

ORDINANCE NO. 15-20

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Richland amending Richland Municipal Code Section 14.24.060 related to retail electric rates.

WHEREAS, Richland Municipal Code (RMC) Title 14 provides for electrical service procedures applicable to the installation of electrical services in the City; and

WHEREAS, Richland City Council previously enacted amendments in RMC Titles 23 and 28 addressing zoning and franchise provisions to support deployment of small cell facilities throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, Richland City Council acknowledges the growing use of smart phones, personal wireless devices, and internet data services, and therefore deems it to be in the public interest to provide electrical services to small cell installations using processes established in Chapter 14 RMC; and

WHEREAS, the Utilities Advisory Committee (UAC) has reviewed and approves of staff's recommendation, which is to add small cell installations to existing Schedule 90 for Cable Television Amplifiers, and align the energy rate to the same as Schedule 20 for Small General Service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Richland as follows:

Section 1. Richland Municipal Code Section 14.24.060, entitled Retail electric rates, as first enacted by Ordinance No. 90, and last amended by Ordinance No. 19-19, is hereby amended to read as follows:

RMC 14.24.060 Retail electric rates.

Rates for electricity are summarized by class of service as listed below. Rates are effective with the first bill received in June 2019 and apply to all usage during the billing period.

SCHEDULE 10: General Residential

- A. Availability: In all territory serviced by the city's electrical utility.
- B. Applicability: To domestic uses of electric energy by all residential customers not eligible under other rate schedules.
- C. Character of Service: Sixty hertz alternating current of such phase and voltage as the electric utility may have available.
- D. Delivery Point: The following rates are based upon the supply of service to the entire premises through a single delivery and metering point. Separate supply for the same customer at other points of consumption shall be separately metered and billed.

E. Rates:

Daily Service Charge:

Single-phase service: \$0.69/day

Multiphase service: \$0.98/day

Monthly Energy Charge: \$0.0741/kWh

- F. For electrical service supplied to residential customers qualifying as low income senior or low income disabled citizens, the service charge shall be waived and the energy charge shall be discounted 15 percent of Schedule 10. Qualifications and other information regarding low income senior or low income disabled citizens can be found in Chapter 3.29 RMC (finance).

SCHEDULE 20: Small General Service

A. Availability: In all territory served by the city's electric utility.

B. Applicability: To all nonresidential uses supplied through a single meter where anticipated monthly maximum demand does not exceed 50 kilowatts and the load is not eligible under other rate schedules.

C. Character of Service: Sixty hertz alternating current of such phase and voltage as the electric utility may have available.

D. Rates:

Daily Service Charge:

Single-phase service: \$0.86/day

Multiphase service: \$1.16/day

Monthly Energy Charge: \$0.0667/kWh

Monthly Demand Charge: No Charge

SCHEDULE 22: Medium General Service

A. Availability: In all territory served by the city's electric utility.

B. Applicability: To all nonresidential uses supplied through a single meter, where anticipated monthly maximum demand is greater than 50 kilowatts, but less than or equal to 300 kilowatts, and the load is not eligible under other rate schedules.

C. Character of Service: Sixty hertz alternating current of such phase and voltage as the electric utility may have available.

D. Rates:

Daily Service Charge:

Single-phase service: \$1.38/day

Multiphase service:	\$1.66/day
Monthly Energy Charge:	\$0.0428/kWh
Monthly Demand Charge:	\$5.17/kW

SCHEDULE 24: Large General Service

- A. Availability: In all territory served by the city's electric utility.
- B. Applicability: To all nonresidential uses supplied through a single meter, where anticipated monthly maximum demand is greater than 300 kilowatts, but less than or equal to 1,000 kilowatts, and the load is not eligible under other rate schedules.
- C. Character of Service: Sixty hertz alternating current of such phase and voltage as the electric utility may have available.

D. Rates:

Daily Service Charge:

Multiphase service:	\$2.01/day
Monthly Energy Charge:	\$0.0428/kWh
Monthly Demand Charge:	\$5.58/kW

SCHEDULE 30: Small Industrial

- A. Availability: In all territory served by the city's electric utility.
- B. Applicability: To all nonresidential uses supplied through a single meter where anticipated monthly maximum demand is greater than 1,000 kilowatts but less than or equal to 5,000 kilowatts and the load is not eligible under other rate schedules.
- C. Character of Service: Sixty hertz alternating current of such phase and voltage as the electric utility may have available.

