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20001 SALAMO RD				Tax Lot(s): 701		
				Total Land Area: 21.38 ac		
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Applicant Name: (please print)				Phone: 503.673.7976		
Address:	West Linn-Wils	onville Sch. Dist., 2755 S	SW Borland Rd.	Email: woodleyt@wlwv.K12.or.us		
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# ROSEMONT RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL Class II Design Review

June 9, 2014

#### APPLICATION SUMMARY

For Class II Design Review to amend condition of approval 3b of a previous Class II Design Review approval (DR-09-05) to allow existing sports field lights to remain illuminated one additional hour until 10:00 p.m. at Rosemont Ridge Middle School.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### Location

20001 Salamo Road (Assessor's Maps and Tax Lot - 2S 1E Section 26A, TL 701). Its location is shown in Figure 1.

#### **Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Designations**

Comprehensive Plan - Residential.

Zoning – R10 Single Family Residential, Detached.

#### Applicant and Owner

Tim Woodley, Director of Operations West Linn-Wilsonville School District 2755 SW Borland Road Tualatin, OR 97062 Phone: 503.673.7976 E-mail: woodleyt@wlwv.K12.or.us

#### **Applicant's Representative**

Keith Liden, AICP 319 SW Washington Street, Suite 914 Portland, OR 97204 Phone: 503.757.5501 E-mail: keith.liden@gmail.com

### **Plan Sheets and Exhibits**

Exhibit A	Exterior Lighting Plans – Athletic Fields and Driveway
Exhibit B	Memo – Response to City of West Linn lighting questions
	and Illumination Summary drawing
Exhibit C	Letter to Neighborhood Associations

## Figure 1 – Vicinity Photo



Source: City of West Linn

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

#### Site Description

The existing athletic field improvements on the 21.38-acre Rosemont Ridge Middle School site are the result of the original conditional use approval granted by the city in 1997 and a Class II Design Review approval to install field lights in 2009 (DR-09-05). The southern portion of the site includes the running track, football/soccer field, and softball field, which are illuminated according to the plan submitted with the 2009 Design Review application (Exhibit A).

### **Surrounding Area Description**

The zoning designations and current land use of the surrounding area are summarized in Table 1.

Properties in the Vicinity	Zone Designation	Land Use
Subject Property	R-10	Middle School
Surrounding Properties North	FU10/R7/R10	Senior Center /Single family residences
West	RRFF5	Agricultural
East	R3/R10	Single family residences/open space
South	RRFF5	Agricultural/ Single family residences

Table 1 Land Use Summary

## APPLICATION SUMMARY

#### Background

The West Linn-Wilsonville School District received a Class II design review approval (DR-09-05) from the Planning Commission in February 2010 with a short list of conditions. One of those conditions (3b) affected the sports field lighting for the all-weather softball field and football field at Rosemont Ridge Middle School. The condition stated that "All lighting shall be oriented to create no off site illumination and the light fixtures shall be screened to allow no off-site glare. The pole lighting must be turned off at 9 p.m. including game days." Several years have passed, and the District and city staff are not aware of any complaints regarding the use of the athletic field lighting.

## **Athletics Programming Need**

The District's athletics programs continue to grow and seek space for practices and games, particularly in inclement weather that renders grass fields unplayable. Each spring and fall has multiple outdoor sports, with multiple teams for each sport. At other District facilities, there are a number of days where field lighting is used through 10:00 p.m. This minor extension allows sufficient time for an additional game or practice to occur on each field, and is not required every day. The 9:00 p.m. constraint at Rosemont Ridge leaves some teams with partial practices and delayed game schedules. The District would like to request a minor adjustment to the above-mentioned condition so that athletic field lighting at Rosemont Ridge Middle School could be used until 10:00 p.m. to accommodate the athletics programs' needs. The District is already committed to concentrating the use of sports fields into the earlier hours of the day, and would continue to do so if such an adjustment was made."

## **Field Lighting**

The existing lighting fixtures were specially designed to prevent illumination beyond the fields. The lighting analysis submitted with the 2009 application (Exhibit A) and a supplemental response to planning staff questions (Exhibit B) indicated that lighting would not extend past the property line. The lighting plan sheet photos showed how the light levels for the fields would drop off almost completely once beyond the edge of the playing field. The field lights have performed consistent with the lighting plans. No changes are proposed for the existing field lighting.

## **Compatibility with Neighboring Properties**

Parking to support these activities is centrally located on the school site, a significant distance from any residences. Activity and minor amounts of related noise have not been a problem for the neighbors, and the proposed extension to 10 p.m. is not anticipated to create compatibility issues.

Residences in the vicinity are over 100 feet to the south or east from the edge of the illuminated athletic fields. The fields are at a lower elevation than nearby homes. The one residence to the south is also partially buffered by existing fir trees. The homes to the east are separated by Salamo Road, which has street lights, along with street trees and other mature vegetation. As noted above, no complaints related to the field lights or the associated athletic events occurring in the evening have been received.

While the District is not required to seek public comment as part of this process a letter (Exhibit C) will be sent to the three neighborhood associations that border the school. This letter will be sent when the District is notified that this application has achieved completeness and will encourage residents to provide comment on the application.

