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Florida Public Service Commission  
Adam Teitzman, Commission Clerk  
Office of the Commission Clerk  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

***Re: City of Fort Meade, Florida, Revised and Original Tariff Sheets***

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

This letter is submitted on behalf of the City of Fort Meade, Florida, pursuant to Rules 25-9.05 through 25-9.071 of the *Florida Administrative Code*.

Filed in legislative and filing formats are revisions to the following Fort Meade tariff sheets:

- a) First Revised Sheet No. 3.100 – *Rate Schedule BA-1 Billing Adjustments*;
- b) First Revised Sheet No. 3.101 – *Rate Schedule BA-1 Billing Adjustments*;
- d) Original Sheet No. 3.102 – *Rate Schedule BA-1 Billing Adjustments (Cont'd)*;
- e) Original Sheet No. 3.103 – *Rate Schedule BA-1 Billing Adjustments (Cont'd)*;
- f) Original Sheet No. 3.104 – *Rate Schedule BA-1 Billing Adjustments (Cont'd)*;
- g) First Revised Sheet No. 3.301 – *Rate Schedule RS-1, Residential Service*;
- h) First Revised Sheet No. 3.400 – *Rate Schedule GS-1, General Service – Non-Demand*;
- (i) First Revised Sheet No. 3.401 – *Rate Schedule GS-1, General Service – Non-Demand*;
- j) First Revised Sheet No. 3.500 – *Rate Schedule GSD-1 – General Service-Demand*;
- k) First Revised Sheet No. 3.600 – *Rate Schedule LS-1 – Outdoor Lighting Service*.

Also included is a copy of the city's Ordinance Number 2025-04 approving the revisions.

Please contact our office if there are any questions.

Very truly yours,

/s/

Jody Lamar Finklea  
General Counsel and Chief Legal Officer

**RATE SCHEDULE BA-1  
BILLING ADJUSTMENTS**

**Applicable:**

To the ~~R~~rate per ~~M~~month provision in each of the ~~C~~city's rate classifications.

**Fuel Adjustment FactorPower Cost Adjustment; rate stabilization fund.**

~~The energy charge for all rate classes shall be increased or decreased monthly by an amount per kilowatt hour (kwh) to reflect any increase or decrease in the purchase cost of bulk power to the City. The City hereby authorizes the City Manager to adjust the monthly purchase power / fuel adjustment with the following objective: a) the fund must be a positive number at the end of the fiscal year, and b) the fund balance will be adjusted to maintain the fund at the original level at the end of the next twelve months. To calculate this monthly adjustment, the City Manager shall (i) calculate the net difference between budgeted sales and actual sales revenue, (ii) calculate the net difference between budgeted purchase cost and the actual purchase cost, (iii) add (i) and (ii) together to determine the total differential between purchases and sales. Then, to calculate the actual adjustment, the City Manager shall divide the differential by the projected total kwh sales for the next twelve months, project the revenue from the calculated adjustment for each of the next twelve months, and compare the cash flow to insure that the Rate Stabilization Fund stays positive and returns to the base figure of \$200,000 by the end of the twelve months. As long as the Rate Stabilization Fund remains positive throughout the next twelve month period, the City Manager may decide to forego the implementation of the change in the applied rate. If the cash flow projections appear to allow the Rate Stabilization Fund to go negative for any month during the next twelve month period, then the purchase power / fuel adjustment used for billing must be adjusted to recover the shortfall.~~

**Power cost adjustment; rate stabilization fund.**

(A) Rate stabilization fund. An amount held by the city in the electric revenue fund established by subsection (14) of Section 24-155 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Fort Meade, Florida, which shall be used as hereby directed by the city manager to offset increases in the cost of bulk power to the city (the "rate stabilization fund adjustment" or "RSFA") or for other lawful electric utility purposes, including, but not limited to, expansions, renewals and replacement of electric utility facilities. The city manager shall endeavor to maintain the average balance of rate stabilization fund over a rolling twelve-month basis at approximately one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000.00). The

maximum amount that may be maintained at any month end in the rate stabilization fund is two hundred forty thousand dollars (\$240,000), and the rate stabilization fund must always be maintained to have a balance of at least eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000). The rate stabilization fund adjustment, if any, shall be included in the calculation of the bulk power cost adjustment in accordance with the provisions in subsection (B) of this section.

