Suffolk Automated Traffic Enforcement Program

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Timeline

- Competitive bid process for vendor
- Traffic studies for each type of enforcement
- Automated traffic enforcement went live in Suffolk in May 2023
  - Redlight photo enforcement
  - School zone speed enforcement cameras
  - Work zone speed enforcement cameras
  - School bus stop-arm enforcement cameras
- Thirty (30) day warning period for each respective camera and location.
- Substantial community outreach
  - Press releases
  - Social media initiatives
  - Website information
  - Public discussion
  - Public Safety Committee





Quantity of Cameras

- Three major work zones
  - Holland Rd
  - Pruden Blvd
  - Route 58/Portsmouth Blvd – SPSA Flyover
- Thirteen school zones
- Nine intersections
- 51 public school buses



TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT CAMERAS

The City of Suffolk has four types of Traffic Enforcement Cameras:

-Red Light Photo Enforcement Cameras

-School Zone Speed Enforcement Cameras

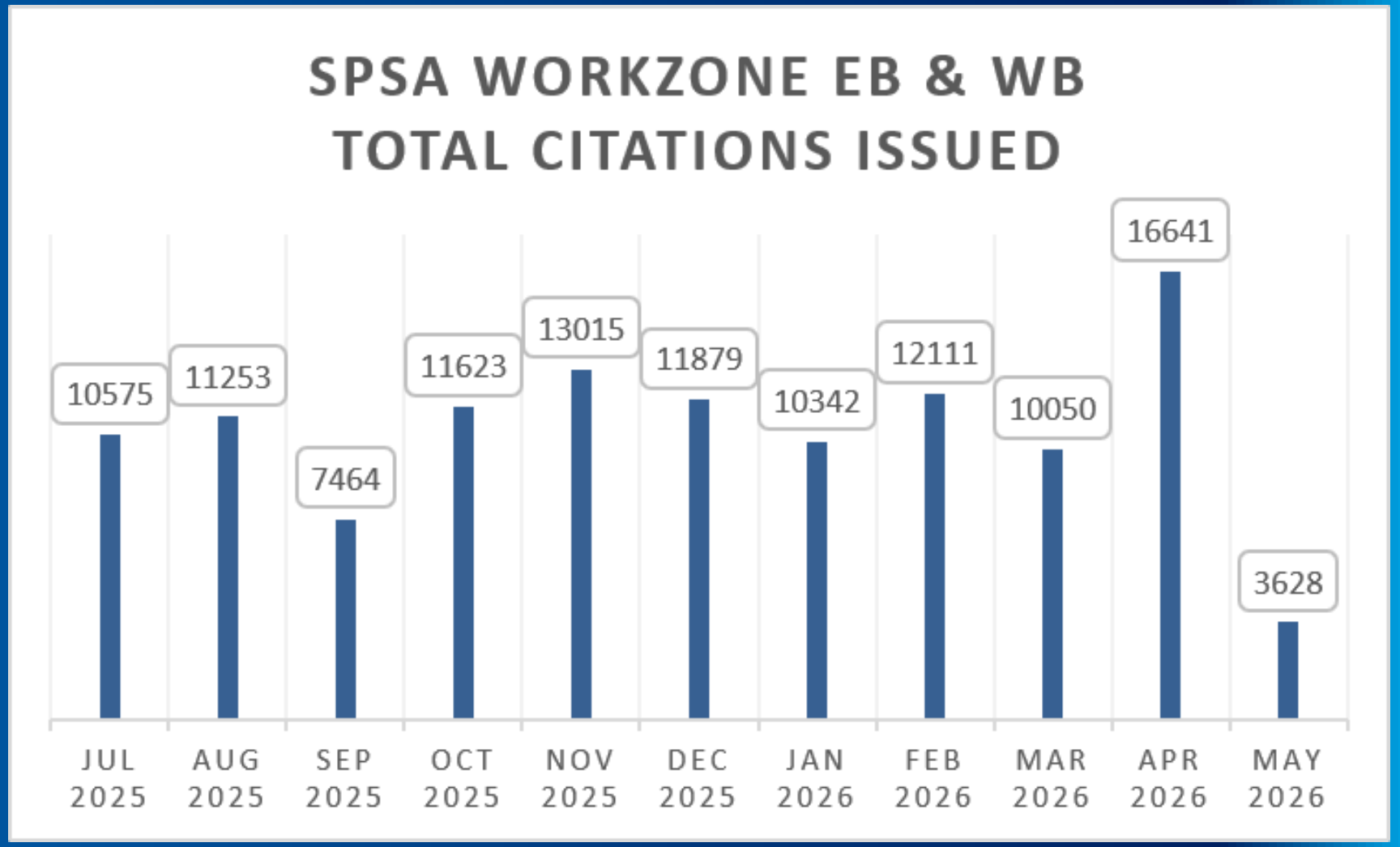
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-Work Zone Speed Enforcement Cameras