## CITY OF WEST LINN APPROVAL CRITERIA

Amending the condition of approval limiting the field lights from 9 to 10:00 p.m. requires a Planning Commission hearing per 99.330(B) and 99.120.

Section 99.120(C) allows the Planning Director to identify the parameters of the submittal appropriate to the amendment and applicable approval criteria. The Planning Director determined that the District's submittal should address the Design Review approval criteria sections 55.100(C) and (D), which are addressed below.

## Section 55.100 C. Compatibility between Adjoining Uses, Buffering, and Screening

This section requires adequate buffering between different types of land uses. The buffers should consider a variety of factors including its purpose (noise, vision, etc.), size of the buffer, buffering locations, density of the buffer, and viewers who are stationary or mobile.

As demonstrated by the school's operation, the use of the fields and their illumination has occurred in a way that has not been detrimental to surrounding homes. The school site is landscaped, and appropriate landscape buffering was installed as part of the original school approval and the 2009 Design Review application. Regarding the lights, the key to compatibility is having well-shielded lights that need little to no buffering in the first place.

## Section 55.100 D. Privacy and Noise

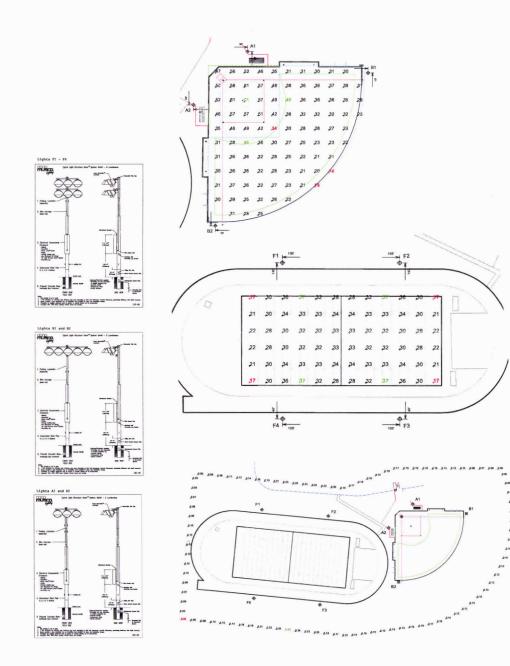
This section requires that activities, which potentially will generate noise, feature exterior lighting, or glare, shall be buffered from adjoining residential uses according to 55.100 C. above. This section also has noise standards that may not be exceeded within 25 feet of residential dwellings.

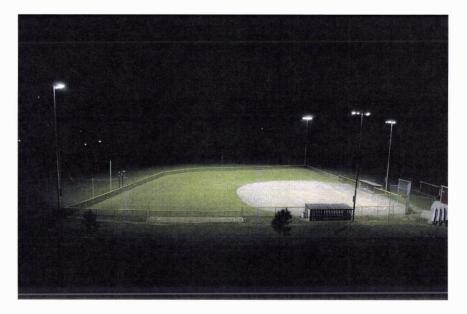
This section has been, and will continue to be satisfied because surrounding homes are wellbuffered, and the lights for the fields are designed to virtually eliminate any glare extending past the school property. The surrounding homes also have substantial setbacks and buffering to further minimize any potential adverse impacts due to noise associated with field use.

## CONCLUSION

The proposed time extension to use field lighting until 10:00 p.m. satisfies the relevant CDC requirements, and the proposal should be approved.

EXHIBIT A Exterior Lighting Plans







## Rosemont Ridge Neighborhood Meeting WEST LINN-WILSONVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT

EXHIBIT B Response to Lighting Questions



#### MEMO

Date: November 3, 2009

Project Name: WLWSD Rosemount Ridge Softball and Football field lighting

calculations

Project No.: 09-1012.33

To: Dull Olsen Weekes Architects, Steve Winkle

From: Jeff Mutschler

Subject: Response to City of West Linn lighting questions

Distribution:

#### The remaining City of West Linn questions are as follows:

- 1. What do these luminaire numbers (e.g. .05) mean in lay terms?
- 2. What will the luminaire numbers be at the edge or perimeter of the site? (There are numbers shown ranging from 0 feet to about 100 feet from athletic fields which is not the perimeter.)
- 3. Will the pylon lighting point towards the homes at 1156 Rosemont and 21895 Salamo Road?

#### PAE Response:

- All of the lighting calculations numbers are in footcandles unit of measure. As light travels outward from a source, it ultimately impinges on a surface providing illumination of the surface. Footcandles is a unique measurement used to define an amount of lighting illumination at a given point or surface. The calculations assume a imaginary surface located three foot above the grade, and each calculation point would be the illumination amount at that point. Use of a light meter to read out lighting levels at various surfaces is the best way to get a feel of the footcandles measurement unit.
- Refer to attached lighting calculations for lighting levels at the site property line, in most cases the lighting levels are fractional amounts of a footcandle.
- 3. One of the four softball field light poles has fixtures facing the direction of Salamo road. The lights on top of the pole however are pointed down at the playing field and have cutoff shields to prevent excess lighting beyond the field. Calculations at the 150 foot mark from the field show only fractional amounts of a footcandle at that point, which will probably not be noticeable since there is street lighting along the roadway.

