

# Dark Sky MLOD Amendments

Dark Sky Policy Evaluation Process Briefing

Community Health and Equity Committee  
Item #4  
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# Current Lighting Ordinance Overview

- December 2008 Military Lighting Overlay District (MLOD) enabling ordinance was established
- Camp Bullis - Currently applies to 5 mile area around the Military Installation.
  - Applies to residential and commercial uses, as well as outdoor signs and street lights



# Overview of Current MLOD Ordinance

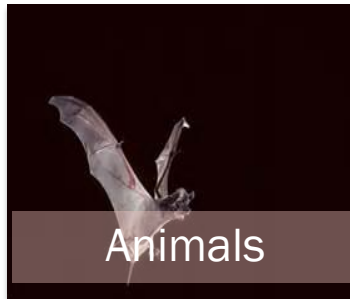
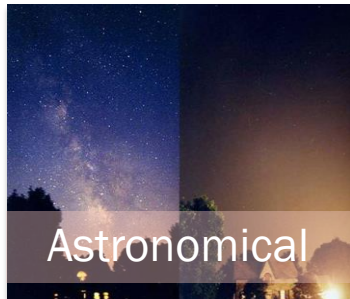
- MLOD requires:
  - downward light fixtures for outdoor lighting
  - regulates lighting intensity; and
  - restricts outdoor lighting after 11:00 PM with some exceptions
- Board of Adjustment considers any variances and special exceptions



# Stakeholder Process

Working with a broad stakeholder group, study and consider whether to update San Antonio's MLOD Ordinance to Dark Sky.

- Stakeholder meetings were held Feb 21, April 18, May 23, Sep 15. Approx. 40 people attended each session.
- MLOD Amendments with technical stakeholder group meetings were held Oct 23, Nov 3, and Nov13. Approx. 40 people attended each session



# Summary of Proposed Amendments

- Regulate outdoor lighting impacting the military operations within 5 miles of the perimeter of Camp Bullis and Lackland Air Force Base
- Update MLOD to permit outdoor lighting that does not exceed the minimum levels specified in IES practices for night-time safety, utility, security, productivity, enjoyment, and commerce
- Create two Military Lighting Region's (3 & 5 miles) around bases with corresponding dark sky standards
- Require BUG Standard or Lumen Option and regulate color temperature



# Staff Recommendations

- Phase One:
- Update MLOD and Apply adopted MLOD to:
    - Lackland AFB & Medina Training Annex
    - Camp Bullis
  - Coordinate with Bexar County and AACOG to adopt finalized amendments with other municipalities around Camp Bullis, Lackland, and Randolph AFB (with applicable study)
- Phase Two: In a year, evaluate the effectiveness of the ordinance



# Timeline & Next Steps

Dec 5 - Zoning Commission Briefing

Dec 12 - Community Health and Equity Committee

Jan 10 - Planning Commission Consideration

Jan 16 - Zoning Commission Consideration

Jan 25 - Community, Health, and Equity Committee Consideration

Feb 8 - City Council Consideration



# Thank you



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