

# City of Redlands Street Light Upgrade Program

Energy Efficient Light Emitting Diode (LED) Street Lighting Conversion Study

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# Presentation Objectives

- Introduce LED as an innovative street lighting “Green” technology desirable for city of Redlands.
- Approve the proposed general upgrade implementation strategy .
- Authorize staff to apply for SCE and EPA loan to cover capital costs of initial phases

# Overview

1. LED street lighting technology
2. Current LED Programs
3. City of Redlands annual street lighting costs
4. Implementation Criteria
5. Potential funding sources
6. Implementation Strategy
7. Conclusion



# Objectives of Street Lighting

1. To attain a level of visibility which enables motorists and pedestrians the ability to see road geometry and road obstructions both quickly and distinctly.
2. Reduction of street crimes after dark.
3. Enhance commercial properties by attracting evening shoppers and audiences.



## What is HPS Light?

- Old technology that uses high-pressure gasses and toxic materials. Existing street lights use High Pressure Sodium (HPS) bulbs to illuminate the roadways. This is the most typical method of street lighting today.

## What is LED Light?

- New and emerging green technology for street lighting purposes. Light Emitting Diodes are a Solid State Lighting technology, 100% toxin free and recyclable.

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# LED vs. HPS

## LED

### ■ Advantages

- Superior light quality
- Long lifetime, >50,000 hrs
- Directional
- Reduced greenhouse gas emissions.
- 100% Recyclable

### ■ Disadvantages

- Higher capital cost
- Technology is evolving

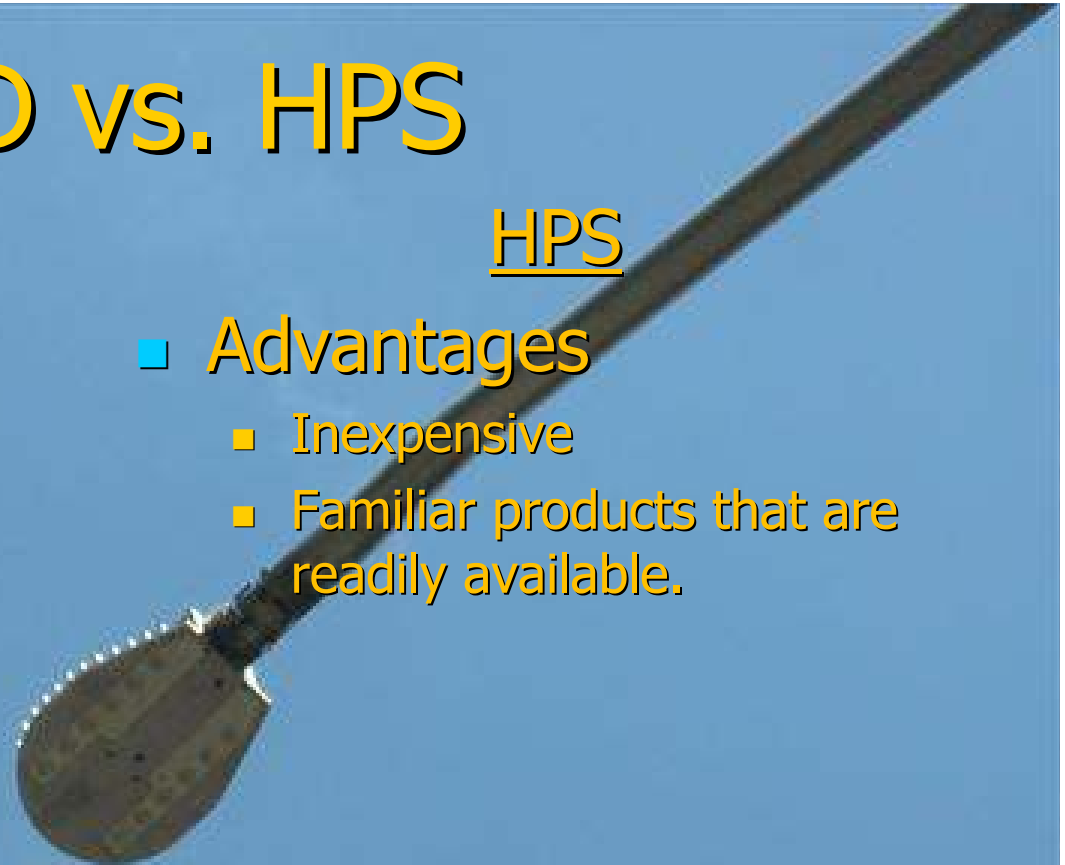
## HPS

### ■ Advantages

- Inexpensive
- Familiar products that are readily available.

