2,258 collisions within the top 10 major intersections
  - 74 fatal collisions
  - 72% increase in fatal collisions
  - 10 red light related fatalities
- Top causes of red light related accidents:
  - Speed
  - Inattention



### Red Light Camera Study Options

#### • Option 1

- Select 1 problematic intersection for a 3 month study
- 1 month with a camera and 2 months without a camera comparison
- No cost to the City
- Only 1 month with a camera may not be long enough to accurately measure impacts



### Red Light Camera Study Options

#### • Option 2

- Select a problematic intersection and install a camera for 3 months
- Select a second similar intersection for comparison with no camera
- Cost of \$14,000
- Cost waived if City elects to keep red light camera and enter into agreement with vendor



# Paired Intersection Options

- 59<sup>th</sup> Ave/Bell Road 21 Accidents
- 59<sup>th</sup> Ave/Thunderbird Road 21 Accidents

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- 67<sup>th</sup> Ave/Bell Road 22 Accidents



# Paired Intersection Options

- 67<sup>th</sup> Ave/Glendale Avenue 24 Accidents
- 59<sup>th</sup> Ave/Camelback Road 23 Accidents

- 67<sup>th</sup> Ave/Union Hills Drive 6 Accidents
- 75<sup>th</sup> Ave/Union Hills Drive 6 Accidents



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Questions?