D. Rates:

Daily Service Charge:

Multiphase service:	\$8.34/day
Monthly Energy Charge:	\$0.0428/kWh
Monthly Demand Charge:	\$5.92/kW

SCHEDULE 31: Large Industrial

- A. Availability: In all territory served by the city's electric utility.

- B. Applicability: To all nonresidential uses supplied through a single meter where anticipated monthly maximum demand is greater than 5,000 kilowatts and the load is not eligible for service under other rate schedules.
- C. Character of Service: Sixty hertz alternating current of such phase and voltage as the electric utility may have available.
- D. Rates:

Daily Service Charge:	\$8.34/day
Monthly Energy Charge:	\$0.0423/kWh
Monthly Demand Charge:	\$5.52/kW

SCHEDULE 33: Economic Development Rate

- A. Terms and conditions of negotiated rate will be by contract.
- B. Will be based upon the benefits derived from the new load and/or employment opportunities that expand the local economy.
- C. Will utilize marginal costing concept.

SCHEDULE 40: Small Irrigation 0 – 60 Horsepower

- A. Availability: In all territory served by the city’s electric utility.
- B. Applicability: To uses of electrical power on a continuous basis for seasonal agricultural irrigation pumping or agricultural drainage pumping.
- C. Character of Service: Sixty hertz alternating current of such phase and voltage as the electric utility may have available.
- D. Rates:

Monthly Energy Charge:	\$0.0650/kWh
Monthly Demand Charge:	No Charge
Annual Service Charge:	

To be billed at beginning of irrigation season.

 - (1) \$194.10 single-phase service.
 - (2) \$258.80 multiphase service.

SCHEDULE 45: Large Irrigation Over 60 Horsepower

- A. Availability: In all territory served by the city’s electric utility.
- B. Applicability: To uses of electrical power on a continuous basis for seasonal agricultural irrigation pumping or agricultural drainage pumping.

C. Character of Service: Sixty hertz alternating current of such phase and voltage as the electric utility may have available.

D. Rates:

Monthly Energy Charge: \$0.0428/kWh

Monthly Demand Charge: \$7.30/kW

Annual Service Charge:

To be billed at beginning of irrigation season.

\$0.57/horsepower all horsepower greater than 60, plus:

(1) \$194.10 single-phase service.

(2) \$258.80 multiphase service.

SCHEDULE 60: Traffic Lighting

A. Availability: In all territory served by the city's electric utility.

B. Applicability: To municipally owned traffic-regulating signal systems on public streets and highways.

C. Character of Service: Sixty hertz alternating current of such phase and voltage as the electric utility may have available.

D. Rates:

Daily Service Charge: \$0.69/day

Monthly Energy Charge: \$0.0653/kWh

SCHEDULE 90: Cable Television Amplifier/Small Cell

A. Availability: In all territory served by the city's electric utility.

B. Applicability: To owners of cable television amplifiers or small cell installed on facilities owned by the city's electric utility.

C. Character of Service: Sixty hertz alternating current of such phase and voltage as the electric utility may have available.

D. Rates:

Monthly Energy Charge: ~~\$0.0553~~ \$0.0667/kWh

SCHEDULE 100: New Large Single Load

A. Availability: In all territory served by the city's electric utility.

- B. Applicability: To new large single load customers defined in Public Law 96-501 and as such constitute electrical loads greater than or equal to 10 average megawatts during any consecutive 12-month period and which cause the utility to incur wholesale power costs in excess of normal rates.
- C. Character of Service: Sixty hertz alternating current of such phase and voltage as the electric utility may have available.
- D. Rates: Terms and conditions of negotiated rate will be by contract.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect the day following its publication in the official newspaper of the City of Richland.

Section 3. Should any section or provision of this Ordinance be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, that decision shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid.

Section 4. The City Clerk and the codifiers of this Ordinance are authorized to make necessary corrections to this Ordinance, including but not limited to the correction of scrivener's errors/clerical errors, section numbering, references, or similar mistakes of form.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Richland, Washington, at a regular meeting on the 4th day of August, 2020.



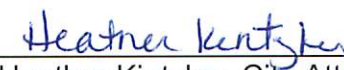
Ryan Lukson, Mayor

Attest:



Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk

Approved as to form:



Heather Kintzley, City Attorney

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