### ■ Disadvantages

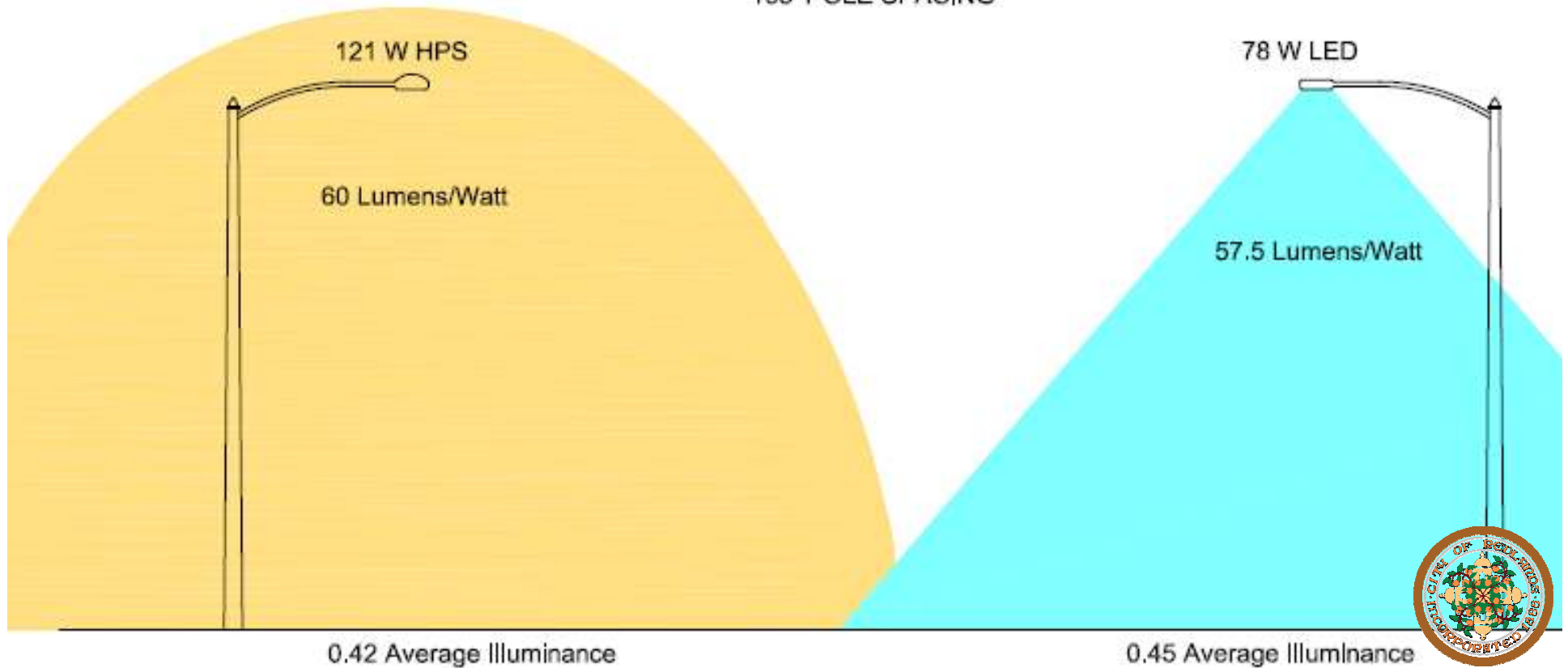
- Poor color rendition
- Little to no potential for improvement.
- Not recyclable; contains toxic materials.
- 3-5 year lifetime



