

DEKALB COUNTY
TRANSPORTATION DIVISION
1950 WEST EXCHANGE PLACE
4TH FLOOR
TUCKER, GEORGIA 30084

To have lights installed on streets in the unincorporated area of DeKalb County, this petition must be signed by the property owners of at least **fifty-one percent (51%)** of the total **FRONT STREETSIDE** footage on each street to be lighted in a Street Light District. Please note that the percentage is for footage and **NOT** for total residents. This petition and information is for County owned public streets, not within any Corporate City Limits.

This petition is checked by this office, advertised for a Public Hearing and presented to the Board of Commissioners for approval. This process takes roughly six (6) months after we receive the completed petition.

Property owners are billed for street light assessment on the basis of street-side footage owned. This annual bill will be included with the property taxes and will be paid along with the property tax.

On corner lots where the front and side streets are lighted, the service charge assessed will be based on the total footage, plus any footage on the side in excess of one hundred fifty feet (150'). On corner lots where only the front street is lighted, there is no charge for the side footage. On corner lots where only the side street is lighted, the charge will be based on the side footage in excess of one hundred fifty feet (150').

The present annual service charge for street lighting is **40 cents** per assessed foot **PER YEAR**. There is no installation charge. The assessment rate could change if electricity costs are changed.

This petition can only be signed by the owner (or owners). Only owners may sign, persons renting cannot sign the petition. All property, developed or undeveloped – commercial or residential, is included and will be charged. **No signature can be altered or removed from the petition after it has been submitted.**

The type of lights usually installed on two lane streets are 100 watt high pressure sodium street light luminaries with automatic photoelectric controls that turn the lights on at dusk and off at dawn. The lights are installed on existing poles where possible and therefore, the spacing can vary; however, proper street illumination is maintained within limits recommended by the American National Standard Practice for Roadway Lighting. Actual placement of the lights is determined by personnel of this office working with representatives of the power company. Larger lights and/or closer spacing is used on streets wider than two lanes.

The lights are usually installed within twelve (12) to sixteen (16) weeks after approval by the Commission.

For further information you may call this office at (770) 492-5227.

- **This petition form is for use by developers for streets with overhead power**

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