

**GULF BREEZE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

JANUARY 21, 2014  
**TUESDAY**, 6:30 P.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1. Roll Call
2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Minutes from January 6, 2014, Regular Meeting
4. **ORDINANCE 01-14: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE RETIREMENT PLAN AND TRUST AGREEMENT FOR POLICE  
*FIRST READING***

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- RESOLUTION 01-14: RESOLUTION APPROVING A FEE INCREASE FOR SOLID WASTE REMOVAL**

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- RESOLUTION 02-14: RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO HOUSE TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAY SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE BILL RELATIVE TO RED LIGHT CAMERA ENFORCEMENT**
5. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:\***
  - A. Discussion and Action Regarding Disposal of Surplus Maintenance Equipment – Tiger Point Golf Club

**\*These are items considered routine in nature and will be considered by one motion. If any citizen wishes to voice an opinion on one of the items, you should advise the Council immediately.**

**ACTION AGENDA ITEMS: NONE**

6. New Business
7. Open Forum

8. Adjournment

*(COMMENCE THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT  
AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS)*

**If any person decides to appeal any decisions made with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or public hearing, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and any evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.**

**The public is invited to comment on matters before the City Council upon seeking and receiving the recognition from the Chair.**

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The 1,239<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting of the Gulf Breeze City Council, Gulf Breeze, Florida, was held at the Gulf Breeze City Hall on Monday, January 6, 2014, at 6:30 p.m

Upon call of the roll the following Councilmembers were present: Councilwoman Fitch, Councilman Henderson, Mayor Pro Tem Schluter, and Mayor Beverly Zimmern. Councilman Landfair was not in attendance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Councilman Schluter moved for approval of the minutes for the Regular Meeting held on Monday, December 16, 2013. Councilwoman Fitch seconded. The vote for approval was unanimous.

Councilman Henderson moved for approval of the minutes for the Community Redevelopment Agency Meeting held on Monday, December 16, 2013. Councilwoman Fitch seconded. The vote for approval was unanimous.

Councilman Schluter moved for approval of the minutes for the Special Meeting hold on Friday, December 20, 2013. Councilwoman seconded. The vote for approval was unanimous.

**PROCLAMATION: DECLARING JANUARY 17, 2014, ARBOR DAY**

Councilman Henderson moved for approval of the Proclamation. Councilwoman Fitch seconded. The vote for approval was unanimous.

**ACTION AGENDA ITEMS:**

**A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING DESIGN PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS – TIGER POINT CLUB HOUSE AND PRO SHOP.**

*THIS ITEM WAS PULLED FROM THE AGENDA AND NOT DISCUSSED.*

**B. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING RECOMMENDATION BY SOUTH SANTA ROSA UTILITY BOARD – CLAY CIRCLE DEVELOPMENT.**

Reference: City Manager memo dated January 2, 2014

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZE WARRINGTON UTILITY AND EXCAVATING TO CONSTRUCT A 6” FORCE MAIN FROM U.S. 98 NORTH**

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**OF BERGREN ROAD AND ON RIVER BIRCH ROAD FOR A COST OF \$124,912. THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE INCREASE OF \$95 PER EQUIVALENT RESIDENTIAL UNIT IN IMPACT FEES FOR THE UNITS BUILT IN THE AREA THAT WILL BENEFIT FROM THE NEW FORCE MAIN.**

Councilman Henderson moved for approval of staff's recommendations. Councilman Schluter seconded. The vote for approval was unanimous.

**C. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT, SANTA ROSA COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS OFFICE.**

Reference: City Clerk memo dated December 27, 2013

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SANTA ROSA COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS AND THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 2014 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2016.**

Councilman Henderson moved for approval of staff's recommendations. Councilwoman Fitch seconded. The vote for approval was unanimous.

**D. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING UPDATED CAPACITY ANALYSIS REPORT.**

Reference: Assistant Director of Public Services memo dated January 2, 2014

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE BASKERVILLE-DONOVAN, INC., PROPOSAL OF \$5,000.**

Councilwoman Fitch moved for approval of staff's recommendations. Councilman Schluter seconded. The vote for approval was unanimous.

