



City of

Gainesville

City Outdoor Lighting Summary

February 5, 2021

The City's Outdoor Lighting ordinance has been through several modifications: 2002, 2012 and 2014.

2002: City Commission approved Petition 147TCH-00-PB : Pedestrian Lighting was addressed

2012: Petition PB-12-40 TCH : Addressed general site lighting, lighting intensities and Parking Structures. Touched on some pedestrian related concerns within parking structures

2014: Petition PB-14-122 TCH: A more comprehensive revision that addresses multiple elements of outdoor lighting including pedestrian lighting and mandatory use of LED lights.

The current ordinance Sec. 30-6.12 reflects the following intent:

- ❖ **Protect and promote the public health, safety, and welfare;**
- ❖ **Promote safety and security in vehicular use areas and pedestrian walkways;**
- ❖ **Protect adjacent properties, the environment, and the night sky from adverse lighting impacts such as light pollution, light trespass, glare, excessive lighting, and offensive light sources;**
- ❖ **Promote energy and resource efficient lighting; and**
- ❖ **Encourages the use of crime prevention through environmental design (CPTED) fundamentals in new developments and the design and installation of lighting.**



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LDR addresses Pedestrian Lighting as follows:

Building Entrances, Exterior and Site Security:

Stairways:

Ramps:

Main Walkways, dumpsters:

Site accessory structures:

Pedestrian Entrances/Exits:

Vehicular Use Areas:

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Building Entrances, Exterior and Site Security: 5.0fc.; Uniformity Ratio: 6:1; Maximum Uniformity Ratio: 10:1

Stairways: 10.0 fc.

Ramps: 2.0 fc.

Main Walkways, dumpsters: 1.0 fc.

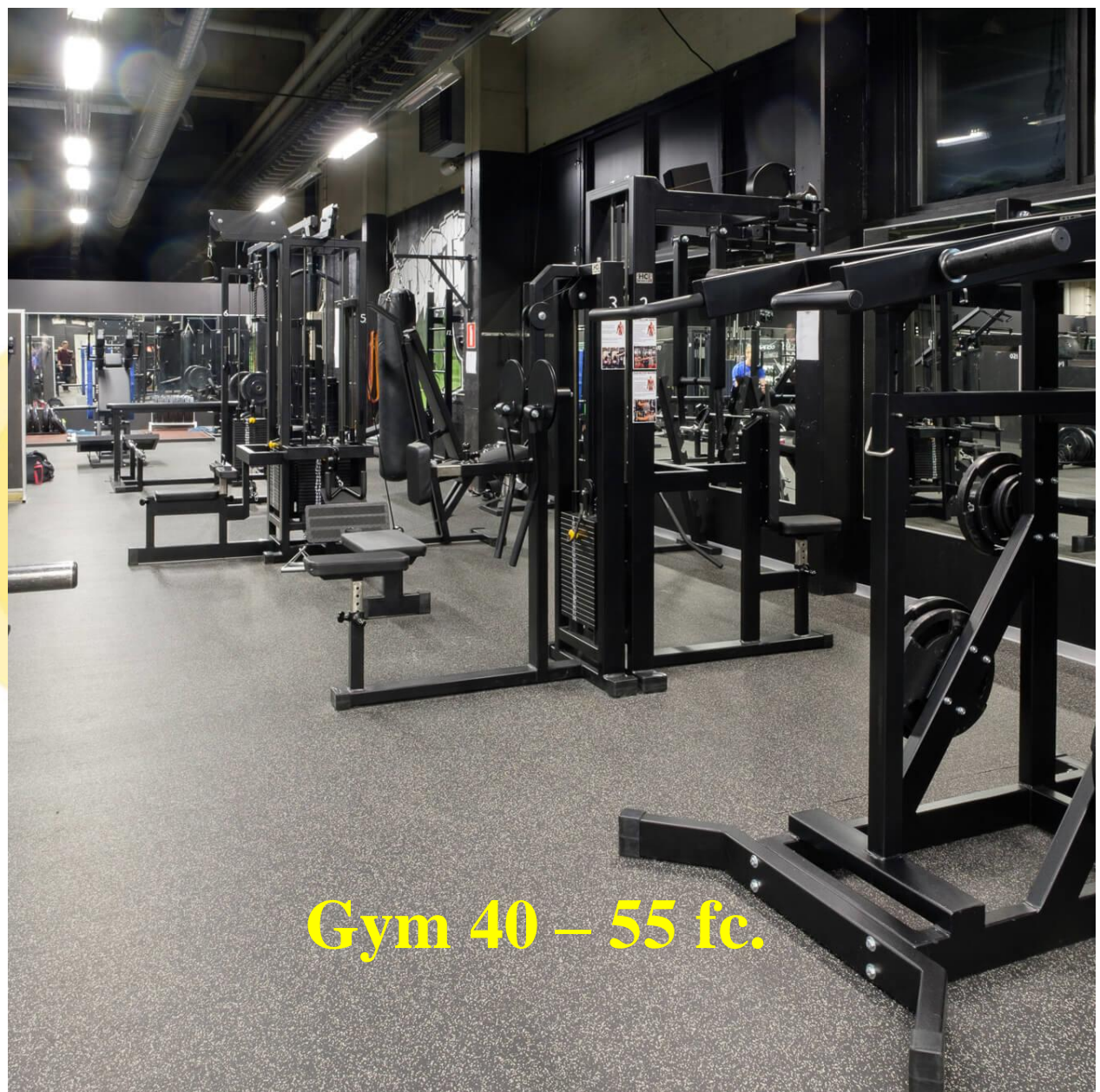
Site accessory structures: 1.0 fc.

