# EQUAL RESIDENTIAL STREET LIGHTING FEE FOR ALL







Single Family Home \$3.25 per month



Multi-Unit Complexes

Multi-Unit Complexes Pay Based On Frontage

(90 ft. of Frontage = \$3.25)

### Proposed Street Lighting Fee Philosophy



\$ 2.34 per month (Fee is reduced)



\$ 2.34 x 4 units = \$9.36 per month



\$ 2.34 x 12 units = \$28.08 per month

### What is the street lighting fee?

The proposed operations lighting fee of \$2.34 is the monthly fee used to pay for the ongoing operations and maintenance of the City street lighting system. The fee will be billed every month to all residential living units within the City boundaries. The ability to safely drive and walk in the City at night is the basis for charging every living unit the same fee.

## Why the street lighting fee?

#### **EQUALITY**

All residents in the City of Orem benefit from the street lighting system. Street lights enhance the safety, security walkability, and drivability in the City. In recent years, single-family homes have been paying the majority of the costs associated with the street lighting sytem. This modified fee structure broadens the billing base where every residential unit pays the same amount.

#### **OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE**

The current street lighting fee of \$3.25 is used to pay for the costs associated with the construction of the street lighting system. As this capital investment is paid, a modified fee needs to be created to pay for the system's ongoing expenses. Thus, a fee of \$2.34 will be used for the operations and maintenance of City street lights.

### When will this change take effect?

If the City Council approves these changes, the fee schedule will be implemented over a four-year period starting on July 1, 2019.

#### Find out more by visiting utilities.orem.org

# EQUAL NON-RESIDENTIAL STREET LIGHTING FEE FOR ALL



#### Current Street Lighting Fee Philosophy







**Businesses** 

Businesses, Churches, and Schools Pay Based On Frontage (90 ft. of Frontage = \$3.25)

# **Proposed Street Lighting Fee Philosophy**





Churches Schools

Businesses will pay \$28.08 annually

(\$2.34 x 12 months) when they renew a business license.

Churches and schools will pay \$2.34 per month on their individual utility bill.

## Why change the billing method for businesses?

The business license system provides a more accurate and efficient means to make sure every business is charged the exact same fee. Home-occupied businesses will only be charged one street lighting fee through their normal monthly utility bill.

#### Why will churches and schools still be billed on their individual utility accounts?

Each church and school property has their own utility account and does not have to obtain a business license from the City to legally operate. As such, the best way to assess a fee to every church and school in Orem is through their utility bill.

**Open House** 

Tuesday, February 5, 2019 6-8pm City Council Chambers (56 N. State St.)



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