**(B) Bulk power cost adjustment.**

1. **Determined by city.** The power cost adjustment (the "PCA" as defined below) will be determined each month by the city manager in accord with this subsection (B). The PCA is designed to recover the cost of bulk power supply and related expenses actually incurred by the city to provide electric service to its customers. Bulk power supply and related expenses include the following:

(i) Cost of power purchased from any bulk power supplier for use in the city's electric system.

(ii) The cost of transmission services to deliver bulk power to the city's substations.

(iii) The cost of any equipment owned or leased by the city to generate power.

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**RATE SCHEDULE BA-1  
BILLING ADJUSTMENTS**

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**Municipal Tax.**

~~A municipal tax is applied to the charge for electric service provided to customers within the jurisdictional limits of the City. The City has established a tax rate of ten percent.~~

**Sales Tax.**

~~A state sales tax is applied to the charge for electric service provided to all non-residential customers and equipment rental provided to all customers (unless a qualified sales tax exemption status is on record with the City). The State sales tax shall be determined in accordance with the State's sales tax laws. The amount collected by the City shall be remitted to the State in the manner required by law. Orange County Florida has imposed a County Discretionary Sales Surtax and such tax shall be applied and paid in a like manner.~~

**Establishment of Service.**

~~Charges for the establishment or re-establishment of service shall be in accordance with Rate Schedule SC-1, Service Charges herein and the City's General Rules and Regulations Governing Electric Service.~~

**Returned Check Charge.**

~~Service charges for each check dishonored by the bank upon which it is drawn shall be in accordance with SC-1, Service Charges herein.~~

(iv) The cost of operation including fuel and maintenance of city-owned or city-operated power generating equipment.

(v) Other costs directly related to securing bulk power supply for the city, such as professional services to issue, evaluate, and negotiate bulk power supply contracts, and regulatory fees associated with bulk power supply.

(vi) All capital costs of any capital project with the primary purpose of reducing the cost of bulk power supply and related expenses. Capital costs include such cost of capital projects such as generation equipment to supply

supply a portion of the city's requirements, capacitors to reduce bulk power losses, distribution transformer change-outs to reduce losses and SCADA equipment to improve monitoring of bulk power demand. The outlays for capital projects with a cost exceeding seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00) shall be annualized based on the expected economic life of the capital project. The outlays for capital projects costing less than seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00) shall be recovered within the next twelve (12) months.

**2. Under/Over recovery.** If the PCA under recovers the actual costs of bulk power supply and related expenses, the city manager will increase the PCA to collect the under recovery. If the PCA over collects actual costs of bulk power supply and related expenses, the city manager will decrease the PCA to credit back to customers the over recovery. In order to stabilize fluctuations in the PCA, the city manager may determine to phase in such increases or decreases over time. In no case, however, will cumulative under or over collections be allowed to exceed ten percent (10%) of the fiscal year's annual adopted bulk power supply budget without appropriate adjustments to the PCA. All over recovered funds remaining at the end of a fiscal year would be carried over to the subsequent fiscal year to be applied to the PCA calculation for future months.

(Continued on Sheet No. 3.102)

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~~January 1, 2009~~ May 1, 2025

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**3. Calculation of the PCA.** The power cost adjustment is the difference between the bulk power costs of the city and the city's bulk power cost base (all stated in cost per kWh) as determined monthly. The formula for the calculation of the power cost adjustment per kWh is as follows:

$$PCA = \frac{BPC \pm BPCT \pm RSFA}{kWh \text{ purchased} \times (1 - L)} - PCB$$

**4. Definitions.** The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this section (5), shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this sub-subsection, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

**Power cost adjustment (PCA)** means the difference between the adjusted bulk power cost and the power cost base, stated in cost per kilowatt-hour, as determined by the above calculation. This is also referred to as the "purchase power/fuel adjustment" in this section 24-155.

**Bulk power cost (BPC)** means all bulk power supply and related expenses during the calculation period.

**Bulk power cost true-up (BPCT)** means the difference between the bulk power cost actually incurred and the bulk power cost recovered through the power cost base and the power cost adjustment that may be deposited in or removed from a true-up account, as applicable. The BPCT is that portion of the true-up account to be recovered from or returned to customers through the calculated PCA.

**Rate stabilization fund adjustment (RSFA)** means funds to offset sudden and/or temporary changes in the bulk power cost that may be deposited in or removed from a rate stabilization fund, as applicable. The RSFA is that portion of the rate stabilization fund to be recovered from or returned to customers through the calculated PCA.

