



CITY OF HOUSTON

Street Lighting Program Survey Request Form

P.O. Box 1562 Houston, TX 77251-1562

Phone #: (832) 395-3000 Fax #: (832) 395-3054

Request for Street Light

Please complete the form below for a street light investigation request. This form must be completely filled out for both Part A and Part B. The request will be process according to the procedures detailed in the Street Lighting Program. Please submit the form via mail or fax to the address and number listed above.

Part A. Street Study Information

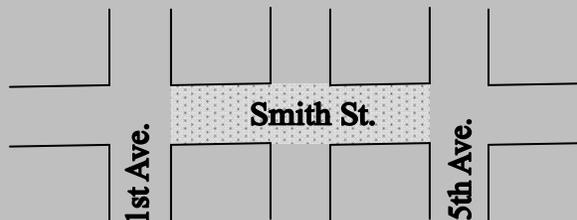
Each request must provide the name of the street on which a study is requested and the boundaries of the street segment. A lighting survey will be conducted only within the boundaries indicated. Please use streets for boundary limits, not block number ranges.

Requested Street:

From:

To:

Example:



Requested Street: Smith St.

From: 1st Ave.

To: 5th Ave.

Part B. Requester Contact Information

Each request must provide a contact person. The contact person will receive all related correspondence to the request by mail.

Name:

Address:

City: **Zip Code:** **Phone No.:**



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Street Lighting Purpose

The primary purpose of street lighting is to illuminate roadway. Street lights are not intended for providing security lighting, pedestrian lighting, parking lots lighting or any other private property lighting. A street segment must be within the City limits in order to be eligible for street lights. All street lights are installed, owned and maintained by Center Point Energy. However, the City must approve for any street light installation that is within the City right-of-way. Once it is installed, the City pays for the operating and maintenance cost of the street light.

Street Light Types

The City of Houston standard street light type includes High Pressure Sodium (yellowish in color) light fixture mounted on wooden pole or metal pole.

- **Wood Pole Lights:** The City will authorize for street light installation on wooden utility poles wherever possible. The wooden poles will have overhead distribution lines.
- **Metal Pole Lights:** If an area does not have existing wooden pole with overhead distribution lines, then a metal street light served by underground lines will be installed. There may be a cost associated with this type of installation.
- **Wattage:** The City will typically install 100-Watt High Pressure Sodium light in residential areas and 250-Watt High Pressure Sodium light along major thoroughfares or collector streets.

Street Light Spacing

Metal pole street lights are typically installed approximately 200' apart (+/- 10' for driveway and property line adjustment) for adequate roadway illumination purposes. Street lights are typically installed between property lines and away from obstruction such as trees, manhole, and inlets.

Spacing for installing street lights on wooden utility poles may vary depending on the existing location of the wood poles. However, spacing will normally be 150' to 200' apart for adequate roadway illumination.

Cost for Street Lights

Typically, there is no charge to the applicant for any street light that can be installed on an existing wooden pole or any street light (wooden or metal) that is installed on a roadway that is classified as major thoroughfare.

There is a charge applicable for the installation of a new street light on a metal pole. This charge is in accordance with the City of Houston Code of Ordinance (Section 40-3). The ordinance requires the applicant to pay for the first year's operating cost prior to authorizing the installation of the street light. This is only a one-time charge to the applicant. The cost may vary depending on the type of the street light. In most instances, the cost is generally estimated around \$200.00 per street light.

Street Light Outage and Problems

The maintenance of street lights within the City of Houston is responsible by Center Point Energy. Please report any street light outages, streetlight repair or damages to Center Point Energy at **(713) 207-2222 / (800) 332-7143** or visit its website at www.Centerpointenergy.com. Please provide the 6-digit pole number of the affected street light pole or the nearest address where the light is located. Tree trimming associated with street light may be reported to City of Houston's Customer Service Center at 311.

Street Light Survey Application

A Street Light Survey Request Form is available through the City of Houston website (www.publicworks.houstontx.gov/traffic/documents.html) or by calling **(832) 395-3000**. This application must be completely filled out and submitted to the City by mail or by fax. Upon receipt of the application, the City will conduct a street light survey and provide a written response in approximately 2 to 4 weeks. If the City determines that street light is necessary as a result of the survey, the City will authorize Center Point Energy for street light installation.