

**OBTAINING ADDITIONAL STREET LIGHTING  
IN EXISTING RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

In existing residential areas, if you or a group of residents desire to have additional street lighting installed, you need to make application to the City.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

If the street light can be installed on an existing Puget Sound Energy (PSE) power pole, there will be no costs to residents (except in rare instances). If the installation requires the installation of a new pole, the costs involved are the responsibility of the resident or residents making the request. The cost generally includes the installation of the pole, wiring, and light. This cost could be \$2,500 or more per light requested. A check is submitted to the City and the City requests the installation by Puget Sound Energy (PSE). Installation by PSE normally takes 4-6 weeks.

Once the light is installed, the on-going monthly operating cost of the light is paid by the City.

New lights in residential areas require the approval of all residents within a 100 foot radius of the proposed new light location.

The City's Neighborhood Enhancement Program (NEP) may offer additional funding opportunities to assist residents with the cost of street light installations. For more information about the NEP program, please call 425-452-4075.

**SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS**

Please provide the following to the City of Bellevue Transportation Department, Traffic Engineering Division:

1. A letter requesting the installation of street lighting.
2. Please include a sketch showing your area and note on the map the location of the residences which the proposed street lighting will serve. Note on the sketch the specific location(s) of the proposed street lighting. If possible, select an existing power pole for the new light to avoid installation charges.

3. A petition must be attached to the letter or incorporated within the letter which states that the applicant(s) agrees to have the street light(s) installed. A sample petition is shown below. The petition must include signatures and telephone numbers of all property owners within one hundred (100) feet of the proposed new street light(s).
4. A check, if necessary, made payable to the City of Bellevue for the amount determined by the City. The specific cost will be determined by the Traffic Engineering Division of the Transportation Department.

### **PROCEDURE**

Where lights will be installed on existing power poles:

- Determine location for new light; select an existing power pole if possible to avoid installation charges.
- Talk to neighbors to obtain agreement for installation, and obtain signatures.
- Submit petition to City of Bellevue - Transportation Department, 450 – 110<sup>th</sup> Ave NE, Bellevue WA 98004, Attn: Mark Poch
- City Traffic Engineering staff will then verify information and make the necessary contacts with Puget Sound Energy for the installation.

### **If the installation requires a new pole:**

- Submit petition to City of Bellevue - Transportation Department, 450 – 110<sup>th</sup> Ave NE, Bellevue WA 98004, Attn: Mark Poch
- The City will contact PSE to determine the actual cost to install a light at the requested location.
- The City Transportation Department will then advise the residents signing the petition of the cost of the light.
- Residents then decide if they still want the light. If so, contact Mark Poch at 425-452-6137 to start the installation process.

