



DeKalb County Government

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Agenda Item

File ID:

Substitute

2/14/24

Public Hearing: YES ☐ NO ☐

Department: Board of Commissioners – District 7

SUBJECT:

Commission District(s): District 5

An Ordinance requesting the Governing Authority of DeKalb County to Amend the Video Surveillance System Ordinance in Chapter 15 of the Code of DeKalb County, Georgia, as revised 1988; to adjust the requirements for the mandatory use of Video Surveillance Systems at Convenience Stores and for other purposes.

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PURPOSE:

To adopt an Ordinance requesting the Governing Authority of DeKalb County to Amend the Video Surveillance System Ordinance of Chapter 15 of the Code of DeKalb County, Georgia, as revised 1988; to reduce the required length of storage of video from 60 days to 30 days; limit the requirement from including a camera for each gas pump to ensuring all the gas pumps are captured; extend the correction time for a failed inspection from 60 days to 90 days; expressly authorize provisional business and/or alcohol licenses where the Ordinance allows 60 (*proposed for increase to 90) or 180 days for compliance with video surveillance requirements; and clarify the delivery of images captured within 72 hours as a technical requirement that may be necessary in response to a warrant.

NEED/IMPACT:

An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 15 of the Code of DeKalb County, Georgia, as revised 1988, is requested that pertains to adjusting the requirements of the mandatory use of Video Surveillance Systems at Convenience Stores and for other purposes. The Governing Authority of DeKalb County is tasked with protecting the health, welfare and safety of its residents and visitors by ensuring the continued availability of crime free and safe convenience stores within the County, while maintaining a business-friendly environment. The Governing Authority of DeKalb County declares and finds that the crime deterrent and crime fighting benefits of video surveillance can be maintained with the adjusted technical requirements.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

RECOMMENDATION:

To approve the Ordinance and authorize the Chief Executive to execute all necessary documents.