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RESOLUTION NO. 20-2022 OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE ELECTRIC UTILITY RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR INTERCONNECTION UNDER ITS NET METERING PROGRAM TO REMOVE THE PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED 1.5% CAP ON INTERCONNECTION OF CUSTOMER-OWNED RENEWABLE GENERATION SYSTEMS AT SYSTEM PEAK; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTS AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Worth, Florida (“City”) is a duly constituted municipality having such power and authority conferred upon it by the Florida Constitution and Chapter 166, Florida Statutes;

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 366.91(6), Florida Statutes, the City is required to develop a standardized interconnection agreement and net metering program for customer-owned renewable generation;

WHEREAS, since approximately 2009, the City has developed and maintained a Net Metering program for its residential and commercial electric utility customers (“Program”);

WHEREAS, in Resolution No. 21-2019, the City Commission adopted rules and regulations for the Program (“Interconnection Rules”) requiring all existing Program participants to comply with the Interconnection Rules by August 30, 2019 which included submitting a signed interconnection agreement to the Electric Utility;

WHEREAS, in Resolution No. 46-2019, the City Commission extended the August 30 deadline to December 31, 2019 in order to give existing Program participants more time to comply with the Interconnection Rules and submit a signed interconnection agreement;

WHEREAS, under the original adopted Interconnection Rules, the City Commission adopted a cap on Program interconnections, which cap is 1.5% of system peak, due to the necessity for electric utility system stability during island operations;

WHEREAS, in Resolution No. 09-2022, the City Commission knowing the Program’s 1.5% cap was limiting participation in the Program, revised the rules to allow the cap to be waived when a customer installs a power exporting limiting device or a sufficiently sized battery energy storage system; and

WHEREAS, the Electric Utility staff have continued to review the Program’s 1.5% cap and believe that based on recent improvements to the electric utility infrastructure, the rationale for the cap has been reduced and will be further reduced with the planned addition of the second tie line to the Florida Power & Light system; and

WHEREAS, while the rationale for the Program’s 1.5% cap has not been completely eliminated, Electric Utility staff recommends removing the cap from the Program at this time; and,

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WHEREAS, the City Commission has determined that amending the Interconnection Rules as set forth herein serves a valid public purpose.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are hereby incorporated into this Resolution as true and correct statements.

Section 2. The Interconnection Rules for the City’s Net Metering Program and the interconnection agreement are amended as set forth in Exhibit “A”, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein.

Section 3. All resolutions or parts of resolutions, including without limitation resolutions 21-2019, 46-2019, and 09-2022, are hereby amended to the extent that they are in conflict with this Resolution.

Section 4. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage.

The passage of this resolution was moved by Commissioner _____, seconded by Commissioner _____, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

- Mayor Betty Resch
- Vice Mayor Herman Robinson
- Commissioner Sarah Malega
- Commissioner Christopher McVoy
- Commissioner Kimberly Stokes

The Mayor thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted on the ____ day of March 2022.

LAKE WORTH BEACH CITY COMMISSION

By: _____
Betty Resch, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa Ann Coyne, City Clerk