**From:** Steve Koppman
**To:** Levin, Brooke A.; Schaaf, Libby
**Cc:** PWA Call Center; Ruhland, Lisa; Mitchell, Jason
**Subject:** Re: Street Lighting Getting Worse?
**Date:** Tuesday, February 18, 2014 1:11:09 AM

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To let you know - the only communication I've had on this besides this was from a city department, which I passed on to you, which had incorrect address info (they were concerned re Magellan and Colton, I'm at Magellan and Cortereal).

In any case again, where I am, the new lights clearly have brought a dramatic deterioration in lighting and therefore, to some extent, perceived security. I can't say anything re the cost, but in general, the concept that the new lights are better or stronger I think is completely misguided. They are worse and weaker and create a much creepier feeling. Some of the lights seem stronger than others; the one at Magellan and Cortereal seems weaker, but in general, not a good move.

Thanks.

Steve Koppman
[redacted]

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**From:** "Levin, Brooke A." <blevin@oaklandnet.com>
**To:** "Schaaf, Libby" <LSchaaf@oaklandnet.com>; Steve Koppman <steve.koppman@sbcglobal.net>; "Ruhland, Lisa" <LRuhland@oaklandnet.com> J
**Cc:** PWA Call Center <PWACallCenter@oaklandnet.com>; "Mitchell, Jason" <JWMitchell@oaklandnet.com>
**Sent:** Monday, February 3, 2014 3:30 PM
**Subject:** RE: Street Lighting Getting Worse?

Councilmember Schaaf,

I have sent this request to the PWA Call Center for follow-up.

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**From:** Schaaf, Libby
**Sent:** Monday, February 03, 2014 9:44 AM
**To:** Steve Koppman; Ruhland, Lisa; Levin, Brooke A.
**Subject:** Re: Street Lighting Getting Worse?

Steve
The City of Oakland converted all of its street lights to LED to save energy and money as well as enhance lighting quality. They tried to approximate your previous lighting level, but fully expected they would have to come back to make individualized adjustments after the initial installation.

By copy of this email to our public works Director Brooke Levin, she will refer your concerns to the appropriate staff for follow up. The lighting can be adjusted in a way that hopefully will satisfy your concerns. Lisa in my office can also assist you with this adjustment process. Thanks for contacting us!

Libby

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 2, 2014, at 6:53 PM, "Steve Koppman" <steve.koppman@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

> Ms. Schaaf:
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> I wanted to pass on a concern about street lights.
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> I live on Magellan Drive, between Colton and Snake (1960). This past week, it seems the street lights, which had been of the sodium-lamp variety, were all systematically replaced with a different type, which - it seems to me - is not nearly as good, does not produce as much light over as much area, and produces an eery sort of effect. For me, if change is not an improvement, better not to make it! So this seemed like bad news I wish could be reversed, and hope could maybe be slowed down.
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> I am - among other things, in terms of local government - a graduate of UCB's school of public policy, and a former Civil Grand Jury member, consultant to the city's Cultural Arts Division and evaluator for the county's Office of Court Services.
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> Much thanks for your consideration of the lighting situation.
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> Steve Koppman
> [redacted]