## COMMERCIAL SOFFIT LIGHTS

#### ORDINANCE 2025-02

CURRENT CODE

#### 5.02.080(D)

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# PROPOSED CODE

### 5.02.080(D)(3)

- 3. Soffit lighting and recessed soffit lighting are not allowed except when directly over a porch or deck area with the following exceptions.
  - a. Commercial building soffit lighting is allowed in the C-2, C-3, and RZ zones if the soffit light source is not visible from the boundary of any properties zoned residential (R-1-7, R-1-9, R-1-11, R-1-15, R-1-22, & RA-1-43).
  - b. Commercial soffit lights shall not be on except during business hours.

# POSSIBLE FINDINGS

- The proposed amendment would allow commercial buildings to have soffit lighting with specific restrictions.
- Soffit lights would only be allowed to be on during business hours.
- Soffit light sources would not be seen from any properties zoned residential (R-1-7, R-1-9, R-1-11, R-1-15, R-1-22, & RA-1-43).
- Soffit lights may help commercial properties to be safer and have better security because of the additional lighting possibilities.
- Soffit lights may add more visual vibrancy to the architecture of commercial buildings during the darker hours of the day.



