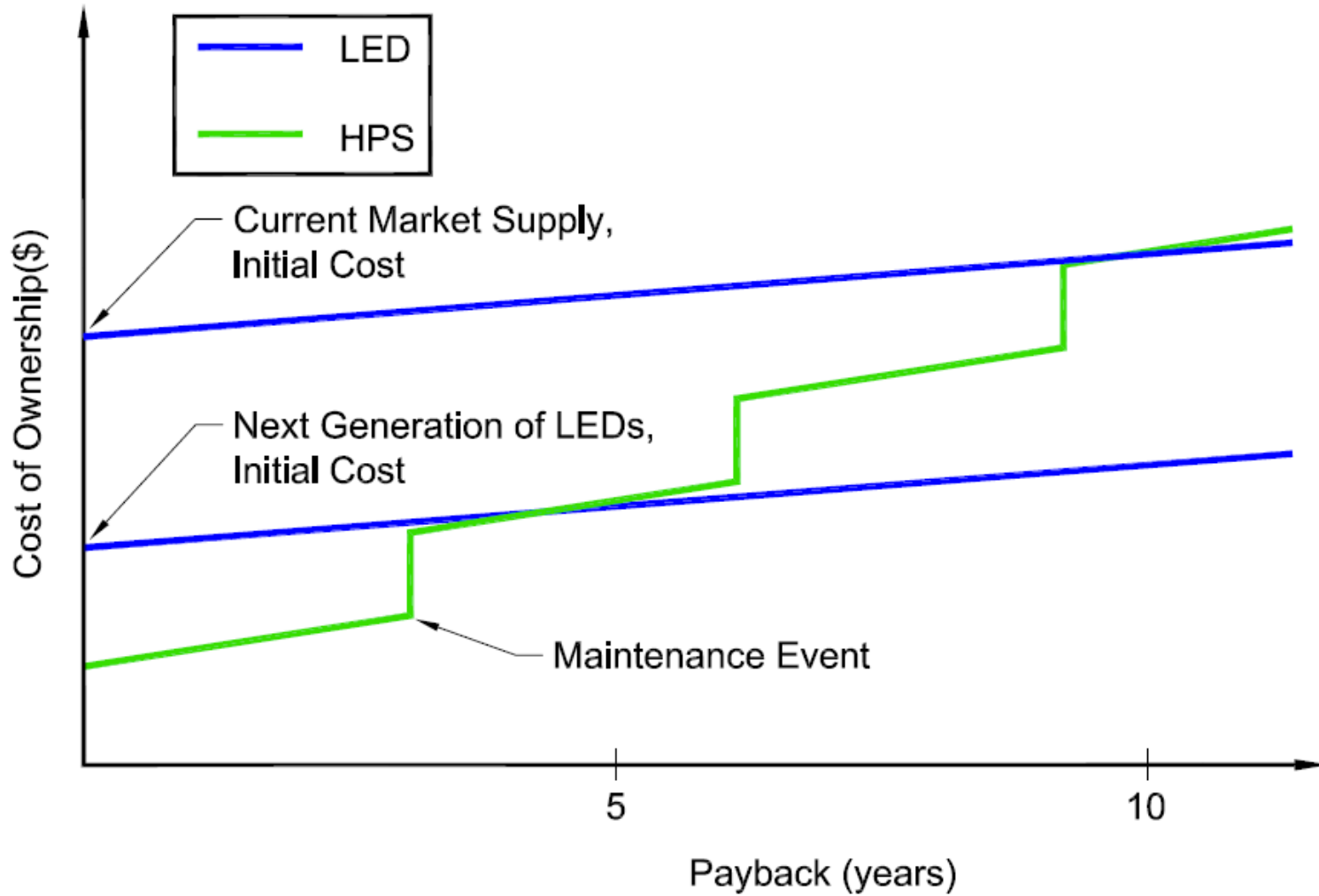
# LED/HPS Comparison

- LED street lights consume fewer watts,
- LED street lights output fewer lumens per watt,  
Due to the Directional nature of LED;  
A more uniform distribution of light intensity on the trafficway.

165' POLE SPACING



# LED Benefits





# Reduce Carbon Footprint

~~2,516,094 kWh/Yr.~~  
(Redlands Street Lights)



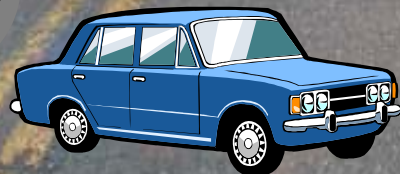
1,258,047 kWh/Yr.  
(50% Reduction)

~~3,774,141 Lbs. CO<sub>2</sub>~~



1,887,071 Lbs. CO<sub>2</sub>  
(50% Reduction)

11,450 Lbs.  
CO<sub>2</sub>/ Car



165 Cars/Yr.  
Removed from  
the road



**GOAL:** Systematic, city-wide upgrade of street lights from HPS to LED to achieve the following;

1. Superior lighting quality
2. Substantial energy reduction
3. Substantial reductions in replacement and maintenance costs.
4. Reduce the city's carbon footprint.

Before

After



# Current LED Programs

- The following Cities were interviewed regarding their LED programs;
  - Raleigh, NC
  - Valdez, AK
  - Los Angeles, CA
  - Chula Vista, CA
  - Boston, MA
  - Austin, TX

Scope of their conversion/ research programs varied considerably.



