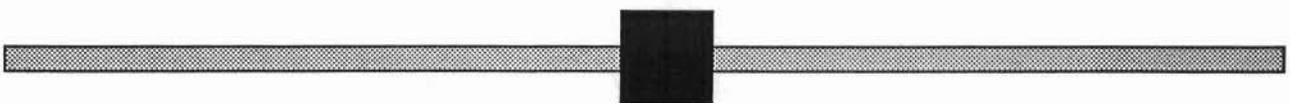


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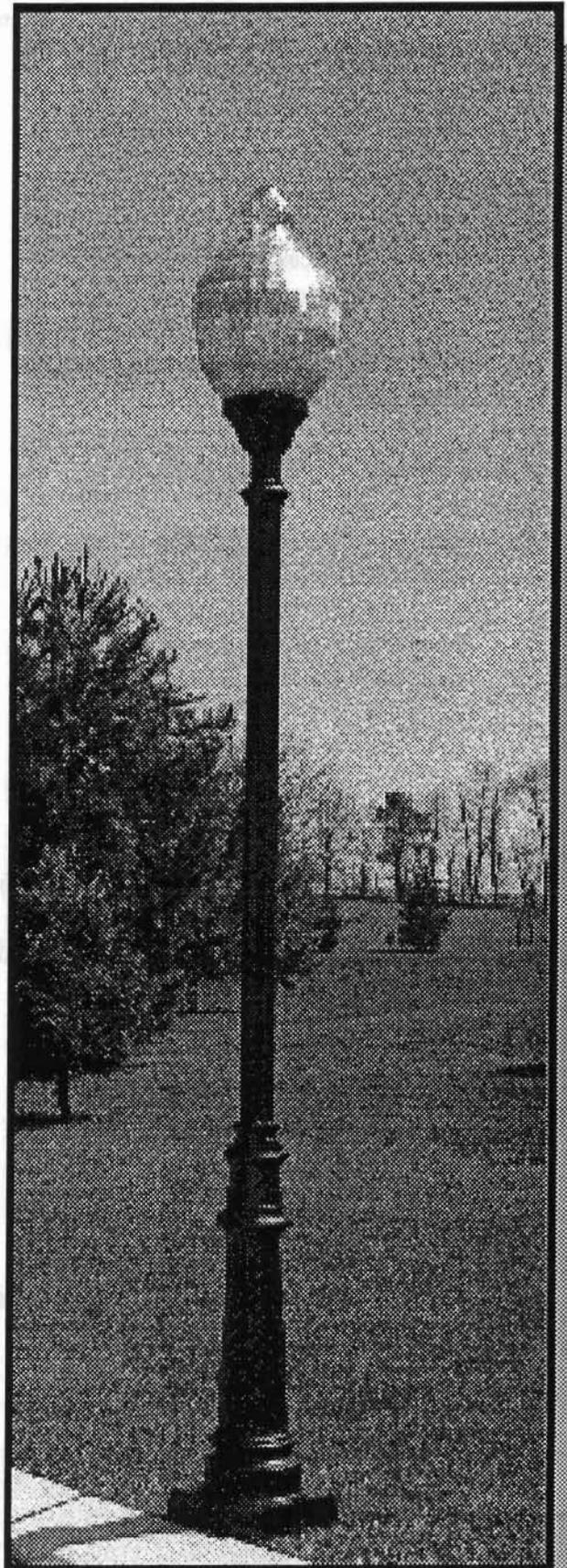
The lighting concept defined within this section has been developed to establish a hierarchy of lighting treatments and a consistency of features which will unify individual site developments as well as contribute to the overall cohesive quality of the community. The following guidelines apply to Main Street and all designated historic areas as well as Broadway and Placerville Drive.

A. General Lighting Requirements

1. Light standards must be of appropriate scale relative to all adjoining uses. Human scale should be emphasized in all lighting applications. Arm-mounted features and cobra heads typically used for freeway lighting are out of scale for pedestrians and are not acceptable.
2. All site lighting systems shall be designed as to minimize glare to adjacent properties and rights-of-way.
3. Photocell lighting operation is required to ensure efficient use of electricity and minimize unnecessary "on time."
4. Brightly colored or blinking lights are allowed for holiday display only and shall be removed no later than January 12th.
5. Lighting must conform to all local codes, California Title 24 requirements, and all applicable safety and illumination requirements.
6. Light standard bases shall be above grade, with electric service below grade.
7. Fixtures are to be selected which complement the architectural style of the buildings and the design vocabulary of public areas, pedestrian corridors and streetscape elements. "Period" fixtures representative of other eras or locations are inappropriate for downtown, as are ornate or elaborate contemporary fixtures. Acceptable styles are illustrated in this section.

