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Commissioner Hayes-Santos - Update of Urban Lighting Standards Ordinance (B)

Poor lighting has been an issue raised by our city neighbors and city staff in the past. At a past General Policy Committee meeting, the commission voted to update its urban lighting ordinance, #200737. Every day the city is approving new developments with the old and unsafe lighting standards that will result in decades of bad lighting at those developments if we don't update the ordinance as soon as possible. The ordinance is mostly written and is waiting on the final lighting standards to come back from the lighting study, which could still take months to complete. The city should move forward with the ordinance that includes the FDOT lighting standards, and then update the ordinance when the city lighting standards study comes back. This way, projects will not continue to be approved with dangerous lighting.

Staff bring the lighting standards ordinance back to the City Commission for first reading with FDOT lighting standards. At a later date, when the lighting standards report is complete, come back with an updated lighting ordinance.