

DRAFT LOCAL LAW NO. ____ OF 2019

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF BEACON

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW TO
AMEND CHAPTER 223, SECTION 14, SUBSECTION B OF THE CODE OF THE
CITY OF BEACON

A LOCAL LAW to amend Chapter 223, Section 14, Subsection B of Code of the City of Beacon, concerning exterior lighting.

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Beacon as follows:

Section 1. Subsection B of Section 223-14 the Code of the City of Beacon entitled “Miscellaneous Regulations” is hereby amended as follows.

§ 223-14 Landscaping, lighting and Miscellaneous regulations.

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- B. Exterior lighting. All exterior lighting accessory to a residential, industrial, multifamily or nonresidential use, including the lighting of signs, shall be subject to the following standards:
- (1) The type, and location, and shading of such lighting shall have such shading as will prevent the spillover of light onto or the source of light from being seen from any adjacent residential or multifamily property or from the direct glare onto any public sidewalk or street.
 - (2) Such lighting shall use full cutoff fixtures that do not emit light above the horizontal plane into the night sky, except for lighting for short-term events or holidays, flagpole lighting, decorative light sources under 600 lumens, public parks and other public specialty lighting, as determined by the Building Inspector.
 - (3) Hours of lighting and fixture height, type, design, intensity, and color temperature may be limited-determined by the Planning Board in acting on any site development plan upon consideration of the following consideration:
 - (a) Lighting fixtures in pedestrian areas should be a maximum of 15 feet in height and parking lot lighting fixtures should be a maximum of 20 feet.
 - (b) Pedestrian and parking lot areas should average approximately 1 footcandle. Only high security areas may require lighting in the 2 – 5 footcandle range, while over 5 footcandles is usually a waste of energy and a source of glare.
 - (c) Color temperatures should be in the range of 2,400 – 4,000 Kelvin degrees.
 - (d) The Color Rendering Index should be in the range of 80 – 100.

- (e) Adaptive controls, such as dimmers, timers, and motion sensor shut-off lighting, should be used whenever appropriate.

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Section 2. Ratification, Readoption and Confirmation

Except as specifically modified by the amendments contained herein, Chapter 223, Section 14 of the Code of the City of Beacon are otherwise to remain in full force and effect and are otherwise ratified, readopted and confirmed.

Section 3. Numbering for Codification

It is the intention of the City of Beacon and it is hereby enacted that the provisions of this Local Law shall be included in the Code of the City of Beacon; that the sections and subsections of this Local Law may be re-numbered or re-lettered by the Codifier to accomplish such intention; that the Codifier shall make no substantive changes to this Local Law; that the word “Local Law” shall be changed to “Chapter,” “Section” or other appropriate word as required for codification; and that any such rearranging of the numbering and editing shall not affect the validity of this Local Law or the provisions of the Code affected thereby.

Section 4. Severability

The provisions of this Local Law are separable and if any provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part thereof is held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such illegality, invalidity or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, subsections, words or parts of this Local Law or their petition to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this Local law would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part had not been included therein, and if such person or circumstance to which the Local Law or part hereof is held inapplicable had been specifically exempt there from.

Section 5. Effective Date

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Office of the Secretary of State.