# Los Angeles, CA

## 6<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge



Before



After



# Valdez, AK

Before



After



Before

After



# Chapel Hill, NC



Before



After



# Halifax, Nova Scotia

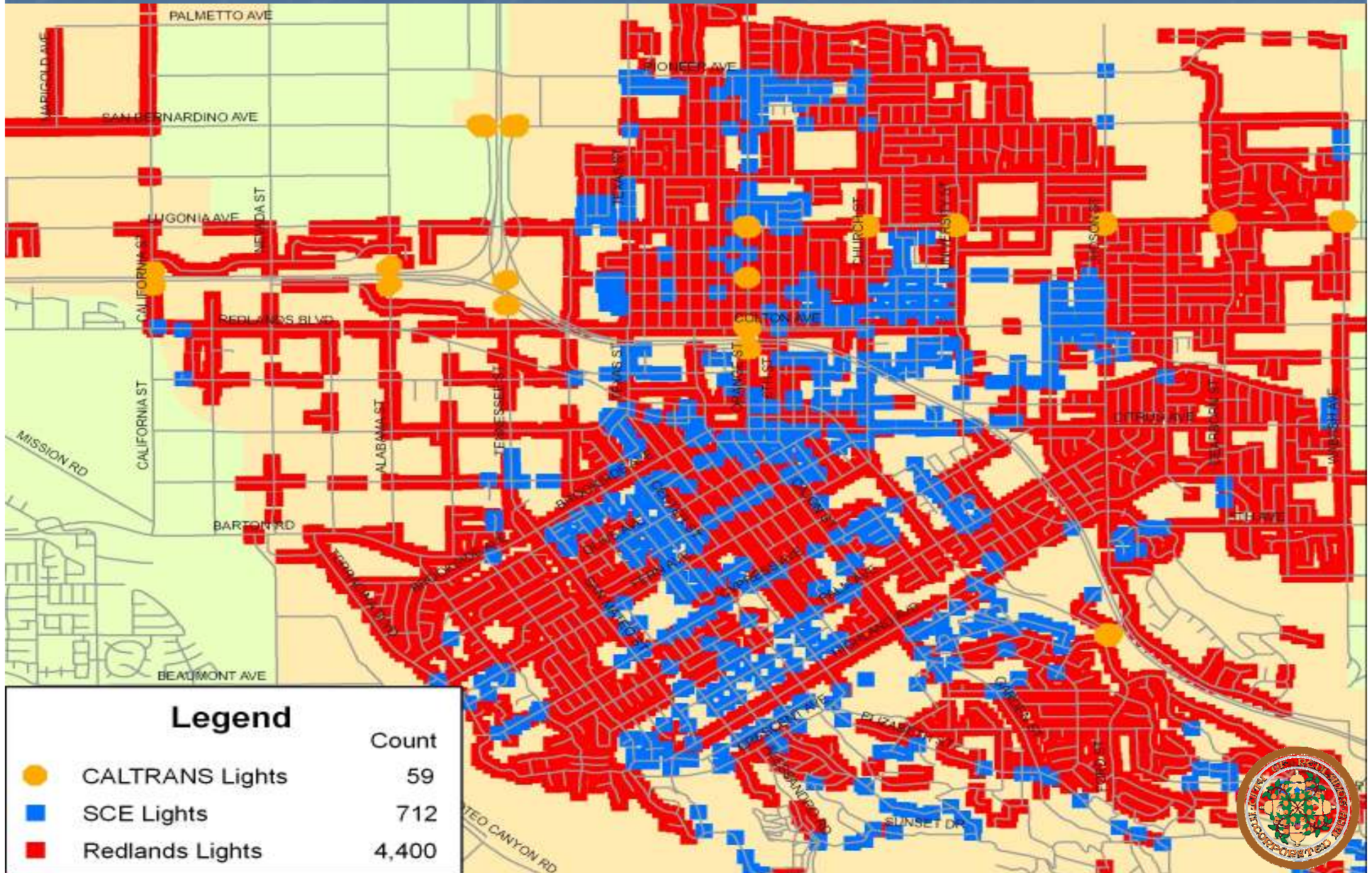


Before  
195 W HPS  
0.8 Foot-candles

After  
88 W LED  
1.0 Foot-candles  
55% energy savings



# Street light ownership map





# Current Annual Street Lighting Costs

	<u>SCE-Owned</u>	<u>City-Owned</u>
No. Lamps:	712	4,400
Energy Cost:	\$30,724	\$265,127
Maintenance Cost:	<u>\$78,738</u>	<u>\$180,000</u>
Total Costs:	\$109,463	\$445,127

Sum Total Annual Street Light Cost: \$554,600



# Priority Criteria

## Street Lighting Objectives

## Relevance Factor

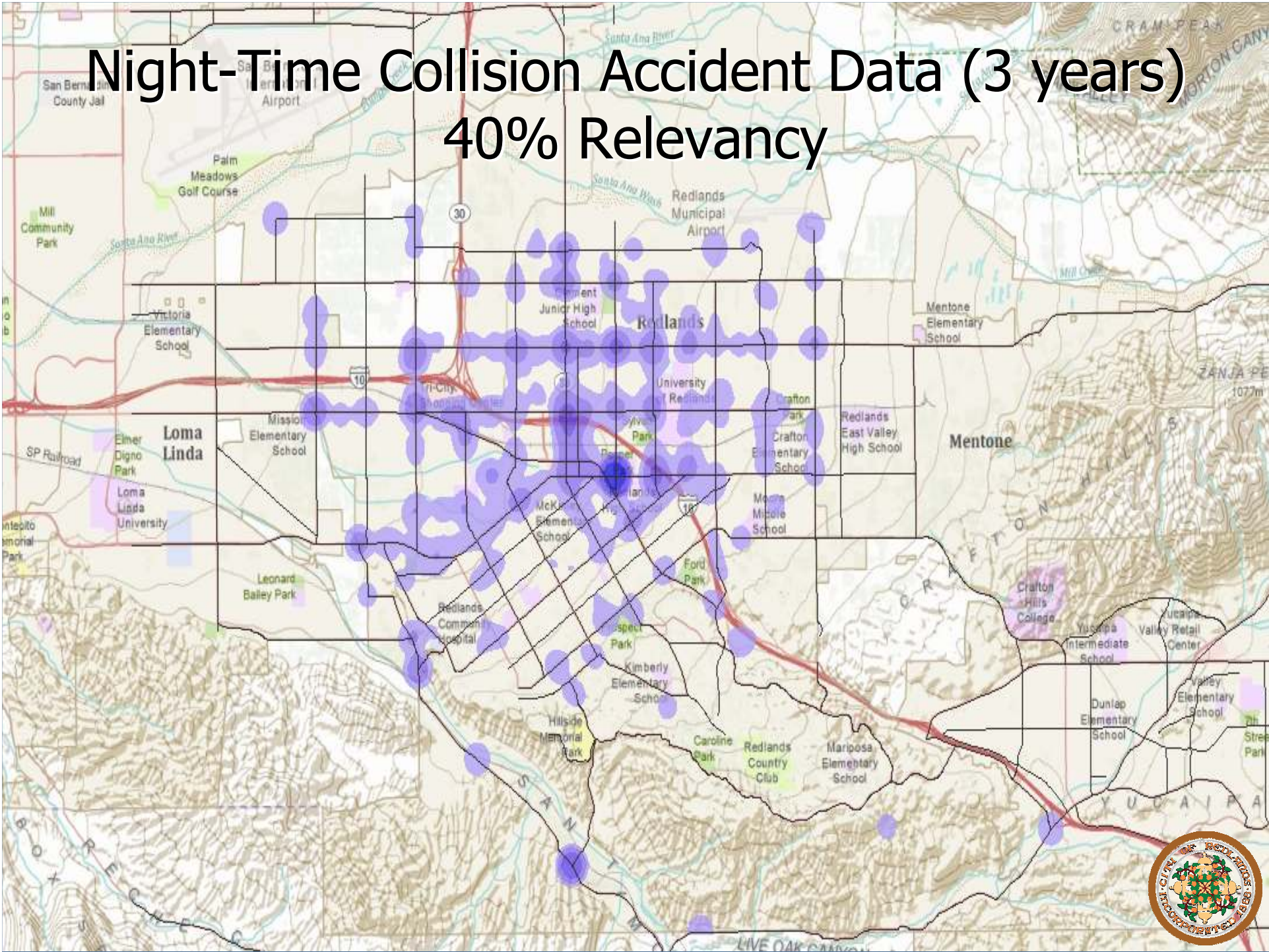
1. **Visibility of the Roadway**  
Collision accident data\*
2. **Reduction of night time crime**  
Redlands PD night time crime data\*
3. **Retail/entertainment areas**  
Attract shoppers and audiences  
Business Permits
4. **Population density**  
Population density data

