

# Minutes Town of Lake Park, Florida Commission

# Street Lighting Workshop Wednesday, June 19, 2019, 6:00 PM Town Commission Chamber, 535 Park Avenue

The Town Commission met for the purpose of a Commission Street Lighting Workshop on Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Michael O'Rourke, Vice-Mayor Kimberly Glas-Castro, Commissioners Erin Flaherty, John Linden, Roger Michaed, Town Manager John O. D'Agostino, Attorney Thomas Baird, and Town Clerk Vivian Mendez.

Town Clerk Mendez performed the roll call and Mayor O'Rourke led the pledge of allegiance.

# **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS:**

Town Manager D'Agostino announced that the purpose of the Workshop was to review proposed improvements to the Town's current streetlight system. He provided a brief summary of the associated costs, process, infrastructure, and proposed locations (see Exhibit "A"). He reviewed Attachments 1 and 2 within Exhibit "A".

Vice-Mayor Glas-Castro questioned if Town Residents or Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office (PBSO) requested the proposed improvements on 2<sup>nd</sup> Court. Public Works Director Scherle explained that the proposed improvements on 2<sup>nd</sup> Court was determined upon survey analysis. He explained that the two proposed locations would significantly enhance lighting in the area; he referred to page one of six.

Commissioner Michaud referred to proposed location number six and questioned if there were additional locations proposed along Date Palm Drive. Public Works Director Scherle explained that intersections were primary focus of the survey; he explained that Date Palm Drive could be further reviewed. He explained that a photometric study would provide a data driven assessment of light levels. He explained that the mid-block areas along Date Palm Drive would be reviewed.

Commissioner Linden questioned if the Town considered Solar Powered Street Lighting. Public Works Director answered, "No." Commissioner Linden explained that the intersection of Date Palm Drive and 4<sup>th</sup> Street did not have a street light. He explained that the intersection was located behind Lake Park Elementary School, and that he was concerned for the safety of students towards the end of Daylight Savings Time. He explained that Solar Powered Lighting would possibly cost ten to twelve thousand per year. He explained that he conducted his own survey of the lighting in the Town, and noticed that vegetation and trees prohibited lighting in certain directions. He commented that he created a list of dark locations throughout Lake Park. He suggested the additional lighting on residential property; brief discussion ensued regarding fees and property owners. Public Works Director Scherle explained that the monthly reoccurring fees

included energy and maintenance costs totaled about fifty dollars per month. He explained the one time installation costs varied due to the proposed locations. In closing, Public Works Director Scherle explained that solar powered options would be investigated, and survey of the following locations of Date Palm Drive and 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Cypress Drive and U.S. Highway 1, Cypress Drive and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Australian Circle, Foresteria Drive and 6<sup>th</sup> Street. He explained that the Town would look into subsidies for private properties, and possibly retain a professional consultant to review alternative options. Commissioner Linden questioned if PBSO had suggestions for proposed locations. Captain Thomas Gendreau explained that PBSO District 10 did not have any suggested locations. He explained that via Community Watch Meetings residents were encouraged to light their properties. He explained that PBSO could conduct a full light study and provide a report to the Town. Commissioner Linden suggested that PBSO provide a public safety report as related to crime in areas of insufficient street lighting.

Mayor O'Rourke expressed concerns with street lighting at Date Palm Drive and 8<sup>th</sup> Street, and somewhat closer to Silver Beach Road. He suggested that additional lighting would be most appropriate in that area.

Commissioner Flaherty commented that he was in support of additional street lighting near Silver Beach Road and throughout the Town. He suggested additional lighting along 10<sup>th</sup> Street, south of Park Avenue near the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9610 (VFW).

Mayor O'Rourke questioned if the areas with License Plate Readers (LPR) required additional street lighting. Captain Gendreau answered, "No."

Commissioner Michaud questioned if Public Works Director Scherle had received feedback from residents. Public Works Director Scherle explained that the Town had not received feedback, and that another purpose of the Workshop was to solicit feedback and opinions. He explained that the Town had the capability to conduct a survey. Commissioner Michaud commented that he was in support of the Town conducting a survey. Town Manager D'Agostino explained the survey could be conducted via survey monkey.

