

THE CITY OF AUGUSTA, KANSAS

ORDINANCE NO. 2218

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING NEW RATES AND CHARGES TO THE USERS OF THE ELECTRICAL SERVICES OF THE MUNICIPALLY OWNED AND OPERATED ELECTRICAL UTILITY OF THE CITY OF AUGUSTA, KANSAS, CLASSIFYING USES OF THE ELECTRICAL SERVICES IN THE CATEGORIES OF RESIDENTIAL, GENERAL SERVICE/SMALL COMMERCIAL, AND LARGE COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL, AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF SUCH RATES AND CHARGES BY AMENDING SECTIONS 15-303, 15-304, 15-305, 15-306, 15-307, AND 15-310 OF ARTICLE 3, CHAPTER 15 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF AUGUSTA, KANSAS 2020, AND REPEALING ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF AUGUSTA, KANSAS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF AUGUSTA, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. Section 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, and 310 of Article 3, Chapter 15 of the City of Augusta, Kansas 2020, shall be amended to read as follows:

15-303 Rates.

The users of electrical current or electrical energy from the municipally owned electric utility of the city shall be classified as follows:

- (a) Residential Service
- (b) General Service/Small Commercial Service
- (c) Large Commercial/Industrial Service

The charges under such classified uses of electrical current or electrical energy shall be as stated as hereinafter set forth.

15-304 Residential Service.

The application, character of services, and net monthly rate for residential service shall be as follows:

- (a) Application: To provide electric service for all domestic purposes in single family residences and individually metered apartments when supplied at one point of delivery and measured through one-watt hour meter.
- (b) Character of Service: Alternative current at approximately 60 cycles, single phase at such voltage as may be available for the service required.
- (c) Net Monthly Rate:

Base Rate: \$16.00 per month.
Energy Rate: \$0.1516 per kWh.

15-305 General Service/Small Commercial Service.

The application, character of services, and net monthly rate for general service/small commercial service shall be as follows:

- (a) Application: To provide electric service supplied to a commercial customer whose entire requirements on the premises are supplied under this rate at one metering point and customer energy usage is an average of 0 to 15,000 kwh's monthly.
 - i. Calculation of monthly average will occur annually each year in January and will be based on the prior 12 months of usage. If the average usage exceeds 15,000 kwh's monthly, the Net Monthly Rate will be changed to the Large Commercial/Industrial Service Rate beginning with the next month's billing (February).
 - ii. For new accounts with no established usage and monthly average, the initial Net Monthly Rate will be established based on Zoning of the property. If zoned Commercial, the initial Net Monthly Rate will be the General Service/Small Commercial Service Rate. If zoned Industrial, the initial Net Monthly Rate will be the Large Commercial/Industrial Service Rate. Those rates will be reviewed the January after service is established and the average monthly usage will be based on the months of service available. The Net Monthly Rate will be based on the average monthly usage determined in January after the account is established and adjusted on the February billing.

(b) Net Monthly Rate:

Base Rate: \$30.00 per month.
Energy Rate: \$0.145 per kWh.

15-306 Large Commercial/Industrial Service.

The application, character of services, and net monthly rate for large commercial/industrial service shall be as follows:

- (a) Application: To provide electric service supplied to a commercial customer whose entire requirements on the premises are supplied under this rate at one metering point and customer energy usage is an average of over 15,000 kwh's monthly.
 - i. Calculation of monthly average will occur annually each year in January and will be based on the prior 12 months of usage. If the average is less than 15,000 kwh's monthly, the Net Monthly Rate will be changed to the General Service/Small Commercial Service Rate beginning with the next month's billing (February).
 - ii. For new accounts with no established usage and monthly average, the initial Net Monthly Rate will be established based on Zoning of the property. If zoned Commercial, the initial Net Monthly Rate will be the General Service/Small Commercial Service Rate. If zoned Industrial, the initial Net Monthly Rate will be the Large Commercial/Industrial Service Rate. Those rates will be reviewed the January after service is established and the average monthly usage will be based on the months of service available. The Net Monthly Rate will be based on the average monthly usage determined in January after the account is established and adjusted on the February billing.

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(b) Net Monthly Rate:

Base Rate: \$75.00 per month.

Energy Rate: \$0.145 per kWh.

