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Conservation Commission
Special Meeting via Zoom
4:00 PM, May 25, 2023

Vote to support in writing the CT River Gateway Commission's proposed standards to reduce light pollution, as specified here, <https://ctrivergateway.org/public-hearing-on-new-lighting-standards/> and below. Public hearing to be held May 25, 2023, 7 PM.

Light Pollution. Excessive, misdirected, or obtrusive light from artificial sources emanating from a site shone into the sky, onto the land or into the water column of the Connecticut River and its tributaries, including but not limited to site and architectural lighting, lighting on private residential docks, and up-lighting of trees or other site features, which may result in: brightening of the night sky, inhibiting the observation of stars and planets; light trespass onto neighboring properties including the Connecticut River; visual glare and discomfort; or significant disruptions to wildlife and ecological cycles.

Section II, J(3) Review Criteria for Special Permit and Site Plan Applications

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- j. Within the Gateway Conservation Zone, lighting of properties, including site lighting and the illumination of building facades and other architectural features, shall be the minimum necessary for health and safety. The purpose of this standard is to minimize the amount of artificial lighting emanating from Conservation Zone properties in a way that may contribute to light pollution.

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