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(I) **LIGHTING.**

(1) **PURPOSE.** The functional objectives in providing exterior Area lighting are to illuminate Areas necessary for safe, comfortable and energy efficient Use. The number of fixtures shall be limited to provide for safe entry and egress and for sign and Business identification. Illumination of new Building features for architectural enhancement is prohibited. Historic Structures may be illuminated under the terms prescribed in this Code.

With the exception of Americans with Disabilities Act lighting requirements, the minimum lighting standards generally applied and recommended by the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (IES), are observed by this Code.

(2) **CONFORMANCE WITH APPLICABLE CODES.** All outdoor electrically powered illuminating devices shall be installed in conformance with the provisions of this Code, the International Building Code, the Electrical Code, and the Sign Code under the appropriate permit and inspection. When discrepancies in these Codes exist, the most restrictive shall apply.

(3) **APPROVED MATERIALS AND METHODS OF**

CONSTRUCTION OR INSTALLATION/OPERATION.

The provisions of this Code are not intended to prevent the Use of any design, material or method of installation or operation not specifically prescribed by this Code, provided any such alternate has been approved. The Chief Building Official may approve any such proposed alternate providing he/she finds that:

(a) The alternative provides approximate equivalence to the applicable specific requirement of this Code;

(b) The alternative is otherwise satisfactory and complies with the intent of this Code; or

(c) The alternate has been designed or approved by a registered professional engineer and the content and function promotes the intent of this Code.

(4) **SUBMISSION OF PLANS AND EVIDENCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH CODE.**

(a) The Applicant for any permit required by any provisions of the laws of this jurisdiction in connection with proposed work involving outdoor lighting fixtures shall submit, as part

of the Application for permit, evidence that the proposed lighting fixtures and Light Source will comply with this Code. The submission shall contain the following:

(i) Plans indicating the location on the premises, and the type of illumination devices, fixtures, lamps, supports, reflectors, and installation and electrical details;

(ii) Description of illuminating devices, fixtures, lamps, supports, reflectors, and other devices. The description may include, but is not limited to, catalog cuts by manufacturers, and drawings, including section where required;

(iii) Photometric data, such as that furnished by manufacturers or similar showing the angle of the cut off or light emission. A point by point light plan may also be required to determine

the adequacy of lighting over the entire Site.

Additional information may be required elsewhere in the laws of this jurisdiction upon Application for the required permit.

(b) **Lamp or Fixture Substitution.** On commercial Structures if any outdoor light fixture or the type of Light Source therein is proposed to be changed after the permit has been issued, a change request must be submitted to the Planning Department for approval. Adequate information to assure compliance with this Code must be provided and the request must be received prior to substitution.

(5) **SHIELDING.** All non-exempt outdoor lighting fixtures shall have shielding as required by Table 1 of this Chapter below.

(a) **Historic District Shielding and Fixture Exemption.** Fixtures in the HR-L, HR-1, HR-2, HCB, HRM, and HRC Zoning Districts that replicate a Historic fixture shall be permitted to be installed without partial shields with the approval of the Planning

Director. All fixtures shall be filtered and refractors that direct the light downward shall be installed if the bulb is exposed.

Historic fixtures that are fifty (50) years or older and contribute to the architectural and cultural character of the Historic District, are exempt from these requirements. Architectural features on Historic Structures may be illuminated with fully shielded fixtures.

(6) WATTAGE/FIXTURE AND LIGHT SOURCE REQUIREMENTS. Wattage, fixture and Light Source requirements as outlined in the following Table 1 apply to all zones throughout the City:

Table 1

Light Source	Fully Shielded	Partially Shielded	Watt (Maximum Per Fixture)
High Pressure Sodium ¹		x	50
Low Pressure Sodium		x	55
Metal Halide ²	x		1,500
Low Voltage/ Halogen ³		x	50
Compact Fluorescent		x	75

Other Sources: As approved by the Planning Director

Note: "x" indicates the required standard.

¹ This is the standard Light Source for Park City and Summit County unless otherwise noted in a specific section. Fully shielded fixtures are preferred but not required with this Light Source. Other sources are only permitted as noted. Residential porch lights and exterior garage and post lights may utilize incandescent bulbs, provided that the bulbs are Shielded. Lighting for

signs may use halogen bulbs, provided that they are Shielded and directed at the sign face. Wattages outlined are the maximum and can be decreased under the Building Permit review process depending on the number and location of the fixture on each project. In no case shall the levels be reduced to levels below the Illuminating Engineering Society (IES) minimum standards.

² Metal Halide sources shall be permitted only for recreational sport field or ski Area Uses and installed only in one hundred percent (100%) fully enclosed Luminaries. Metal Halide lights shall also be filtered.

³ Low voltage/halogen sources are permitted in landscaping lighting only.

(7) **GAS STATION CANOPIES.** Gas station canopies may not exceed an average horizontal luminance level of eight (8) Foot Candles across the Site and the maximum point levels should not exceed fifteen (15) Foot Candles within the Area directly underneath the canopy.