**E. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING GOVDEALS AUCTION ITEMS.**

Reference: City Manager memo dated January 3, 2014

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE DISPOSAL THROUGH GOVDEALS OF TWO (2) LASER SPEED DETECTION UNITS WITHOUT**

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**RESTRICTIONS AND DISPOSAL THROUGH GOVDEALS OF THE  
MILITARY SURPLUS CARGO TRUCK WITH A RESERVE AMOUNT OF  
\$5,000. IF THE BIDS FALL SHORT OF \$5,000, THEN THE COUNCIL  
APPROVES THE DONATION OF THE CARGO TRUCK TO THE STATE OF  
FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AT CENTURY.**

Councilman Henderson moved for approval of staff's recommendations. Councilwoman Fitch seconded. The vote for approval was unanimous.

**F. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING ACQUISITION OF A SURPLUS  
HUMVEE.**

Reference: Fire Chief memo dated January 3, 2014

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZE STAFF TO TRY AND PROCURE A  
SURPLUS HUMVEE FOR A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000.**

Councilman Henderson moved for approval of staff's recommendations. Councilwoman Fitch seconded. The vote for approval was unanimous.

**G. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING USER FEE, OPEN BASKETBALL.**

Reference: City Manager memo dated December 27, 2013

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FORMALLY APPROVE A POLICY THAT OPEN  
BASKETBALL PLAY AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER FOR SESSIONS OF  
TWO HOURS OR MORE REQUIRES A \$2.00 CHARGE AND THAT THE  
COUNCIL DETERMINE IF THE CHARGE SHOULD BE APPLIED TO ALL OR  
TO NON-RESIDENTS ONLY.**

Councilman Schluter moved to implement staff's recommendation and to apply the \$2.00 fee to non-residents only and then revisit the issue in thirty (30) days to determine if any additional formal or substantive action is needed. Councilwoman Fitch seconded. The vote for approval was 3 – 1 with Councilman Henderson dissenting.

**H. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING LETTER OF SUPPORT, EPA  
BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENT GRANT PROGRAM.**

Reference: City Manager memo dated January 3, 2014

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE  
2014 BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENT GRANT PROGRAM.**

Councilman Henderson moved for approval of staff's recommendations. Councilwoman Fitch seconded. The vote for approval was unanimous.

**I. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING HIGHWAY 98 TRAFFIC SIGNAL  
TIMINGS.**

Reference: Assistant Director of Public Services memo dated January 3, 2014

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THE CITY COUNCIL ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
TO CHANGE TRAFFIC SIGNAL TIMING CHANGES ON A TRIAL BASIS TO  
IMPROVE TRAFFIC FLOW THROUGH GULF BREEZE.**

Councilman Schluter moved for approval of staff's recommendations. Councilwoman Fitch seconded. The vote for approval was unanimous.

**J. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING DISCUSSION AND ACTION  
REGARDING POSSIBLE LITIGATION AGAINST NEXTEL.**

Reference: City Attorney email dated January 2, 2014

City Attorney advised of the pertinent facts regarding the termination of Nextel's lease. He advised that he has given Nextel until the end of the week to provide payment in full of the sums that are due. The City Attorney is requesting the City Council authorize the initiation of litigation should payment in full not be received by Nextel by the end of the week.

Councilman Henderson moved for approval of staff's recommendations. Councilwoman Fitch seconded. The vote for approval was unanimous.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

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**OPEN FORUM:**

Susan Bleiler, 481 Deer Point Drive, spoke concerning the removal of trees and vegetation where the new sidewalk is being built on Chesapeake Drive.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Zimmern adjourned the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

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Stephanie D. Lucas, City Clerk

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Beverly H. Zimmern, Mayor

Councilmembers Present: Joseph Henderson, Mayor Pro-Tem J.B. Schluter, David G. Landfair, Cherry Fitch, and Mayor Zimmern.

**ACTION AGENDA ITEMS:**

**A. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT - TIGER POINT GOLF CLUB.**

Reference: Director of Parks and Recreation memo dated January 9, 2014

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT COUNCIL DECLARE AS SURPLUS, THE ATTACHED LIST OF GOLF COURSE MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT, AND AUTHORIZE ITS SALE TO ECEC, LLC, 5410 HIGHWAY PMB 38, CUMMINGS, GA 30028 FOR \$13,750.00.