\* 3-yr. data collection

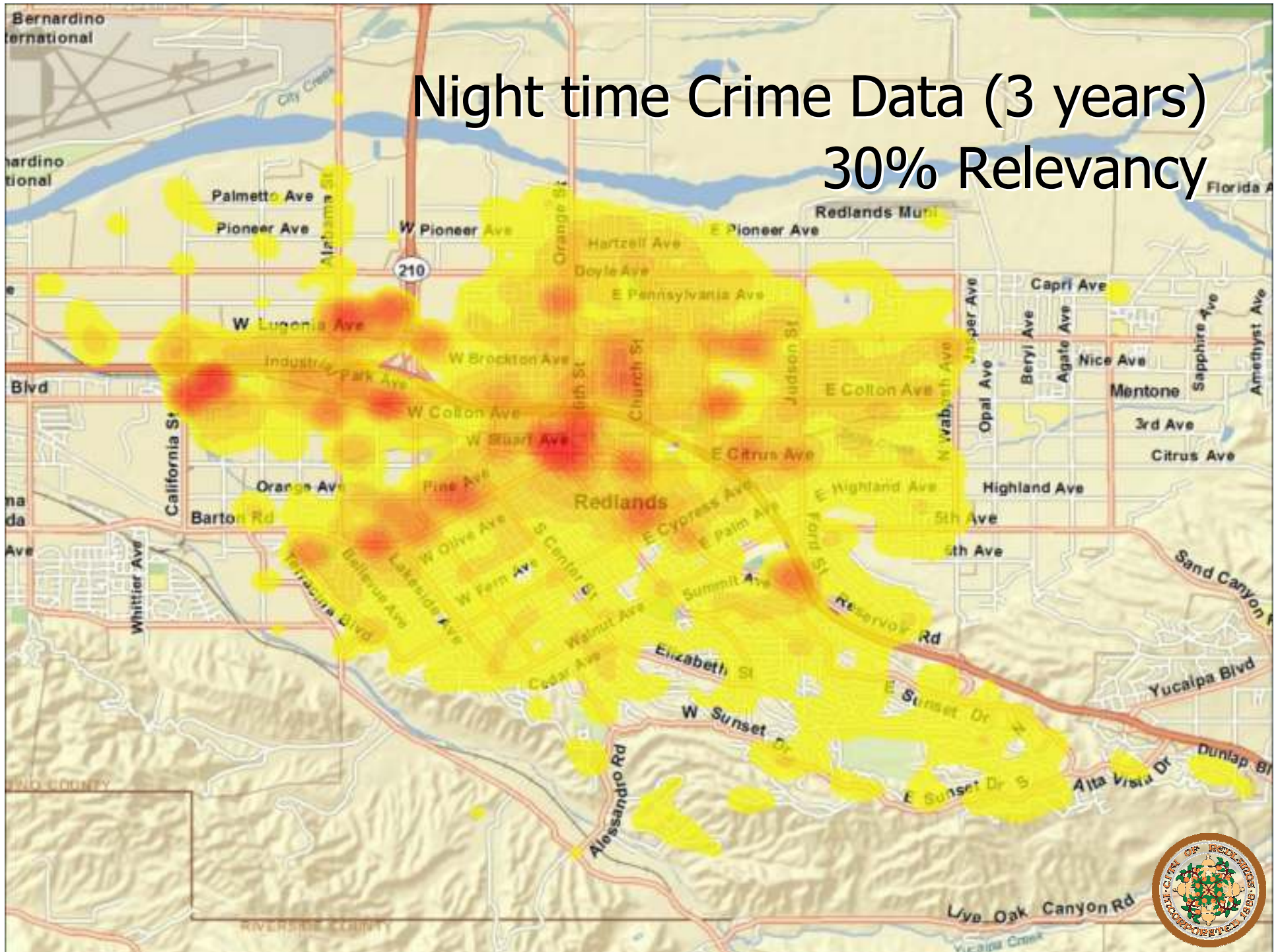


# Night-Time Collision Accident Data (3 years)