Public Works Director Scherle explained that street lighting improvements analysis efforts were ongoing. He explained that Florida Power & Light Street Light Team were responsive to requests. Mayor O'Rourke asked Public Works Director Scherle to explain the difference in street lighting along Old Dixie Highway as compared to Watertower Road. Public Works Director Scherle referred to the pre-led retrofit map, and explained that Old Dixie Highway had 250 Light Wattage and the proposed improvements were consistent to keep the area well lit. He explained that Watertower Road had a mixture of 100 and 400 Light Wattage, and the proposed improvements were modified to the 115 Light Wattage. Mayor O'Rourke asked Public Works Director Scherle to explain street lighting along U.S. Highway 1. Public Works Director Scherle explained that Town owned street lights were not depicted in the map, and not included in the proposed LED retrofit. He explained that he would seek clarification regarding lighting along U.S. Highway 1.

Discussion ensued regarding an additional street lighting survey in the Town of Lake Park. Mayor O'Rourke commented that an area of Silver Beach Road was scheduled to be widened, he questioned if Palm Beach County would maintain street lighting in that particular area. Public Works Director Scherle explained that the aforementioned area was a Palm Beach County right-of-way.

The Commission thanked Public Works Director Scherle.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

# **TOWN ATTORNEY, TOWN MANAGER, COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:**

Town Attorney Baird had no comments.

Town Manager D'Agostino had no comments.

Commissioner Linden had no comments.

Commissioner Michaud had no comments.

Commissioner Flaherty had no comments.

Vice-Mayor Glas-Castro had no comments.

Mayor O'Rourke had no comments.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Commission and after a motion to adjourn by Vice-Mayor Glas-Castro and seconded by Commissioner Michaud, and by unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Mayor Michael O'Rourke

Town Clerk, Vivian Mendez, MMC

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Exhibit "A"



# **Town of Lake Park Town Commission**

# Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date: June 19, 2019 Agenda Item No. Tab						
Agenda Title: Placement of Street Lights Throughout Town.						
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Approved by Town Manager Suf Mellhow Sun Date: 5/23/2019						
Richard Scherle / Public Works Director						
Originating Department:	Costs: N/A at this time	Attachments: 1. Map of streetlights – PRE-				
Public Works	Funding Source: n/a	LED retrofitting  2. Map of streetlights –POST- LED retrofitting, with				
	Acct. # n/a	currently proposed additional locations.				
	[X] Finance	3. Proposed new lights (5 out of 9 new locations, received from FPL as of 5/23/19)				
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#### Summary Explanation/Background:

The Town's current streetlight system is illustrated by the attached FPL maps. Within the last year, the Town engaged FPL with a streetlight retrofit program, which updated the older High Pressure Sodium (HPS) lamps with newer LED lamps. The new LED lamps provide improved color for better visibility, and are also far more energy efficient. The new lights also require less maintenance, and the quality and brightness of the lights do not degrade as quickly as HPS lights. The attached PRE-

LED map indicates the lighting configuration *before* retrofit. While the retrofit program was under development, we noticed a wide discrepancy in wattage ratings between various areas of Town. As part of the retrofit program, we sought to bring equity across Town with the new LED lamps. The POST-LED map shows the current locations and wattages of lights across Town. The new wattages are more consistent and equal across the Town.

Also included in the attached POST-LED map are **nine locations which have been identified for installation of new lights** (see the "light green" circles for proposed locations). These locations were chosen because they are street intersections that have been identified as currently not having a streetlight. The primary focus of these additional proposed locations was to make sure all street intersections have streetlights. It did not, however, consider additional lights between intersections, such as mid-block locations.