**System loss factor (L)** means the per kWh loss factor applied to adjust the bulk power unit cost from a basis of cost per kilowatt-hour of purchases to a basis of cost per kilowatt-hour of sales.

**Power cost base (PCB)** means the bulk power-related cost that is embedded within the base retail rates, stated in cost per kilowatt-hour. The energy charge includes a power cost base of \$0.090 per kWh in the base rates.

(Continued on Sheet No. 3.103)



**(C) PCA Monitoring; Power cost base updates.** Each quarter the city manager shall report the status of the PCA collection and the rate stabilization fund balance to the city commission as an information item. For so long as the city is purchasing its bulk power supply from a joint action agency, the city manager shall report the projected joint action agency rates for the related bulk power costs within two months after the joint action agency annual budget for the following fiscal year is approved to inform the city commission on the PCB's alignment, or not, with the joint action agency budgeted and projected rates.

**Gross Receipts Tax Factor.**

In accordance with Section 203.01 of the Florida Statutes, a factor of two point five six four percent (2.5641%) is applicable to electric sales charges for collection of the state gross receipts tax.

**Franchise Fee Equivalent.**

A Franchise Fee Equivalent is applied to the charges for electric service (exclusive of any municipal, county, or state sales tax) provided to customers within the jurisdictional limits of the city. The franchise fee equivalent is added to the charges for electric service prior to the application of any appropriate taxes. The city has established the franchise fee equivalent at six percent (6%).

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A municipal tax is applied to the charge for electric service provided to customers within the jurisdictional limits of the city. The city has established a tax rate of ten percent (10%).

**Sales Tax.**

A state sales tax is applied to the charge for electric service provided to all non-residential customers and equipment rental provided to all customers (unless a qualified sales tax exemption status is on record with the city). The state sales tax shall be determined in accordance with the state's sales tax laws. The amount collected by the city shall be remitted to the state in the manner required by law. Orange County Florida has imposed a County Discretionary Sales Surtax, and such tax shall be applied and paid in a like manner.

(Continued on Sheet No. 3.104)

**Establishment of Service.**

Charges for the establishment or re-establishment of service shall be in accordance with Rate Schedule SC-1, Service Charges herein and the City's General Rules and Regulations Governing Electric Service.

**Returned Check Charge.**

Service charges for each check dishonored by the bank upon which it is drawn shall be in accordance with SC-1, Service Charges herein.



**RATE SCHEDULE RS – 1****RESIDENTIAL SERVICE**~~(Continued from Page No. 1)~~**Limitation of service:**

Standby or resale service is not permitted hereunder. Service under this rate is subject to the ~~C~~city's Electric Service Policies.

**Rate Per Month:**

Customer charge: \$12.96

Energy and Demand Charges: \$0.123 per kWh (First 1,000 kWh)

All kWh above 1,000 kWh \$0.133 per kWh

~~Non-Fuel Energy Charges:~~

~~All kWh \$7.660 cents per kWh~~

**Additional Charges**

~~Fuel Adjustment Factor~~Bulk Power Cost Adjustment:

See

Sheet No. 3.100

Gross Receipts Tax Factor: See Sheet No. 3.1003

Franchise Fee Equivalent: See Sheet No. 3.1003

Municipal Tax: See Sheet No. 3.1043

Sales Tax See Sheet No. 3.1043

**Minimum Monthly Bill:**

The Minimum Monthly Bill shall be the Customer Charge.

**Terms of Payment:**

Bills rendered hereunder are payable within the time limit specified on bill at ~~C~~city-designated locations.

**Term of Service:**

From billing period to billing period, until receipt of notice by the ~~C~~city from the ~~C~~customer to disconnect, or upon disconnect by the ~~C~~city under Florida Public Service Commission Rules or City Electric Service Policies.

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~~2009~~May 1, 2025

Fort Meade, Florida  
3.400

~~Original~~First Revised Sheet No.

Canceling Original Sheet No. 3.400

**RATE SCHEDULE GS-1  
GENERAL SERVICE – NON-DEMAND**

**Availability:**

Available throughout the entire territory served by the ~~C~~city.

**Applicable:**

To any customer, other than residential, for light and power purposes for which no other rate schedule is specifically applicable.

