R2021-21: AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO ENTER 1 INTO STREET LIGHT REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENTS WITH AUTHORIZING 2 BODIES TO FUND THE DIFFERENCE IN COST BETWEEN THE CITY'S 3 STREET TREATMENT AND **UPGRADED** STANDARD LIGHTING OR 4 5 ENHANCED ORNAMENTAL STREET LIGHTS.

<u>Applicant/Purpose</u>: Staff / to authorize the City Manager/designee to enter into street light reimbursement agreements

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## **Brief:**

- The City has seen an increased number of requests for enhanced or upgraded ornamental street lighting for new residential neighborhoods.
- The Resolution authorizes the City Manager (or designee) to execute street light reimbursement agreements with authorizing bodies at the time the residential streets are accepted by the City.
- These street light reimbursement agreements will serve as notification to the City's billing department that a reimbursement request and billing statement should be generated and billed to the responsible party.

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## <u>lssues</u>:

- Funding responsibilities for enhanced lighting within residential areas have traditionally been dictated through development agreements within a PUD (Planned Unit Development) and/or a MID (Municipal Improvement District).
- The City has determined that a more efficient and effective method for billing and collecting the reimbursement for upgraded or enhanced ornamental street lighting within newly developed residential areas is through a street lighting reimbursement agreement.

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<u>Public Notification:</u> Normal meeting notification.

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## **Alternatives:**

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Deny the ResolutionAmend the Resolution

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## Financial Impact:

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• This will have a positive financial impact as it will provide a more efficient method for billing and collecting the reimbursements for upgraded and enhanced ornamental lighting.

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Manager's Recommendation: I recommend approval.

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Attachment(s): Proposed resolution.

**RESOLUTION R2021-21** AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR CITY OF MYRTLE BEACH ) DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO STREET LIGHT **COUNTY OF HORRY** ) REIMBURSEMENT **AGREEMENTS** WITH STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA **AUTHORIZING BODIES** TO FUND THE DIFFERENCE IN COST BETWEEN THE CITY'S STANDARD STREET LIGHTING TREATMENT AND UPGRADED OR **ENHANCED** ORNAMENTAL STREET LIGHTS. 

WHEREAS, the City of Myrtle Beach offers standard neighborhood street lighting treatment within public rights-of-ways of newly developed residential neighborhoods to illuminate public roadways; and

WHEREAS, a standard neighborhood street lighting treatment is defined as the most financially economical street light offered by Santee Cooper at the time of installation; and

WHEREAS, the current most financially economical street light offered by Santee Cooper is identified as light code "03" and more particularly described as "150 HPS Traditional", along with Santee Cooper pole code "B" and more particularly described as "18' Black Round Fiberglass"; and

WHEREAS, the City has seen an increase in the number of requests for upgraded or enhanced ornamental street lighting plans for new developments; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that the developments which benefit from upgraded or enhanced ornamental street lights are responsible for reimbursing the City the difference in cost between the City's standard neighborhood street lighting treatment, as described above, and any upgraded or enhanced ornamental street lights installed within the development; and

WHEREAS, funding responsibilities for upgraded or enhanced ornamental street lights have traditionally been dictated by development agreements within a PUD (Planned Unit Development) zoning classification or a MID (Municipal Improvement District); and

WHEREAS, the City of Myrtle Beach has determined that a more efficient and effective method for billing and collecting the reimbursement for upgraded or enhanced ornamental street lighting is through a street light reimbursement agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into street lighting reimbursement agreements with authorizing bodies of development areas within the City of Myrtle Beach to collect reimbursement of the difference in cost between the City's standard street lighting treatment and upgraded or enhanced ornamental street lights installed within public rights-of-ways of that development.

53	SIGNED, SEALED and DATED, this 8 <sup>th</sup> day of June, 2021.		
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