Pedestrian Entrances/Exits: 5.0 fc.

Vehicular Use Areas: 2.5 fc.



Airport 25 – 40 fc.



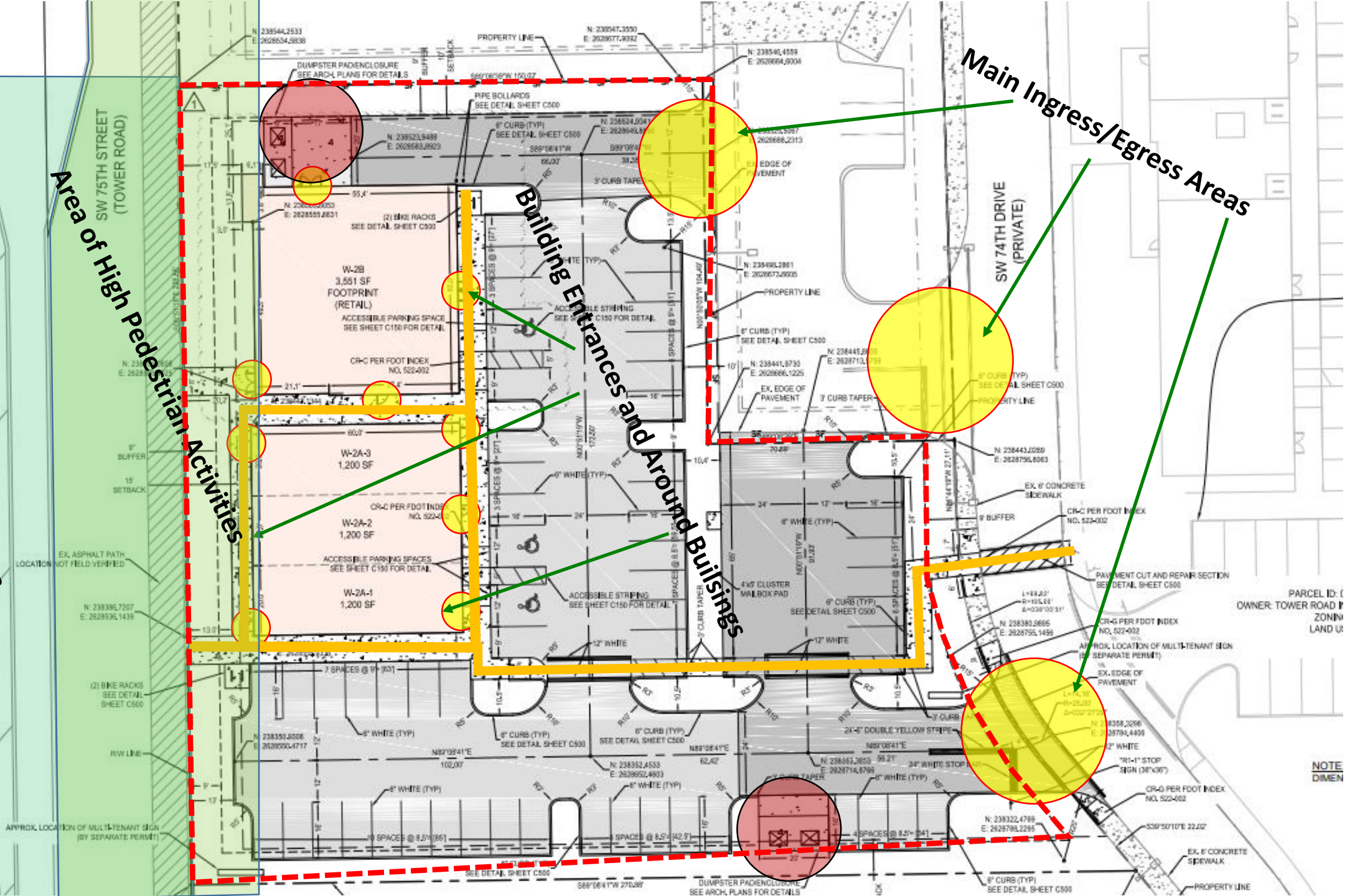
Gym 40 – 55 fc.

