

CITY OF SISTERS, OREGON

ORDINANCE NO. 251 H

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SISTERS, OREGON, AMENDING CHAPTER 15.02 OF THE SISTERS MUNICIPAL CODE AS SET OUT IN ORDINANCE NO. 251, THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SISTERS, AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PORTIONS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HEREWITH.

WHEREAS, The City of Sisters has adopted a Zoning Ordinance, Ordinance No. 251, which is codified in the Sisters Municipal Code as Chapter 15.02; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sisters Planning Commission and City Council has determined that Chapter 15.02 of the Sisters Municipal Code as set out in Ordinance No. 251 must be modified in certain respects;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF SISTERS ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

15.02.310 Supplementary Provisions Subsection 11. Outdoor Lighting shall be added to read as follows:

15.02.310.11 Outdoor Lighting.

A. Purpose. The purpose of this supplementary provision is to make the lighting used for residential, commercial and public areas appropriate to the need and to keep the light from shining offsite onto adjacent public rights of way or private properties. Further, it is to encourage, through regulation of type, kinds, construction, installation, and uses of outdoor electrically powered illuminating devices, lighting practices and systems to conserve energy without decreasing safety, utility, security, and productivity while enhancing nighttime enjoyment of property within the City.

B. Requirements for installation. Except as exempted by provisions of this ordinance, as of the date of adoption, the installation of outdoor lighting fixtures shall be subject to the provisions of this ordinance.

C. Shielding. All nonexempt outdoor lighting fixtures shall have directed shielding so as to prevent direct light from the fixture from shining beyond the property limits where the fixture is installed. This means that a person standing at the adjacent property line would not see the light emitting source.

D. Prohibitions.

(1). Laser Source Light. The use of laser source light or any similar high intensity light when projected beyond property lines is prohibited.

(2). Searchlights. The operation of searchlights for purposes other than public safety or emergencies is prohibited.

E. Exemptions.

(1). Nonconformance.

A. Outdoor light fixtures lawfully installed prior to and operable prior on the effective date of the requirements codified in this ordinance are exempt from all such requirements except as follows:

(a). All replacement of outdoor lighting fixtures, as of the date of adoption, shall be subject to the provision of this ordinance.

(b). Until a date five years after the date of the adoption of this ordinance.

B. Fossil Fuel Light. All outdoor light fixtures producing light directly by the combustion of natural gas or other fossil fuels are exempt from the requirements of this ordinance.

(2). Airport operations lighting and aircraft navigational beacons as established by the Federal Aviation Administration are exempt from these provisions. All other airport outdoor lighting must conform with this ordinance.

(3). Lights of less than 15 watts used for holiday decorations for no more than 45 days are exempt from the requirements of this ordinance.

(4). Carnivals and Fairs that require the use of temporary outdoor lighting fixtures are exempt except that permanent installations at dedicated sites must conform to the requirements of this ordinance.

(5). Lighting for U.S. flags properly displayed.

(6). Temporary exemptions to the requirements of this ordinance for up to five days per calendar year.

(7). Construction lighting necessary for an allowed use are exempt except that permanent installations at dedicated sites must conform to the requirements of this ordinance.

(8). Individual light fixtures with lamps of less than 40 watts.

Adopted by the Common Council of the City of Sisters

this ____ day of _____, 1997 and;

Signed by the Mayor this ____ day of _____, 1997.

Steven Wilson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbara J. Warren, City Administrator