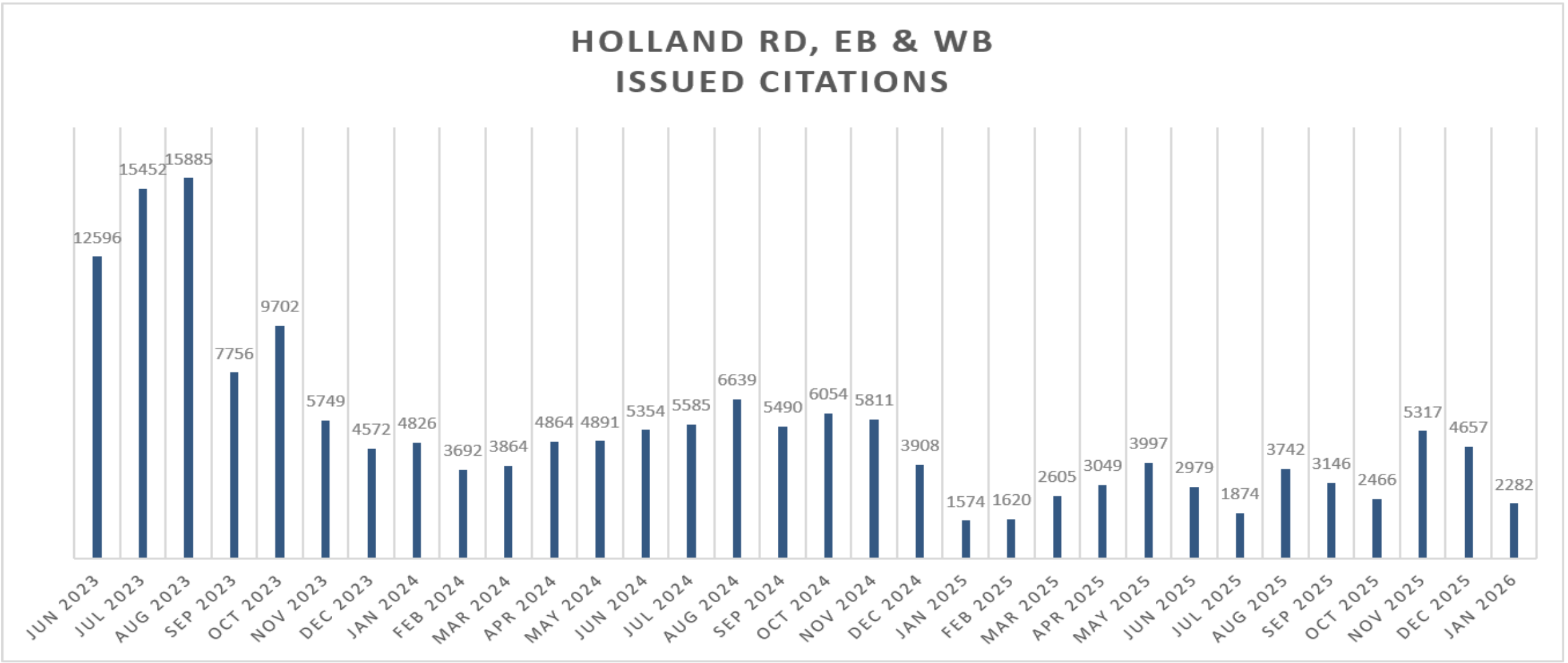
The City of Suffolk has collaborated with a private vendor, Altumint, to install and maintain the technology. The Suffolk Police Department is responsible for reviewing all violations to determine if a citation and fine will be issued.

