

**10. STREETLIGHT REQUEST
RIVERDALE ROAD**

Supervisor Updike recently received a request to evaluate the residential area on Riverdale Road located 0.25 miles west of Route 258 to see if it qualifies for additional streetlights under the Board's policy (copy attached).

In May 2006, the Board approved the installation of 1 light in the middle of the development on an existing pole in front of the residence at 32053 Riverdale Road. There were 10 residences in the area at the time, 5 of which were located in relative close proximity.

There are now 13 residences in the general area. On the western end of the development, there is a private light (turned inward away from the road) in front of the residence at 32007 Riverdale Road. There are no lights on the eastern end of the development.

In order to adequately light the street in front of this development, a new light should be installed on the existing pole in front of the residence at 32111 Riverdale Road and the existing private light in front of 32007 Riverdale Road should be redirected to the roadway. Since this light is currently privately funded, that would obviously be subject to concurrence from the residents of 32007 Riverdale Road.

The monthly cost of a streetlight is \$7.67, so the fiscal impact, should you decide to proceed with both lights, is roughly \$184 annually.

MOTION REQUIRED:

A motion is required to authorize installation of the streetlights as described above and illustrated on the attached sketch.



Existing Private Light

Existing County Light

Add New Light Here

258
Riverdale Dr

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36°33'09.79" N 76°57'50.05" W elev. 41 ft

Eye alt 2798 ft

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Street Light Policy

Street lights shall be provided in the unincorporated areas of Southampton County along streets in the secondary system of highways within residential subdivisions of record at locations designated on an approved street lighting plan developed for the subdivision.

Said light(s) shall be installed when the street servicing the residential subdivision has developed with occupied residential units so situated that the installation of the light(s) will provide significant lighting benefit to the *street* serving the units.

The county administrator, or his representative, will be charged with the responsibility of presenting each request to the Board of Supervisors for its approval.

Typically, "significant lighting benefit" is construed to apply to street intersections, cul-de-sacs and straight stretches of roadway where five (5) or more residential entrances will benefit from the installation thereof.