



MID-BLOCK STREETLIGHTS GUIDELINES

Standard City practice for the evaluation process and criteria for additional mid-block streetlights are as follows:

- (1) Traffic Engineering Division personnel check and measure the distances between the existing streetlights to determine if they were installed according to the original street lighting plan and conform to City guidelines. The City considers placing additional streetlights if the distance between existing streetlights exceeds 1,000 feet or if there is a significant change in roadway geometry.
- (2) If neither of the criteria is satisfied, the resident is sent a rejection notification that includes the reasons for the rejection. Should the request be for primarily security lighting, the resident may follow the below alternative:

Streetlights are installed in subdivisions for the purpose of illuminating streets for traffic safety; they are not installed for the purpose of illuminating private property for security. A possible alternative would be for you to contact an electrical contractor that installs guard lights. ONCOR (1-888-313-6862) will furnish electricity to the installed guard light; however, they no longer install guard lights in residential areas.

- (3) If the request meets either criterion, the requester is mailed the "Mid-Block Street Lighting Notification and Acceptance Form" that must be completed and returned prior to the City contacting ONCOR to request the installation of the proposed streetlight. All property owners (usually 4) within a distance of 60 feet must agree to the installation by signing the form. In addition, since this request is citizen generated, it is the citizen's responsibility to secure the required signatures. Finally, if an easement is required, a representative of ONCOR contacts the resident.
- (4) After the City sends the completed form to ONCOR. ONCOR may request the homeowners to replat their property to grant them a utility easement (5 feet on each side of the joint-resident's property) and to remove any vegetation in this easement. Should the homeowner not wish to provide an easement (if required), the streetlight will not be installed.
- (5) A resident can begin the process by following procedure:
 - a. Click on the Traffic Engineering Page on the City's web site.
 - b. Scroll down to the "Traffic Engineering Resources" link.
 - c. Click on Traffic Engineering Request Form for under Request for Mid-block streetlight
 - d. Follow the link to the myMesquite App to complete request.
 - e. Traffic Engineering will begin the evaluation process.