SPSA Flyover Work Zone

Cameras went live on this project in July 2025



Holland Rd Work Zone

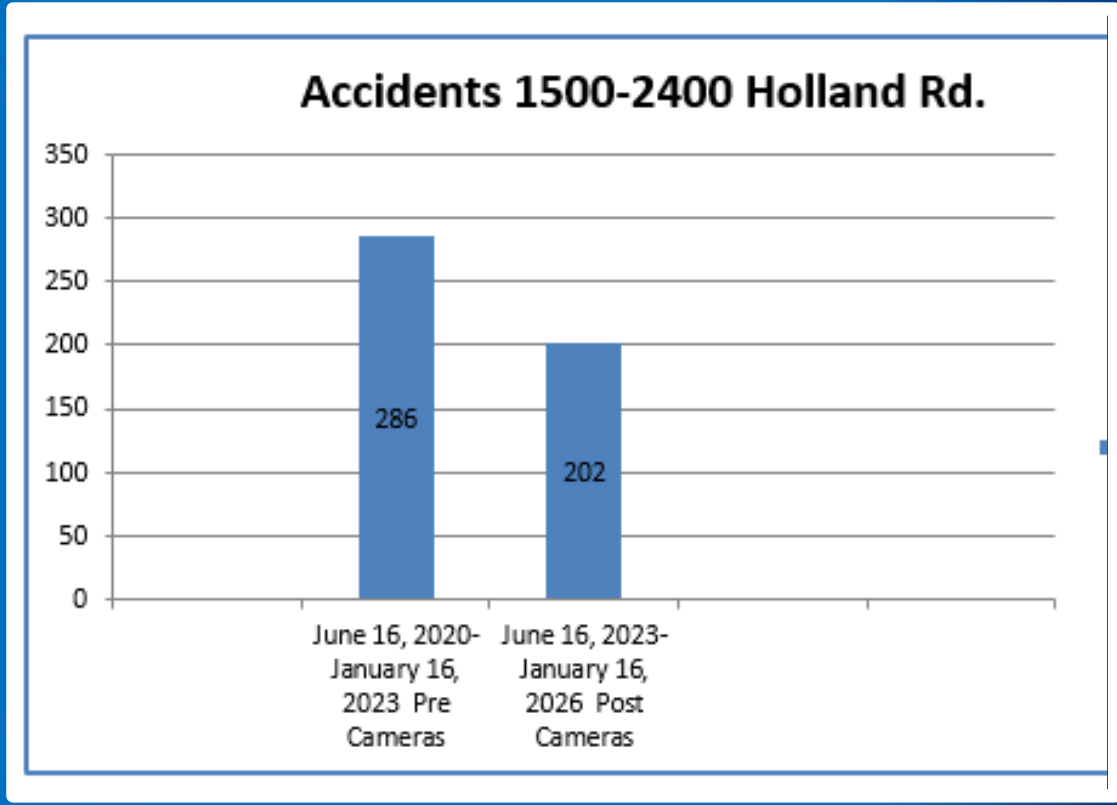


Accidents – Holland Rd Work Zone

- Roadway was a 45 MPH four-lane divided highway, prior to construction
- During construction speed limit was reduced to 35 MPH with lane shifts, however, four lanes were maintained throughout project.

- Accidents Prior to Cameras Being Installed:
  - June 16, 2020 – January 16, 2023- **286 Accidents**
- Accidents After Cameras Were Installed:
  - June 16, 2023- January 16, 2026- **202 Accidents**
- 29% Decrease

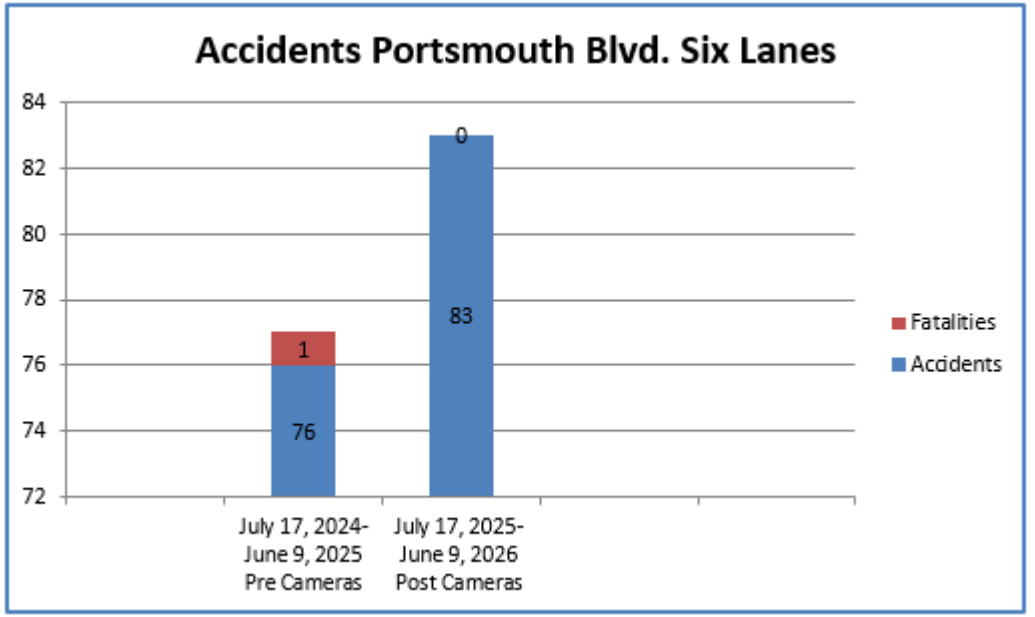
- No fatalities reported for this area.



Accidents: SPSA Flyover Work Zone

- Roadway was a 60MPH six-lane divided highway, prior to construction
- During construction speed limit was reduced to 50 MPH with a lane closure in each direction for substantial periods
- Heavily traveled and congested roadway
- Accidents Prior to Cameras Being Installed:
  - July 17, 2024- June 9, 2025- **76 Accidents**
- Accidents After Cameras Were Installed:
  - July 17, 2025 – June 9, 2026- **83 Accidents**

9 % increase in accidents compared to the previous year



Fatalities:

July 17, 2024 – June 9, 2025 = 1 - pre cameras

July 17, 2025- June 9, 2026 = 0 - post cameras

Considerations

- Appropriate staff to process citations in timely manner
- Citizen inquiry process
  - Vendor or City?
- Judicial process for citations
  - Court dates
  - Vendor availability
- Community Outreach and Transparency
- Are all the necessary City departments involved?



Questions?