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Town News

Holiday Edition: Week of December 26, 2011

News from the Town Manager

Town Council Meeting – Jan. 4

The next meeting of the Town Council will be held on Wednesday, January 4, 2012 beginning at 5:00 p.m. with a TOT Workshop in Suite Z/Minaret Village Mall. Visit the [Streaming Media Archive](#) to review the previous meeting minutes or view the webcast Town Council meeting.

Town Office Schedule

Town offices will be closed to the public on Monday, December 26, 2011 and Monday, January 2, 2012 for the holidays.

Mammoth Lakes Police Department Sergeant Selection Announced

Mammoth Lakes Police Chief Dan Watson has announced that Officer Paul Robles has been selected to fill the Sergeant vacancy created by the retirement of Sergeant Karen Smart on December 29, 2011. Sergeant Smart is retiring after more than 25 years of service to the Mammoth Lakes community. A retirement party was held in her honor on December 16, 2011.

Officer Robles was one of 8 MLPD officers who competed in a comprehensive four part examination process that included a written test and interviews. Officer Robles started his career with the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department in 1985. In 1989 he transferred to the Bishop Police Department where he rose to the rank of Sergeant. Officer Robles moved to Mammoth Lakes in 2005 where he has been assigned to Patrol, MONET, and currently, as the School Resource Officer. Sergeant Robles will be one of the three Watch Commanders.

Projected Average Resort Occupancy

Friday, December 23 - Sunday, December 25 = 64%
(78% same weekend in 2010, down 14% in 2011)

Monday, December 26, 2011 - Sunday, January 1, 2012 = 84%
(97% same midweek in 2010, down 13% in 2011)

Calls for Service/Officer Observations

133, including 0 business/building checks

Crime Incident Reports

16 reports, including 3 arrests

Traffic Stop/Citations/Traffic Collisions

26 stops; 2 citations; 0 parking citations; 0 skate park citations; 0 collisions

Animal Control Incidents

1 incident; 0 reports

Wildlife

0 calls; 0 reports

Twitter

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Community Development

TOT Enforcement Update

In August 2011, the Town implemented an aggressive transient occupancy tax enforcement (TOT) program. TOT collection, compliance, and enforcement are critical components to the success of our resort community of Mammoth Lakes.

According to Mayor Jo Bacon, "Everyone who visits our town, including our property owners, expect the highest level of service that the Town can provide. When TOT is not collected, those owners/renters are negatively impacting our ability to fund and provide important transit, public safety and road maintenance services."

The Town values the quality of life of our residents and visitors, and because TOT is so important to maintaining our community's vitality we are making a concerted effort to make it easier to find information about and comply with TOT and zoning rules.

The Town Council has scheduled a TOT Workshop on January 4, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. to further discuss this issue with the Lodging Association, Mammoth Lakes Tourism and the community. As of December 20, 2011, staff are working on 43 "active" TOT cases, and 2,048 Business Tax renewals for TOT will be mailed out this week.

For TOT-related information, please visit www.ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us, call us at (760) 934-8989 ext. 275 or send an email to: tot@ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us. Thank you in advance for your understanding and compliance.

Community News

Woolly's Adventure Summit Opens Dec. 23

Woolly's Adventure Summit is scheduled to open on Friday, December 23, 2011. Experience Mammoth's new Tube Park + Snow Play Area, perfect for all ages - featuring lights, music, and action! Come take the ride of your life on one of our six groomed 400 ft. long tubing lanes or stay warm by the heaters with a cup of hot cocoa. Families with little kids can build a snowman and enjoy the snow play area. Hours of operation (weather permitting): Open Sunday-Thursday from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Friday-Saturday from 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

"Winterlude"- Chamber Music Unbound Holiday Fundraiser

Please join Chamber Music Unbound for their holiday fundraiser, "Winterlude", a spirited evening of classical chamber music and champagne. Light-hearted, humorous, wistful and profound musical selections, performed in the intimate atmosphere of Casa Musica* will elegantly transport you from the Old Year to the New...