Roadway: Exempt Area

Area of High Pedestrian Activities

Building Entrances and Around Buildings

Main Ingress/Egress Areas



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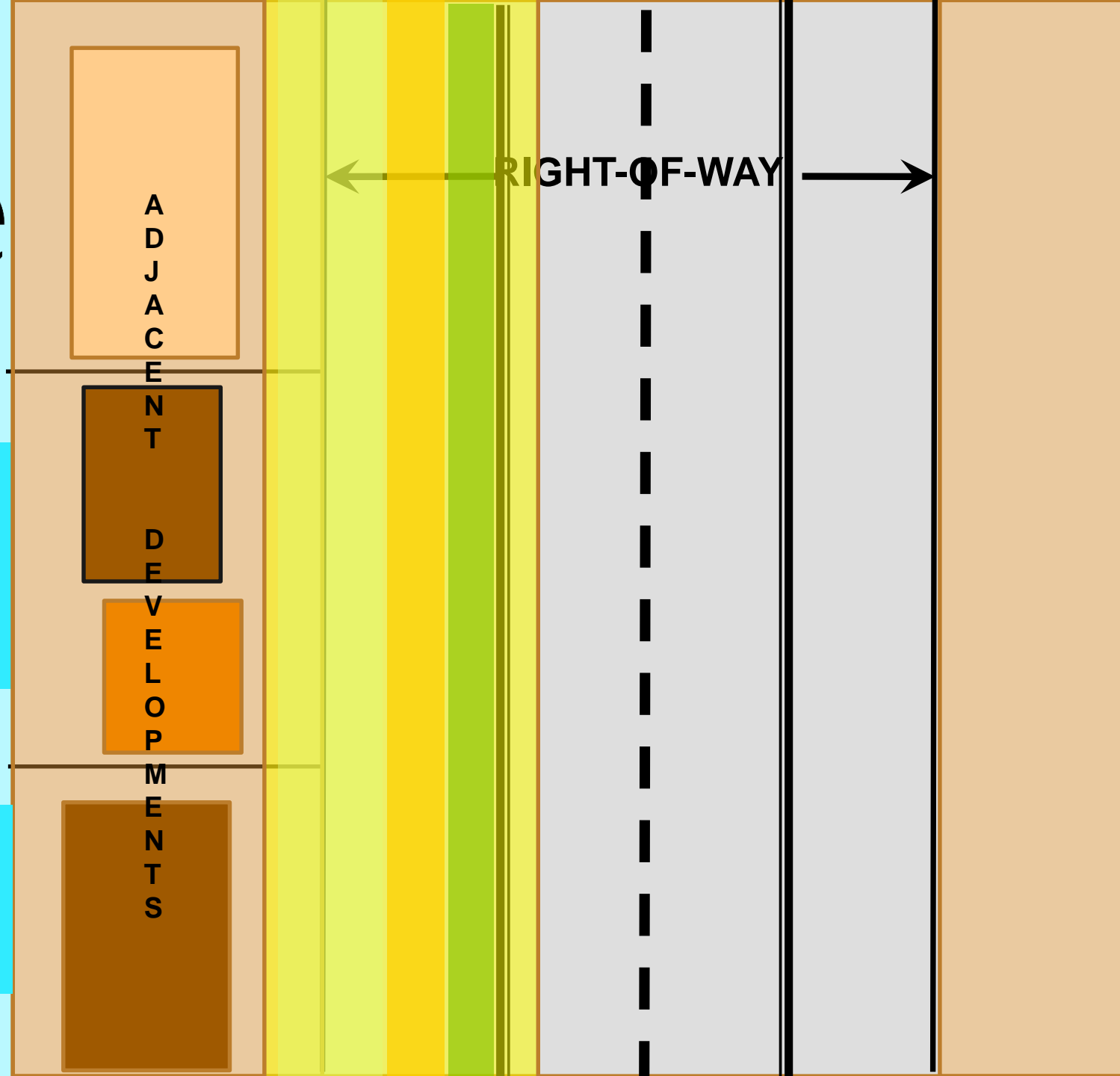
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The area highlighted in Yellow is an area of high pedestrian activity which is not addressed adequately.