Councilman Henderson made a motion to place staff's recommendation on the January 21, 2014, Regular Council meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fitch. The vote for approval was unanimous.

**B. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING PROPOSED HOUSE TRANSPORTATION SUBCOMMITTEE LEGISLATION REGARDING CAMERA ENFORCEMENT.**

Reference: City Manager memo dated January 9, 2014

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL DIRECT STAFF TO DRAFT A RESOLUTION OPPOSED TO HOUSE TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAY SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE BILL ONE RELATIVE TO CAMERA ENFORCEMENT.

Councilman Landfair made a motion to place staff's recommendation on the January 21, 2014, Regular Council meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilman Henderson. The vote for approval was unanimous.

**C. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING CONTRACTUAL RATE INCREASE REQUESTED BY ALLIED WASTE/REPUBLIC SERVICES.**

Reference: Director of Finance memo dated January 7, 2014

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE ATTACHED RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REQUESTED SERVICE COST INCREASE OF 1.5% FOR

CONTRACTUAL FRANCHISE SOLID WASTE SERVICES EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2014, AND IMPLEMENT THE ACCOMPANYING PRICES REFLECTING A 1.5% INCREASE TO BE BILLED BY THE CITY FOR SOLID WASTE SERVICES TO BE EFFECTIVE FOR INVOICES EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2014.

Mayor Pro-Tem Schluter made a motion to place staff's recommendation on the January 21, 2014, Regular Council meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fitch. The vote for approval was unanimous.

**D. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING UPDATE ON POTENTIAL LITIGATION – NEXTEL.**

Reference: City Manager memo dated January 9, 2014

City Attorney advised that Nextel had provided payment in full and there was no need for litigation. No formal action was taken.

**E. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AMENDMENT OF THE POLICE PENSION PLAN.**

Reference: City Manager memo dated January 9, 2014

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL DIRECT STAFF AND THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE POLICE PENSION PLAN AS DESCRIBED HEREIN FOR FIRST READING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Councilman Henderson made a motion to place staff's recommendation on the January 21, 2014, Regular Council meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fitch. The vote for approval was unanimous.

**F. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING PROJECT UNDERWRITING – CHARITABLE DONATIONS.**

*THIS ITEM WAS PULLED FROM THE AGENDA AND NOT DISCUSSED.*

**G. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING CITY OF GULF BREEZE MASTER PLANNING INVOICE NO. 1758279 FROM VHB MILLERSELLEN.**

Reference: Assistant City Manager memo dated January 10, 2014

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL MEET AS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2014, AND APPROVE PAYMENT OF INVOICE NO. 1758279 FOR \$1,701.05 TO VHB MILLER SELLEN.

Councilman Landfair made a motion to place staff's recommendation on the January 21, 2014, Regular Council meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fitch. The vote for approval was unanimous.

**H. INFORMATION ITEMS:**

City Manager reminded the Council that Friday, January 17 at 7:00 a.m. is the Optimist Youth Breakfast at the Community Center and the Arbor Day Celebration is at 10:00 a.m. at Hodges Park. He also advised that an invitation was emailed to the Council regarding the Gulf Breeze Chamber of Commerce's Annual Award Gala that is scheduled for February 1, 2014. Please let the City Clerks know if you plan on attending.

Mayor Pro-Tem Schluter asked that we keep Denise Biggs in our thoughts and prayers.