Celebrate and support the Felici Piano Trio's year-round community music school, serving 150 local students, as well as the Sierra Academy of Music (SAM) our summer program for students from around California and the country. Have a wonderful time with great music from Vivaldi to Gershwin, enjoy warm hospitality and contribute to the success of CMU's programs on either Thursday, December 29, 2011, or Friday, December 30, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Recreation Highlights

New Year's Eve Party at the Mammoth Ice Rink!

Celebrate 2012, New York style at the Mammoth Ice Rink! Skate from 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 31, 2011 and enjoy party favors, hats, and a sparkling cider countdown east-coast time. We'll also have the fire-pits blazing for marshmallow roasting along with our hearty hot chocolates! Looking for a last minute stocking stuffer? Purchase the Five Skate Pass (5SP) and get the 6th Skate FREE for \$50 for adults and only \$40 for youth. Please call the Mammoth Ice Rink at (760) 934-2505 for the complete winter schedule. Party time at the Mammoth Ice Rink!

Open Gym Basketball Begins Jan. 8

The Recreation Department in partnership with the Mammoth Unified School District will be offering open gym basketball at the MHS gym every Sunday from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. beginning January 8, 2012. The cost is only \$2/player per session with the completion of a Town waiver. Program concludes on Sunday, March 25, 2012. Please call (760) 934-8989 ext. 222 for additional information.

Pick-Up Youth Soccer Begins Jan. 8

If you're looking for more soccer, the Recreation Department in partnership with the Mammoth Unified School District will be offering pick-up youth soccer at the MHS Gym every Sunday from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. beginning January 8, 2012. The cost is only \$2/player per session with the completion of a Town waiver. Based on demand,

games will be 5 v 5 and structured by age division (U8-U10, U12-U15 & U19). Goals and soccer balls are supplied, and shin guards and indoor shoes required (no cleats). Program concludes on Sunday, March 25, 2012. Please call (760) 934-8989 ext. 222 for additional information.

Get Your Skates On Mammoth Lakes!

The new and improved Mammoth Ice Rink is now open to the public. The Mammoth Ice Rink is located at 416 Sierra Park Road adjacent to the Mammoth Lakes Library and opposite Mammoth High School. The Mammoth Ice Rink is an outdoor facility offering public skating sessions, hockey clinics, pick-up hockey, skating lessons and special events. Amenities include skate sharpening, skate rentals and snack and beverage services.

Session rates for the 2011/12 season have been 'frozen' from 2009/10. Adults skate for \$10.00 with skate rentals, youth (5-15) for \$8.00 with skate rentals, and kids 4 and under skate free with a paid adult. This winter get your 6th Skate FREE with the new Five Skate Pass (5SP), Seniors and college students skate mid-week for half-price, and local students skate for only \$2.00 per session (including skate rentals).

Drop-in Ice Hockey has been programmed for women on Wednesday evening, and Tuesday/Thursday evenings for men between 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturday morning the youth (5-15 yrs) take to the ice, and an open Hockey session has been scheduled on Sunday morning from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. When visiting the Mammoth Ice Rink, please consider taking the Main Lodge – Village/Vons – Snowcreek Shuttle (Red Line), Mid-Town LIFT (Purple Line) or Old Mammoth LIFT (Grey line) to the Mammoth Ice Rink as parking is limited.

The Mammoth Ice Rink is owned and operated by the Town of Mammoth Lakes through a partnership with Mammoth Unified School District and Mono County Office of Education. The facility is drug-free, smoke-free and pet-free. We accept cash, credit cards, and personal checks with a valid driver's license. For the complete winter schedule, rates and special promotions visit www.mammothicerink.com, see our rack card in all Certified Racks located throughout Mammoth Lakes, or call the Mammoth Ice Rink at (760) 934-2505.

Party Yourself into Shape!

Zumba® Fitness offered by Kaysie Williams from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Mammoth Lakes Community Center, 1000 Forest Trail will return on Monday, January 9, 2012.

Get Gymnastics Fever!

This year-round program is designed to introduce children from 3-18 years old the wonderful and exciting sport of gymnastics. Offered by Michelle DeJong, a level 8 competitive gymnast and Level 1-5 gymnastics coach, participants will learn to tumble and more in a safe and structured environment. This program is also a recipient of Measure R funding with \$7,000 of gymnastic equipment. Three age sessions are available at the Community Center on Forest Trail.

