

MID-BLOCK LIGHTING REVIEW

- Read enclosed information on the City of Robbinsdale's mid-block lighting policy.
- Residents whose properties are chosen to accommodate mid-block lights must agree to easement for light, pole and wiring.
- Circulate petition for proper number of signatures and submit to City Hall.



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MID-BLOCK LIGHTING POLICY

GENERAL POLICY

Robbinsdale residents may petition for additional street lighting on a block-by-block basis.

PROCEDURE

Residents who desire additional mid-block street lighting must acquire the signatures of the property taxpayer for 60% of the lots on each side of that block. Petition forms and requirements may be obtained from City Hall.

If the lighting is desired on a block with a total of ten houses or less, the signatures of the property taxpayers for 75% of the lots on each side of that block must be acquired.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 1) Mid-block lights must remain in place for a minimum of three years.
- 2) Flat fees will apply to all property owners abutting the street receiving the mid-block lighting. Fees will be added onto the utility bill. Fees will cover the cost of operating and maintaining the mid-block lights.
- 3) Residents must determine whether they want one or two additional lights. This information must be indicated on the petition form. Residents must include a sketch with the petition of where they would like the light placed.
- 4) Daily Operating Schedule: The daily operating schedule of lamps on the all-night (AN) schedule shall be from approximately one-half hour after sunset until one-half hour before sunrise.
- 5) Signatures of petitions: Signatures must be legible and may only be the name of the person signing the form. Name and address are required next to each signature.
- 6) All property owners that are listed on the tax records must sign the petition form. Occupants of the property that are not listed as taxpayers will not be counted towards the required signatures.
- 7) Xcel Energy will determine final placement of light(s).

- 8) Repeal Process: If residents wish to have the light removed, they must obtain 60% of the signatures of the taxpayers for the properties abutting that street on the block. Residents may only remove lights that their block initially petitioned to have installed.
- 9) If City staff believes that there are already too many lights on a block, the City may deny a request from residents for mid-block lighting. The Chief of Police and City Engineer must approve the decision to deny mid-block lighting in writing. Citizens who petitioned for mid-block lighting must be notified in writing of the reasons for denial.
- 10) City Council approval is not necessary for installation of mid-block lighting.

CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS

For blocks that are between 330' and 660', a maximum of two mid-block streetlights can be added in addition to the lights presently located at the intersections. The approximate spacing between the midblock lights and intersection lights would be slightly over 200 feet.

If block is over 660', requests for more than two mid-block lights will be considered.

The shorter side streets will not have additional lights installed on them. Typical spacing between lights is 330 feet on these streets.

ALLEY LIGHTS

Alley lights will not be installed under this policy. Property owners can have alley lights installed by signing a contract with Xcel Energy that stipulates the property owner agrees to pay for the light. Residents should contact Xcel Energy for further information.

MONTHLY RATE PER LIGHT PER PROPERTY

<u>Designation of Lamp</u>	<u>Overhead</u>	<u>Underground</u>
100w Equivalent LED	\$2.20	\$4.56

The monthly rate charged per light per property will vary as the Utility company (Xcel) rates change.

Underground wiring for mid-block lighting will be allowed only in those blocks of the City that now have underground service.