

Sec. 29-202. Request for installation of street lighting on existing public streets.

This policy follows the standard County process for citizen response to provide uniformity and ensure responsiveness and accountability.

- (a) Requests for new street lights and/or changes in existing street lights on existing roadways must be made in writing to the Director of Facilities Management. Requests should include the primary concern and an individual contact person for follow up. Requests will be logged and included on the County's list of street light requests.

When an organized group is active, i.e., homeowners association (HOA), civic association or other, the request shall be submitted by that entity. If no formal group exists, the request may be made by an individual or group of individuals.

Requests for street light changes may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Additional/fewer lights
 - Rearrangement of lights
 - Refurbishing of lights
- (b) Upon receipt of the street light request, a field survey shall be conducted by Facilities Management, or its designee, to determine the existing lighting conditions including number of street lights, locations, spacing, fixture types, poles, and any other pertinent information. An inspection may take place at night hours if deemed necessary to properly assess the area.
 - (c) Macon-Bibb County shall only consider requests in areas that have above-ground utility poles, with electrical sources attached. Pole installation may be done by agreement of the property owners with the power company serving the district, or by any other method which Macon-Bibb County determines to be satisfactory. All existing poles or installed poles must be approved by the Macon-Bibb County Engineer, or their designee, prior to installation.
 - (d) A map shall be drawn of the area showing any existing street lighting. Facilities Management, or their designee, shall prepare a recommendation (which may vary from the requested scope of work and may include performing no work at all) and estimated costs of such work, including installation of lights, maintenance costs, and electricity costs. If the recommendation varies from the request or recommends no work at all, then the recommendation report shall include a description of the work originally requested in order to illustrate that variance.
 - (e) All findings, costs, and recommendations shall then be submitted via resolution to the Macon-Bibb County Commission for consideration.. The Macon-Bibb County Commission shall assess each request individually on the merits and has the authority to approve, modify, or deny any request, in whole or in part. At the time of consideration of any street light request, the Macon-Bibb County Commission shall be required to identify funding for any approved projects.