**Character of Service:**

Continuous service, alternating current, 60 cycle, single-phase or three-phase, at the ~~C~~city's standard distribution voltage available.

**Limitation of Service:**

Standby or resale service is not permitted hereunder. Service under this rate is subject to the ~~C~~city's currently effective Electric Service Policies.

**Rate Per Month:**

Customer Charge: \$17.28

~~Energy and Demand Charges:~~

Non-Fuel Charge: ~~9.060-cents~~\$0.132 per kWh

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**RATE SCHEDULE GS-1  
GENERAL SERVICE, NON-DEMAND**

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**Additional Charges:**

~~Fuel Adjustment Factor~~Bulk Power Cost Adjustment: See

Sheet No. 3.100

Gross Receipts Tax Factor: See Sheet No. 3.1003Franchise Fee Equivalent: See Sheet No. 3.1003Municipal Tax: See Sheet No. 3.1013Sales Tax: See Sheet No. 3.1013**Minimum Monthly Bill:**

The minimum monthly bill shall be the Customer Charge, plus Fifty Cents (\$.50) per horsepower connected load above six (6) horsepower plus other applicable charges covered by ordinance, state statutes and federal laws. The above rates are based upon the service to the premises through a single delivery and metering point and at a single voltage. Separate supply for the same customer at other points of consumption, or at a different voltage, shall be separately metered and billed. Where special equipment to service the ~~C~~customer is required, or at a different voltage, shall be separately metered and billed. Where special equipment to serve the ~~C~~customer is required, the ~~C~~city may require a specified minimum charge.

**Terms of Payment:**

Bills rendered hereunder are payable within the time limit specified on bill at ~~C~~city-designated locations.

**Term of Service:**

Service under this rate shall be for a minimum initial term of twelve (12) months from commencement of service and shall continue thereafter until receipt of notice by the ~~C~~city from the ~~C~~customer to disconnect, or upon disconnect by the ~~C~~city under Florida Public Service Commission rules or City Electric Service Policies.

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**RATE SCHEDULE GSD-1  
GENERAL SERVICE – DEMAND**

**Availability:**

Available throughout the entire territory served by the ~~C~~city.

**Applicable:**

General service demand shall be applied to all customers where the average monthly use is 20,000 kWh or greater. A general service customer qualified for this rate upon consumption of 20,000 kWh during a monthly billing cycle, subsequent billing shall be at the General Service Rate without Demand after one year of average consumption less than 20,000 kWh. At the utility's option, energy may be metered at secondary voltage.

**Character of Service:**

Continuous service, alternating current, 60 cycle, single-phase or three-phase, at the ~~C~~city's standard distribution voltage available.

**Limitation of Service:**

Standby or resale service not permitted hereunder. Service under this rate is subject to the ~~C~~city's currently effective Electric Service Policies.

**Rate Per Month:**

Customer Charge:	\$42.00
Demand Charge:	\$ 9.42 per kW
Energy Charge:	
Non-Fuel Energy Charge:	<del>5.360 cents</del> <u>\$0.0950</u> per kWh

**Determination of Billing Demand:**

The billing demand shall be the maximum 30-minute kW demand established during the current billing period.

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## RATE SCHEDULE LS-1 OUTDOOR LIGHTING SERVICE

**Availability:**

Available throughout the entire territory served by the ~~C~~city.

**Applicable:**

To any customer, for the sole purpose of lighting roadways or other outdoors land use areas served from either the ~~C~~city or ~~C~~customer owned fixtures of the type available under this rate schedule.

**Character of Service:**

The ~~C~~city furnishes, installs and maintains all the materials, poles, fixtures, and lights on a non-metered electric service for a monthly rental service fee which is then included on the customer monthly electric service billing.

**Limitation of Service:**

Availability of certain fixture or pole types at a location may be restricted due to accessibility.

Standby or resale service is not permitted hereunder. Service under this rate is subject to the ~~C~~city's currently effective "Electric Service Policies."

