

## ORDINANCE \_\_\_\_\_

### AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE VII OF CHAPTER 38 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LAWRENCEVILLE, GEORGIA RELATED TO ELECTRIC UTILITY

The City Council of the City of Lawrenceville, Georgia hereby ordains that the Code of the City of Lawrenceville, Georgia shall be amended as follows:

#### Section1:

That Article VII of Chapter 38, related to Electric Utility, is hereby amended by deleting Article VII in its entirety and replacing the language to read as follows:

#### **ARTICLE VII. - ELECTRIC UTILITY**

##### **Sec. 38-201. – Distributed Generation.**

###### **(a) Applicability:**

- (1) Applicable to Customers in all areas served by the City of Lawrenceville (the City) and subject to its service rules, regulations, terms, policies and procedures, as amended from time to time, which are incorporated herein by this reference, and desiring to install a distributed generation facility. Customer account(s) must be in good standing.
- (2) A distributed generation facility must:
  - a. Be owned (or leased) and operated by an existing Customer for production of electric energy, and
  - b. Be connected to and/or operate in parallel with the City's distribution facilities, and
  - c. Be intended primarily to offset part or all of the Customer's generator's requirement for electricity, and
  - d. Have peak generating capacity of not more than 10 kW for residential applications and not more than 125% of actual or expected maximum annual peak demand of the premise for commercial applications.
  - e. Be installed on the customer side of the meter.

###### **(b) Monthly Rate:**

- (1) Residential Bi-Directional Metering Charge: For all customers with installed distributed generation (DG) equipment on the customer side of the meter, who qualify for Residential Service prior to installing DG.

	<u><b>2026</b></u>	<u><b>2027</b></u>	<u><b>2028</b></u>
Base Service Fee	\$28.00 / mo.	\$29.00 / mo.	\$30.00 / mo.

Non-summer residential rate will be charged from November – April as follows:

	<b><u>2026</u></b>	<b><u>2027</u></b>	<b><u>2028</u></b>
0-650 kWh	\$0.1242 / kWh	\$0.1326 / kWh	\$0.1414 / kWh
651-1000 kWh	\$0.1072 / kWh	\$0.1166 / kWh	\$0.1254 / kWh
> 1000 kWh	\$0.0982 / kWh	\$0.1076 / kWh	\$0.1174 / kWh

Summer residential rate will be charged from May – October as follows:

	<b><u>2026</u></b>	<b><u>2027</u></b>	<b><u>2028</u></b>
0-650 kWh	\$0.1242 / kWh	\$0.1326 / kWh	\$0.1414 / kWh
651-1000 kWh	\$0.1322 / kWh	\$0.1416 / kWh	\$0.1524 / kWh
> 1000 kWh	\$0.1642 / kWh	\$0.1756 / kWh	\$0.1894 / kWh

Bi-Directional Base Charge: \$12.00 per month

Minimum Bill: Base Service Charge per month plus Bi-Directional Metering Charge

- (2) Commercial Non-Demand: For all customers with installed distributed generation (DG) equipment on the customer side of the meter, who qualify for Commercial Non-Demand Service prior to installing DG.

	<b><u>2026</u></b>	<b><u>2027</u></b>	<b><u>2028</u></b>
Base Service Fee	\$36.00 / mo.	\$39.00 / mo.	\$42.00 / mo.
First 3,000 kWh	\$0.171 / kWh	\$0.18228 / kWh	\$0.196 / kWh
> 3,000 kWh	\$0.161 / kWh	\$0.17228 / kWh	\$0.186 / kWh

Bi-Directional Base Charge: \$17.00 per month

Minimum Bill: Base Service Charge per month plus Bi-Directional Metering Charge

- (3) Small Power: For all customers with installed distributed generation (DG) equipment on the customer side of the meter, who qualify for Small Power Service prior to installing DG.

	<b><u>2026</u></b>	<b><u>2027</u></b>	<b><u>2028</u></b>
Base Service Fee	\$45.00	\$50.00	\$55.00
Demand (Bill KW)	\$17.00	\$17.00	\$17.00
Energy			
First 200 HUD	\$0.0963	\$0.1031	\$0.111
200 – 400 HUD	\$0.0463	\$0.0531	\$0.061
>400 HUD	\$0.0363	\$0.0411	\$0.049

Bi-Directional Metering Charge: \$17.00 per month

Minimum Bill: Base Service Charge plus Demand Charge per kW Bill Demand plus Bi-Directional Metering Charge

- (4) Medium Power: For all customers with installed distributed generation (DG) equipment on the customer side of the meter, who qualify for Medium Power Service prior to installing DG.