- 3-5 yr olds – Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
- 5-8 yr olds – Saturday: 10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
- 8-12+ yr olds – Wednesday: 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. & Saturday: 11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Please note: No class is offered on Saturday, December 24, 2011.

Fees are only \$50/month (8 sessions) for residents and \$60/month for non-residents. Five session Punch Cards are available for \$50 and Private lessons are available upon request at \$20 for 30-45 minutes. Drop -ins are welcome and encouraged - First one is FREE! Please call (760) 934-8989 ext. 222 for more information or to register your aspiring Gymnast!

Contact Us

All the summer, fall, winter and Spring events, programs and activities are listed on www.ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us and in the 2011-12 Annual Mammoth Recreation Guide. Please call the Recreation Department at (760) 934-8989 ext. 222 or visit us in the Town Offices – Minaret Village Mall (above Giovanni's) to register for a program, for additional information or to forward your comments and suggestions.

Notify Me!

Receive updates sent directly to your email or phone from the Town of Mammoth Lakes by subscribing to "Notify Me." Found on the left side of www.ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us, stay current with Public Service Announcements, Emergency Alerts, Town e-News, Recreation This Week, No Burn Announcements, DNDP updates, bid postings, news flash, calendar items, and more! Make smart decisions, subscribe today!

Recreation Events & Activities in Town...

MMST Tuning & Wax Clinic

Command Performance will be hosting a ski tuning and wax clinic this Friday, December 23, 2011 beginning at 6:00 p.m. The clinic is hosted by Mike Braun a local Masters racer and the Far West Race Service Rep for the Rossignol Group and Swix. Mike will cover the basics of ski-tuning, and answer any questions about waxing and the use of the different paste, block, spray & powder overlays that are available. Mike will also talk about the use of the different protective gear/armor that is available for the ski racer.

Command Performance staff will also demonstrate the myriad of base structure grinds that are available from the brand new Montana of Switzerland. The future of ski waxing has arrived! Infra-red base wax treatment is the next evolutionary step from hot waxing and hot boxing. Infra-red allows for greater residual wax build up and retention in the base, and has no negative side effects such as base crystallization, sintered base pore closure or base structure knock-down. A complimentary infra-red base treatment is offered to every clinic participant including the chance to win a GO-PRO camera! Mike's knowledge and passion for ski racing is contagious, so don't miss it! Please call Command Performance at (760) 934 4447 for additional information.

Public Egress from the Sherwins to Ranch Road

In 2006, conflicts between private property owners and skiers and snowboarders exiting the Sherwins nearly closed the most convenient route back to town. Through the cooperative efforts of Snowcreek Investment Company, the Town of Mammoth Lakes, the Mammoth Lakes Trails and Public Access Foundation (MLTPA), and local homeowners, an agreement was reached that provides a direct and legal route from

the base of the Sherwins to the public-access easement at Ranch Road. The route across the Snowcreek golf course has been legally secured through the Town Council's adoption of the Snowcreek VIII Master Plan and the Snowcreek Development Agreement. By following the identified route and respecting the privacy of the nearby homes, skiers and snowboarders can protect their ability to continue to use this route.

The Sherwins area is one of the most accessible and diverse out-of-bounds ski areas in the country. It provides a wide variety of backcountry skiing and riding conveniently located adjacent to the community of Mammoth Lakes. The most direct route for getting back to town from the Sherwins area requires crossing private land to get to the bus or your car. As a part of its approved development plans, Snowcreek Investment Company has provided a legal route that connects the base of the Sherwins area to the gate at Ranch Road. This route across the Snowcreek property is marked with four red signs. It begins at the fence on the south side of the golf course and heads directly to Ranch Road. Once at Ranch Road, walk around the left (west) side of the gate—not through the yards of nearby homes. From Ranch Road, the bus stop at Snowcreek Athletic Club is just a short walk. This is the only legal way out from the western base of the Sherwins directly to Old Mammoth Road. Skiers and riders exiting the eastern parts of the Sherwins may prefer to get back to town via Sherwin Creek Road.