**Rate:**

<u>Fixture Size</u>	<u>kWh</u>	<u>Basic Rate</u>
<del>100 Watt high-pressure sodium vapor light</del>	<del>46</del>	<del>\$ 8.75</del>
<del>250 Watt high-pressure sodium vapor lights</del>	<del>86</del>	<del>\$17.50</del>
<del>400 Watt high-pressure sodium vapor light</del>	<del>152</del>	<del>\$25.00</del>
<del>1000 Watt high-pressure sodium vapor light</del>	<del>314</del>	<del>\$46.75</del>

<u>LED LIGHT</u>	<u>kWh</u>	<u>Energy Charge</u>
<u>-30 k LED</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>\$12.00</u>
<u>-50k LED</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>\$17.50</u>
<u>-150k LED</u>	<u>152</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>
<u>Power Cost Adjustment (PCA)</u>	<u>Sheet 3.100</u>	

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**RATE SCHEDULE BA-1  
BILLING ADJUSTMENTS**

**Applicable:**

To the rate per month provision in each of the city's rate classifications.

**Power Cost Adjustment; rate stabilization fund.**

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**RATE SCHEDULE BA-1  
BILLING ADJUSTMENTS**

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(Continued on Sheet No. 3.104)

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**Returned Check Charge.**

Service charges for each check dishonored by the bank upon which it is drawn shall be in accordance with SC-1, Service Charges herein.

**RATE SCHEDULE RS – 1  
RESIDENTIAL SERVICE**

**Limitation of service:**

Standby or resale service is not permitted hereunder. Service under this rate is subject to the city's Electric Service Policies.

**Rate Per Month:**

Customer charge:	\$12.96
Energy and Demand Charges:	\$0.123 per kWh (First 1,000 kWh)
All kWh above 1,000 kWh	\$0.133 per kWh
Additional Charges	
Bulk Power Cost Adjustment:	See Sheet No. 3.100
Gross Receipts Tax Factor:	See Sheet No. 3.103
Franchise Fee Equivalent:	See Sheet No. 3.103
Municipal Tax:	See Sheet No. 3.103
Sales Tax	See Sheet No. 3.103

**Minimum Monthly Bill:**

The Minimum Monthly Bill shall be the Customer Charge.

**Terms of Payment:**

Bills rendered hereunder are payable within the time limit specified on bill at city-designated locations.

**Term of Service:**

From billing period to billing period, until receipt of notice by the city from the customer to disconnect, or upon disconnect by the city under Florida Public Service Commission Rules or City Electric Service Policies.

**Fort Meade, Florida**

**First Revised Sheet No. 3.400  
Canceling Original Sheet No. 3.400**

**RATE SCHEDULE GS-1  
GENERAL SERVICE – NON-DEMAND**

**Availability:**

Available throughout the entire territory served by the city.

**Applicable:**

To any customer, other than residential, for light and power purposes for which no other rate schedule is specifically applicable.

**Character of Service:**

Continuous service, alternating current, 60 cycle, single-phase or three-phase, at the city's standard distribution voltage available.

**Limitation of Service:**

Standby or resale service is not permitted hereunder. Service under this rate is subject to the city's currently effective Electric Service Policies.

**Rate Per Month:**

Customer Charge:	\$17.28
Energy and Demand Charges:	
Non-Fuel Charge:	\$0.132 per kWh

(Continued on Sheet 3.401)

Issued By: Alis Drumgo, Interim City Manager

Effective Date: May 1, 2025



**RATE SCHEDULE GS-1  
GENERAL SERVICE – NON-DEMAND**

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To any customer, other than residential, for light and power purposes for which no other rate schedule is specifically applicable.

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Continuous service, alternating current, 60 cycle, single-phase or three-phase, at the city's standard distribution voltage available.

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**Rate Per Month:**

Customer Charge:	\$17.28
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(Continued on Sheet 3.401)

**RATE SCHEDULE GS-1**  
**GENERAL SERVICE, NON-DEMAND**

**Additional Charges:**

Bulk Power Cost Adjustment:	See Sheet No. 3.100
Gross Receipts Tax Factor:	See Sheet No. 3.103
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Sales Tax:	See Sheet No. 3.103

**Minimum Monthly Bill:**

The minimum monthly bill shall be the Customer Charge, plus Fifty Cents (\$.50) per horsepower connected load above six (6) horsepower plus other applicable charges covered by ordinance, state statutes and federal laws. The above rates are based upon the service to the premises through a single delivery and metering point and at a single voltage. Separate supply for the same customer at other points of consumption, or at a different voltage, shall be separately metered and billed. Where special equipment to service the customer is required, or at a different voltage, shall be separately metered and billed. Where special equipment to serve the customer is required, the city may require a specified minimum charge.