These proposed additional nine locations are currently being developed by FPL in coordination with the Town. Five of the locations have been released to the Town for the establishment of utility easements. Staff is currently awaiting the four additional locations, which may also require utility easements for use by FPL. The next step in this process is to have surveys completed at each location to establish the legal boundaries of the needed easements, so that FPL can move forward with the installations.

#### COSTS:

The costs to add streetlights are not consistent because each location has unique characteristics that affect the cost. For example, some locations already may have a currently existing pole, and the installation of a new streetlight fixture is simple and easy (and therefore less costly to install). These locations carry a cost of approximately an additional \$50/month for new lights. Other locations require the installation of new poles, which carries additional cost. The costs to install these new poles are also not consistent, because there are various factors that determine those costs. The proximity of new locations to currently existing power lines, requirements for underground boring (under roadways, for example), easement requirements, and other factors (such as distance from other streetlights) all present costs that are site specific.

#### THE FPL PROCESS:

When the Town selects a new location for a streetlight, which requires the installation of a new pole, various measurements are taken and then this information is sent to the FPL project development team. The FPL team conduct site surveys, and determines the installation costs and needs for the new poles (such as easement requirements, underground or overhead power delivery, distance from existing power, etc.). Once the plans are developed, proposals are sent to the Town for review. These proposals typically include a one-time installation cost (which as aforementioned, can widely vary depending on individual site characteristics). In addition to the one-time installation cost, we are presented with proposed monthly fees which cover the power needed to energize the lights, along with fees associated with repair and maintenance costs. If easements are required, the Town then must conduct surveys to establish the legal boundaries of the easements. As an example, attachment 3 to this agenda item shows five of the nine new proposed locations. The purpose of this attachment is to illustrate how the Town coordinates with FPL on new installations.

#### POLES - WOOD VERSUS CONCRETE:

When installing new poles, we are able to choose between wood and concrete poles. Due to concerns over longevity, and also security and stability during hurricanes and other high-wind events, we have been specifying concrete poles. However, concrete poles are slightly more

expensive to install. Staff recommends that concrete poles be installed because they last longer and are less likely to be impacted by hurricanes.

#### LIGHT FIXTURE/WATTAGE SELECTION:

Depending on the proposed locations of new lights, the selection of wattage would be made to be consistent with the surrounding lights. For example, lights along Old Dixie Hwy would be made to be consistent with the XSP2 139 watt fixture, which is a brighter light, whereas lights in a residential area would be made to be consistent with the ATBM 115 watt light, which is slightly less glaring/bright. The fixtures themselves would be cobra-head-type fixtures, and any new locations would appear similar to the existing LED fixtures.

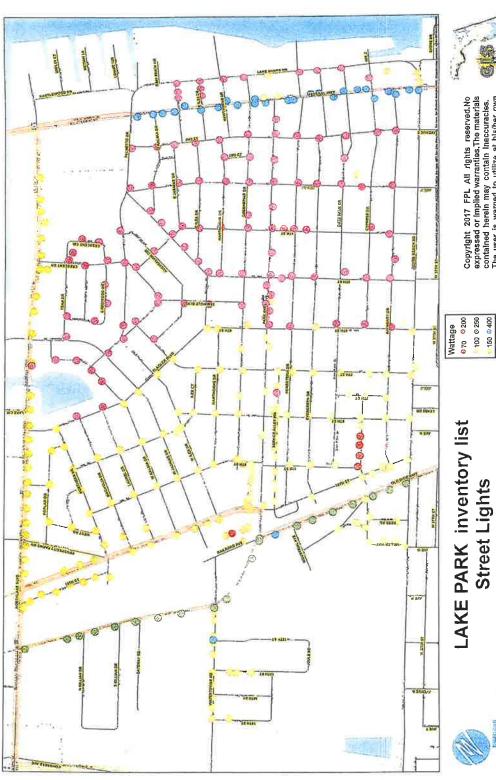
#### **NEW/PROPOSED LOCATIONS:**

Beyond the nine locations currently proposed and under development (and in process for installation), this workshop is intended to identify additional possible locations for new streetlights. If new locations are chosen, we will provide FPL with all required measurements and then we will receive the proposal for each light and proceed with any required surveys and then installation. These lights are recommended to be maintained by FPL, because the Town has very limited inhouse capacity to repair lights (both from routine outages and storm-related outages). Repairs typically require bucket trucks and certified electricians to complete.