**I. PUBLIC FORUM:**

**ADJOURNMENT: 6:39 P.M.**

## **ORDINANCE NO. 01-14**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE RETIREMENT PLAN AND TRUST FOR THE POLICE OFFICERS OF THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council established a Retirement Plan and Trust for the Police Officers of the City of Gulf Breeze pursuant to Ordinance Number 04-96; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Retirement Plan and Trust was executed on January 2, 1996; and,

**WHEREAS**, Section 8.01 of the Plan and Trust authorizes the City Council to amend the Plan and Trust, in whole or in part, either retroactively or prospectively, by delivery to the Trustee a written amendment in accordance with the limitations set out in the section; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City Council now desires to amend the Plan and Trust as follows: (i) increasing the employee's per payroll contribution from one percent (1%) of salary to four percent (4%) of salary; (ii) calculation of benefits per the Plan would be limited to base pay; and (iii) the first cost of living adjustment to retiree benefits would be three (3) years from the date of retirement rather than one year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Gulf Breeze, as follows:

### **SECTION 1:**

The Retirement Plan and Trust dated as of January 2, 1996, is hereby amended as follows:

1. The per payroll contribution to the Police Pension Plan by participating members shall be four percent (4%).
2. The calculations of benefits is limited to base pay.
3. The first cost of living adjustment to retiree benefits will be three (3) years from the date of retirement.

### **SECTION 2: SEVERABILITY**

If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Ordinance is for any reason held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional, inoperative, invalid or void, then said holding shall in no manner effect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 3: CONFLICT**

The provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed to control and prevail over any ordinance or portion thereof in conflict with the terms herein.

**SECTION 4: EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption by the City Council of the City of Gulf Breeze.

PASSED ON FIRST READING ON THE 21<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2014.

PUBLISHED ON THE \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

PASSED AND ADOPTED ON THE SECOND READING ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2014.

CITY OF GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA

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BEVERLY H. ZIMMERN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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STEPHANIE D. LUCAS, CITY CLERK

## **RESOLUTION 01-14**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE,  
FLORIDA, APPROVING A FEE INCREASE FOR SOLID  
WASTE REMOVAL AND PROVIDING FOR AN  
EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, on February 1, 2013, the City entered into a five (5) contract with Allied Waste Services (now known as Republic Services) for collection of solid waste removal for its customers; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 6(H) of the contract provides that Republic Service may request an annual rate increase effective February of each year. The rate increase is based on changes to the Consumer Price Index subject to a maximum annual increase of five percent (5%); and

**WHEREAS**, Republic Services has requested an increase of one and half percent (1.5%) to the service portion of its rates effective February 1, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 19-203 of the Gulf Breeze Code of Ordinances provides that rates for services provided by franchisee (Republic Services) shall be set by the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has determined that due to increases in operating costs associated with solid waste removal, the rate increase requested by Republic Services is warranted per the contract.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** The solid waste removal fees are increased by one and half percent (1.5%) as reflected on the attached Exhibit "A."

**SECTION 2.** The rate increases shall be effective as of February 1, 2014.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Gulf Breeze, Santa Rosa County, Florida, on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of January, 2014.

**ATTEST:**

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Leslie A. Guyer, City Clerk

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Beverly H. Zimmern, Mayor

City of Gulf Breeze  
Municipal Area Solid Waste Franchise Service Rates  
Effective for Service After February 1

