

ORDINANCE NO. 542

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FREMONT, NEBRASKA, ESTABLISHING RATE SCHEDULES FOR ELECTRICITY CONSUMED BY CUSTOMERS OF THE MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC SYSTEM; DEFINING TERMS; REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 5349 AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PART OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT WITH THIS ORDINANCE, PROVIDING WHEN THE RATE SCHEDULES ARE EFFECTIVE; AND PROVIDING WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FREMONT, NEBRASKA, THAT:

**SECTION I. RATE SCHEDULE - RESIDENCE SERVICE.** The monthly rates shall be applicable to single family residences within the corporate limits of the City for household purposes only, such service to be limited to single-phase electric service only. Separate family units in new multi-family dwellings shall be separately metered.

**Rates effective for all billings after November 1, 2017:**

<u>Winter Rate (October-May):</u>		<u>Summer Rate (June-September):</u>	
Customer Charge:	\$15.00 per month	Customer Charge:	\$15.00 per month
Energy Charge:		Energy Charge:	
All kWh	\$0.0686 per kWh	All kWh	\$0.1140 per kWh

**Rates effective for all billings after November 1, 2018:**

<u>Winter Rate (October-May):</u>		<u>Summer Rate (June-September):</u>	
Customer Charge:	\$16.00 per month	Customer Charge:	\$16.00 per month
Energy Charge:		Energy Charge:	
All kWh	\$0.0714 per kWh	All kWh	\$0.1185 per kWh

Minimum Bill: The minimum monthly bill shall be the customer charge.

Late Payment: A late payment fee of ten (10) percent of the total monthly bill (maximum of \$10.00) will be added to any bill not paid by the due date.

**SECTION II. RATE SCHEDULE - SUBURBAN SERVICE.** The monthly rates for suburban service shall be applicable to single family residences outside the corporate limits of the City for household and farming purposes only, such service to be limited to single-phase electric service only with no motors larger than 10 horsepower. Separate family units in new multi-family dwellings shall be separately metered.

**Rates effective for all billings after November 1, 2017:**

<u>Winter Rate (October-May):</u>		<u>Summer Rate (June-September):</u>	
Customer Charge:	\$17.50 per month	Customer Charge:	\$17.50 per month
Energy Charge:		Energy Charge:	
First 700 kWh	\$0.0774 per kWh	All kWh	\$0.1181 per kWh
Over 700 kWh	\$0.0697 per kWh		

**Rates effective for all billings after November 1, 2018:**

<u>Winter Rate (October-May):</u>		<u>Summer Rate (June-September):</u>	
Customer Charge:	\$18.50 per month	Customer Charge:	\$18.50 per month
Energy Charge:		Energy Charge:	
First 700 kWh	\$0.0805 per kWh	All kWh	\$0.1229 per kWh
Over 700 kWh	\$0.0725 per kWh		

Minimum Bill: The minimum monthly bill shall be the customer charge.

Late Payment: A late payment fee of ten (10) percent of the total monthly bill (maximum of \$10.00) will be added to any bill not paid by the due date.

**SECTION III. RATE SCHEDULE - COMMERCIAL SERVICE.** The monthly rates for commercial service shall be applicable to single-phase electric service only, with no motors larger than 10 horsepower and no electric appliances larger than 12 kVA, or three-phase service with a monthly demand of 20 kW or less. The demand limitation is not applicable where the three-phase service is for outdoor recreational lighting.

