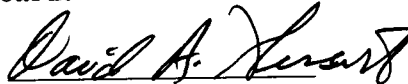


**TITLE: PROCEDURE AND POLICY FOR INSTALLATION OF
NEW STREETLIGHTS IN THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD**

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The Town of Wallingford recognizes that the installation of streetlights serves to enhance the safety of its roads by providing positive guidance to the motoring public **and to pedestrians** during nighttime hours. The carefully considered placement of streetlights is essential to providing proper levels of illumination, while avoiding light pollution and the unwarranted expenditure of public funds for unnecessary lights and the energy required to power them.

In consideration of that recognition, the Town and the Electric Division have developed the following roadway lighting procedure and policy for both existing roads and for new subdivisions.

PROCEDURE FOR STREETLIGHT REQUESTS

Requests for the installation of streetlight(s) **on existing Town streets** shall be made in writing to the Mayor. With Mayoral approval, the Electric Division will then process the request in accordance with the New Streetlight Installation Policy, shown below.

If the request(s) is in conformance with the policy and within budgetary appropriation, the Electric Division will, upon Mayoral approval, and subject to the requirements of the applicable section A), B), or C) below, initiate installation of the streetlight(s) and notify the requesting part of the approval.

NEW STREETLIGHT INSTALLATION POLICY

For all streetlight installations, whether installed on existing overhead facilities, existing underground facilities, or new underground facilities, the following standards and approval process will apply:

A. Criteria for Streetlight Locations:

- 1) The requested location is at the intersection of two (2) or more roads.
- 2) The requested location is a horizontal or vertical curve of a street that, in the opinion of the Mayor, **with advice from appropriate administrative offices**, may be a hazardous condition to vehicular or pedestrian traffic.
- 3) The requested location is within 125 feet of the terminus of a street (*e.g.*, a cul-de-sac) in excess of 250 feet in total length.
- 4) No existing or proposed streetlight is within 250 feet of the requested location.

B. Approval Process for ALL Installations.

- 1) Approvals by the Mayor and the Electric Division are required.
- 2) Except as noted below, streetlights may be installed only along Town-accepted roads within the Town of Wallingford. (*)
- 3) Underground installations shall conform to the WED's guidelines for Underground Residential Electrical Distribution.

C. Guidelines for Cost Allocation:

- 1) For existing overhead facilities: the WED bears full cost; there is no charge to the customer.
- 2) For new underground facilities in subdivisions: the developer bears full cost.
- 3) For existing underground facilities: the requesting party bears full cost. The WED will provide a cost estimate for installing the requested streetlight(s) to the requesting party. If the requesting party elects to proceed with the streetlight installation, the requesting party shall make payment to the WED for the full estimated cost to install the requested streetlight(s) **PRIOR** to the WED beginning to work on the installation of the requested streetlight(s).

- (*) A developer may request to install streetlights along a new road with underground utilities prior to the Town's acceptance of the road. In addition to executing a private lighting agreement, and meeting all of the appropriate approvals and cost allocations described above, the developer must provide the WED with the following:

A deposit for the estimated cost to replace all new streetlights that are installed in their entirety, one time. These funds will be used to repair or replace any streetlights damaged before the Town accepts the new road.

A deposit equal to one full year of service for all of the new streetlights, based on the then current version of the WED Rate 6, Non-Municipal Lighting. These funds will be used in the event that the developer fails to pay the monthly bill for the streetlights and their associated energy use.

Once the Town accepts the new road, any remaining escrow funds will be returned, without interest, to the developer.