**EXHIBIT "A"**

Partial Listing of New Rates

|  | <u>2014</u> | <u>2014</u> |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Amts in RED billed direct by Republic</b> |             |             |
| <b>Service</b>                               | <b>1.5%</b> |             |
| Curbside - Residential                       | 10.66       | 17.15       |
| Curbside - Senior                            | 9.60        | 15.43       |
| Curbside - Extra Kart                        | 3.05        | 8.12        |
| Sideyard - Residential                       | 14.92       | 21.42       |
| Sideyard - Senior                            | 9.60        | 15.43       |
| Sideyard - Disabled                          | 9.60        | 15.43       |
| Sideyard - Sr Disabled                       | 9.60        | 15.43       |
| Sideyard - Extra Kart                        | 6.09        | 11.17       |
| Sideyard - MSW & Rec                         | 23.13       | 29.64       |
| Commercial Svc -Recycle -Kart                | 8.56        | 9.64        |
| Commercial Svc -Recycle -2 yd                | 30.91       | 30.91       |
| Commercial Svc -Recycle -4 yd                | 43.27       | 43.27       |
| Commercial Svc -Recycle -6 yd                | 55.14       | 55.14       |
| Commercial Svc -Recycle -8 yd                | 73.94       | 73.94       |
| Commercial Svc -Kart x1                      | 14.16       | 22.79       |
| Commercial Svc -Kart x2                      | 18.22       | 35.47       |
| Commercial Svc -2yd x 1                      | 49.37       | 49.37       |
| Commercial Svc -2yd x 2                      | 64.02       | 64.02       |
| Commercial Svc -2yd x 3                      | 99.32       | 99.32       |
| Commercial Svc -2yd x 4                      | 127.22      | 127.22      |
| Commercial Svc -2yd x 5                      | 158.77      | 158.77      |
| Commercial Svc -2yd x call                   | 20.26       | 20.26       |
| Commercial Svc -4yd x 1                      | 72.24       | 72.24       |
| Commercial Svc -4yd x 2                      | 114.88      | 114.88      |
| Commercial Svc -4yd x 3                      | 167.57      | 167.57      |
| Commercial Svc -4yd x 4                      | 223.37      | 223.37      |
| Commercial Svc -4yd x 5                      | 274.23      | 274.23      |
| Commercial Svc -4yd x call                   | 40.52       | 40.52       |
| Commercial Svc -6yd x 1                      | 97.03       | 97.03       |
| Commercial Svc -6yd x 2                      | 164.37      | 164.37      |
| Commercial Svc -6yd x 3                      | 236.20      | 236.20      |
| Commercial Svc -6yd x 4                      | 308.57      | 308.57      |
| Commercial Svc -6yd x 5                      | 383.67      | 383.67      |
| Commercial Svc -6yd x call                   | 60.79       | 60.79       |
| Commercial Svc -8yd x 1                      | 122.46      | 122.46      |
| Commercial Svc -8yd x 2                      | 210.13      | 210.13      |
| Commercial Svc -8yd x 3                      | 304.91      | 304.91      |
| Commercial Svc -8yd x 4                      | 398.78      | 398.78      |
| Commercial Svc -8yd x 5                      | 494.03      | 494.03      |
| Comm - 8yd x call                            | 81.05       | 81.05       |
| On call Roll Off 30yd                        | 194.63      | 194.63      |
| Rolloff & Compactor x1                       | 842.73      | 842.73      |
| Rolloff & Compactor x2                       | 1,685.47    | 1,685.47    |
| Rolloff & Compactor x3                       | 2,528.19    | 2,528.19    |
| Rolloff & Compactor x4                       | 3,370.82    | 3,370.82    |
| Rolloff & Compactor x5                       | 4,213.66    | 4,213.66    |

City of Gulf Breeze  
Municipal Area Solid Waste Franchise Service Rates  
Effective for Service After February 1

EXHIBIT "A"

Partial Listing of New Rates

| <u>Service</u>                                       | <u>2013</u> | <u>2013</u> |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Amts in RED billed direct by Republic New Bid</b> |             |             |
| Curbside - Residential                               | 10.50       | 16.90       |
| Curbside - Senior                                    | 9.46        | 15.20       |
| Curbside - Extra Kart                                | 3.00        | 8.00        |
| Sideyard - Residential                               | 14.70       | 21.10       |
| Sideyard - Senior                                    | 9.46        | 15.20       |
| Sideyard - Disabled                                  | 9.46        | 15.20       |
| Sideyard - Sr Disabled                               | 9.46        | 15.20       |
| Sideyard - Extra Kart                                | 6.00        | 11.00       |
| Sideyard - MSW & Rec                                 | 22.79       | 29.20       |
| Commercial Svc -Recycle -Kart                        | 8.43        | 9.50        |
| Commercial Svc -Recycle -2 yd                        | 30.45       | 30.45       |
| Commercial Svc -Recycle -4 yd                        | 42.63       | 42.63       |
| Commercial Svc -Recycle -6 yd                        | 54.33       | 54.33       |
| Commercial Svc -Recycle -8 yd                        | 72.85       | 72.85       |
| Commercial Svc -Kart x1                              | 13.95       | 22.45       |
| Commercial Svc -Kart x2                              | 17.95       | 34.95       |
| Commercial Svc -2yd x 1                              | 48.80       | 48.80       |
| Commercial Svc -2yd x 2                              | 63.40       | 63.40       |
| Commercial Svc -2yd x 3                              | 98.35       | 98.35       |
| Commercial Svc -2yd x 4                              | 126.00      | 126.00      |
| Commercial Svc -2yd x 5                              | 157.25      | 157.25      |
| Commercial Svc -4yd x 1                              | 71.50       | 71.50       |
| Commercial Svc -4yd x 2                              | 113.85      | 113.85      |
| Commercial Svc -4yd x 3                              | 166.10      | 166.10      |
| Commercial Svc -4yd x 4                              | 221.40      | 221.40      |
| Commercial Svc -4yd x 5                              | 271.85      | 271.85      |
| Commercial Svc -6yd x 1                              | 96.10       | 96.10       |
| Commercial Svc -6yd x 2                              | 162.95      | 162.95      |
| Commercial Svc -6yd x 3                              | 234.20      | 234.20      |
| Commercial Svc -6yd x 4                              | 306.00      | 306.00      |
| Commercial Svc -6yd x 5                              | 380.50      | 380.50      |
| Commercial Svc -8yd x 1                              | 121.32      | 121.32      |
| Commercial Svc -8yd x 2                              | 208.35      | 208.35      |
| Commercial Svc -8yd x 3                              | 302.40      | 302.40      |
| Commercial Svc -8yd x 4                              | 395.55      | 395.55      |
| Commercial Svc -8yd x 5                              | 490.05      | 490.05      |
| On call Roll Off 30yd                                | 191.75      | 191.75      |