#### TOWN OWNED LIGHTS:

Not included in the attached maps are the locations of town-owned streetlights. These locations are very limited, and include the downtown area of Park Avenue (which include Town-owned decorative globe lights), and a string of lights on the west side of US1 from Palmetto Drive to Silverbeach Road. These lights are owned and maintained by the Town. It is recommended that future lights be owned and maintained by FPL, so that repairs and maintenance can be conducted more efficiently which is afforded by the consistency with the majority of the remainder of the Town's lights.

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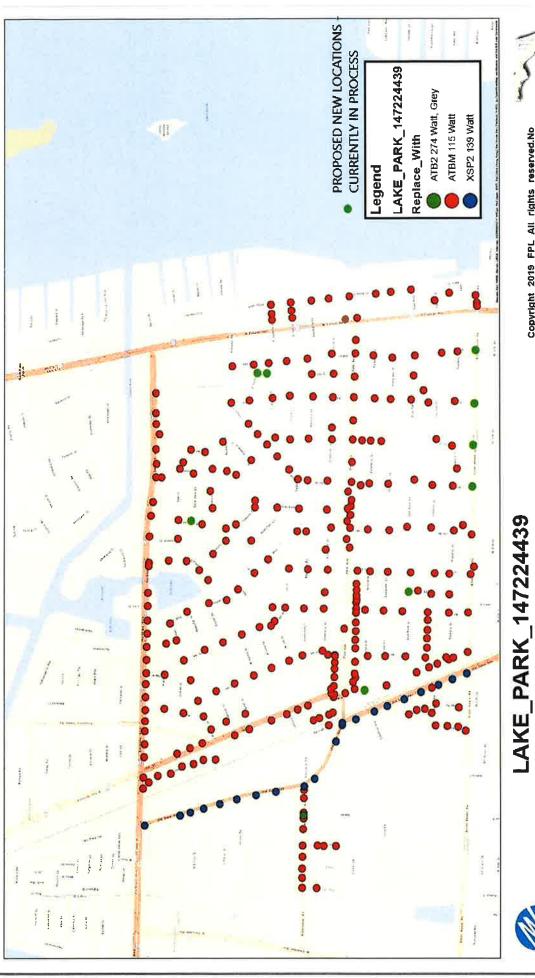




LAKE PARK inventory list

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ATTACHMENT 2 - POST-LED RETROFIT