(8) **AREA LIGHTING - BUILDING CANOPY AND SOFFIT, WALL MOUNTED.** Area, stand alone or wall mounted fixtures shall not be mounted above eighteen feet (18') as measured from the top of the fixture to the adjacent Grade or horizontal plane being lit by the fixture. The horizontal luminance level along the sidewalk or Building Facade shall not exceed one (1) Horizontal Foot Candle with a uniformity ratio of 4:1.

(9) **CONSTRUCTION SITES.** All commercial construction Sites shall submit a lighting plan as part of the Construction Mitigation Plan for the project prior to Building Permit issuance. Criteria for review shall

include duration, number, location, height, Light Source, and hours of operation.

(10) **LANDSCAPE LIGHTING.** The primary function of landscape lighting is to provide illumination for pathways, steps, and entrances to Buildings.

(a) **Pathway Lighting.** Two types of lights can be selected: Three foot (3') bollards with louvers and ten foot (10') pole mounted, down directed Luminaries. Bollard lights shall be low voltage. The intent of pathway lights is to provide pools of light to help direct pedestrians along the path, not to fully illuminate the path. Steps and path intersections should be illuminated for safety. The maximum Foot Candle permitted on the ground is one (1) Horizontal Foot Candle or less.

(b) **Highlighting, Backlighting.** Only low voltage systems are permitted. Lights must be partially shielded and light must not be directly off the Property. A maximum Foot Candle permitted at ten feet (10') is 0.6 Horizontal Foot Candles from the Light Source. Up-lighting is prohibited.

(c) **Moonlighting.** Low voltage systems may be placed in trees or on Buildings to give the effect of moonlight. Lights must be down-directed and partially shielded. A maximum Foot Candle permitted at ten feet (10') is 0.25 Horizontal Foot Candle from the Light Source. Up-lighting is prohibited.

(11) **RECREATIONAL LIGHTING.** Because of their unique requirements for nighttime visibility and their limited hours of operation, baseball diamonds, playing fields, tennis courts and ski area runs may Use the Light Source permitted under Table 1 above with the following conditions and exceptions:

(a) The height of outdoor recreational posts shall not exceed seventy feet (70') above Natural Grade. The

average Horizontal Foot Candle shall not exceed 3.6 across the Area boundary with a uniformity ratio of 4:1. Ski area lighting may require higher illumination levels in some instances. Those levels shall be reviewed and approved by the Planning Commission under the Conditional Use process outlined in the LMC.

(b) All fixtures used for event lighting shall be fully shielded as defined in Section (4) herein, or be designed or provided with sharp, cutoff capability, so as to minimize up-light, spill light and glare.

(c) Recreational lighting shall be turned off within thirty (30) minutes of the completion of the last game, practice, or event. In general, recreational lighting shall be turned off after 11:00 p.m., unless an exception is granted by the Planning Director for a specific event or as approved as part of a Master Festival license.

(12) **RESIDENTIAL LIGHTING.**

(a) All exterior lights on porches, garage doors or entryways shall be shielded to prevent glare onto adjacent

Property or public right of ways and light trespass in to the night sky. Lights shall be directed at walkways or entries and shall not be directed into the night sky.

(b) Compact fluorescent fixtures are the recommended Light Source. High pressure sodium and incandescent bulbs may be permitted, provided the wattage is low and the light is Shielded and down-directed.

(c) Bare bulb light fixtures such as flood or spotlights are not permitted.

(d) Lighting exterior Building features for architectural interest is prohibited.

(e) Security lighting shall be fully shielded and shall be set on a timer or motion detector. Infrared sensor spotlights are the recommended light type for security.

(f) Private sport court facilities shall Use fully shielded fixtures and shall not Use the lights past 11 p.m.

(13) SEASONAL DISPLAY OF LIGHTS. Seasonal restrictions apply to the HCB, GC, LI and HRC

zones. Residential Uses in the HR-1, HR-2, E, HRL, SF, RM, R-1, RDM, and RD zones are exempt from these requirements. Winter seasonal displays are permitted from the first of November to the 15th of April per the Park City Municipal Code.

Displays should be turned off at midnight. Any color of lights may be used; however, the lights shall not be used to create advertising messages or signs. Spelling out the name of a Business is prohibited.

(14) OUTDOOR DISPLAY LOTS. Any Light Source permitted by this Code may be used for lighting of outdoor display Lots such as, but not limited to, automobile sales or rental, recreational vehicle sales, Building material sales, and seasonal goods, provided all the following conditions are met:

(a) All fixtures shall be Fully Shielded as defined in LMC Chapter 15-15.

(b) The maximum horizontal illumination across the Site shall not exceed an average Foot Candle of two (2) across the Site with a uniformity ratio of 4:1.