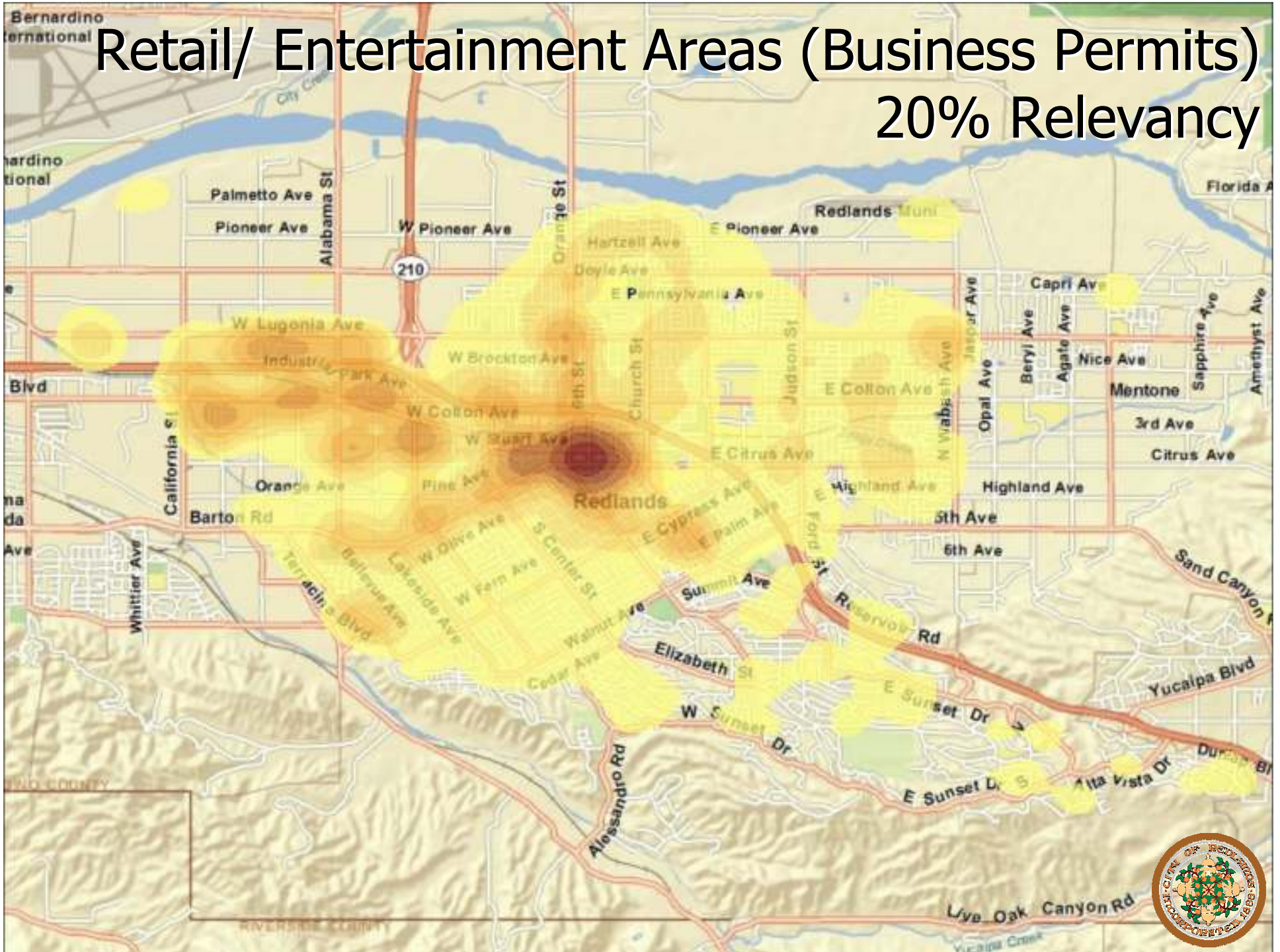
## 40% Relevancy



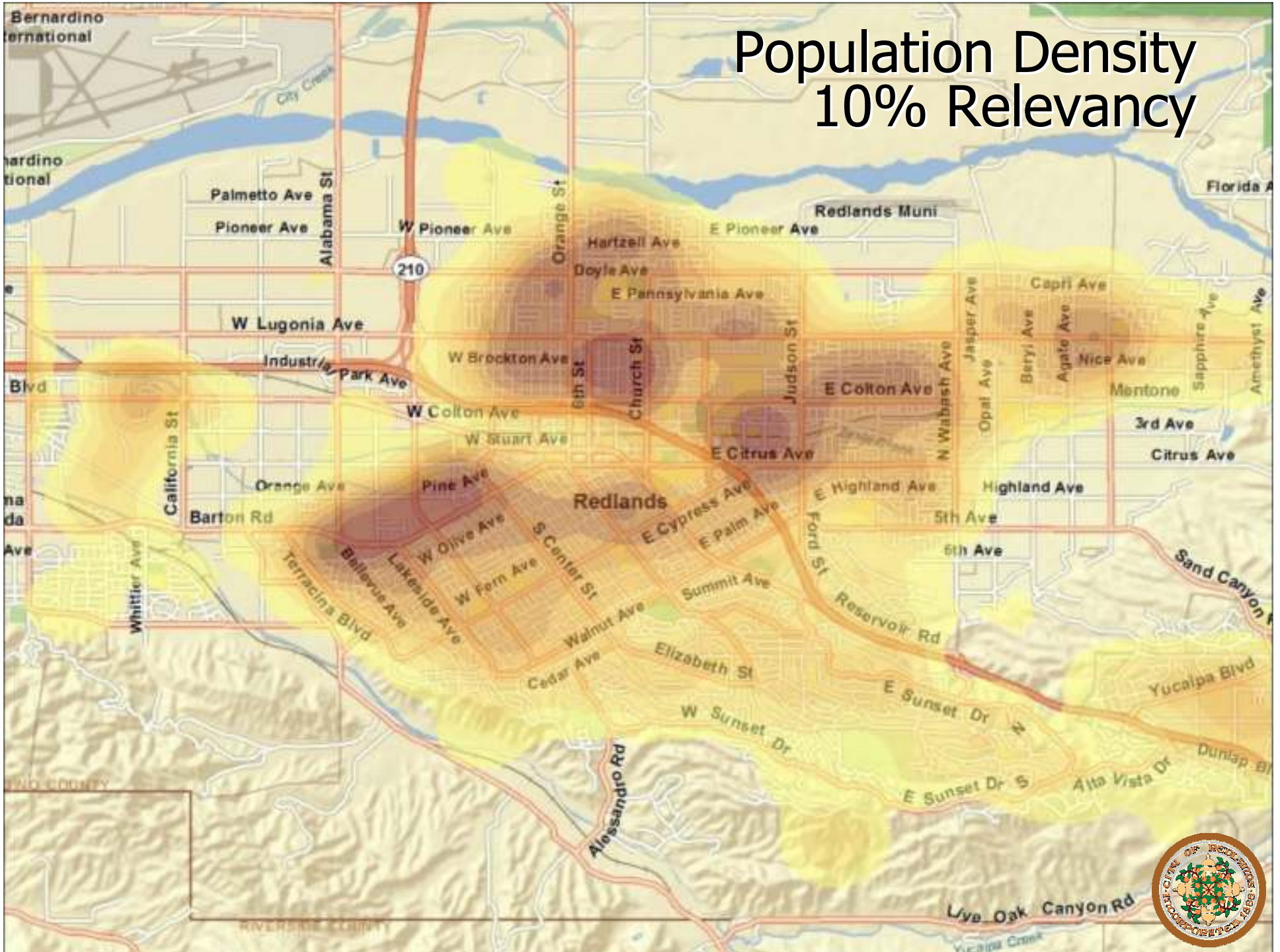
# Night time Crime Data (3 years) 30% Relevancy