	<b><u>2026</u></b>	<b><u>2027</u></b>	<b><u>2028</u></b>
Base Service Fee	\$74.00	\$82.00	\$90.00

Demand (Bill KW)	\$17.00	\$17.00	\$17.00
Energy			
First 200 HUD	\$0.081	\$0.0823	\$0.084
200 – 400 HUD	\$0.045	\$0.045	\$0.046
>400 HUD	\$0.035	\$0.035	\$0.036

Bi-Directional Metering Charge: \$17.00 per month

Minimum Bill: Base Service Charge plus Demand Charge per kW Bill Demand plus Bi-Directional Metering Charge

- (5) Large Power: For all customers with installed distributed generation (DG) equipment on the customer side of the meter, who qualify for Large Power Service prior to installing DG.

	<b><u>2026</u></b>	<b><u>2027</u></b>	<b><u>2028</u></b>
Base Service Fee	\$150.00	\$165.00	\$225.00
Demand (Bill KW)	\$20.00	\$21.50	\$23.00
Energy			
First 200 HUD	\$0.06143	\$0.064	\$0.068
200 – 400 HUD	\$0.03943	\$0.040	\$0.040
400 - 600 HUD	\$0.03443	\$0.032	\$0.032
> 600 HUD	\$0.03443	\$0.032	\$0.032

Bi-Directional Metering Charge: \$17.00 per month

Minimum Bill: Base Service Charge plus Demand Charge per kW Bill Demand plus Bi-Directional Metering Charge

(c) Power Cost Adjustment:

The bill calculated at the above rates will be charged the current power cost adjustment as determined by the City Manager or designee.

(d) Terms of Payment:

If the account is not paid by the due date, a late fee in the amount specified in this Code will be added to the account. Further failure to pay a bill will subject the customer to disconnection and/or disconnection charges specified in this Code.

- (e) The City will install bi-directional metering for all applicable Customers. All incremental costs for metering and associated equipment (e.g. poly-phase meters, trans-sockets, dual-gang sockets, etc.) and interconnection costs will be paid by the Customer at the time service is initiated under this policy. Additionally, Customer agrees to pay a monthly metering charge as outlined above.

- (f) Bi-directional metering is defined as measuring the amount of electricity supplied by the City and the amount fed back to the City by the Customer's distributed generation facility during the billing period using the same meter. Bi-directional metering shall be used where distributed generation facilities are connected to the City on the Customer's side of the Customer's meter.

(g) Payment for Energy:

(1) Bi-directional metering

- a. Whenever the Customer's consumption exceeds the electricity generated by the Customer's distributed generation system, that electricity is supplied by the City. All electricity supplied by the City shall be billed by the City in accordance with its tariffs plus the Incremental Service Cost.
- b. When electricity generated by the Customer's distributed generation system exceeds electricity supplied by the City, the Customer shall be billed for the customer charges as described in the standard rate for that billing period and credited for excess kWh generated during the billing period at the City's avoided energy cost.

(2) Avoided Energy Cost

- a. Payments by the City to the Customer for the billing period metered avoided energy kWh's will be computed by the City in its sole discretion based on the average monthly wholesale market price as determined by the Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia (MEAG Power), the City's Wholesale Energy provider.
- b. In the event Customer develops a credit balance during a billing period, the amount will remain as a credit on the Customer's account. Credit balances remaining at the end of the City's fiscal year will be cleared by the issuance of a check for the credit balance to Customer. Any other clearance of account credit balances will be at the City's discretion.

(h) Safety, Power Quality, and interconnection Requirements:

- (1) The Customer shall be responsible for ensuring a safe and reliable interconnection with the City and all costs incurred therein. The City has available, upon request, the following documents that must be completed and approved in their entirety prior to interconnection by the Customer to the City's distribution system:
  - a. Application for Interconnection of Distributed Generation Facility
  - b. Interconnection Agreement
  - c. Electrical Power Exchange Agreement
- (2) The provisions in all documents outlined above are incorporated into this Rider in their entirety. For the avoidance of doubt, Customer shall be deemed to have agreed to such provisions by applying for service under this Rider.

- (3) The City will only be required to purchase energy from eligible distributed generation facilities on a first-come, first-served basis until the cumulative generating capacity of all renewable energy sources from all Customers equals the percentage of the City's annual peak demand in the previous year as set forth in O.C.G.A. § 46-3-56(a). Additional energy may be purchased by the City at its sole discretion at a cost agreed to by it and the Customer provider. The City shall at no time be required to purchase energy from Customers in excess of amounts required by the Georgia Cogeneration and Distributed Generation Act of 2001.
- (4) The City reserves the right to separate the Customer generator's equipment from City lines and facilities when, in the City's judgment, the continued parallel operation is unsafe or may cause damage to persons or property. Upon such separation, the City shall promptly notify the Customer generator so that any unsafe condition can be corrected.

