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To: Stuart Boley; Lisa Larsen; Leslie Soden; Jennifer Ananda; Matthew Herbert
Cc: Tom Markus; Diane Stoddard; Bobbie Walthall; Brandon McGuire
Subject: Thoughts on LED lighting request from LARL

Dear Mayor Boley and Commissioners:

It is with a renewed appreciation and empathy for your position as decision makers that I reach out to share my thoughts on the LED lighting item before you tomorrow.

As you know, our recent Facilities Conservation Improvement Program project included a significant upgrade of city-owned outdoor lighting to LEDs. We purchased lights in the 3,500-4,000K range based upon the best-available science at the time, and per the recommendations of the project engineers.

In my time as Sustainability Director, we discussed the Lawrence Alliance for Responsible Lighting policy request before you. It is my opinion that, should you want to provide a process for setting a policy related to the color temperature of lighting in the City, that we should wait for the Planning Department's process of revision of the lighting code. That provides a public process to set regulations, and would impact outdoor lighting installed in the city limits. Through that process, the many factors involved in this issue (health impacts, safety and security, energy efficiency, etc.) could be considered fully.

Thanks for your service to the City, and for your support of sustainability!

Regards,

Eileen