B. Streetscape Lighting

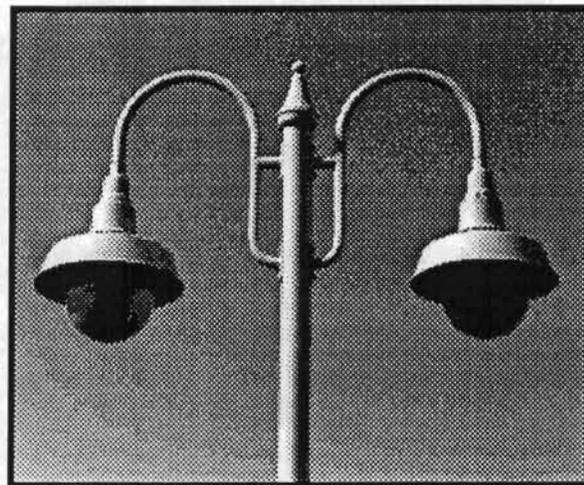
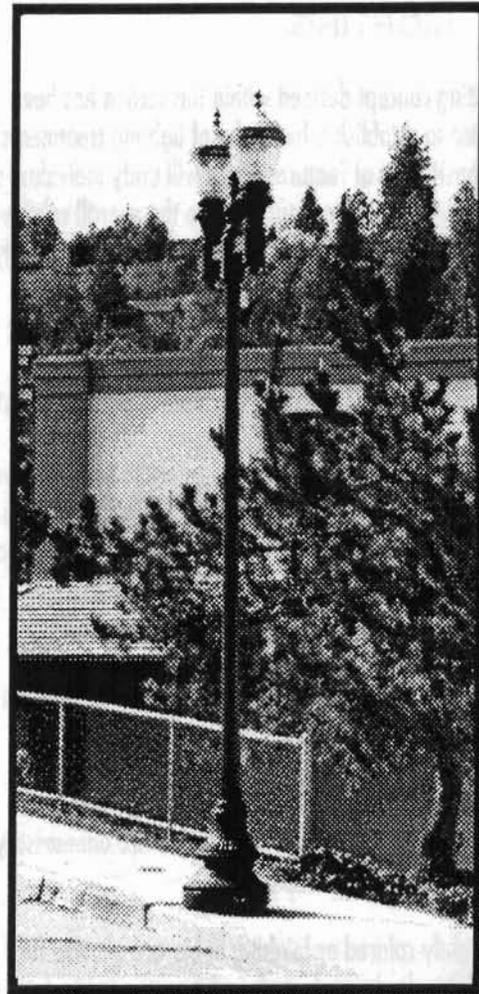
1. Streetlights and other features within public rights-of-way will reflect a simple design theme of the type and quality illustrated in this section.



2. Streetlights should be consistent throughout the city on similar street types.
3. Light standards and fixtures will be painted black in the streetscapes and public spaces throughout Placerville.
4. Lighting of signs should be subdued and indirect, illuminating the area of the sign only. All signs, entry monumentation, public art, directories, kiosks or other streetscape elements should be illuminated by concealed fixtures.

C. Site Development Lighting

1. Parking lot lighting, pathway lighting and other types such as bollards, uprights, or architectural accent lighting must be in character with the overall development and should be tasteful and imaginative. Nostalgic or contemporary fixtures such as those illustrated in this section are acceptable as long as they demonstrate continuity and harmony with the site development as well as the overall context of the community.
2. Pole-mounted fixtures in parking areas shall maintain a human scale and shall not exceed nine (9) feet in height. Site development lighting should be contained within the site, avoiding light pollution to highest possible degree, particularly in residential areas.
3. Landscape lighting is encouraged as to highlight features such as native oaks, specimen trees and pedestrian pathways. Light sources are to be concealed as not to distract attention from the objects they illuminate.
4. Subtle architectural lighting from indirect or concealed sources may be used for wall washing, overhead downlighting and interior lighting which spills into outdoor spaces.



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