**Sec. 38-202. – Commercial Electrical Service.**

(a) Availability:

All qualified customers in the City of Lawrenceville's electric service area.

(b) Applicability:

Applicable to all commercial electric service, even during construction or when service is temporary and/or seasonal in nature.

(c) Monthly Rate:

- (1) Commercial Non-Demand: For all non-residential uses where the annual average monthly energy use is less than 3,000 kWh.

	<u><b>2026</b></u>	<u><b>2027</b></u>	<u><b>2028</b></u>
Service Charge	\$36.00	\$39.00	\$42.00
First 3,000 kWh	\$0.171 / kWh	\$0.18228 / kWh	\$0.196 / kWh
> 3,000 kWh	\$0.161 / kWh	\$0.17228 / kWh	\$0.186 / kWh
Minimum Bill: Base Service Charge per month			

- (2) Temporary Power: Applicable to all electric service during construction or when service is temporary and/or seasonal in nature.

	<u><b>2026</b></u>	<u><b>2027</b></u>	<u><b>2028</b></u>
Service Charge	\$36.00	\$39.00	\$42.00
All kWh	\$0.135 / kWh	\$0.14756 / kWh	\$0.16484 / kWh
Minimum Bill: Base Service Charge per month			

- (3) Commercial Small Power: For all non-residential uses where the annual average monthly energy use is greater than 3,000 kWh and where the billing demand is less than 30 kW.

	<u><b>2026</b></u>	<u><b>2027</b></u>	<u><b>2028</b></u>
Service Charge	\$41.00	\$46.00	\$50.00

Demand Charge	\$3.50 / kW	\$4.00 / kW	\$4.50 / kW
< 200 hours (x)			
the billing demand	\$0.14 / kWh	\$0.1452 / kWh	\$0.1518 / kWh
200 - 400 hours (x)			
the billing demand	\$0.088 / kWh	\$0.0932 / kWh	\$0.0998 / kWh
> 400 hours (x)			
the billing demand	\$0.078 / kWh	\$0.0858 / kWh	\$0.0858 / kWh
Minimum Bill: Base Service Charge plus Demand Charge per kW Bill Demand			

- (4) Commercial Medium Power: For all non-residential uses where the billing demand is at least 30 kW, but less than 500 kW.

	<b><u>2026</u></b>	<b><u>2027</u></b>	<b><u>2028</u></b>
Service Charge	\$64.00	\$71.00	\$75.00
Demand Charge	\$5.00 / kW	\$5.50 / kW	\$6.00 / kW
< 200 hours (x)			
the billing demand			
< 6,000 kWh	\$0.1258 / kWh	\$0.131 / kWh	\$0.1374 / kWh
> 6,000 kWh	\$0.1158 / kWh	\$0.121 / kWh	\$0.1274 / kWh
200 - 400 hours (x)			
the billing demand	\$0.0808 / kWh	\$0.086 / kWh	\$0.0924 / kWh
> 400 hours (x)			
the billing demand	\$0.0758 / kWh	\$0.081 / kWh	\$0.0844 / kWh
Minimum Bill: Base Service Charge plus Demand Charge per kW Bill Demand			

- (5) Commercial Large Power: For all non-residential uses where the billing demand is at least 500 kW.

	<b><u>2026</u></b>	<b><u>2027</u></b>	<b><u>2028</u></b>
Service Charge	\$134.00	\$155.00	\$200.00
Demand Charge	\$6.00 / kW	\$7.00 / kW	\$8.00 / kW
< 200 hours (x)			
the billing demand			
< 100,000 kWh	\$0.1024 / kWh	\$0.10424 / kWh	\$0.107433 / kWh
> 100,000 kWh	\$0.0924 / kWh	\$0.09424 / kWh	\$0.097433 / kWh
200 - 400 hours (x)			
the billing demand	\$0.0704 / kWh	\$0.07224 / kWh	\$0.075433 / kWh
400 - 600 hours (x)			
the billing demand	\$0.0664 / kWh	\$0.06824 / kWh	\$0.071403 / kWh
> 600 hours (x)			
the billing demand	\$0.0624 / kWh	\$0.06424 / kWh	\$0.067433 / kWh
Minimum Bill: Base Service Charge plus Demand Charge per kW Bill Demand			

- (6) Institutional: Non-profit hospital with a minimum of 300 beds.