**RESOLUTION 02-14**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA, OPPOSING PROPOSED COMMITTEE BILL HTSS1 AS DRAFTED BY THE FLORIDA HOUSE TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAY SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Gulf Breeze has employed camera detection since 2006 as part of a comprehensive program designed to reduce traffic accidents and the injuries, fatalities, and property loss that result therefrom; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of this comprehensive program, which includes camera detection of vehicles running red lights, traffic crashes have been reduced by over 21% in the City of Gulf Breeze 2003-2013; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Florida passed the Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Act in 2010 which prescribed policies, procedures, and fine amounts for citations generated by camera detection throughout the State; and

**WHEREAS**, the House Transportation and Highway Safety Subcommittee has prepared HTSS1 which makes changes to the Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Act which will make use of camera detection in the State of Florida impractical without subsidy; and

**WHEREAS**, the reduction or elimination of camera detection of red light running will cause traffic accident rates to increase resulting in more fatalities, injuries, and property loss.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** The Florida Legislature should not favorably consider legislation as described in HTSS1 which disallows new camera detection after July 1, 2014, and also reduces fines for violations detected by cameras to \$83.00, all of which is retained by the State of Florida who bears no expense for the camera equipment and which reduces the amount cities can charge if an individual challenges a camera generated ticket to less than the cost of the State mandated process.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE, SANTA ROSA COUNTY, FLORIDA, on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2014.**

CITY OF GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Beverly H. Zimmern, Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Leslie A Guyer, City Clerk

**From:** FLC E-News Blast <subscriptions@flcities.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 07, 2014 2:54 PM  
**To:** Edwin Eddy  
**Subject:** Legislative Alert--Red-light Cameras

# **LEGISLATIVE ALERT**

## **IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUESTED**

**Red-light Camera Legislation in proposed committee bill [HTSS1](#) will be considered by the House Transportation and Highway Safety Subcommittee on Thursday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.**

**Please contact members of the Committee and urge them to oppose [HTSS1](#).**

The House Transportation and Highway Safety Subcommittee recently released a proposed committee bill – THSS1. This bill must be approved by the committee before receiving new committee references. There are several provisions in the bill which will negatively impact cities, both those with current red-light camera programs and those that don't have them.

The following provisions are in the proposed committee bill that specifically preempt red-light camera programs:

Line 241-244 – Cities cannot install red-light cameras at any traffic light that did not have them in place prior to July 1, 2014.

Line 281 – The bill reduces the amount that cities can charge for red-light camera infractions from \$158 to \$83, all of which must be sent back to the state. Currently, cities receive \$75 of the \$158 ticket and use that money to pay for the cost of the programs.