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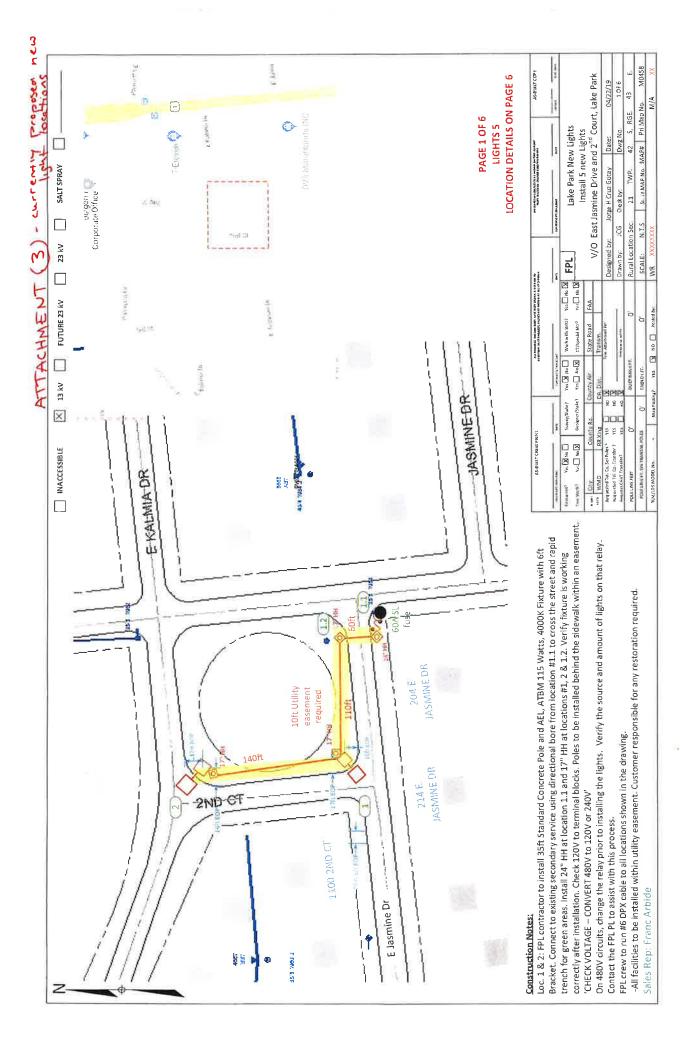
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