

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET

City of Rollingwood

Meeting Date: March 19, 2025

Submitted By:

Staff

Agenda Item:

Discussion and possible action on an ordinance to add Section 107-5 (Residential Lighting Manual) and Section 107-81 (Exterior lighting requirements) to provide for regulation of residential exterior lighting

Description:

At the January 8, 2025, Planning and Zoning meeting, after the required public hearing on an ordinance to add Section 107-5 (Residential Lighting Manual) and Section 107-81 (Exterior lighting requirements) to provide for regulation of residential exterior lighting, the below items were discussed:

- While the ordinance could serve as a helpful "best practices manual" for compliance in the event of complaints, they did not like it being requirements with fines and enforcement
- Commissioners noted that they found it difficult to find current houses that comply and felt the level of enforcement seemed excessive for a situation that may not be a widespread issue.
- Concern that the ordinance could potentially be used to create conflicts between neighbors, rather than fostering a cooperative and neighborly environment.

Motion: The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended disapproval by the City Council but to recognize it as a useful set of best practices, and to publish it where appropriate.

The motion carried with 4 in favor and 2 against (Bench & Fleming).

At the February 19, 2025, City Council meeting, the public hearing was held on an ordinance to add Section 107-5 (Residential Lighting Manual) and Section 107-81 (Exterior lighting requirements) to provide for regulation of residential exterior lighting

There were no public comments made.

Action Requested:

To consider the recommendation of denial by the Planning and Zoning Commission regarding the ordinance to add Section 107-5 which adopts the Residential Lighting Manual and Section 107-81 (Exterior lighting requirements) to provide for regulation of residential exterior lighting

Fiscal Impacts:

No significant fiscal impacts are anticipated at this time.

Attachments:

- Draft Ordinance to add Section 107-5 (Residential Lighting Manual) and Section 107-81 (Exterior lighting requirements) to provide for the regulation of residential exterior lighting
- Residential Lighting Manual