The football field has two of the four light poles facing the direction of Rosemont road. The calculation show that very little light is extending past 150 foot from the lights. These also are pointed down at the playing field and have cutoff shields to prevent excess lighting beyond the field.

Residents in the area with a direct view of the lighting fixtures will be able to see the illuminated lighting source, but light trespass has been eliminated as much possible through the use of the shields on the fixtures.

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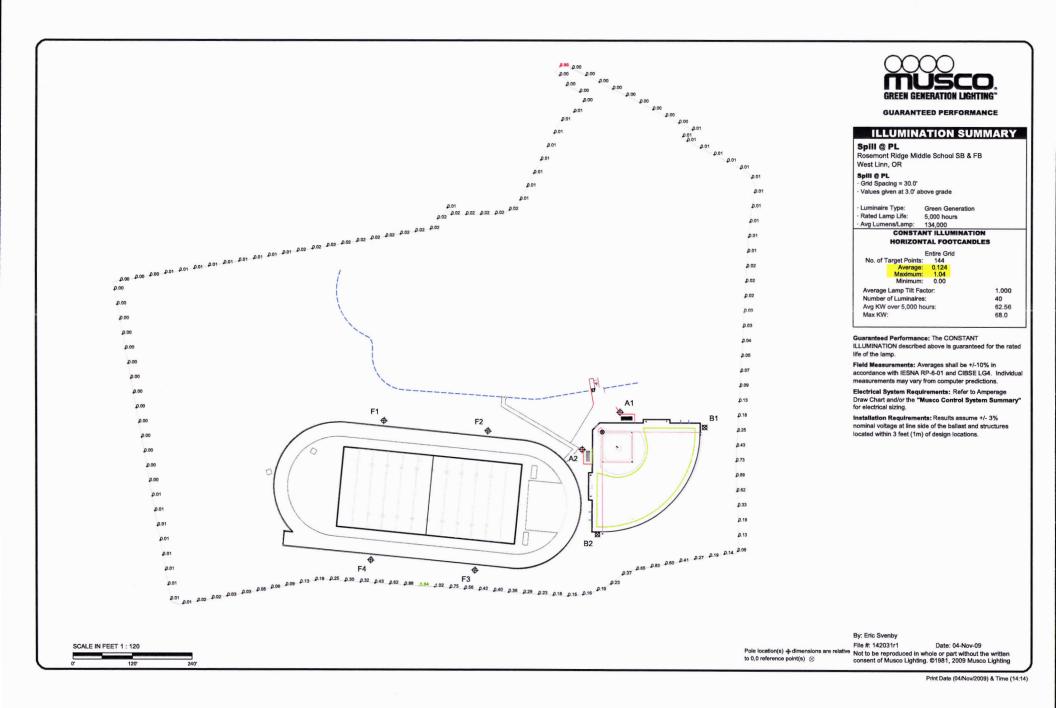


EXHIBIT C Letter to Neighborhood Associations



## West Linn – Wilsonville Schools

June \_\_\_, 2014

To: [NHA PRESIDENT]

Re: Rosemont Ridge Middle School Field Lighting

#### Dear [NHA PRESIDENT],

In 2009 the West Linn - Wilsonville School District began a Class II design review process with the City of West Linn (DR-09-05) that culminated in a planning commission approval in February 2010 with a short list of conditions. One of those conditions (3b) affected the sports field lighting for the all-weather softball field and football field at Rosemont Ridge Middle School. The condition stated that:

"All lighting shall be oriented to create no off site illumination and the light fixtures shall be screened to allow no off-site glare. The pole lighting must be turned off at 9 p.m. including game days."

Professional engineers provided photometric data to the planning commission showing that the lighting would not create offsite glare. Those original photometric drawings are attached to this letter. Several years have passed with the 9 p.m. restriction, and the District is not aware of any complaints regarding the use of the athletic field lighting.

The District's athletics programs continue to grow and seek space for practices and games, particularly in inclement weather that renders grass fields unplayable. Each spring and fall has multiple outdoor sports, with multiple teams for each sport. At other District facilities there are a number of days where field lighting is used through 10:00 p.m. This minor extension allows sufficient time for an additional game or practice to occur on each field, and is not required every day. The 9:00 p.m. constraint at Rosemont Ridge leaves some teams with partial practices and delayed game schedules, and forces others to travel to a different site. The District intends to request a minor adjustment to the above-mentioned condition so that athletic field lighting at Rosemont Ridge Middle School could be used until 10:00 p.m. to accommodate the athletics programs' needs. The District is already committed to concentrating the use of sports fields into the earlier hours of the day, and would continue to do so if such an adjustment was made.

The City planning department's amendment process does not require applicants to seek public input in this instance, but the District is committed to communicating with our neighbors. Patrons that would like to discuss or provide comment on the proposed change can contact me at douglasr@wlwv.k12.or.us or 503-673-7988.

Signed,