(c) Display lighting shall be turned off within thirty (30) minutes of closing of the Business. Lighting used after 11 p.m. shall be security lighting. Security lighting

shall be required to be motion sensitive not permanently illuminated. Infrared sensor security lights are the only type of security light permitted.

(15) **PROHIBITIONS.** The following light fixtures and Light Sources are prohibited: mercury vapor lamps, laser Light Sources, unshielded floodlights or spotlights, metal halide, except for recreational Uses, see Section (10), and searchlights.

(16) **OTHER EXEMPTIONS.**

(a) **Nonconformance.** All other outdoor light fixtures lawfully installed prior to and operable on the effective date of the ordinance codified in this Chapter, including City owned or leased Street lights, are exempt from all requirements of this Code. On commercial projects, all such fixtures shall be brought into compliance with this Code upon any Application for any exterior Building Permit. On residential Structures, only new exterior fixtures on remodels or new additions must comply with this ordinance.

(b) **Fossil Fuel Light.** All outdoor light fixtures

producing light directly by the combustion of natural gas or other fossil fuels are exempt from the requirements of this Code.

(c) **Up-lighting.** Up-lighting is permitted under the following conditions:

(i) The use of luminaires for up-lighting on any residentially or commercial zoned Lot or Property or within a City ROW or Open Space zone, is permitted only for City-funded or owned statues, public monuments, ground – mounted Public Art, or flags of the United States of America.

(ii) All up-lighting shall be shielded and/or have beam-angle control and shall be aimed to limit the directed light to the illuminated object only.

(iii) Up-lighting is permitted thirty (30) minutes before sunset and until 11:00 p.m.; or, one hour after the close of location

based on normal hours of operations, whichever is later.

(17) **TEMPORARY EXEMPTION.**

- (a) **Requests.** Any Person may submit a written request to the Planning Director for a temporary exemption. A temporary exemption request shall contain the following information:
- (i) Specific exemption or exemption request;
 - (ii) Type and Use of outdoor light fixtures involved;
 - (iii) Duration of time for requested exemption;
 - (iv) Total wattage;
 - (v) Proposed location on Site;
 - (vi) Description of event or reason for need of exemption; and
 - (vii) Other data as deemed necessary to adequately review and

made a determination on the request.

(b) **Approval; Duration.**

The Planning Department shall have ten (10) Business days from the date of a complete submission of the temporary request to act, in writing, on the request. The Planning Department shall approve the request if it finds that the exemption is necessary for public safety, security or other public necessity and the exemption does not materially subvert the purpose of this Chapter.

If approved, the exemption shall be valid for not more than thirty (30) days from the date of approval. The approval shall be renewable by the Planning Director upon consideration of all the circumstances and provided a finding of public safety or necessity is made, and no intent to circumvent the intent of this Chapter is present. Each such renewed exemption shall be valid for not more than thirty (30) days.

(c) **Denial/Appeal.** If the request for a temporary exemption is denied, the Person making the request, in writing, may appeal the

decision to the Planning Commission within ten (10) days of the denial as provided for in LMC Chapter 15-1.

(J) **TRASH AND RECYCLING ENCLOSURES.** In addition to County health standards, the following trash enclosure design standards shall apply:

(1) Trash and storage Areas shall be Screened by landscaping, Fencing, berms or other devices integral to overall Site and Building design;

(2) Trash and storage enclosures shall be designed and constructed of materials that are Compatible with the proposed or existing Building and with surrounding Structures. The enclosure's design, construction, and materials shall be substantial and consisting of masonry, steel, or other materials approved by the Planning and Building Department and capable of sustaining active use by residents and trash/recycling haulers. The design shall, if physically possible, include both a pedestrian door and a truck door or gate;

(3) Trash and storage Areas shall be well maintained including prompt repair and replacement of damaged gates, Fences and plants;

(4) Openings of trash enclosures shall be oriented away from public view or Screened with sturdy gates

wide enough to allow easy Access for trash collection, where practical;

(5) The consolidation of trash Areas between Businesses and the Use of modern disposal techniques is encouraged.

(6) **Exception.** These standards shall not apply to existing Structures that have been built with zero Setbacks or when such enclosures would negatively impact Access, circulation, or snow removal efforts.

(K) **MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT.** All electrical service equipment and sub-panels and all mechanical equipment, including but not limited to, air conditioning, pool equipment, fans and vents, utility transformers, except those owned and maintained by public utility companies, and solar panels, shall be painted to match the surrounding wall color or painted or Screened to blend with the surrounding natural terrain. Roof mounted equipment and vents shall be painted to match the roof and/or adjacent wall color and shall be Screened or integrated into the design of the Structure. Minor exceptions to Setback requirements for Screened mechanical equipment may be approved by the Planning Director where the proposed location is the most logical location for the equipment and impacts from the equipment on neighboring properties, historic facades, and streetscapes can be mitigated and roof top mechanical placement and visual clutter is minimized.

(L) **PATIOS AND DRIVEWAYS.** A Building Permit is required for all non-