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5 **RESOLUTION NO. R2006-138s**
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8 **A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Stating Council Intent Regarding**
9 **Street Illumination and Requesting the Department of Public**
10 **Works and Utilities to Modify Title 17B and the Manual on**
11 **Design Guidelines and Specifications for Road and Bridge**
12 **Construction in Pierce County Accordingly.**
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14 **Whereas**, the Pierce County Council desires to provide street illumination along
15 multi-lane arterials within the urban area, along pedestrian routes to public schools and
16 parks, areas of dense concentration of commercial and multifamily development,
17 signalized intersections, and other specific areas, for traffic and pedestrian safety and
18 crime deterrence purposes; and
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20 **Whereas**, the Council has provided funding for installation of utility service
21 provider lighting within specific communities, and in proximity to schools in past budget
22 years; and
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24 **Whereas**, the Department of Public Works and Utilities estimates that there are
25 approximately 41 miles of collector, secondary, and major arterials containing more than
26 two lanes within the urban area; and
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28 **Whereas**, a number of miles of these arterials are planned to be illuminated
29 pursuant to Pierce County's Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program; and
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31 **Whereas**, it is estimated by the Department of Public Works and Utilities
32 Department, that remaining arterials will cost an estimated \$6.2 million to illuminate; and
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34 **Whereas**, the Council recently adopted the Traffic Impact Fee Program,
35 Ordinance No. 2006-60s which is anticipated to generate approximately \$3.7 million in
36 revenue for street illumination along specific roadways, over a twenty year period; and



1 **Whereas**, the Council desires that the illumination of these roadways be included
2 in the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program beginning in 2007, subject to
3 available funding; and
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5 **Whereas**, the Council also desires that street illumination in other areas as
6 identified through adopted policy also be provided, subject to available funding;
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8 **Whereas**, the Council desires to state clear policies regarding future street
9 illumination; **Now Therefore**,

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11 **BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of Pierce County:**
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13 Section 1. The Pierce County Council hereby sets forth a policy that street
14 lighting be provided as a means of enhancing traffic and pedestrian safety at locations
15 that are identified, authorized, and funded by the County Council in the following types
16 of areas:

- 17 A. Established walking routes to a specific public school,
- 18 B. Walking routes to a specific public park, or
- 19 C. Other locations determined in consultation with a school district or law
20 enforcement agency for student safety or crime deterrence purposes.

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22 Section 2. The Pierce County Council also hereby states a policy that
23 continuous street lighting as a part of all major construction or reconstruction road
24 projects on major, secondary, and collector County arterials that are:

- 25 A. Located in areas with a highly dense concentration of urban commercial
26 development, and in areas that have a significant concentration of both
27 commercial and high density multifamily development. Typical locations
28 would be those areas adjacent to the County road system that are designated
29 as Major Urban Centers or Community Centers by the County
30 Comprehensive Plan, or
- 31 B. More than two lanes in width and located in an urban growth area, or
- 32 C. More than two lanes in width and located in rural areas that exhibit an
33 urban growth pattern and urban density and are specifically identified and
34 authorized by the County Council.



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2 Section 3. The Council states its intent that costs associated with the ongoing
3 maintenance and operations of street lighting installed pursuant to the policies set forth
4 in Section 1 and 2 and street lighting projects previously initiated by the Council be
5 funded by the County Road Fund.
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7 Section 4. The Department of Public Works and Utilities is requested to update
8 Title 17B and the Manual on Design Guidelines and Specifications for Road and Bridge
9 Construction in Pierce County to incorporate the policies set forth in Section 2. and that
10 the update be submitted to the Council for action no later than June 1, 2007.
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12 **ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2006.**

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14 ATTEST:

PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL
Pierce County, Washington

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20 **Denise D. Johnson**
Clerk of the Council

Shawn Bunney
Council Chair

