

TOWN OF STRATFORD - COUNCIL POLICY			
Name:	Street Light Policy	Policy Number:	2006-SS-01
Committee:	Safety Services and Environment	Approval Date:	June 14, 2006

1. Introduction

It is the responsibility of the Town of Stratford to install street lighting in the Town for the safety and security of residents. Street lighting is installed for pedestrian safety, vehicular safety and protection of property. This policy establishes the procedure for installing street lights and the standard to which street lights are to be installed.

2. Authority and Reporting

The Safety Services Committee is hereby delegated authority for street lighting in accordance with this policy subject to available budget resources. Street lighting shall be rented from Maritime Electric and installed on their poles. Street lighting orders to Maritime Electric must be supported by a resolution of the Safety Services Committee. The Safety Services Committee shall report new street light installations to Council at the regular monthly Council Meetings.

3. Street Lighting Standards

As a general rule, vehicular and pedestrian traffic are low in residential subdivisions requiring the lowest level of street lighting. As the conflict between pedestrian and vehicular traffic increases or as safety and security concerns increase such as in commercial areas, street light levels should be higher. The following is the recommended street lighting layout for the various scenarios:

- a. Residential subdivisions - 70 watt high pressure sodium lamps spaced between 150 and 200 feet apart with 70 watt high pressure sodium lamps at all intersections.
- b. Collector streets - 100 watt high pressure sodium lamps spaced between 125 and 175 feet apart with 150 watt high pressure sodium lamps at all intersections.
- c. Streets with sidewalks - 100 watt high pressure sodium lamps spaced between 125 and 175 feet apart.
- d. Commercial areas - 100 watt high pressure sodium lamps spaced between 125 and 175 feet apart with 150 watt high pressure sodium lamps at all intersections.
- e. Crosswalks - 150 watt high pressure sodium lamps.

4. Procedure for Installing Street Lights

- a. Collector streets, streets with sidewalks, at intersections and in commercial areas

For safety reasons, street lighting shall be installed on all new or existing collector streets, streets with sidewalks, at intersections and in commercial areas in accordance with this policy. The Safety Services Committee shall survey the Town and bring lighting up to the standard in this policy over a reasonable time period, subject to available budget resources.

- b. New residential subdivisions

No later than one year after final approval of new residential subdivisions, street lighting shall be installed in accordance with the standards in this policy, subject to available budget resources.

- c. Existing residential subdivisions

Street lighting shall be installed in front of individual properties in existing residential subdivisions in accordance with this policy upon receipt of a written request from the property owner, subject to available budget resources. Street lighting shall be installed throughout an existing residential in accordance with the standards in this policy upon receipt of a written request from a property owner in the subdivision and confirmation by a survey of the subdivision that a majority of respondents are in favour of the street lighting, subject to available budget resources.

- d. New subdivisions - Underground Lighting

The Town will accept responsibility for the rental of post top, lantern style street lighting where underground wiring is installed provided the wiring and base are installed to the requirements of Maritime Electric, subject to available budget resources.