Public parking is available at Mammoth Creek Park and the Tavern Road Park and Ride lot. Both lots can be reached by bus from Snowcreek Athletic Club. Please be sure to follow the identified route and respect the private property that you are crossing and the privacy of the homes near the route. This will assure that your ability to ski/board/walk out from the Sherwins will be protected.

For more information about skiing the Sherwins, please visit www.mltpa.org. For information on avalanche hazard levels and traveling in avalanche terrain, please visit the Eastern Sierra Avalanche Center Web site at www.esavalanche.org. Thank you for your consideration in responsibly using the identified routes. Be safe and have fun!

Sports & Recreation Calendar

- On-going: Gymnastics/Tumbling Program at the Community Center
- Dec. 17: NASTAR OPEN
- Dec. 23: Woolly's Adventure Summit Opening Day
- Dec. 27: Kittredge Cup
- Dec. 31: New Year's Eve Party – East Coast Time at the Mammoth Ice Rink
- Dec. 31: Holiday Fireworks in the Village at Mammoth!
- Dec. 31: New Years 2012 at Canyon Lodge
- Jan. 8: Open Gym Basketball & Pick-up Youth Soccer begins at MHS
- Jan. 9: Zumba Fitness resumes at the Community Center

Public Service Announcements

Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) Frequently Asked Questions

Some of the most frequently asked questions about legal rentals and Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) are:

1. What is a transient rental?

A transient rental is any unit that is occupied for the purpose of sleeping, lodging, or similar reasons for a period of 30 consecutive days or less in exchange for a fee or similar consideration.

2. Can I rent my unit as a transient rental?

Only some zones within the Town of Mammoth Lakes permit transient rentals. The following zones permit transient rentals:

- RMF-2 (Residential Multi-family 2)
- CL (Commercial Lodging)
- CG Commercial General)
- R (Resort, including master plan areas)
- SP (Specific Plan, including North Village and Clearwater)

This list is intended as a guide only. Although the above zones permit transient use generally, other regulations, such as those found in master plans, CC&Rs, or project conditions of approval may prohibit transient rental within a particular development. Generally, transient rental of single family homes is prohibited. A zoning map can be found on the Town's website.

3. What is transient occupancy tax (TOT)?

Transient occupancy tax, or TOT, is a 13% tax that is charged "for the privilege of occupancy of any transient occupancy facility." The tax is required to be paid to the operator of the transient occupancy facility at the time the rent is paid. It is the operator's responsibility to remit the TOT to the Town.

4. Do I need to pay TOT?

If you are renting your unit as a transient rental, even if it is only for one weekend a year, you need to pay TOT. This includes single family homes and other units that are not permitted to rent nightly, but may be doing so illegally. TOT shall be remitted for each night the unit is rented.

5. Do I need a business tax certificate?

Yes, if you are renting your unit on a transient basis.

6. Do I need a transient occupancy tax certificate?

Yes. You are required to purchase a transient occupancy certificate for each rental unit to post in your transient rental property. This is included as part of Schedule E or F in the business tax certificate application.

7. What is the difference between a business tax certificate and a transient occupancy tax certificate?

Business tax is an annual tax and is required for all business activity. The transient occupancy tax certificate is a one-time purchase that is non-transferable. This certificate is required to be posted in your transient rental unit.

8. Do I need a business tax certificate if all of my rentals are handled through a reservation company?

If all of your rentals are handled through a reservation company, most reservation companies will purchase the transient occupancy tax certificate and collect and remit the TOT to the Town. You may wish to check with your reservation company to confirm that this is being taken care of. If you rent your unit by owner in addition to renting with a property management company, you are also required to obtain a separate business tax certificate and transient occupancy tax certificate.

9. How do I apply for a business tax certificate?

The Town's website contains information regarding business tax certificates, including an application for a business tax certificate: <http://www.ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us/index.aspx?NID=182>. Transient Rentals fall under schedule F for condominium rentals and schedule E for hotels, motels, lodges, and campgrounds. This application can be mailed back to the Town, or submitted in person. The total cost for one unit is \$118.00 (\$65.00 application fee, \$5.00 planning review fee, \$25.00 fee to rent one unit, \$23.00 TOT certificate fee). Additional costs apply for additional units. Business tax certificates are required on or before the first day business commences; penalties will apply for late filings. If you have additional questions regarding this process please contact the Finance Department at (760) 934-8989 x245.

