

Issue #6: Exterior Lighting

Description of Issue

Lighting helps to create a sense of security, deter crime, and also provides beautification. Done inappropriately; however, lighting can result in glare and light pollution. The City’s current exterior lighting standards do not provide the clarity necessary in order to protect adjacent land uses, particularly residential uses, from excessive light. In addition, they do not adequately address issues of excessive light pollution.



Examples of glare spilling onto neighboring home.

What approaches interest you?

Possible Approach	Interested	Not Interested
Ensure the use of full cutoff lighting fixtures to direct light down and limit light pollution, which is light that escapes above or around the fixture		
Create lighting standards for uses that can be overly bright and produce glare, such as gas station canopies		
Restrict the height of light poles and the hours lights are allowed to be illuminated for certain land uses when located near less intensive land uses, like residential		
Ensure that pedestrian paths are lit with pedestrian-scale lighting by incorporating pedestrian lighting in the site design		

Relationship to the City’s Comprehensive Plan, EnvisionCR

Guiding Principles

- Create a healthy and desirable place to live.
- Connect all parts of the city. Integrate land uses and encourage pedestrian-scaled design.
- Preserve natural areas and manage impacts. Establish a premier system for parks and recreation.

Goals

- **StrengthenCR Goal 2.** Improve the quality and identify of neighborhoods and key corridors.
- **ConnectCR Goal 4.** Improve the function and appearance of our key corridors.
- **GreenCR Goal 1.** Be stewards for the environment, promoting economic and social growth while restoring the relationship between the city and the natural environment.

