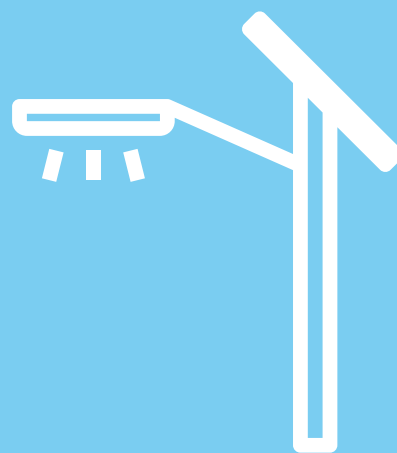


# OUTDOOR LIGHTING ORDINANCE

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## WHY A LIGHTING ORDINANCE?

While outdoor lighting serves a purpose, it also has negative impacts: light trespass onto neighboring properties; health and safety problems due to glare and skyglow; serious environmental impacts; and wasted energy.



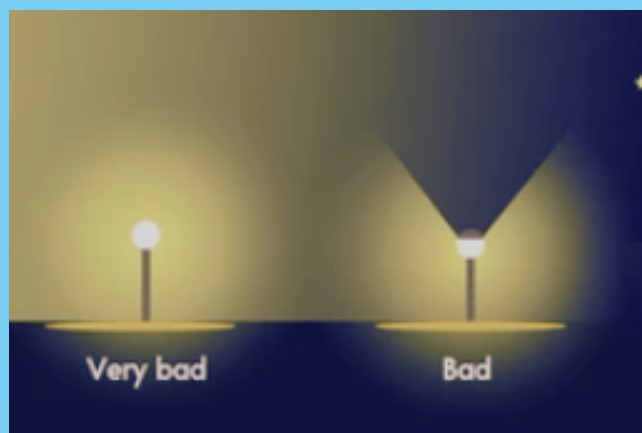
## THESE REGULATIONS APPLY TO ALL PRIVATE PROPERTIES

See page two for exceptions and additional regulations for commercial properties



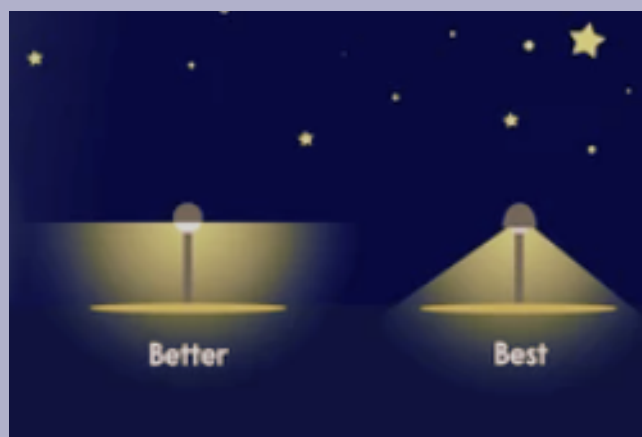
## LIGHT TRESPASS

Outdoor lighting can only spread minimally beyond the target sign or building, or onto a neighbor's property.



## FULLY/PARTIALLY SHIELDED

All new luminaires must be fully or partially shielded, per the new ordinance. Full shielding does not emit light above a horizontal plane drawn through their lowest light-emitting part. Partial shielding allows some light above the horizontal plane, in order to illuminate a specific upright target (like a statue or wall sign).



## LIGHTS OFF FROM MIDNIGHT TO 6AM

Decorative lighting of building facades and landscape must be turned off between midnight and 6:00am (except during business hours in non-residential districts).



# OUTDOOR LIGHTING ORDINANCE (CONTINUED)

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## PARKING LOTS

Lighting on parking lots must be fully shielded

Lighting on sites with no residential uses must be extinguished within a half hour of close of business.

See the ordinance for maximum light levels.



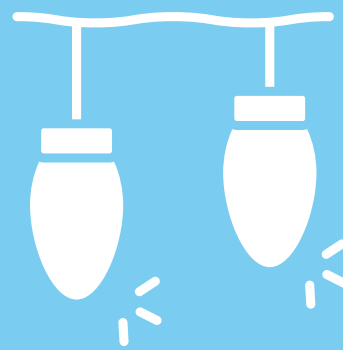
## NO MOVING NO CHANGING NO FLASHING LIGHTS ALLOWED

Except temporary lighting in residential zoning districts.



## EXCEPTIONS

- Temporary lighting, like holiday and special event lighting, is allowed for 90 consecutive days per year. It must be turned off between midnight and 6am.
- Lighting for flags.
- Light installations determined by the Historic District Commission to contribute to the historic character of a property.



## CCT AND CRI REQUIREMENTS

Outdoor lighting must use colors no bluer than "warm white" (Correlated Color Temperature no greater than 3000 K); and must approximate a natural light source (Color Rendering Index of at least 70).

This does not apply to single- and two-family properties or illuminated signs.



## FOR MORE INFORMATION

To see the complete ordinance, Section 5.25 Outdoor Lighting of Chapter 55 Unified Development Code, visit [www.a2gov.org/udc](http://www.a2gov.org/udc)



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