10. Do I have a business tax certificate?

To find out if you have a valid business tax certificate on file, please contact the Finance Department at (760) 934-8989 x245 or your property management company.

11. What is illegal rental activity?

Illegal rental activity is any rental activity that is not consistent with the Town's Zoning Ordinance, or any rental activity that is not compliant with the Transient Occupancy Tax Ordinance. This can include transient rental of units located in zones that prohibit transient rentals. It can also include transient rentals in a zone where it is permitted, but when the TOT is not remitted to the Town.

12. How can I report illegal rental activity?

If you suspect illegal rental activity, you may submit an anonymous tip via the Town's TOT hotline at (760) 934-8989 x275 or on the Town's website via the Transient Occupancy Tax information page. Please include any information that you have that would substantiate the claim, along with the property address and owner's name if you have it. You may also email tot@ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us. Note that emails are not anonymous, however, staff will do its best to keep your information private.

13. Questions & Anonymous TOT Hotline

If you have questions about TOT enforcement, or if you would like to report suspicious activity or rental advertisements please contact our anonymous hotline. The Town will follow-up on any reports submitted. The Hot Line

Number is (760) 934-8989 ext. 275 or email your information to:
TOT@ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us.

Help Keep Mammoth's Air Clean This Winter

When the Town of Mammoth Lakes experiences periods of clear, cold, and calm weather with minimal breeze, the air quality deteriorates. Wood smoke from fireplaces and stoves cannot dissipate, and sometimes builds up to unhealthy levels that could have serious health consequences. To keep our air as clean as possible, please do your part by following these simple steps:

- Only burn clean and hot fires
- Check your chimney periodically for emissions (if smoke is clearly visible, then your fire needs more air, the wood is not dry enough, or the wood is not split small enough)
- Call (760) 934-1010 for any wood burning restrictions
- Abide by the "no wood burning" days restrictions

The Town of Mammoth Lakes continually monitors air quality, and will announce "no wood burning" days when air quality is forecast to approach unhealthy levels. To find out if wood burning restrictions have been announced, please call (760) 934-1010, listen to local radio announcements, or sign up for air quality notifications via the Town's Notify Me feature at <http://www.ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us/list.aspx>.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Register for CodeRED

Residents of Mono County can register their cell phones to receive emergency CodeRED (reverse 911) alerts from Mono County. This is a county public service available to all Mono County residents so please tell your friends and neighbors in Mono County that they can register for this service. CodeRED announcements are for personal notification and will not replace CERT CAHAN notification. Here is how to sign register/sign up using the INTERNET:

1. Go to monosheriff.org
2. scroll down left side panel to CodeRED community notification system;
3. click on it and follow directions.

Mammoth Lakes Police Department is Looking for Reserve Police Officers

The Mammoth Lakes Police Department is reactivating its Police Reserve Officer Program. Police Reserve Officers are part-time volunteers who supplement the full time officers. They can serve a variety of assignments including patrol, special events, prisoner transportation, and wildlife management. Police Chief Dan Watson reports that he and other Eastern Sierra law enforcement personnel have been working with Cerro Coso College to institute a Reserve Academy at the Bishop or Mammoth Lakes campus. In the meantime, the Mammoth Lakes Police Department is looking for any retired police officers who live in the general area who may be interested in joining the MLPD as a Reserve Officer. Anyone interested in learning more about the MLPD Police Reserve Program should contact Sergeant Marc Moscovitz at (760) 934-2011 ext. 68 or at mmoscowitz@mammothlakespd.org.

New Non-Stop Winter Flights to Mammoth Lakes

Beginning this winter, San Diego and Orange County residents will have easy access to world-class skiing and snowboarding thanks to [United Airlines'](#) new non-stop service to Mammoth Yosemite Airport. United is also expanding service from San Francisco International Airport to Mammoth Lakes with a second flight from Friday – Monday. The new flights will depart daily throughout the winter from San Diego and four days per week from Orange County (Friday - Monday). In addition, air service to and from San Francisco now includes additional Friday - Monday flight service to complement the daily flight service already in existence.