**Rates effective for all billings after November 1, 2017:**

<u>Winter Rate (October-May):</u>		<u>Summer Rate (June-September):</u>	
Customer Charge Single-Phase:	\$29.00 per month	Customer Charge Single-Phase:	\$29.00 per month
Customer Charge Three-Phase:	\$80.00 per month	Customer Charge Three-Phase:	\$80.00 per month
Energy Charge:		Energy Charge:	
First 900 kWh	\$0.0917 per kWh	First 900 kWh	\$0.1248 per kWh
Over 900 kWh	\$0.0726 per kWh	Over 900 kWh	\$0.1205 per kWh

**Rates effective for all billings after November 1, 2018:**

<u>Winter Rate (October-May):</u>		<u>Summer Rate (June-September):</u>	
Customer Charge Single-Phase:	\$31.00 per month	Customer Charge Single-Phase:	\$31.00 per month
Customer Charge Three-Phase:	\$85.00 per month	Customer Charge Three-Phase:	\$85.00 per month
Energy Charge:		Energy Charge:	
First 900 kWh	\$0.0954 per kWh	First 900 kWh	\$0.1298 per kWh
Over 900 kWh	\$0.0755 per kWh	Over 900 kWh	\$0.1254 per kWh

Minimum Bill: The minimum monthly bill shall be the customer charge for single-phase or for three-phase.

Late Payment: A late payment fee of ten (10) percent of the total monthly bill (maximum of \$40.00) will be added to any bill not paid by the due date.

**SECTION IV. RATE SCHEDULE - GENERAL POWER SERVICE.** The monthly rates for general power service shall be applicable to single-phase electric service supplied for motors larger than 10 horsepower and electric appliances larger than 12 kVA and to three-phase electric service.

**Rates effective for all billings after November 1, 2017:**

<u>Winter Rate (October-May):</u>		<u>Summer Rate (June-September):</u>	
Customer Charge:	\$62.50 per month	Customer Charge:	\$62.50 per month
Demand Charge:	\$10.31 per kW	Demand Charge:	\$16.10 per kW
Energy Charge:	\$0.0456 per kWh	Energy Charge:	\$0.0636 per kWh

**Rates effective for all billings after November 1, 2018:**

<u>Winter Rate (October-May):</u>		<u>Summer Rate (June-September):</u>	
Customer Charge:	\$67.50 per month	Customer Charge:	\$67.50 per month
Demand Charge:	\$10.72 per kW	Demand Charge:	\$16.74 per kW
Energy Charge:	\$0.0474 per kWh	Energy Charge:	\$0.0662 per kWh

Minimum Bill: The minimum monthly bill shall be the customer charge.

Late Payment: A late payment fee of ten (10) percent of the total monthly bill (maximum of \$40.00) will be added to any bill not paid by the due date.

Primary Metering/Customer-Owned Transformer Discount: A one (1) percent discount on energy and demand charges shall be applicable to customers that meet any or all of the following criteria, not to exceed a total discount of one (1) percent:

- a. Electric service is delivered at City's standard primary voltage and City does not provide a transformation voltage to solely serve the customer; and/or
- b. Electricity is supplied at 13,800 volts or greater and is metered at the voltage of City's line or lines entering the customer's premises and where the customer furnishes, installs, and maintains any and all transformers and other facilities, necessary to reduce the primary voltage of each such line to the customer's utilization voltage.

Billing kW Demand: The billing demand in any month shall be that demand in kilowatts necessary to supply the average kilowatt-hours in 15 consecutive minutes of greatest consumption of electricity during the month. Demand shall be determined from readings of permanently installed meters or, at the option of the City, by any standard methods or meters.

**SECTION V. RATE SCHEDULE - LARGE POWER SERVICE.** The monthly rates for large power service shall be applicable to electric service supplied for loads with a monthly demand greater than 300 kW.

**Rates effective for all billings after November 1, 2017:**

<u>Winter Rate (October-May):</u>		<u>Summer Rate (June-September):</u>	
Customer Charge:	\$175.00 per month	Customer Charge:	\$175.00 per month
Demand Charge:	\$8.50 per kW	Demand Charge:	\$14.37 per kW
Energy Charge:	\$0.0469 per kWh	Energy Charge:	\$0.0524 per kWh

**Rates effective for all billings after November 1, 2018:**

<u>Winter Rate (October-May):</u>		<u>Summer Rate (June-September):</u>	
Customer Charge:	\$185.00 per month	Customer Charge:	\$185.00 per month
Demand Charge:	\$8.84 per kW	Demand Charge:	\$14.95 per kW
Energy Charge:	\$0.0488 per kWh	Energy Charge:	\$0.0545 per kWh

Minimum Bill: The minimum monthly bill shall be the customer charge.