Line 375 – The bill, allows cities to impose a \$25 surcharge (through ordinance) to fulfill contractual obligations with our vendors. However, any surplus revenue from this surcharge must be remitted to the Department of Revenue (DOR).

Line 378 – Cities must send DOR a quarterly report listing the amount of funds collected through this surcharge.

Line 401 – The amount that cities can charge if a person challenges a ticket is reduced from \$250 to \$83. This money is currently used to pay for the local hearing officer and any additional "court costs." This reduction could impact cities' ability to cover the necessary costs to administer red-light camera programs.

**Please contact members of the House Transportation and Highway Safety Subcommittee and urge committee members to oppose any provisions that negatively impact red-light camera programs.**

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### **Points/topics to touch on when speaking with your State Representative:**

- Red-light cameras are proven public safety tools that help to reduce red-light running in Florida.
- 95% of drivers who were issued a red-light camera traffic violation in 2013 did not receive a second violation.
- Major changes were made to the red-light camera statutes in 2013. Most of these changes required cities to amend their ordinances and so the changes did not go into effect until later in the year. Recognizing that these changes only took place a few months ago,

FLC cannot support any new changes until enough time has passed to evaluate the effects of the changes made in 2013.

If your city has a red-light camera program and you have relevant/factual information regarding the program please do not hesitate to share that information with your legislator.

The House and Senate will be in Tallahassee for Interim Committee meetings beginning Wednesday, January 8, 2014.

For Further Information, contact [Ryan Padgett](#) at 850-707-3616

**Thank you for your advocacy efforts.**

## **Red Light Camera Enforcement Position Paper**

### **Background**

The City of Gulf Breeze is a pioneer in the use of red light camera enforcement in the State of Florida and has 8 years of positive experience with the technology. A Traffic Safety Task Force, made up of citizens from all segments of the community, studied traffic crashes and related problems in 2004 and recommended the use of technology as one of many strategies to reduce crashes within our city.

The city researched the use of red light camera enforcement after it was revealed during a data analysis of crashes in our community that the majority of crashes were occurring at traffic conflict points (intersections and median crossings) within our city. Our research showed that red light camera enforcement had been successfully implemented in many jurisdictions in the United States and throughout the world. Experience in other jurisdictions demonstrated that red light camera enforcement enhanced public safety and was a cost effective and proven technology.

The City of Gulf Breeze chose to implement red light camera enforcement in 2006. The location chosen was the newly configured intersection in front of the school complex on Highway 98 that houses an elementary, middle and high school and experiences thousands of vehicle trips per day. In 2006, the traffic volume on Highway 98 directly in front of the school complex was 52,000 cars per day or almost 19,000,000 vehicle trips per year. In 2013, the number of vehicle trips through Gulf Breeze has increased to 57,000 cars per day or almost 21,000,000 vehicle trips per year. The location is a very sensitive area within the city as a serious crash in that region would put our student population at risk. We were determined not wait until a tragic crash occurred in front of our schools; but rather to proactively prevent a potential tragedy that could be devastating to the community and implement as many reasonable traffic safety strategies as possible. Red light camera enforcement was one such strategy. We also embarked on an extensive education partnership with our schools and driver education in the school, maintained a school resource officer program, provided officers for Project Graduation, provided simulated fatal crash scenarios at the school, supported the presentations of the Meagan Napier Foundation anti-DUI message, posted signs encouraging safe driving, acquired the first simulated impaired driving experience vehicle for demonstration with our students and other endeavors to encourage traffic safety and reduce crashes.

### **Results**

Since 2003 these initiatives have enabled the City of Gulf Breeze to succeed in reducing the number of crashes that occur within the city limits. Traffic crashes are 20.95% fewer in number in the city between 2003 to 2012. During that same

period of time crashes have increased in Santa Rosa County by 19.2% and in Escambia County by 14.3%. Red light camera enforcement is one of the strategies employed to reduce crashes.

This crash reduction represents 610 crashes prevented; up to 189 injuries avoided and as much as \$3,050,000 in property damage saved. We have also been able to make the work environment safer for our police officers by avoiding putting them in harm's way to enforce violations. The technology makes driving safer and more efficient for the motoring public, as police cars do not have to pull into traffic to stop red light runners and potentially block a travel lane when the traffic stop is made. Fewer crashes also makes travel safer and more efficient; facilitating the flow of traffic through the potential bottleneck a crash causes on Highway 98.