United Express regional partner SkyWest Airlines will operate the flights using 66-seat CRJ700 regional jets which include six first-class and 60 economy seats per plane. The first flights of the season are scheduled to depart Thursday, December 15, 2011 from San Francisco and San Diego and Friday, December 16, 2011 from Orange County. For more information about the new flights or to reserve a seat, call 1-800-UNITED1 or visit www.united.com. For more information about Mammoth Mountain, visit www.mammothmountain.com.

Leash Law Reminder

Mammoth residents and visitors are reminded that the Town has a leash law, and it is a violation of the ordinance to allow your dog to run loose off of your property. While budget cuts eliminated the Animal Control Officer position, the laws pertaining to controlling your pets did not change, and you can still be cited by Mammoth Lakes Police Department officers if your dog is at large. The PD is currently receiving a large number of complaints from several neighborhoods, and will be targeting patrol time in those areas when possible to apprehend loose dogs and to cite their owners. In addition to the citation fine, you could also be charged boarding fees by Mono County Animal Control if we choose to impound your dog at the Whitmore Shelter.

At-large dogs are a traffic hazard, and even the most well behaved dog can bite if provoked. If your loose animal causes a traffic collision or injures/bites someone, you would likely be liable for damages, which could add up to thousands of dollars. Please respect your neighbors, AND your pet and obey the leash law.

Carbon Monoxide Detectors Save Lives

The Town of Mammoth Lakes has launched a community outreach effort to inform community residents that on July 1, 2011 many homes will be required to install carbon monoxide detectors.

The Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimate that carbon monoxide kills approximately 500 people each year and injures another 20,000 people nationwide. In an effort to prevent these accidental deaths and injuries, the California legislature enacted SB 183 (Lowenthal) which mandates owners of dwelling intended for human occupancy to install carbon monoxide devices in existing dwelling units having a fossil fuel burning heater or appliance, fireplace, or attached garage.

CO devices must be installed in all specified single-family dwellings by July 1, 2011. All other specified dwelling units must have CO devices installed by January 1, 2013.

The Office of the State Fire Marshal (SFM) has developed a list of certified CO devices that meet the requirement specified within the Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Prevention Act of 2010.

For a complete list of currently approved devices please visit the SFM's website at http://osfm.fire.ca.gov/licensinglistings/licenselisting_bml_searchcotest.php. Under the search categories provided select Carbon Monoxide Alarms and Carbon Monoxide Detectors for a complete list of devices.

Further details contained within the Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Prevention Act of 2010:

- Owners shall install CO devices in a manner consistent with building standards applicable to new construction for the relevant type of occupancy if it is technically feasible. See the 2010 California Building Code, Section 420.4, and the 2010 California Residential Code, Section R315.
- CO devices shall produce a distinct audible alarm.
- CO devices may be combined with a smoke detector, if the combination device meets all specified SFM listing and approval requirements.
- Violation of Health & Safety Code Section 17926 is an infraction punishable by a maximum fine of two-hundred dollars for each offense.
- A local enforcement agency shall provide the property owner a 30-day notice to correct.
- Local jurisdictions are authorized to adopt ordinances requiring CO devices if the ordinance is consistent with the requirement of this bill.

For a full list of this legislation's stipulations please review the Department of Housing and Community Development's Information Bulletin 2011-01 at <http://www.hcd.ca.gov/codes/shl/infobulls/IB2011-01.pdf>.

Town Outdoor Lighting Ordinance

In 2003, the Town implemented an outdoor lighting ordinance to eliminate light pollution and preserve views of our starry skies. The outdoor lighting ordinance was adopted to encourage residents to administer a lighting system that not only promotes public safety and night-time ambiance but to maximize energy conservation. To eliminate glare and light trespass into neighboring properties and roadways, the outdoor lighting fixtures on your property should be shielded and re-directed to shine downward or changed out to a lower wattage. More information about responsible lighting can be found at www.crlaction.org.