**Terms of Payment:**

Bills rendered hereunder are payable within the time limit specified on bill at city-designated locations.

**Term of Service:**

Service under this rate shall be for a minimum initial term of twelve (12) months from commencement of service and shall continue thereafter until receipt of notice by the city from the customer to disconnect, or upon disconnect by the city under Florida Public Service Commission rules or City Electric Service Policies.

(Continued on Sheet No. 3.402)

**RATE SCHEDULE GSD-1  
GENERAL SERVICE – DEMAND**

**Availability:**

Available throughout the entire territory served by the city.

**Applicable:**

General service demand shall be applied to all customers where the average monthly use is 20,000 kWh or greater. A general service customer qualified for this rate upon consumption of 20,000 kWh during a monthly billing cycle, subsequent billing shall be at the General Service Rate without Demand after one year of average consumption less than 20,000 kWh. At the utility's option, energy may be metered at secondary voltage.

**Character of Service:**

Continuous service, alternating current, 60 cycle, single-phase or three-phase, at the city's standard distribution voltage available.

**Limitation of Service:**

Standby or resale service not permitted hereunder. Service under this rate is subject to the city's currently effective Electric Service Policies.

**Rate Per Month:**

Customer Charge:	\$42.00
Demand Charge:	\$ 9.42 per kW
Energy Charge:	
Non-Fuel Energy Charge:	\$0.0950 per kWh

**Determination of Billing Demand:**

The billing demand shall be the maximum 30-minute kW demand established during the current billing period.

(Continued on Sheet 3.501)

**RATE SCHEDULE LS-1  
OUTDOOR LIGHTING SERVICE**

**Availability:**

Available throughout the entire territory served by the city.

**Applicable:**

To any customer, for the sole purpose of lighting roadways or other outdoors land use areas served from either the city or customer owned fixtures of the type available under this rate schedule.

**Character of Service:**

The city furnishes, installs and maintains all the materials, poles, fixtures, and lights on a non-metered electric service for a monthly rental service fee which is then included on the customer monthly electric service billing.

**Limitation of Service:**

Availability of certain fixture or pole types at a location may be restricted due to accessibility.

Standby or resale service is not permitted hereunder. Service under this rate is subject to the city's currently effective Electric Service Policies.

**Rate:**

LED LIGHT	kWh	Energy Charge
-30 k LED	46	\$12.00
-50k LED	86	\$17.50
-150k LED	152	\$25.00
Power Cost Adjustment (PCA)	Sheet 3.100	Sheet 3.100

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 2025-04**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FORT MEADE, FLORIDA; MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS; AMENDING SECTION 24-155 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF FORT MEADE, FLORIDA RELATED TO RETAIL ELECTRIC UTILITY RATES AND PROVIDING FOR A MODIFIED METHOD OF ESTABLISHING, REVISING, AND MONITORING THE POWER COST ADJUSTMENT; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORITY TO CODIFY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, subsection (5) of section 24-155 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Fort Meade, Florida (the "Fort Meade Code") currently provides for and otherwise sets forth the manner of establishing the power cost adjustment for certain retail electric rates of the City of Fort Meade, Florida (the "City") to ensure that any fluctuation in wholesale power costs is accurately passed-through and recovered from the retail electric customers of the City;

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission hereby finds and determines that it is appropriate to modify the method of establishing the power cost adjustment (i) to provide for a process to administratively adjust the power cost adjustment each month to recover costs associated with the City's wholesale cost of power, (ii) to maintain an appropriate and adequate balance in the City's rate stabilization fund to pay for its wholesale power and provide appropriate operating funds for the City's retail electric utility, and (iii) to regularly permit the City Commission to monitor the effectiveness of the power cost adjustment in maintaining alignment with the City's wholesale power costs;

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission hereby finds that it is appropriate to establish a minimum amount for the rate stabilization fund and a maximum target amount;

**WHEREAS**, this ordinance provides for modifications to section 24-155 of the Fort Meade Code to accomplish the afore-described modifications to the power cost adjustment and rate stabilization fund (sometimes referred to in section 24-155 as the "purchase power/fuel adjustment") and to increase the electric utility base rates, which are intended by the City Commission to be offset by a decrease in the power cost adjustment amount so that more of the City's electric utility wholesale power costs are collected by the base rate;



