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BILL NO. 2024-44

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND LVMC 19 TO ESTABLISH LIGHTING STANDARDS FOR C-V PROPERTIES WITHIN THE LONE MOUNTAIN AND LA MADRE FOOTHILLS AREAS, AS DESIGNATED IN THE LAS VEGAS 2050 MASTER PLAN, AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER RELATED MATTERS.

Sponsored by: Councilwoman Francis Allen-Palenske	Summary: Amends LVMC 19 to establish lighting standards for C-V properties within the Lone Mountain and La Madre Foothills Areas, as designated in the Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan.
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THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: Title 19 of the Municipal Code of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, 1983 Edition, is hereby amended by adding thereto new Paragraph (6) to Title 19, Chapter 10, Section 20, Subsection (E) as follows:

6. Lighting Standards Applicable to Certain Areas of the City. These standards shall apply exclusively to the Lone Mountain and La Madre Foothills areas as set forth by the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan. These standards are applicable to all outdoor areas of non-residential developments zoned C-V (Civic), including, but not limited to: parking lots, walkways, buildings, and all architectural elements. In the event of an emergency proclamation by a federal, state, or local government or agency, these standards shall not apply for the duration of the emergency. FAA warning lights, beacons, and other warning lighting of any kind are exempt from these standards.

a. Lighting Colors. Light temperature shall not exceed 4000 Kelvin.

b. Height of lighting on buildings. Any light fixtures or light emitted on buildings extending above 35 feet shall be turned off between the hours of 11 P.M. and 5 A.M.

c. Light Shielding. Shielding of light fixtures (internal or externally shielded) shall meet the following minimum standards:

i. For light poles lower than or equal to 10 feet: Minimum shielding angle of 15

degrees.

ii. For light poles above 10 feet to 15 feet: Minimum shielding angle of 30 degrees.

iii. For light poles above 15 feet to 20 feet: Minimum shielding angle of 45 degrees.

iv. For light poles above 20 feet: Minimum additional shielding of one degree per 1 additional foot in pole height.

v. For all accent and architectural lighting: Minimum shielding angle of 45 degrees.

No deviation or relief from the standards of this Paragraph (6) is available unless approved by means of a variance in accordance with LVMC 19.16.140.

SECTION 2: Title 19 of the Municipal Code of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, 1983 Edition, is hereby amended by amending Title 19, Chapter 10, Section 20, Subsection (F) as follows:

19.10.020(F): 1. The approval of a major review of the site development plan review pursuant to the provisions of LVMC 19.16.100 shall be required upon determination by the Director that the proposed development is not compatible with existing and planned development or uses in the adjacent surrounding area, or that the potential impact of the proposed project on existing and planned development or uses in the adjacent surrounding area is significant enough to require a public hearing.

2. The standards set forth in [Subsections] Paragraphs (4) and (5) of Subsection (E) of this Section are minimum requirements. Any request to deviate from these standards shall require the approval of a major review of a site development plan review pursuant to the provisions of LVMC 19.16.100.

3. Paragraph (6) of Subsection (E) of this Section shall apply to future development, including any and all development regarding which the necessary development or permit applications have not been granted by the City as of December 1, 2024.

SECTION 3: Title 19 of the Municipal Code of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, 1983 Edition, is hereby amended by adding, at the appropriate locations, the following entries to Title 19, Chapter 18, Section 20:

19.18.020 Light Fixture. Any electrical device that emits light, whether attached to a pole, building, roof, sign, or any other structure.

1 Shielding Angle. The angle formed by the horizontal plane of the lowest point of the light
2 fixture and a straight line running from the lowest point of the edge of the interior of the light fixture to the
3 lowest point of the light source.

4 SECTION 4: If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase
5 in this ordinance or any part thereof is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid or ineffective by
6 any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the
7 remaining portions of this ordinance or any part thereof. The City Council of the City of Las Vegas hereby
8 declares that it would have passed each section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase
9 thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs,
10 sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional, invalid or ineffective.

11 SECTION 5: Whenever in this ordinance any act is prohibited or is made or declared to
12 be unlawful or an offense or a misdemeanor, or whenever in this ordinance the doing of any act is required
13 or the failure to do any act is made or declared to be unlawful or an offense or a misdemeanor, the doing of
14 such prohibited act or the failure to do any such required act shall constitute a misdemeanor and upon
15 conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 or by imprisonment for a term of
16 not more than six months, or by any combination of such fine and imprisonment. Any day of any violation
17 of this ordinance shall constitute a separate offense.

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1 SECTION 6: All ordinances or parts of ordinances or sections, subsections, phrases,
2 sentences, clauses or paragraphs contained in the Municipal Code of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, 1983
3 Edition, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

4 PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED this ____ day of _____, 2025.

5 APPROVED:

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7 By _____
 SHELLEY BERKLEY, Mayor

8 ATTEST:

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10 DR. LUANN D. HOLMES, MMC
City Clerk

11 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

12  12/04/2024
13 Tamara M. Cannella, Date
Deputy City Attorney

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1 The above and foregoing ordinance was first proposed and read by title to the City Council on the ____ day
2 of _____, 2024, and referred to a committee for recommendation, the committee being
3 composed of the following members _____;
4 thereafter the said committee reported favorably on said ordinance on the ____ day of
5 _____, 2025, which was a _____ meeting of said Council; that at said
6 _____ meeting, the proposed ordinance was read by title to the City Council as first
7 introduced and adopted by the following vote:

8 VOTING "AYE": _____

9 VOTING "NAY": _____

10 ABSENT: _____

11 APPROVED:

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13 By _____
SHELLEY BERKLEY, Mayor

14 ATTEST:

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16 DR. LUANN D. HOLMES, MMC
City Clerk