Chapter 4 ARTICLE V. - EXTERIOR LIGHTING

Sec. 4-151. Exterior lighting regulations.

- (a) Exterior lighting within any property, commercial or residential, that unnecessarily illuminates or interferes with the use or enjoyment of any other property is prohibited. Without exception, this provision (a) shall apply to all exterior lighting herein.
- (b) Exterior lighting shall not be oriented so as to direct glare or illumination onto streets in a manner that may distract or interfere with the vision of drivers on such streets. Without exception, this provision (b) shall apply to all exterior lighting herein.
- (c) Private security light fixtures may not exceed twenty-five (25) feet in height and must be aimed to avoid light emitting upwards toward the sky and shielded to prevent light trespass onto adjacent properties or roadways.
- (d) Lighting used to accent landscaping, architectural features or art shall be aimed and shielded to avoid light emitting upwards toward the sky and prevent direct visualization of the source from adjacent properties.
- (e) Blinking or flashing lights shall be prohibited unless the lights are required as a safety feature.
- (f) Floodlights that are not controlled by an automatic timing device, such as a motion sensor that temporarily provides light where and when needed, must be aimed to avoid light emitting upwards toward the sky and shielded to prevent light trespass onto adjacent properties or roadways.
- (g) Fixtures shall meet International Dark Sky Association standards and have a color temperature of three thousand (3000) Kelvin or less. For acceptable fixture design refer to provision (p) herein, "Examples of Acceptable/Unacceptable Lighting Fixtures".
- (h) If an existing light fixture is removed and replaced, it shall be replaced with a conforming light fixture design (see provision (p)). When an existing fixture requires bulb/lamp replacement, the new bulb/lamp shall conform to the provisions of this chapter.
- (i) The temporary use of seasonal "holiday lighting" is exempted from the provisions of this chapter, with the exception of provisions (a) and (b) herein.
- (j) "Light strings" utilizing bulbs/lamps equal to, or less than fifteen (15) lumens are exempted from the provisions of this chapter, with the exception of provisions (a) and (b) herein.
- (k) Light produced directly or indirectly by the combustion of natural or propane gas is exempted from the provisions of this chapter, with the exception of provisions (a) and (b) herein.
- (I) All exterior lighting regardless of the date of installation shall conform to provisions (a) and (b) herein. Exterior lighting installed after the effective date of this chapter shall conform to the requirements established by this chapter and other applicable ordinances unless otherwise exempted. Exterior lighting installed on or before the effective date of this chapter shall be permitted, subject to provisions (a), (b) and (h).
- (m) "Exterior lighting" means temporary or permanent lighting that is installed, located, or used in such a manner to cause light rays to shine outside. Lighting installed indoors that is intended to illuminate one (1) or more objects outside and/or that unnecessarily illuminates or interferes with the use or enjoyment of any other property is considered exterior lighting for the intent of this chapter.
- (n) These regulations shall not supersede the city street light policy or the lighting requirements in the Unified Development Ordinance.

- (o) Temporary lighting installed by any official government agency to address public safety is exempt from the requirements of this chapter.
- (p) These illustrations demonstrate the light source characteristics of compliant and non-compliant fixtures. Actual lighting fixture design details may vary.



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