

City of Whittier

Street Lighting Policy

Residential areas may petition to consider the establishment of a street lighting district, which would allow the property owners to pay their fair share of installation and maintenance costs. This policy follows the State of California's Streets and Highways Code (Landscape and Lighting Act of 1972).

To establish a street light assessment district on your street:

- 1. More than fifty percent (50%) of property owners on a street must approve the establishment of a street light assessment district by petitioning the Department of Public Works. A petition form is attached for your use.
- 2. The City will notify all property owners included in the assessment district and schedule a public hearing before the City Council.
- 3. After hearing public testimony, the City Council will need a majority vote to establish a street light assessment district.
- 4. If approved, the property owners will be assessed on their tax bills for the construction and maintenance costs of street lights.

Please submit completed petitions to:

City of Whittier 13230 Penn Street Whittier, CA 90602

Attn: Director of Public Works

Following receipt of your petition, your request will be placed on the agenda of the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting. If approved, the new street lighting system will then be programmed in the City's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for design and construction. The residents on the street will be assessed initial capital costs associated with the design and installation costs of the street lighting system through your annual county property tax bills.

If you have any questions, please contact the City of Whittier Department of Public Works at (562) 567-9500.