

TO: JAMES L. APP, CITY MANAGER  
FROM: JOHN R. McCARTHY, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS  
SUBJECT: REQUEST TO DEVIATE FROM STANDARD STREETLIGHT POLES (TRACT 1895-1)  
DATE: MAY 4, 1999

**Needs:** For the City council to consider a request from the developer to deviate from the standard streetlight poles to be installed for Tract 1895-1.

- Facts:**
1. In 1994, the developer of Summit Hills Estates (Tract 1886) received permission from the City Council to install wooden poles instead of the City's standard steel poles for street lights.
  2. Summit Hills Estates is located at Golden Hill Road just south of Union Road.
  3. The City has received a request that the same wooden poles installed for Tract 1886 be allowed for Tract 1895-1. The developer feels that the wooden light poles would create a warmer feeling for his tract.
  4. Tract 1895-1 is a 48-lot single family residential subdivision located at the southeast corner of Buena Vista and Dallons Drive (formerly Ronan) and across from Cuesta College North County Campus.

**Analysis and Conclusion:**

Although the wooden poles are treated, they require more maintenance than the standard pole. Maintenance costs would be borne by the City. Please note the attached photos which shows the condition of the poles that were installed in Tract 1886 five years ago. In addition, should these poles need replacement, they are not stock items that can easily be obtained.

**Policy**

**Reference:** Resolution No. 95-42 which adopted the City's Standards and Specifications.

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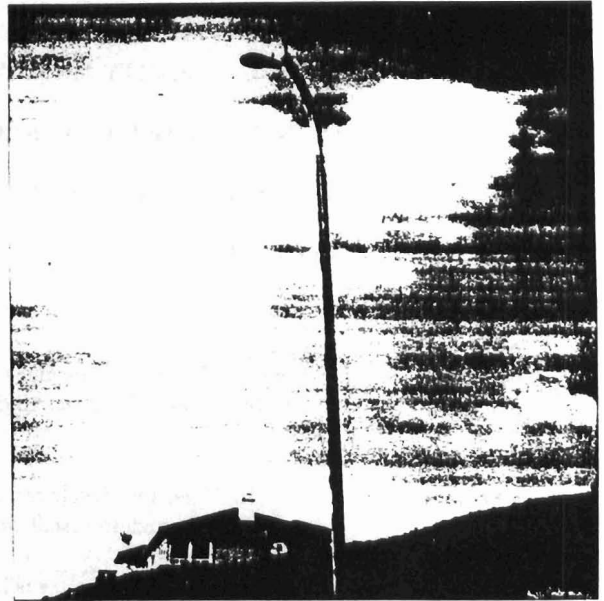
**Impact:** Typically, a steel light pole would require minimum maintenance.

- Options:**
- A. That the City Council retain the standard steel poles to be used for street lights in Tract 1895-1.
  - B. That the City Council approve the request to deviate from the standard steel pole and allow wooden poles to be installed for Tract 1895-1.
  - C. That the City Council amend, modify, or reject the above options.

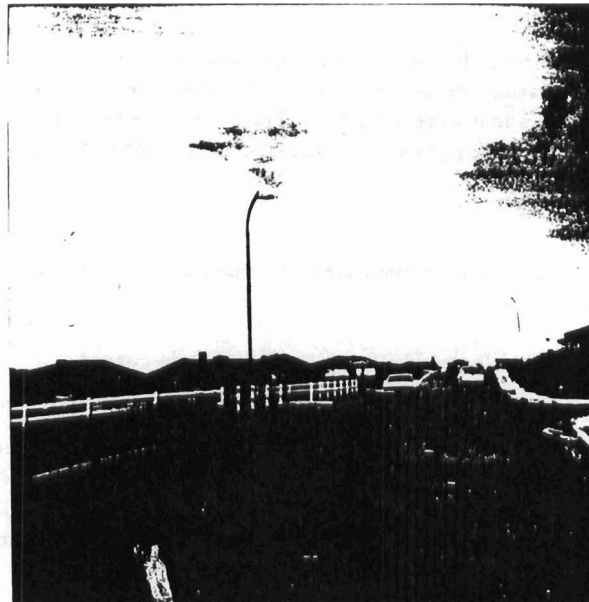
Attachments: (1)  
1) Photos



4/22/99 TR 1886  
WOODEN Streetlight  
POLE



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St. Lt. POLE



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WOODEN St. lts.