**WHEREAS**, the City Commission hereby approves increasing the electric utility base rates by the amounts set forth herein and establishing a corresponding reduction in the power cost adjustment;

**WHEREAS**, the City's adoption of this ordinance is required to comply with, and is expressly authorized by Florida law, including, but not limited to, part I of chapter 166, Florida Statutes;

**WHEREAS**, this ordinance relates both to the budget of the City and a revenue source necessary to fund the budget, as the City's electric utility operations are contemplated in the City's budget to provide a key source of revenue for the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council hereby finds and determines that the adoption of this ordinance is necessary and appropriate for the procurement of future equipment and materials for the City's electric utility operations, and for ensuring the continued low cost of those electric utility operations, which are vital to promoting, enabling, and facilitating the City's provision of economic competitiveness for its residents, businesses, and visitors.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT MEADE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1. INCORPORATION OF RECITALS.** The above recitals are true and accurate and are hereby incorporated herein and made a material part of this ordinance.

**SECTION 2. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 24-155 OF THE FORT MEADE CODE.** Section 24-155 of the Fort Meade Code, subsections (1) through (5), of the Fort Meade Code are hereby amended as follows, effective May 1, 2025:

- (i) Subsection (1) of section 24-155 of the Fort Meade Code, for residential service, is hereby amended by deleting "0.0816 per kWh" and replacing it with "0.123 per kWh" for the first 1,000 kWh consumed in any given month, and deleting "0.0916 per kWh" and replacing it with "0.133 per kWh" for all kWh consumed above 1,000 kWh in any given month.
- (ii) Subsection (2) of section 24-155 of the Fort Meade Code, for general service non-demand, is hereby amended by deleting "0.0906 per kWh" and replacing it with "0.132 per kWh" for all kWh.

- (iii) Subsection (3) of section 24-155 of the Fort Meade Code, for general service demand, is hereby amended by deleting "0.0536 per kWh" and replacing it with "0.0950 per kWh" for all kWh.
- (iv) Subsection (4) of section 24-155 of the Fort Meade Code is hereby amended by amending and restating the rate chart set forth in subsection (4), as follows:

LED Light	kWh	Energy charge
-30k LED	46	12.00
-50k LED	86	17.50
-150k LED	152	25.00
Fuel adjustment (see below)		

- (v) Subsection (5) of section 24-155 of the Fort Meade Code is hereby amended and restated in full as follows:

(5) Power cost adjustment; rate stabilization fund.

(A) *Rate stabilization fund.* An amount held by the city in the electric revenue fund established by subsection (16) below which shall be used as hereby directed by the city manager to offset increases in the cost of bulk power to the city (the "rate stabilization fund adjustment" or "RSFA") or for other lawful electric utility purposes, including, but not limited to, expansions, renewals and replacement of electric utility facilities. The city manager shall endeavor to maintain the average balance of rate stabilization fund over a rolling twelve-month basis at approximately one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000.00). The maximum amount that may be maintained at any month end in the rate stabilization fund is two hundred forty thousand dollars (\$240,000), and the rate stabilization fund must always be maintained to have a balance of at least eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000). The rate stabilization fund adjustment, if any, shall be included in the calculation of the bulk power cost adjustment in accordance with the provisions in subsection (5)(B) of this section.

(B) *Bulk power cost adjustment.*

1. *Determined by city.* The power cost adjustment (the "PCA" as defined below) will be determined each month by the city manager in accord with this subsection (5)(B). The PCA is designed to

recover the cost of bulk power supply and related expenses actually incurred by the city to provide electric service to its customers. Bulk power supply and related expenses include the following:

(i) Cost of power purchased from any bulk power supplier for use in the city's electric system.

(ii) The cost of transmission services to deliver bulk power to the city's substations.

(iii) The cost of any equipment owned or leased by the city to generate power.

(iv) The cost of operation including fuel and maintenance of city-owned or city-operated power generating equipment.

(v) Other costs directly related to securing bulk power supply for the city, such as professional services to issue, evaluate, and negotiate bulk power supply contracts, and regulatory fees associated with bulk power supply.

(vi) All capital costs of any capital project with the primary purpose of reducing the cost of bulk power supply and related expenses. Capital costs include such cost of capital projects such as generation equipment to supply a portion of the city's requirements, capacitors to reduce bulk power losses, distribution transformer change-outs to reduce losses and SCADA equipment to improve monitoring of bulk power demand. The outlays for capital projects with a cost exceeding seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00) shall be annualized based on the expected economic life of the capital project. The outlays for capital projects costing less than seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00) shall be recovered within the next twelve (12) months.

