

ORDINANCE 12-19-22-1  
*Amending*  
ORDINANCE 11-06-17-1

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hartford, Alabama, has prior to this time established rates for electrical services to the residential, commercial, and industrial customers for the City of Hartford and it is determined by the City Council that said rates are not in keeping with the cost of providing service for its customers;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Hartford, Alabama, as follows:

***SECTION 1. RATES; BILLING DATES; TYPES OF SERVICE.***

**A. General Rules and Regulations:**

1. *Payment:* Bills for service rendered hereunder are payable within ten (10) days from due date and, if not paid within such period become delinquent and subject to a delinquent charge as determined by the City Council.
2. *Tax:* Bills calculated under the following rates shall be increased to offset any additional charges, such as sales taxes, levied by State or Federal authorities
3. *Purchase Power Adjustment:* The current monthly bill, as calculated may be increased by a power cost adjustment factor, based on the need for fluctuations of wholesale and transmission cost as here in provided.
4. *Underground Service:* When requested by a consumer, the City will provide a secondary underground service, provided suitable conditions exist. For a secondary underground service, the consumer will pay \$8.00 per foot in advance for installation. For a single phase, primary underground service, the cost will be \$7.00 per foot paid in advance of the installation plus half the cost of the transformer. For a three phase, primary underground service, the cost will be \$21.00 per foot paid in advance of installation plus half the cost of the transformer. The consumer will mount the meter base on the building at the point of service. This cost may be adjusted for fluctuations of material supplies and products necessary for maintaining proper installation practices.
5. *Extension of Overhead Service:* Consumer requesting service must have clear title to land that electric service is requested on and an agreeable Right-Of-Way easement must be obtainable.

For single phase primary service, construction cost will be calculated at the first 300 feet at no cost and \$2.00 per foot after 300 feet.

The cost for three phase service will be figured by the City on each consumer request.

Right-of-Way clearing will be accomplished by requesting consumer or added to the above charge.

**B. Rates for Electrical Service:**

1. *Code 21 Residential Electrical Service:*

- a. Availability: Available in all areas served by the City-owned electric system.
- b. Applicability: Applicable to service for domestic uses in single private residences and individual family apartments. Service to more than one premise shall not be combined nor shall it be resold or shared with others.
- c. Character of Service: Single phase service at approximately 120 or 120/240 volts.
- d. Monthly Rate:  
\$10.25 customer charge; plus 14.50 cents per kWh for all kWh; plus tax.
- e. Minimum Bill: No monthly bill shall be less than \$10.25 plus applicable taxes.

2. *Code 22 Commercial Service Rate:*

- a. Available in all areas served by the City-owned electric system
- b. Applicability: Applicable for non-residential lighting or power service when the maximum rate of use of electric energy is less than 2,000 kWh per month. Service to more than one premise shall not be combined nor shall it be resold or shared with others.
- c. Rules for Continued Applicability: Any usage, under normal operating conditions, which exceeds 2000 kWh in any month, will require a review by the City's electric superintendent, or his designated representative, to determine the future applicability of this rate.
- d. Character of Service: Single or three phase service at the nominal secondary voltage.
- e. Monthly Rate:  
\$11.95 customer charge; plus 16.40 cents per kWh for all kWh; plus tax.
- f. Minimum Bill: No monthly bill shall be less than \$11.95 plus applicable taxes.
- g. Term of Contract: Service under this rate shall be for a period of not less than one (1) year and thereafter until terminated by either party.

3. *Code 23 Commercial/Power with Demand:*

- a. Availability: Available in all areas served by the City-owned electrical system.
- b. Applicability: Applicable for lighting, power and miscellaneous electric service where the maximum 15 minute integrated demand exceeds 5 kW. Service to more than one premise shall not be combined nor shall it be resold or shared with others.
- c. Character of Service: Single or three phase service at the nominal secondary voltage or at the available primary distribution voltage.
- d. Monthly Rate:  
Demand Charge:  
\$3.90 per kW for all billing capacity; plus  
Energy Charge:  
15.10 cents per kWh for the first 1500 kWh; plus,  
14.40 cents per kWh for the next 3500 kWh; plus,

