

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE TO AMEND THE KNOXVILLE CITY CODE, CHAPTER 17, ARTICLE II, DIVISION 3, SECTION 17-71 BY ADDING A NEW SUBSECTION IMPOSING AN ELECTRONIC CITATION FEE OF FIVE DOLLARS UPON A PLEA OF GUILTY OR *NOLO CONTENDRE* OR A JUDGMENT OF GUILTY FOR VIOLATION OF CERTAIN TRAFFIC ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE.

WHEREAS, by enacting Public Chapter 750, the Tennessee General Assembly has imposed a fee of five dollars (\$5) on every state traffic citation that results in a plea of guilty or *nolo contendere* or a judgment of guilty, for the purpose of funding the development and operation of an electronic citation system for local law enforcement agencies, and for related expenditures; and

WHEREAS, in Section 4 of Public Chapter 750 the General Assembly authorized municipalities, by majority vote of their local legislative bodies, to charge and collect electronic traffic citation fees in municipal courts; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Knoxville desires to fund the development and operation of an electronic citation system for the Knoxville Police Department through funds collected from those convicted of moving violations enumerated in the City Code.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF KNOXVILLE:**

SECTION 1: Section 17-71 of the Knoxville City Code is hereby amended to add a new subsection, which subsection shall read as follows:

A fee of Five Dollars (\$5) shall be collected on each citation for violation of any traffic ordinance that results in a plea of guilty or *nolo contendere* or a judgment of guilty, for the purpose of funding the development and operation of an electronic citation system for the Knoxville Police Department. One Dollar (\$1) of such fee shall be retained by the city court clerk and used for computer hardware purchases, usual and necessary computer related expenses, or replacement.

SECTION 2: This Amendment shall take effect from and after its passage, the welfare of the City requiring it

SECTION 3: Pursuant to Public Chapter 750, Section 5, this Amendment shall expire and be of no further force or effect five (5) years from the date of its passage.

Presiding Officer of the Council

Recorder