There are a great number of myths and fallacies that are generated by opponents of red light cameras. Our experience convinces us that we are pursuing the correct path and that we are greatly enhancing public safety by using this proven technology. The number of crashes in the city has declined. The number of violations being detected at the enforced intersections has declined. The number of cars traversing the city has increased by at least 15% during the same period of time and the number of officers on the Gulf Breeze Police Department has declined; yet the crash numbers remain significantly lower in spite of the these forces to drive the crash numbers upward.

## **Red Light Camera Enforcement Facts**

### **Amber Times**

A common argument against red light camera enforcement is that the amber time is too short and motorists do not have time to stop, the yellow light is reduced in order to catch people. The time set for the amber light in Gulf Breeze has remained unchanged. The camera detects the light changes, it does not control the light changes. In the 35MPH zone of Gulf Breeze, the amber time is now set at 4.4 seconds. The time has never been shortened to enhance violation numbers and it has never even been contemplated that it be shortened for red light camera enforcement. The set amount of time is greater than the time recommended by the International Traffic Engineers recommended time of 3.6 seconds in a 35MPH speed zone and 4 seconds is now mandated by the FDOT for photo enforced intersections. There are no obstructions to motorists to view the amber light for entire 4.4 second period and there are no road grade changes that make stopping within that time at that speed difficult. It is also exactly the same amount of time that a motorist would have to stop before receiving a ticket from a police officer for running a red light. The amber times for the traffic lights have always been 10% greater than the minimum recommended amount of time and continue to be set in excess of the minimum times.

## **Fine Amount**

Some have complained the fine is too high. Gulf Breeze established a fine of \$100 for red light camera violation in 2006 by city ordinance and applied that fine until 2010. The State of Florida mandated a fine of \$158 for a red light camera violation in 2010 and they receive \$83 from each paid ticket. The fine for an officer issued red light ticket (UTC) is \$264 and also carries 4 points against the driver's license. Photo enforced violations are civil in nature and carry no driver points to the DHSMV; a UTC issued when a violator fails to pay the original \$158 civil fine notice is also \$264, however it does not add points to a violator's license.

## **Owner Violation**

The cameras catch on film a car not the driver, leaving the owner of the vehicle to figure out who was driving. This is the same process that occurs when an illegally parked car is ticketed or towed from a handicapped parking spot. In addition, vehicle owners may provide an affidavit stating who was driving in response to a red light violation and the violation is dismissed against the owner and issued to the actual driver. There are also exceptions that can be involved to avoid a fine; such as funeral processions, officer directed traffic, light not working, or a stolen car.

## **Crash Reduction**

Some have argued that there is no evidence that the presence of cameras reduces accidents. Our data shows exactly the opposite fact and supports our position that traffic safety is enhanced by the use of red light camera enforcement. One study about Gulf Breeze crashes that has been used was conducted a few years ago and was an analysis of 'long form' crashes that were reported to the DHSMV. 'Long Form' crashes are those which include fatalities, personal injury or significant damage. The vast majority of crashes that occur in Gulf Breeze are 'short form' crashes and are not reported to the DHSMV. The crash reports remain locally; but are a far more true and effective reflection of our crash experience in the city of Gulf Breeze. Only about 1 in 10 crashes that occur in Gulf Breeze are 'long form' crashes.

## **Conclusion**

We believe cameras are part of an overall traffic safety program that works to reduce speeding, running red lights and not paying attention. With the increase in traffic, we have not seen the same increase in accidents.

The use of cameras enables a small town police department to address other issues and not leave red light running unenforced. It used to be quite common to hear people say, " I always sit after the light turns green and wait for the red light

runners to clear the intersection before I proceed." The use of cameras also provides clear and objective evidence of the facts of each case. The arguments that red light runners bring to hearings or to court are resolved without question and the facts of each case are determined in an unbiased and clear manner to provide justice in every case.

If we are going to be serious about addressing increasing police budgets and less time spent on traffic enforcement AND reducing accidents, we need to embrace technology not run from it.