## City OF Saint Paul STREET LIGHTING

#### Council Operations Update General Lighting Information & Wire Theft Activities Update

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# Overview

#### Lightning Review of St Paul Lighting System and Copper Theft

Funding Provided in 2023 = \$255,991 and Action Plan

**Regulatory and Enforcement Issues and Activities** 



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STOP



ORTLAND

Globe



Lanter







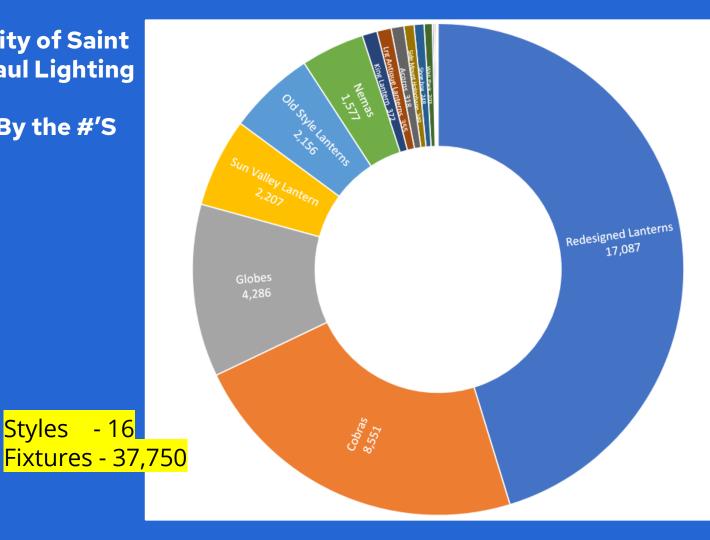


Cobra



By the #'S

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STYLE

Redesigned Lanterns	17,087
Cobras	8,551
Globes	4,286
Sun Valley Lantern	2,207
Old Style Lanterns	2,156
Nemas	1,577
King Lantern	372
Lrg Antique Lanterns	355
Acorns	318
Side Mount Holophane	249
Shoe box	248
Wall Pack	202
Bollard	46
Western Style Lantern	43
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Post Tops	22

### Wire – COPPER – What They Are After

- Copper is the goal (fiber optic cable has been affected)
- Lighting theft is predominant, but signals are becoming affected
- Rate of theft is increasing – well beyond our ability to replace/address
- Public Safety has become our primary concern (banded covers)



#### What Has Been Done and Ongoing Efforts

- Theft Deterrent Screws
- Banding Access Doors
- Welding Access Doors
- Reduced Wire Size
- City Property ID on Wire
- Overhead Wire (where possible)
- Daylight Burning
- Solar Lighting Options
- Aluminum Wire (other Cities)
- Media & Public Information
- Interdepartmental Coordination PW / PARKS / SPPD / DSI
- Theft Monitoring Device
- New Installations Design Modifications (where possible)
- Cost Tracking
- Mapping
- Alternate Pole Designs (where feasible)
- Complaint Management
- Review of Proposals by External Entities

### Additional Funding in 2023 – Thank You

The Council provided \$355,991 in 2023 for activities to address lighting theft. Efforts to identify activities have been coordinated across Parks, SPPD, DSI and PW.

Current Plan of Actions:

- Parks and Recreation Department:
  - \$20,000 Pilot new light poles
  - \$5,000 Explore new theft deterrent devices
  - \$15,000 Pilot theft deterrent measure
- St Paul Police Department:
  - \$10,000 Explore new theft deterrent devices
- Public Works Traffic Engineering:
  - \$140,991 Explore/Research solar lights specifications/design standard, testing, etc.
- Public Works Traffic Operations:
  - \$20,000 Expand theft notification locations systems
  - \$5,000 Explore new theft deterrent measures
  - \$100,000 Address public safety with banded access doors
- Department of Safety and Inspections:
  - \$40,000 Regulatory enforcement activities



#### **Regulation & Enforcement**



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