	<b><u>2026</u></b>	<b><u>2027</u></b>	<b><u>2028</u></b>
Service Charge	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00

Demand Charge	\$10.00 / kW	\$10.00 / kW	\$10.00 / kW
< 200 hours (x) the billing demand			
< 100,000 kWh	\$0.0957 / kWh	\$0.0982 / kWh	\$0.10133 / kWh
> 100,000 kWh	\$0.0857 / kWh	\$0.0882 / kWh	\$0.09133 / kWh
200 - 400 hours (x) the billing demand	\$0.0637 / kWh	\$0.0662 / kWh	\$0.06933 / kWh
400 - 600 hours (x) the billing demand	\$0.0597 / kWh	\$0.0622 / kWh	\$0.06533 / kWh
> 600 hours (x) the billing demand	\$0.0557 / kWh	\$0.0582 / kWh	\$0.06133 / kWh
Minimum Bill: Base Service Charge plus Demand Charge per kW Bill Demand			

(d) Power Cost Adjustment:

The bill calculated at the above rates will be charged the current power cost adjustment as determined by the City Manager or designee.

(e) Terms of Payment:

If the account is not paid by the due date, a late fee in the amount specified in this Code will be added to the account. Further failure to pay a bill will subject the customer to disconnection and/or disconnection charges specified in this Code.

**Sec. 38-203. – Residential Electrical Service.**

(a) Availability:

All qualified customers in the City of Lawrenceville's electric service area.

(b) Applicability:

Applicable to all domestic uses of a residential customer in a separately metered single-family or multifamily dwelling unit.

(c) Monthly Rate:

(1) Monthly service charge (base service charge) as follows:

<b><u>2026</u></b>	<b><u>2027</u></b>	<b><u>2028</u></b>
\$27.00	\$28.00	\$29.00

(2) Non-summer residential rate will be charged from November – April as follows:

	<b><u>2026</u></b>	<b><u>2027</u></b>	<b><u>2028</u></b>
0-650 kWh	\$0.1242 / kWh	\$0.1326 / kWh	\$0.1414 / kWh
651-1000 kWh	\$0.1072 / kWh	\$0.1166 / kWh	\$0.1254 / kWh
> 1000 kWh	\$0.0982 / kWh	\$0.1076 / kWh	\$0.1174 / kWh

(3) Summer residential rate will be charged from May – October as follows:

	<b><u>2026</u></b>	<b><u>2027</u></b>	<b><u>2028</u></b>
0-650 kWh	\$0.1242 / kWh	\$0.1326 / kWh	\$0.1414 / kWh
651-1000 kWh	\$0.1322 / kWh	\$0.1416 / kWh	\$0.1524 / kWh
> 1000 kWh	\$0.1642 / kWh	\$0.1756 / kWh	\$0.1894 / kWh

(d) Power Cost Adjustment:

The bill calculated at the above rates will be charged the current power cost adjustment as determined by the City Manager or designee.

(e) Terms of Payment:

If the account is not paid by the due date, a late fee in the amount specified in this Code will be added to the account. Further failure to pay a bill will subject the customer to disconnection and/or disconnection charges specified in this Code.

(f) Senior Discount:

Persons age 65 years of age or older may request a discount. To qualify for the discount the customer must:

1. Have a total household income at or below 150% of the current year's federal poverty guidelines;
2. Have a residential City of Lawrenceville Electric account for a primary residence in the customer's name
3. Have electric service from a single meter that is wired for individual use
4. Complete a senior / low-income discount application form.

#### **Sec. 38-204 - Security Light Rates and Fees for Installation and Replacement.**

(a) The City Manager or Designee will determine the lighting fixtures that are in each category:

	<b><u>2026</u></b>	<b><u>2027</u></b>	<b><u>2028</u></b>
Category 1	\$10.52	\$11.07	\$11.70
Category 2	\$13.68	\$14.39	\$15.21
Category 3	\$16.83	\$17.71	\$18.71
Category 4	\$25.25	\$26.56	\$28.07
Category 5	\$29.46	\$30.99	\$32.75
Category 6	\$31.56	\$33.20	\$35.09
Category 7	\$42.08	\$44.27	\$46.78



(b) Installation and replacement fees shall be based on the cost of fixtures, labor, benefits, and outside contracts necessary to install or replace the security light.

**Sec. 38-205 -- 38-219. - Reserved.**

Section 2:

All ordinances, regulations, or parts of the same in conflict with this ordinance are hereby rescinded to the extent of said conflict and only to the extent of said conflict.

Section 3:

If any section, article, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or word in this ordinance, or application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid or unconstitutional by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance; and the City Council hereby declares it would have passed such remaining portions of the ordinance despite such invalidity, which remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4:

This ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption by the City Council.

**IT IS SO ORDAINED**, this 31<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2025.

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David Still, Mayor

Attest:

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Karen Pierce, City Clerk