

der this Ordinance or exempt from regulation hereunder in accordance with the previous section are prohibited. Such signs and devices include, but are not limited to:

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- (b) Except as otherwise permitted in the City Center District, Any illuminated tubing or strings of lights, including but not limited to:
 - (1) Those outlining property lines;
 - (2) Outlining open sales areas;
 - (3) Outlining rooflines, doors or windows, or edges of walls, except as specifically permitted in the Waterfront Overlay District;
 - (4) Landscaping, except low intensity constant glow rope lighting;
 - (5) Except for perimeter down-lighting which is shielded to illuminate open sales areas but no land outside those areas, and those strings of lights exempt under holiday decorations;
 - (6) Neon may be incorporated into the design of a sign.

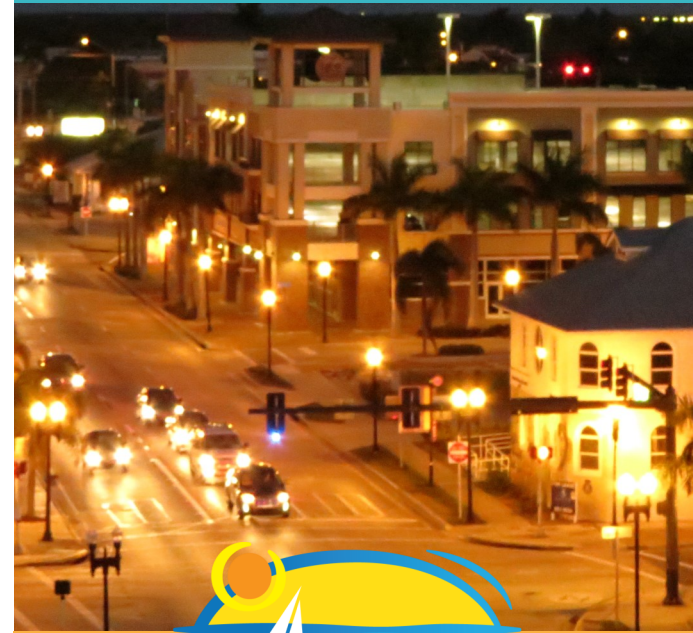
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DOWNTOWN LIGHTING



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LDR, Chapter 26, Article 3, Section 3.9, City Center District

(h) Decorative Exterior Lighting Standards

(1) Year around exterior electric or solar lighting shall be permitted on commercial structures within the City Center District subject to the following requirements:

- a. All exterior decorative lighting shall be designed to create a constant glow and prevent glare.
- b. The lights shall consist of single strands, run in any of the following configurations:
 1. Following the architectural features of a building, doors, windows or rooflines;
 2. Wrapped around columns, posts, or pillars on the building;
 3. Wrapped around existing on-site features like trees, palms or posts.
 4. Placed around or across outdoor dining or outdoor seating areas.
- (a) Lighting shall maintain a minimum height of 10 feet above outdoor dining and seating areas and associated pedestrian pathways.
- (b) Lighting shall be used to define the outdoor seating or dining space and may not extend to encompass areas of landscaping or open space not associated with the dining or seating area.
- c. Icicle lights are not permitted unless used temporarily as holiday decorations.

- d. The color of the lighting to be used for all commercial buildings shall be white light in the color temperature range of not less than 2,700 K and not exceeding 4,200 K.
- e. Neon lighting shall not be permitted for any exterior building lighting; however neon may be incorporated into signs.
- f. The lighting must be maintained in proper working order and must be replaced, turned off or removed entirely if a portion of the lighting is not in proper working order.
- g. Flashing, blinking, flickering or scrolling lights or lights that change in the intensity or color are **not** permitted.

(2) Additional Requirements.

- a. An **electrical permit shall be required** unless totally solar powered. Photo voltaic solar will require electrical permit.
 1. The power source must incorporate a GFCI or be hardwired.
 2. An electrical inspection is required to ensure the power source meets the electrical code. **There will be a \$50.00 electrical inspection fee.**
- b. All exterior lighting designs must be submitted for zoning review and a no-charge zoning permit.
 1. Submittal for the permit shall include the type and color of lighting to be used.
 2. Location of the lighting on the

building.

3. Two copies of pictures of the building and location of proposed lights must be submitted with the zoning permit application.

Chapter 26, Article 11, Section 11.6, “Prohibited Signs and Devices”

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