- Lighting of mid-block pedestrian crossings at 2.0 foot candles of average maintained *vertical* illumination should be provided when night time pedestrian activity is expected.

Rights of way with pedestrian sidewalks and/or bikeways adjacent to the roadway should first address lighting requirements for the roadway to assure it is continuously illuminated.

Additional lighting for a sidewalk or shared use path maybe necessary if it is substantially set back from the roadway, at the discretion of the responsible/maintaining agency.

Pedestrian sidewalks and/or bikeways should not be illuminated in lieu of lighting the adjacent roadway in order to avoid glare or potential lighting distractions to drivers.

TABLE 6 – 1
Level of Illumination for Streets and Highways
 (Continued)

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|---|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------------------------------|
| Sidewalks | Commercial | 0.9 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 3:1 | Use illuminance requirements |
| | Intermediate | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 4:1 | |
| | Residential | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 6:1 | |
| Pedestrian Ways and Bicycle Ways ⁽²⁾ | All | 1.4 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 3.1 | |
| Notes | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Meet either the Illuminance design method requirements or the Luminance design method requirements and meet veiling luminance requirements for both illuminance and Luminance design methods. 2. Assumes a separate facility. For Pedestrian Ways and Bicycle Ways adjacent to roadway, use roadway design values. Use R3 requirements for walkway/bikeway surface materials other than the pavement types shown. 3. Lv (max) refers to the maximum point along the pavement, not the maximum in lamp life. The Maintenance factor applies to both the Lv term and the Lavg term. 4. There may be situations when a higher level of illuminance is justified. The higher values for freeways may be justified when deemed advantageous by the agency to mitigate off-roadway sources. 5. Physical roadway conditions may require adjustment of spacing determined from the base levels of illuminance indicated above. 6. Higher uniformity ratios are acceptable for elevated ramps near high-mast poles. 7. See AASHTO publication entitled, "A Policy on Geometric Design of Highways and Streets" for roadway and walkway classifications. 8. R1, R2, R3 and R4 are Road Surface Classifications, defined in the AASHTO Roadway Lighting Design Guide and further described in Table 6.2. | | | | | | |