2. *Under/Over recovery.* If the PCA under recovers the actual costs of bulk power supply and related expenses, the city manager will increase the PCA to collect the under recovery. If the PCA over collects actual costs of bulk power supply and related expenses, the city manager will decrease the PCA to credit back to customers the over recovery. In order to stabilize fluctuations in the PCA, the city manager may determine to phase in such increases or

decreases over time. In no case, however, will cumulative under or over collections be allowed to exceed ten percent (10%) of the fiscal year's annual adopted bulk power supply budget without appropriate adjustments to the PCA. All over recovered funds remaining at the end of a fiscal year would be carried over to the subsequent fiscal year to be applied to the PCA calculation for future months.

3. *Calculation of the PCA.* The power cost adjustment is the difference between the bulk power costs of the city and the city's bulk power cost base (all stated in cost per kWh) as determined monthly. The formula for the calculation of the power cost adjustment per kWh is as follows:

$$PCA = \frac{BPC \pm BPCT \pm RSFA}{kWh \text{ purchased} \times (1 - L)} - PCB$$

4. *Definitions.* The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this subsection (5), shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this sub-subsection, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

*Power cost adjustment (PCA)* means the difference between the adjusted bulk power cost and the power cost base, stated in cost per kilowatt-hour, as determined by the above calculation. This is also referred to as the "purchase power/fuel adjustment" in this section 24-155.

*Bulk power cost (BPC)* means all bulk power supply and related expenses during the calculation period.

*Bulk power cost true-up (BPCT)* means the difference between the bulk power cost actually incurred and the bulk power cost recovered through the power cost base and the power cost adjustment that may be deposited in or removed from a true-up account, as applicable. The BPCT is that portion of the true-up account to be recovered from or returned to customers through the calculated PCA.

*Rate stabilization fund adjustment (RSFA)* means funds to offset sudden and/or temporary changes in the bulk power cost that may be deposited in or removed from a rate stabilization fund, as

applicable. The RSFA is that portion of the rate stabilization fund to be recovered from or returned to customers through the calculated PCA.

*System loss factor (L)* means the per kWh loss factor applied to adjust the bulk power unit cost from a basis of cost per kilowatt-hour of purchases to a basis of cost per kilowatt-hour of sales.

*Power cost base (PCB)* means the bulk power-related cost that is embedded within the base retail rates, stated in cost per kilowatt-hour. The energy charge includes a power cost base of \$0.090 per kWh in the base rates.

(C) *PCA Monitoring; Power cost base updates.* Each quarter the city manager shall report the status of the PCA collection and the rate stabilization fund balance to the city commission as an information item. For so long as the city is purchasing its bulk power supply from a joint action agency, the city manager shall report the projected joint action agency rates for the related bulk power costs within two months after the joint action agency annual budget for the following fiscal year is approved to inform the city commission on the PCB's alignment, or not, with the joint action agency budgeted and projected rates.

**SECTION 3. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are, to the extent of the conflict with this ordinance, hereby repealed.

**SECTION 4. AUTHORITY TO CODIFY.** Specific authority is hereby granted to codify this Ordinance.

**SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY.** Should the provisions of this ordinance be declared to be severable and if any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this ordinance, but they shall remain in effect, it being the legislative intent that this ordinance shall remain notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

**SECTION 6. EFFECTIVENESS.** This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

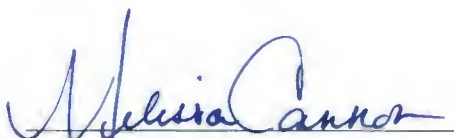


PASSED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2025, on the first reading by a vote of 5-0.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2025, on second reading by a vote of 5-0.

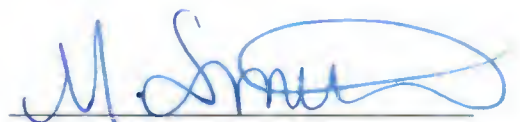
Attest:

CITY COMMISSION OF THE  
CITY OF FORT MEADE, FLORIDA

  
Melissa Cannon, Deputy City Clerk

  
Samuel Berrien, Mayor

Approved as to legal form and content:

  
Markeishia Smith, Interim City Attorney