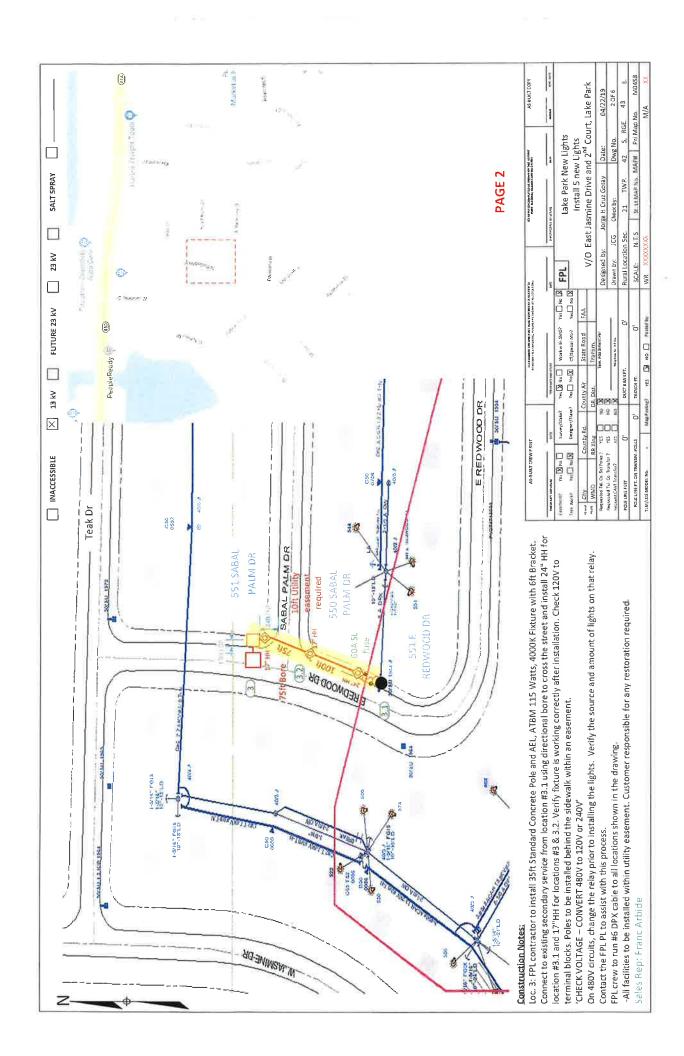
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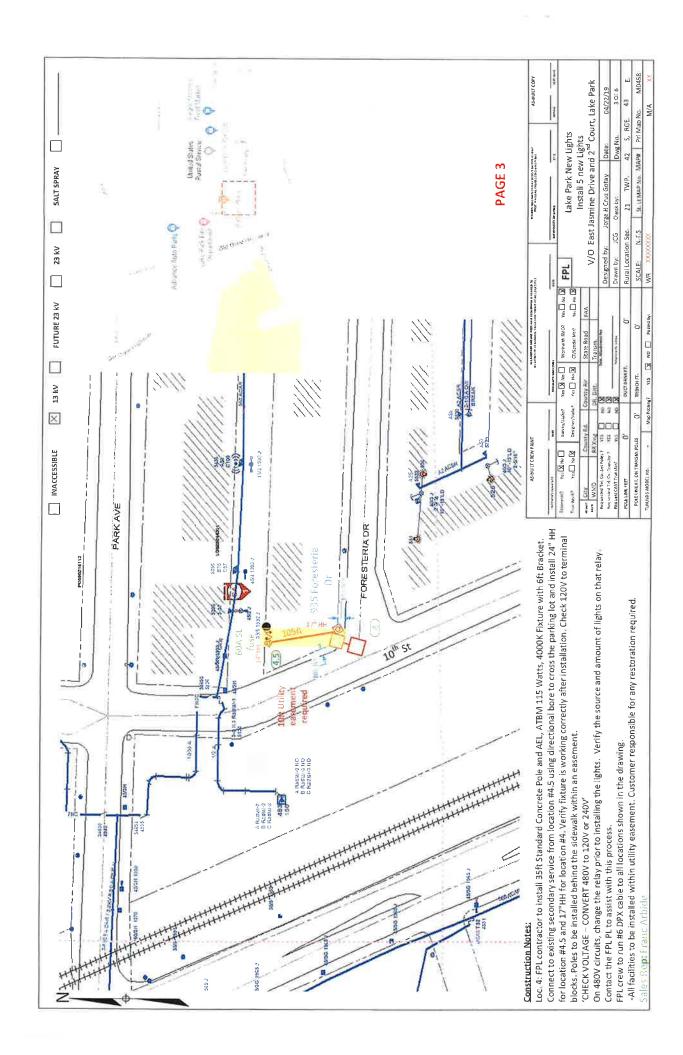
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