Late Payment: A late payment fee of ten (10) percent of the total monthly bill (maximum of \$80.00) will be added to any bill not paid by the due date.

Primary Metering/Customer-Owned Transformer Discount: A one (1) percent discount on energy and demand charges shall be applied to customers that meet any or all of the following criteria, not to exceed a total discount of one (1) percent:

- a. Electric service is delivered at City's standard primary voltage and City does not provide a transformer to serve the customer; and/or
- b. Electricity is supplied at 13,800 volts or greater and is metered at the voltage of City's line or lines entering the customer's premises and where the customer furnishes, installs, and maintains any and all transformers and other facilities, necessary to reduce the primary voltage of each such line to the customer's utilization voltage.

Power Factor: See Section VIII below.

Billing kW Demand: The billing demand in any month shall be that demand in kilowatts necessary to supply the average kilowatt-hours in 15 consecutive minutes of greatest consumption of electricity during the month.

Demand shall be determined from readings of permanently installed meters or, at the option of the City, by any standard methods or meters.

**SECTION VI. RATE SCHEDULE - SEASONAL POWER SERVICE.** The net monthly rates for seasonal power service shall be applicable to electric service supplied for seasonal requirements and shall be applied at the sole discretion of the City. Service under this rate is nine (9) months. If service is greater than nine (9) months, the service will be switched to either the Commercial or General Power rate.

**Rates effective for all billings after November 1, 2017:**

<u>Winter Rate (October-May):</u>		<u>Summer Rate (June-September):</u>	
Customer Charge:	\$72.90 per month	Customer Charge:	\$72.90 per month
Demand Charge:	\$10.89 per kW	Demand Charge:	\$15.39 per kW
Energy Charge:	\$0.0486 per kWh	Energy Charge:	\$0.0616 per kWh

**Rates effective for all billings after November 1, 2018:**

<u>Winter Rate (October-May):</u>		<u>Summer Rate (June-September):</u>	
Customer Charge:	\$82.90 per month	Customer Charge:	\$82.90 per month
Demand Charge:	\$11.32 per kW	Demand Charge:	\$16.01 per kW
Energy Charge:	\$0.0505 per kWh	Energy Charge:	\$0.0640 per kWh

**Minimum Bill:** The minimum monthly bill shall be the customer charge. The customer will be billed the customer charge monthly as long as there is consumption on the meter.

**Late Payment:** A late payment fee of ten (10) percent of the total monthly bill (maximum of \$40.00) will be added to any bill not paid by the due date.

**Billing kW Demand:** The billing demand in any month shall be that demand in kilowatts necessary to supply the average kilowatt-hours in 15 consecutive minutes of greatest consumption of electricity during the month. Demand shall be determined from readings of permanently installed meters or, at the option of the City, by any standard methods or meters.

**SECTION VII. RATE SCHEDULE - LARGE POWER CONTRACT SERVICE.** The monthly rates for large power contract service shall be applicable to electric service provided under a standard form agreement where the customer agrees to a minimum billing demand of at least 10,000 kW for a period of no less than five (5) years.

**Rates effective for all billings after November 1, 2017:**

<u>Winter Rate (October-May):</u>		<u>Summer Rate (June-September):</u>	
Customer Charge:	\$353.95 per month	Customer Charge:	\$353.95 per month
Demand Charge:	\$7.75 per kW	Demand Charge:	\$13.54 per kW
Energy Charge:	\$0.0416 per kWh	Energy Charge:	\$0.0472 per kWh

**Rates effective for all billings after November 1, 2018:**

<u>Winter Rate (October-May):</u>		<u>Summer Rate (June-September):</u>	
Customer Charge:	\$363.95 per month	Customer Charge:	\$363.95 per month
Demand Charge:	\$8.06 per kW	Demand Charge:	\$14.08 per kW
Energy Charge:	\$0.0433 per kWh	Energy Charge:	\$0.0491 per kWh

**Minimum Bill:** The minimum monthly bill shall be the customer charge. The customer will be billed the customer charge monthly as long as there is consumption on the meter.

