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ORDINANCE NO. 1362

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HILLSBORO, KANSAS AMENDING CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE 2, SECTION 15-203, SECTION 15-218, SECTION 15-220, SECTION 15-221, AND SECTION 15-225 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF HILLSBORO, KANSAS.

WHEREAS, the governing body of the City of Hillsboro, Kansas (the "City") has previously adopted Chapter 15, Article 2 of the Code of the City of Hillsboro, Kansas (the "Code"), which contains provisions establishing rates and fees for electricity usage; and

WHEREAS, the City finds it necessary to amend Chapter 15, Article 2, Section 15-203, Section 15-218, Section 15-220, Section 15-221, and Section 15-225 of the Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF HILLSBORO, KANSAS:

Section 1. Chapter 15, Article 2, Section 15-203 is hereby repealed and replaced as follows:

15-203. Service.

The electric department will run its service wires for electric light or power to the nearest point of the customer's buildings free of cost where that service is to be permanent service for one year or longer and is within a reasonable distance of the departments supply. For commercial customers, the electric department reserves the right to charge any costs related to connecting and providing service to commercial and industrial customers in the form of a connection fee. No person shall make any connections of or to the department's wires without authority from the superintendent.

Section 2. Chapter 15, Article 2, Section 15-218 is hereby repealed and replaced as follows:

15-218. Residential rates and commercial rates in city limits.

(a) Monthly Rate: \$0.1395 per kWh.

(1) Residential and Commercial \$0.1395 per kWh.

(2) City Internal \$0.650 per kWh.

(b) Residential and City Internal Base Charge: \$14.50 per month.

(c) Commercial Base Charge: \$17.00 per month.

In the event the same customer orders a disconnection or reconnection of electric service at the same premises within a period of twelve (12) months, the City shall collect as a reconnection charge the sum of such minimum bills as would have accrued during the period of disconnection.

Section 3. Chapter 15, Article 2, Section 15-220 is hereby repealed and replaced as follows:

15-220. Residential rates outside city limits.

(a) Monthly Rate:

(1) \$0.1395 per kWh for first 4,000 kWh.

(2) \$0.1450 per kWh for all over 4,000 kWh.

(b) Base Charge: \$17.00 per month.

In the event the same customer orders a disconnection or reconnection of electric service at the same premises within a period of twelve (12) months, the City shall collect as a reconnection charge the sum of such minimum bills as would have accrued during the period of disconnection.

Section 4. Chapter 15, Article 2, Section 15-221 is hereby repealed and replaced as follows:

15-221. Temporary service.

(a) Temporary service means use of electricity for temporary purposes. Services connected for short periods of time, not to exceed 90 days.

(b) Rates

(1) \$18.00 base charge per month.

(2) \$0.1395 per kWh usage.

Section 5. Chapter 15, Article 2, Section 15-225 is hereby repealed and replaced as follows:

15-225. 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 August 17, 2021.
- (b) The adopted Interconnection Standards for Installation and Parallel Operation of Customer-Owned Renewable Electric Generation Facilities dated August 17, 2021, may be amended, and modified in whole or in part by the Governing Body of the City of Hillsboro, 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 Hillsboro's "Interconnection Standards for Installation and Distribution Operation of Customers-Owned Renewable Electric Generation Facilities."

Commercial Customers: Any commercial 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 Hillsboro'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 and commercial customers are subject to a non-refundable processing fee of \$500.00 and must accompany a completed Interconnection Application.

(f) Net Monthly Rate:

Base Rate: Determined by customer class described in sections 15-218, 15-219, and 15-220 above.

Energy Rate: Determined by customer class described in section 15-218, 15-219, and 15-220 above.

Appropriately sized generators (as defined in K.S.A. 66-1,184) owned by customer-generator 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 kWh 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.

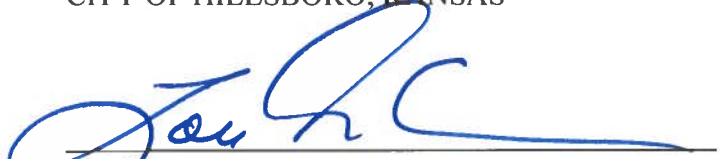
Section 6. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its adoption by the Governing Body of the City, approval by the Mayor and either (a) publication once in the official newspaper of the City, or (b) publication of a summary hereof certified as legally accurate and sufficient by the City Attorney.

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PASSED AND APPROVED by the Governing Body of the City of Hillsboro, Kansas this
17th day of January, 2023.



CITY OF HILLSBORO, KANSAS



Lou Thurston, Mayor

ATTEST:



Danielle Bartel, City Clerk