




## Memorandum

**Memorandum No: 24-014**

**Date:** January 22, 2024

**To:** Honorable Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Commissioners

**From:** Greg Chavarria, City Manager   
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**Re:** **Streetlights**

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The purpose of streetlighting is to provide well-lit, safe roadways. The City of Fort Lauderdale (City), Broward County, and Florida Power & Light (FPL) share responsibility for maintaining our streetlight system. There are over 18,000 streetlights within the City of Fort Lauderdale. 14,000 streetlights are owned and maintained by FPL. The City maintains 4,000 with nearly 1,000 owned by the City and approximately 3,000 owned by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and maintained under an agreement. Broward County owns and operates all remaining streetlights.

In addition to streetlights, there are numerous pedestrian lights throughout the City located in areas of high pedestrian traffic. These lights are owned and maintained by various groups including many private landowners. The City works with the various owners to keep lights operating, however, outdoor lighting and the lighting infrastructure that powers it are often exposed to many hazards. Some of these are natural such as wind, rain, flooding, as well as other hazards, including but not limited to vandalism, vehicular accidents, and theft.

The City created a streetlight master plan in April 2022, which established lighting level standards and guidelines for light assemblies (i.e. poles and fixtures). The Master Plan also studied the lighting within thirteen (13) areas selected by crime and traffic crash data and established estimated costs to bring existing streetlights and corridors up to these new standards.

Additionally, the City has invested in additional resources for City maintained streetlights by adding a second maintenance and repair crew, however that only addresses the lights under City responsibility. Both FPL and the City are currently working to upgrade all streetlighting to high efficiency LED lights which provide more light in the target areas and less spillover lighting.

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The attached flyer includes details about reporting outages or requesting a new light. Residents can report streetlight outages directly with the light owner or to the City, regardless of ownership. City staff can forward the request to the appropriate entity. To report outages, residents may visit <https://lauderserv.fortlauderdale.gov/311> or call 954-828-8000.

For further inquiries, please contact Corey Callier, Facilities Manager, at 954-828-5873 or via email at [ccallier@fortlauderdale.gov](mailto:ccallier@fortlauderdale.gov).

Attachment: Streetlight Outages Flyer

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# CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE STREETLIGHT OUTAGES

HELP US REPORT  
STREETLIGHT OUTAGES



## TWO WAYS TO REPORT OUTAGES

- 1 ONLINE**  
Scan code or visit:  
[fortlauderdale.gov/lauderserv](http://fortlauderdale.gov/lauderserv)
- 2 CALL**  
(954) 828-8000



The City of Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, and FPL share responsibility for maintaining our streetlight system. The City of Fort Lauderdale is requesting your help in monitoring our streetlight system by reporting outages to our customer service team.

For more information, please visit [www.fortlauderdale.gov/streetlight](http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/streetlight).





# REQUEST A NEW STREETLIGHT

The City of Fort Lauderdale uses energy efficient illumination throughout the city to aid in the safe and orderly movement of traffic and pedestrians. Requests for residential street lighting on local roadways will be evaluated to determine if the need is warranted as defined below. When determining lighting levels, the City will refer to the minimum standards set forth by Florida Department of Transportations.

Should a streetlight request be deemed necessary for the health, safety and welfare of the general public traveling on City Streets, the approved light will be installed as funding permits. If funds are available, priority shall be given to:

1. Traffic hazards
2. Intersections
3. Dead-end streets
4. Mid-block locations
5. Date of request

Requests will be reviewed for approval by the Parks and Recreation Department.

**For more information or to complete a new streetlight application, please visit [www.fortlauderdale.gov/streetlight](http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/streetlight).**

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