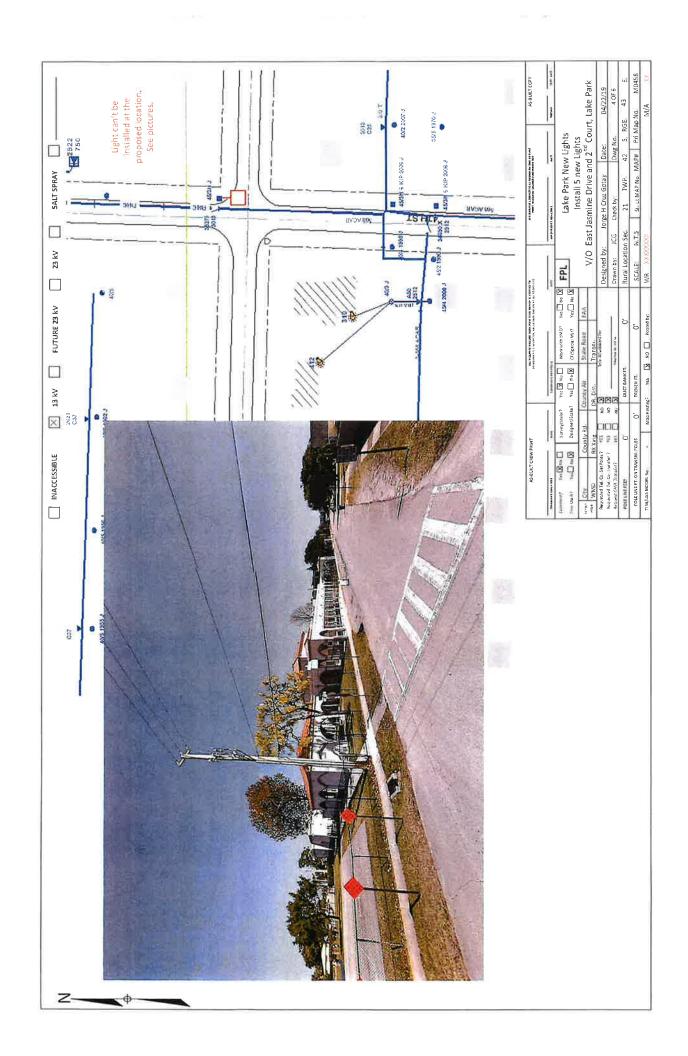
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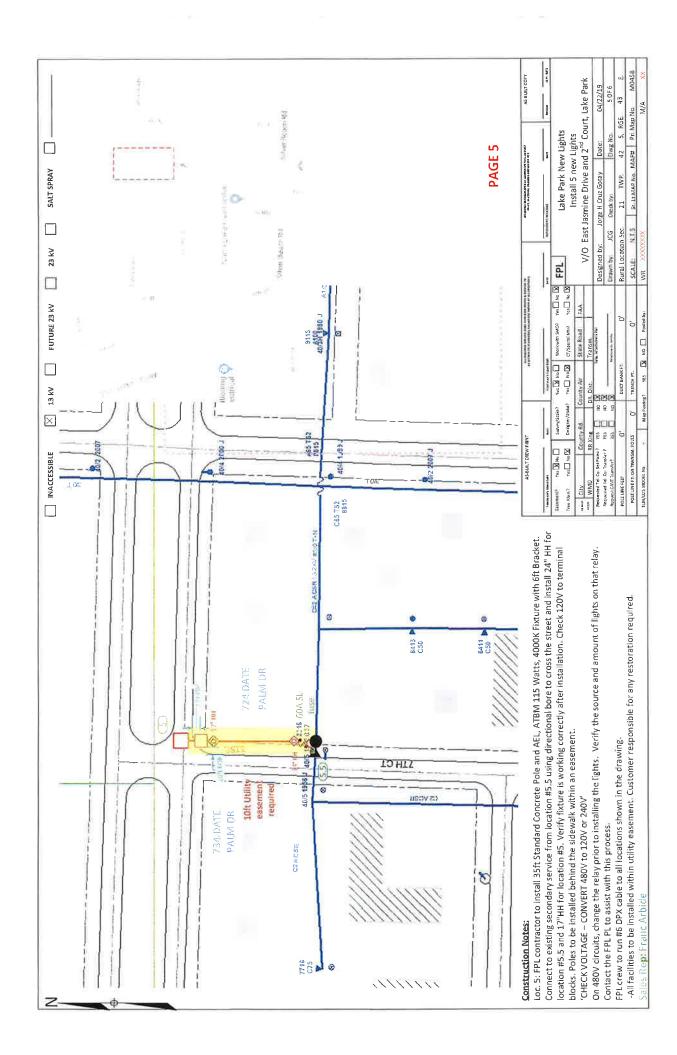