- 13.70 cents per kWh for all over 5000 kWh; plus taxes.
- e. Minimum Bill: No monthly bill shall be less than \$3.90 per kW of capacity requirements plus applicable taxes; however, in no case will billing be rendered for less than 5 kW.
  - f. Term of Contract: Service under this rate shall be for a period of not less than one (1) year and thereafter until terminated by either party.
4. *Code 24 Industrial Electric Service:*
- a. Availability: Available in all areas served by the City-owned electric system.
  - b. Applicability: Applicable for lighting, power and miscellaneous electric service to industries where the maximum fifteen (15) minute integrated demand is 100 kW or more and the entire electrical requirements of the consumer are furnished by the City. Service to more than one premise shall not be combined nor shall it be resold or shared with others.
  - c. Character of Service: Single or three phase service at the nominal secondary voltage or at the available primary distribution voltage. Any consumer receiving service at two different voltages will be considered as two separate consumers. The City will specify type metering to be installed.
  - f. Monthly Rate:  
Demand Charge:  
\$5.05 per kW of billing capacity; plus,  
Energy Charge:  
13.60 cents per kWh for all kWh; plus taxes.
  - g. Determination of Billing Capacity: The monthly billing capacity shall be the measured integrated fifteen (15) minute capacity during each billing period of approximately thirty (30) days, measured in kW; provided, however, that such capacity shall be taken at not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the measured maximum capacity requirements established during any of the eleven (11) months preceding the billing period.
  - h. Minimum Bill: No monthly bill will be rendered for less than the charge for capacity plus applicable however, in no case will billing be rendered for less than 75 kW
  - i. Term of Contract: Service under this rate shall be for a period of not less than one (1) year and thereafter until terminated by ninety (90) days written notice by either party to the other.
5. *Code 25 Service to Schools:*
- a. Applicability: Available for lighting, power and miscellaneous electric service for both public and private primary and secondary schools where the electric requirements are supplied through one meter.
  - b. Monthly Rate:  
Demand Charge:  
\$5.04 per kW billing capacity; plus  
Energy Charge:

For the first 250 kWh per kW of billing capacity:

11.65 cents per kWh for all kWh; plus,

For all over 250 kWh per kW of billing capacity:

9.45 cents per kWh for all kWh; plus.

- c. Minimum Bill: No monthly bill shall be less than the charge for capacity requirements plus applicable PPA and taxes.

6. *Code 26 Miscellaneous Electric Service:*

- a. Availability: Applicable to non-residential lighting or power service to all churches for electricity used in their places of worship or assembly. This rate shall not be applicable where any part of the premises is used for business or other non-religious purpose and not used for religious purposes on a regular basis.

- b. Monthly Rate:

14.40 cents per kWh for all energy used; plus taxes.

- c. Minimum Bill:

No monthly bill shall be less than \$8.50 plus applicable taxes.

- d. Term of Contract:

Service under this rate shall be for a period of not less than one (1) year and thereafter until terminated by either party.

7. *Code 29 Cable Television Operations:*

- a. Availability: Available in all areas served by the City-owned electrical system.

- b. Monthly Rate:

\$479.75 per month; plus taxes.

8. *Code 30 Peanut Drying Operations:*

- a. Availability: Available in all areas served by the City-owned electric system.

- b. Applicability: Applicable for lighting, power and miscellaneous electric service where the maximum fifteen (15) minute integrated demand is 5 kW or more and the entire electrical requirements of the consumer are furnished by the City. This service is applicable to seasonal peanut drying operations. Service to more than one premise shall not be combined nor shall it be resold or shared with others. The City will not be required to furnish additional electrical facilities, at its expense, for the provision of electric service under this rate schedule.

- c. Character of Service: Single or three phase service at the nominal secondary voltage or at the available primary distribution voltage.

- d. Monthly Rate:

27.95 cents per kWh for the first 40 kWh per kW; plus

8.95 cents per kWh for all over 40 kWh per kW.

- e. Minimum Bill: No monthly bill shall be less than \$22.50 plus applicable PPA and taxes.

- f. Additional Charges: A fee of \$75.00 shall be charged whenever service is established or terminated under this rate schedule. This fee will be in addition to any charges applicable under either the monthly rate or minimum bill provisions.

