City of Charlotte

Department of Transportation

Street Light Policy

Street Lighting Assumption (Take-Over Billing)

The City of Charlotte may choose to take over responsibility for payment of monthly billing of a street light, provided that:

- The street light is within City-owned right of way and along a City maintained street, and
- The street light meets City standards, and/or the requestor has paid any/all costs to have lights brought up to City standards.

Take-over billing by the City will be scheduled to occur as funds are available. The City will not reimburse any billing for which the requesting party is responsible or for which the City has not authorized the local power provider to bill it. This includes any billing between the date of the request and the date of the changeover of billing (the date the service agreement is signed by the City).

Additional Information:

Billing for existing street lighting on wooden poles can generally be assumed with no cost to the requestor.

Billing for existing decorative lighting (anything other than wood pole lighting) generally can be assumed after all one-time costs are satisfied by the requestor with the serving power provider. You will need to be able to provide the current lighting bill associated with any assumption request(s) and a map of the area to be assumed.

For street lighting assumption inquiries, please contact:

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