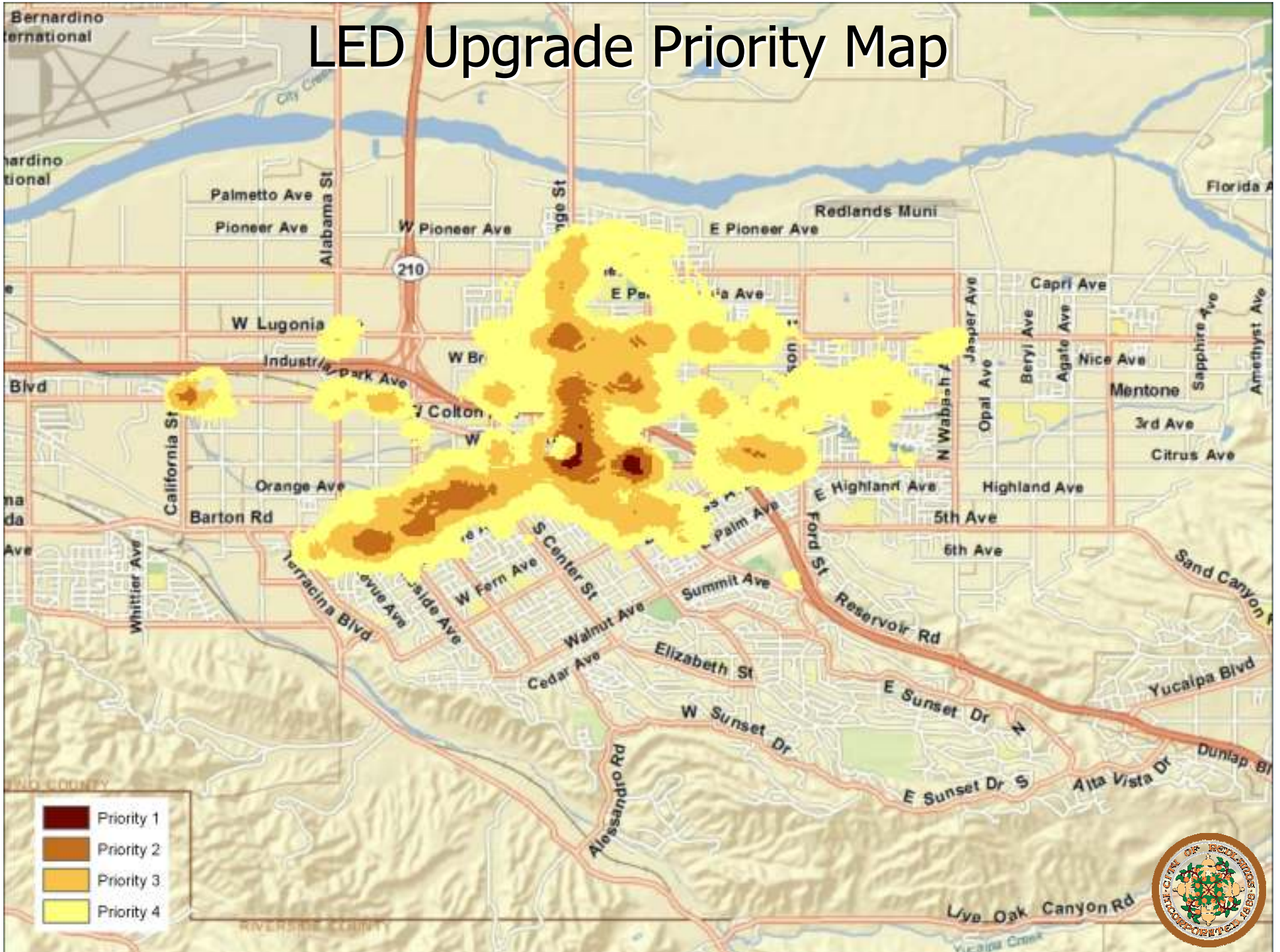
# Retail/ Entertainment Areas (Business Permits) 20% Relevancy