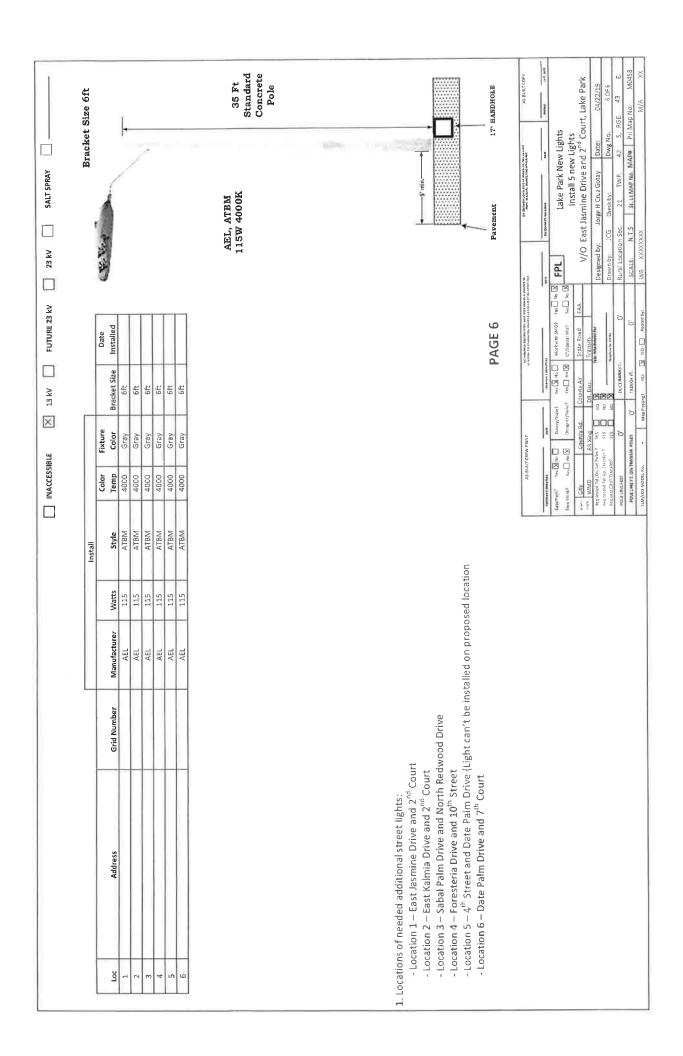


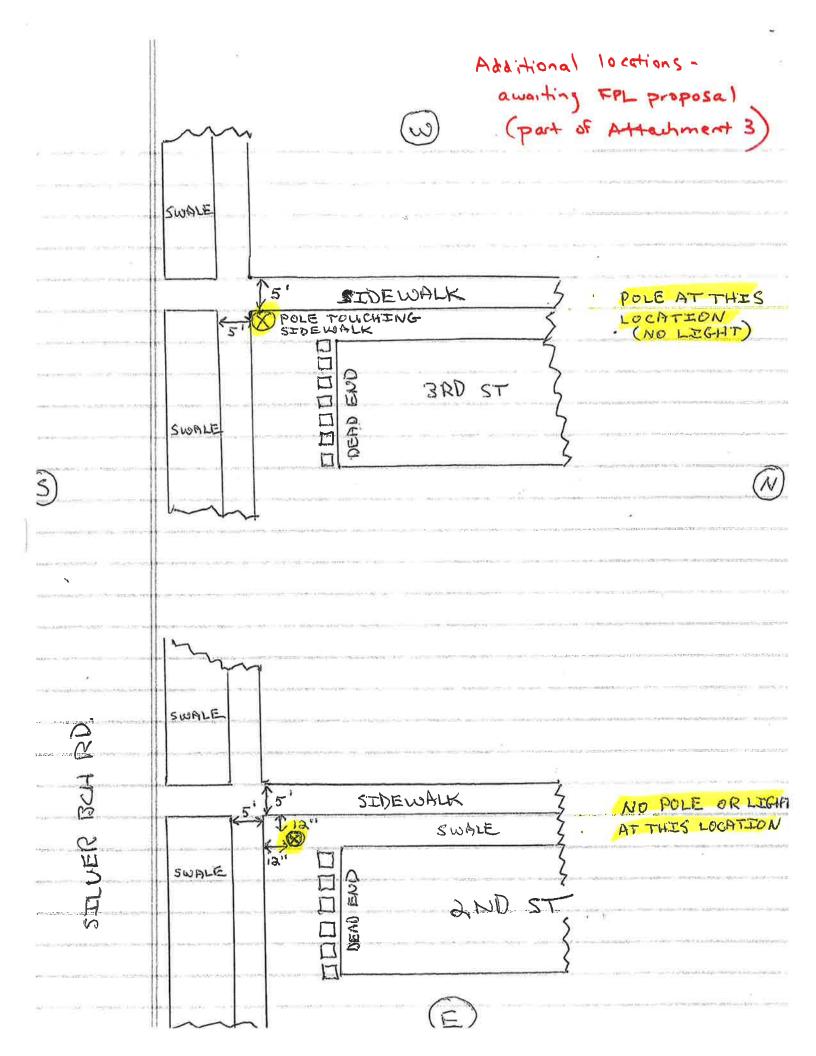












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