**Late Payment:** A late payment fee of five (5) percent of the total monthly bill (maximum of \$80.00) will be added to any bill not paid by the due date.

**Primary Metering/Customer-Owned Transformer Discount:** A one (1) percent discount on energy and demand charges shall be applied to customers that meet any or all of the following criteria, not to exceed a total discount of one (1) percent:

- a. Electric service is delivered at City's standard primary voltage and City does not provide a transformer to serve the customer; and/or
- b. Electricity is supplied at 13,800 volts or greater and is metered at the voltage of City's line or lines entering the customer's premises and where the customer furnishes, installs, and maintains any and all transformers and other facilities, necessary to reduce the primary voltage of each such line to the customer's utilization voltage

**High Tension Service:** In addition to the primary metering/customer-owned transformer discount, a three (3) percent discount shall be applied to any customer that takes service directly from a 69,000 volt transmission line or substation without using the City's 13,800 volt and below facilities. A customer that is served in close proximity to a City owned 69,000 volt substation and is served from a dedicated 13,800 volt or less line located on the customer's property would also qualify for this discount.

**Power Factor:** See Section VIII below.

**Billing kW Demand:** The billing demand in any month shall be that demand in kilowatts necessary to supply the average kilowatt-hours in 15 consecutive minutes of greatest consumption of electricity during the month. Demand shall be determined from readings of permanently installed meters or, at the option of the City, by any standard methods or meters.

**SECTION VIII. POWER FACTOR.** The customer is responsible for maintaining a minimum power factor of 90 percent. The power factor is determined at the high kW load. If the customer's power factor drops below 90 percent, the following adjustment will be made to each monthly bill: Three (3) percent penalty on energy and demand charge when power factor is not maintained higher than 90 percent, but is maintained higher than 80 percent, and four (4) percent penalty on energy and demand charge when power factor is not maintained higher than 80 percent. There is no charge or credit for power factor greater than 90 percent and less than 94 percent. There is a two (2) percent credit on energy and demand charge when power factor is maintained at 94 percent or greater.

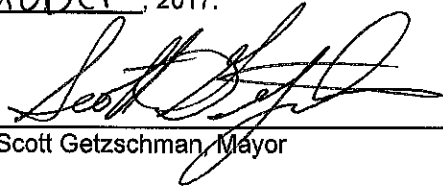
**SECTION IX. FUEL ADJUSTMENT CHARGE.** All retail electric sales are subject to a "Fuel Adjustment Charge." The cost of fuel for generation and purchase power costs shall be calculated on a monthly basis to determine if the cost is above or below the Base Fuel Cost. For any period in which the cost of fuel is greater or less than the Base Fuel Cost, the energy charge shall be increased or decreased by an adjustment amount per kilowatt-hour of sales equal to the difference between the actual fuel cost incurred per kilowatt-hour and the Base Fuel Cost. The Base Fuel Cost is 0.02236 cents per kilowatt-hour.

**SECTION X. BILLING ERRORS.** Notice of any billing error must be presented in writing to the Department of Utilities within six (6) months of the error date in order for a correction to be made. Billing errors may be corrected retroactively for up to one (1) year from the date of the correction.

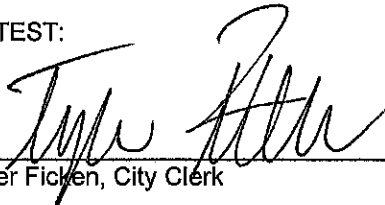
**SECTION XI. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES.** That Ordinance No. 5349 and any other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**SECTION XII. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, approval, and publication according to law. This ordinance shall be published in pamphlet form on October \_\_\_\_\_, 2017 and distributed as a City Ordinance.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 10<sup>th</sup> DAY OF October, 2017.

  
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Scott Getzschman, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Tyler Ficken, City Clerk