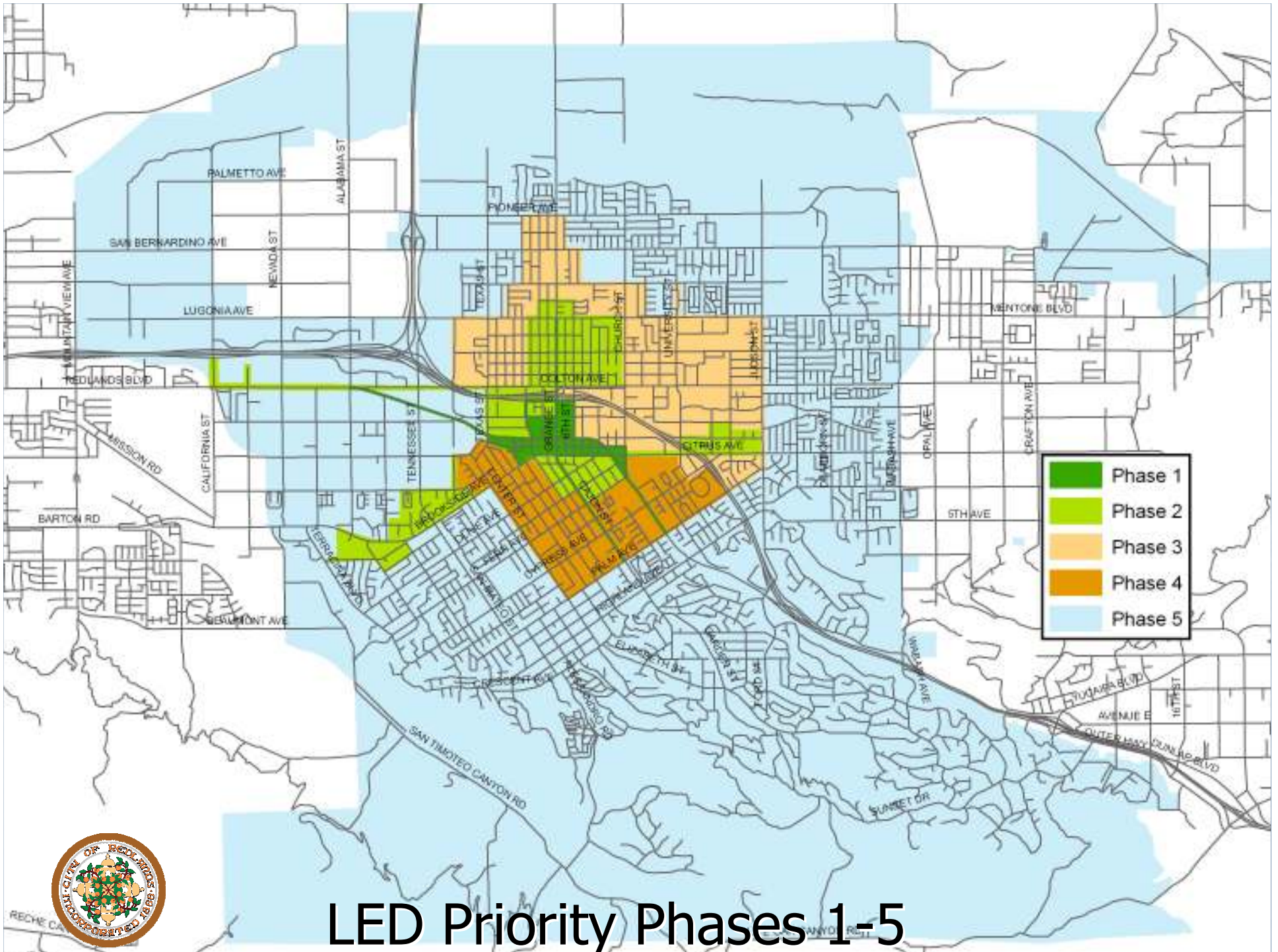


# Population Density 10% Relevancy



# LED Upgrade Priority Map





# LED Priority Phases 1-5



# Potential Funding Sources

- Southern California Edison (SCE)
  - 0% interest loan, 10-year term, \$250,000 max.
- Federal Stimulus Funding, EPA
  - \$500,000 max. grant (\$750,000 total budget)
  - 50% match-funds (from SCE loan)
- California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority (CAEATFA)
  - Low-interest loan, 10-year term.



# Implementation Plan

Project	Capital Cost \$	Energy Savings \$/Yr	Maintenance Savings * \$/Yr	Cost of Loan \$/Yr.	Cost/ Benefit Ratio
Phase 1: Downtown Reinvestment Program	\$250,000 SCE Loan	\$8,000	\$17,000	\$25,000	1:1
Phase 1 and Phase 2	\$250,000 SCE Loan+\$500,000 EPA Grant	\$25,000	\$53,000	\$25,000	1:3
Phase 3	\$53,000 savings + \$200,000 remain. grant/other	\$11,000	\$23,000	\$0	—
Phase 4	\$400,000 grant/other	\$12,000	\$25,500	?	?
Phase 5 (Remaining Street Lights)	\$1,800,000	\$60,000	\$127,000	?	?

\* Estimated low-range of maintenance costs for street lighting systems of various municipalities.

# Proposed Implementation Strategy

1. Authorize staff to apply for SCE and EPA loan to cover capital cost of initial phases.
2. Based on amount of secured outside funds, implement any combination of phases 1, 2, and 3.
3. Savings due to lower energy and maintenance costs resulting from phases 1, 2, and 3 implementation will fund future LED upgrades throughout the city.



Questions?