15-307 Electric Cost Adjustment (ECA).

An Electric Cost Adjustment (ECA) will be computed monthly by city staff, which will be applicable to all rate classes. A positive ECA charge may be assessed to customers when the total actual expenses exceed the budgeted expenses in the Electric Fund during a certain period. In the event, there is a surplus of revenue over actual expenses, excess may be carried over to another month or transferred to an Electric Reserve fund.

$$\text{Monthly ECA} = (\text{Actual Costs} - \text{Budgeted Costs}) / \text{Total kWh's Sold}$$

15-308 Connection Fees. (Order Change)

15-309 Electric Transformer and Service Connection Fees. (Order Change)

15-310 Interconnection Standards for Customer-Owned Renewable Electric Generation Facilities and Distributed Generation.

(a) There is hereby adopted Interconnection Standards for Installation and Parallel Operation of Customer-Owned Renewable Electric Generation Facilities dated July 6, 2021.

(b) The adopted Interconnection Standards for Installation and Parallel Operation of Customer-Owned Renewable Electric Generation Facilities dated July 6, 2021, may be amended, and modified in whole or in part by the Governing Body of the City of Augusta, Kansas, as deemed appropriate by the Governing Body.

(c) Distributed generation will be offered on first come first served basis to all customers. In no case shall the City be obligated to purchase an amount greater than four percent (4%) of the utility's peak power requirement for the previous year.

(d) Distributed Generation Customers:

Residential Customers: Any residential customer of the City's electric utility that installs an energy producing system or renewable generator with a capacity of 25 kilowatts or less must first successfully complete and have approved the City of Augusta's "Interconnection Standards for Installation and Distribution Operation of Customers-Owned Renewable Electric Generation Facilities."

General Service/Small Commercial and Large Commercial/Industrial Customers: Any general service/small commercial or large commercial/industrial customer who wish to install an energy producing system or renewable generator with a capacity of 200 kilowatts or less must first successfully complete and have approved the City of Augusta's "Interconnection Standards for

Installation and Distribution Operations of Customer-Owned Renewable Electric Generation Facilities.”

All distribution generation contracts shall comply with the requirements of K.S.A. 66-1,184 et seq., as amended. The cost of any equipment required to be installed for such attachment or metering and installation shall be the sole responsibility of the customer and such equipment shall not cause damage to the City’s electric system or equipment or present an undue hazard to City personnel.

(e) Interconnection Application Fee: Residential, general service/small commercial, and large commercial/industrial customers are subject to a non-refundable processing fee of \$250.00 and must accompany a completed Interconnection Application.

(f) Net Monthly Rate:

Base Rate: Determined by customer class described in section 15-304-306 above.

Energy Rate: Determined by customer class described in section 15-304-306 above.

Appropriately sized generators (as defined in K.S.A. 66-1,184) owned by customer-generators will at times either generate more electricity than the customer can consume on premises or only meet a portion or none of the customers electricity needs. During periods of time when the generator owned by the customer-generator cannot provide all of the customer’s electricity needs, the electricity provided by the electric utility will be billed at the same rate as that established for similar rate class customers that do not own generation. During periods of time when the generator owned by the customer-generator produces electricity in excess of its own needs, and such excess electricity is supplied back to the electric utility, the electric utility shall compensate the customer for this excess energy at a rate that is 150% of the utility’s monthly system average cost of energy per kilowatt hour, per K.S.A. 66-1,184.

The City may, at its discretion, either pay the customer for excess energy at aforementioned rate or calculate such payment and deduct from the customer’s bill as a credit.

SECTION 2. Repeal:

All ordinances, including but limited to Ordinance 2127, or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed. However, any section of an existing ordinance not in conflict herewith is not repealed and remains in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after publication in the official city newspaper and reflected on the utility bills dated May 15, 2023 forward.

Passed by the City Council this 3rd day of April, 2023.

Approved by the Mayor this 3rd day of April, 2023.

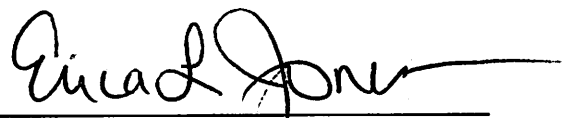
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City of Augusta


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