

STAFF REPORT UTILITY MEETING

AGENDA DATE: May 30, 2022

DEPARTMENT: Electric Utility

TITLE:

Resolution No. 17-2023 -- Removing the annual production limitation on individual systems and creating a two (2) tiered Program

SUMMARY:

Changes to City's Net Metering program to both allow systems of up to 100 kW-AC and remove production limits.

BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION:

City currently offers a Net Metering program as required by State Law, which by prior City Commission direction is limited to customer-owned renewable generation systems of less than 10 kW-AC (aka "Tier 1" systems).

The desired outcome as expressed by the City Commission is to not restrict Customers' systems annual production of electricity by prior year's usage, and to allow for installation of systems of up to 100 kW-AC (aka "Tier 2" systems).

At the City Commission's request, Staff has drafted modifications to the City's Net Metering Program Rules, Application, and Interconnection Agreement. Areas of further discussion and decision by the City Commission in regards to Tier 2 systems are whether to include a) insurance requirements and b) implementing an application fee. Such requirements and fees are in effect at the neighboring investor-owned utility for Tier 2 or Tier 3 systems. There are no application fees nor system insurance requirements applied under current City program rules for Tier 1 system.

MOTION:

Move to approve/disapprove Resolution No. 17-2023 -- Removing the annual production limitation on individual systems and creating a two (2) tiered Program.

ATTACHMENT(S):

Fiscal Impact Analysis -- N/A
Resolution 17-2023
Current Net Metering Program Rules
Current Net Metering Program Application
Current Interconnection Agreement
Net Metering Program Rules – Draft
Net Metering Program Application – Draft
Net Metering Interconnection Agreement – Draft
Current Net Metered Account Totals