9. *Code 31 Cotton Gin Operations:*

- a. Availability: Available in all areas served by the City-owned electric system.
- b. Applicability: Applicable for lighting, power and miscellaneous electric service where the maximum fifteen (15) minute integrated demand is 100 kW or more and the entire electrical requirements of the consumer are furnished by the City. This service is applicable to seasonal cotton ginning operations. Service to more than one premise shall not be combined nor shall it be resold or shared with others. The City will not be required to furnish additional electrical facilities, at its expense, for the provision of electric service under this rate schedule.
- c. Character of Service: Single or three phase service at the nominal secondary voltage or at the available primary distribution voltage.
- d. Monthly Rate: 21.4976 cents per kWh for the first 50 kWh per kW; plus 9.5576 cents per kWh for all over 50 kWh per kW.
- e. Minimum Bill: No monthly bill shall be less than \$24.50 plus applicable PPA and taxes.
- f. Additional Charges: A fee of \$100.00 shall be charged whenever service is established or terminated under this rate schedule. This fee will be in addition to any charges applicable under either the monthly rate or minimum bill provisions.

***SECTION 2. SECURITY LIGHTS.***

**A. General Rules and Regulations:**

- 1. The City of Hartford Utility Department will install, connect and provide electric power to a security or yard light unit for city customers subject to the following:
  - a. Customer shall provide a suitable and practical location for unit installation.
  - b. Customer shall permit access to the light unit and permit tree trimming as the City deems necessary for service.
  - c. The City will maintain the unit and replace one (1) lamp per each two (2) year operating period at no charge. Maintenance will be done during regular working hours.
  - d. Customer agrees to protect the unit from damage so far as possible.
- 2. Payment: The billing charges for the security light are subject to the same provisions and conditions as other utility services. The light unit, conductor and pole may be removed by the City for non payment.

**B. Rates for Security Lights.**

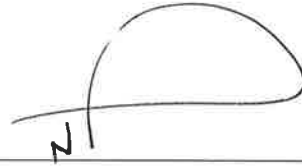
- 1. 50 Watt LED, High Pressure Sodium, or Mercury Vapor; Installation without pole \$120.00; Installation with pole \$210.00:
  - a. Monthly Rate: \$10.00 per month; plus applicable taxes.
  - b. Term of Contract: Service shall be for a period of not less than twelve (12) months and thereafter until terminated by either party.
- 2. 175 Watt LED; High Pressure Sodium, or Mercury Vapor, Installation without pole \$460.00; Installation with pole \$550.00:
  - a. Monthly Rate: \$22.00 per month; plus applicable taxes.

- b. Term of Contract: Service shall be for a period of not less than twelve (12) months and thereafter until terminated by either party.

**POWER PURCHASE ADJUSTMENT** The Council may implement a surcharge to collect the actual cost of power purchased by adjusting the price of electricity to reflect fluctuations in wholesale power, fuel and/or transmission cost of purchased power used to supply electricity. The Power Purchase Adjustment (PPA) shall be a line item included in your monthly electric bill and use when needed to adjust for increases or decreases in wholesale power and transmission cost.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that any Ordinance or Resolution in conflict herewith is hereby amended to comply with the terms hereof and the provisions of this Ordinance shall become effective as provided by law after passage, approval and publication.

Adopted and approved this the 19 day of December, 2022



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Mayor

Attest:

Leah Jensen  
City Clerk



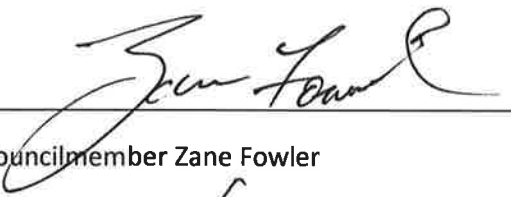
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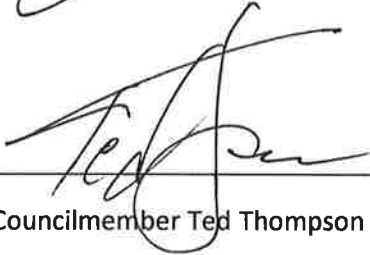
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