

ORDINANCE NO. 4575

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF AMES, IOWA, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 28.103 THROUGH 28.109 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING ELECTRIC RATES 1.5%, REPEALING ANY AND ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT TO THE EXTENT OF SUCH CONFLICT; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ENACTED, by the City Council for the City of Ames, Iowa, that:

Section One. The Municipal Code of the City of Ames, Iowa shall be and the same is hereby amended by amending Sections 28.103 through 28.109 as follows:

"Sec. 28.103. RESIDENTIAL ELECTRIC RATES.

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- (2) **Rate per billing period.** For each monthly billing period a Residential Rate customer:
- (a) shall be charged a customer service charge of fourteen dollars and forty-six cents (14.46), and
 - (b) shall be charged for energy consumption during the billing period as follows:
 - (i) for bills mailed on or between July 1 and October 31 (summer period):
\$0.1118 per kWh, or
 - (ii) for bills mailed on or between November 1 and June 30 (winter period):
\$0.0906 per kWh
 - (c) All charges above shall also be subject to the Energy Cost Adjustment (ECA) per Sec. 28.102.

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Sec. 28.104. SMALL COMMERCIAL RATE.

(1) **Availability:** Electrical energy and service shall be available at the "Small Commercial Rate" to all customers except those that qualify for another rate schedule, for all single-phase or three-phase, single-metered usage, where the metered demand does not exceed 55 kVA.

(2) **Rate per billing period:** For each monthly billing period a Small Commercial Rate customer:

- (a) shall be charged a customer service charge of twenty dollars and eighty-one cents (\$20.81); and,
- (b) shall be charged for energy consumption during the billing period as follows:
 - (i) for bills mailed on or between July 1 and October 31 (summer period):
\$0.1193 per kWh
 - (ii) for bills mailed on or between November 1 and June 30 (winter period):
\$0.0982 per kWh

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Sec. 28.105. COMMERCIAL RATE.

- (2) **Rate per Billing Period:** For each monthly billing period, a Commercial Rate customer:
- (a) shall be charged one hundred fifty-eight dollars and thirty-four cents (\$158.34) as a customer service charge, and
 - (b) shall be charged for demand and energy consumption during the billing period as follows:

(i) for bills mailed on or between July 1 and October 31 (summer period) a customer shall be charged a demand of:

\$10.87 per kVA and an energy charge of:
\$0.0663 per kWh

(ii) for bills mailed on or between November 1 and June 30 (winter period) a customer shall be charged a demand charge of:

\$8.13 per kVA and an energy charge of:
\$0.0663 per kWh

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Sec. 28.106. COMMERCIAL ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING RATE.

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(4) **Rate Per Billing Period:** For each monthly billing period, a customer participating in the Commercial Electric Vehicle Charging Rate shall be charged:

(a) the Service Charge of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00).

(b) the Demand Charge and the Energy Charge for the billing period as follows:

(i) for bills mailed on or between July 1 and October 31 (summer period), a customer shall be charged a demand charge of \$10.87 per kVA of billing demand

(ii) for bills mailed on or between November 1 and June 30 (winter period), a customer shall be charged a demand charge of \$8.13 per kVA of billing demand

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Sec. 28.107. INDUSTRIAL RATE.

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(2) **Rate Per Billing Period:** For each monthly billing period, an Industrial Rate customer

(a) shall be charged one thousand one hundred sixteen dollars and fifty cents (\$1,116.50) as a customer service charge, and

(b) shall be charged for demand and energy consumption during the billing period as follows:

(i) for bills mailed on or between July 1 and October 31 (summer period) a customer shall be charged a demand charge of \$10.56 per kVA of billing demand, and an energy charge of:

\$0.0652 per kWh

(ii) for bills mailed on or between November 1 and June 30 (winter period) a customer shall be charged a demand charge of:

\$7.92 per kVA of billing demand, and an energy charge of:

\$0.0652 per kWh

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Sec. 28.108. LARGE CUSTOMER TIME-OF-USE ELECTRIC RATE AND CHARGES.

(1) **Availability:** The Large Customer Time-of-Use Electric Rate shall be voluntary for any customer whose metered demand at any time exceeds 500 kVA. Service under this rate schedule is billed on a time-of-use basis as provided under these rules. The Large Customer Time-of-Use Electric Rate is an alternative to Section 28.105 or Section 28.107 at the customer's discretion. Customers opting for inclusion on Large Customer Time-of-Use electric rate are required to remain on the rate for a period no less than twelve (12) consecutive calendar months.

(2) **Definitions:**

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(f) **Off-Peak Time-of-Use Energy:** Electricity, measured in kilowatt hours (kWh), used Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 pm and 8:00 am, and all-day Saturday, Sunday, and **Holidays**, in excess of the numerical value of the established monthly **Billing Demand (kVA)**.

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(3) **Rate Per Billing Period:** For each monthly billing period, a customer participating in the Large Customer Time-of-Use Electric Rate shall be charged:

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(4) **Interruptible Option-Availability:** Service under this rate shall be available for customers with monthly demands of 500 kilovolt-amperes (kVA) or greater. Service under this rate schedule is interruptible and customers must agree to interrupt electric service as provided under these interruptible rate rules.

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(k) In addition to the participation credit, a customer will be given a compliance credit of two dollars and twenty cents (\$2.20) per elected kVA for successfully lowering its demand by at least the amount of the elected interruptible demand. The amount of participation credit applied to the billing demand is based upon the largest interruption response of the billing period.

(l) In the event a participating customer is unable to interrupt load, a non-compliance penalty will be charged to the billing period's demand in the amount of \$12.00 per kVA for each kVA short of the elected amount. The amount of noncompliance charge applied to the billing demand is based upon the largest noncompliance of the billing period. The Interruptible Option Adjustment is equal to the Compliance Credit minus the amount of the Noncompliance Charge. The Noncompliance Charge shall be in addition to any charges otherwise payable to City of Ames Electric Services for electric service under this rate schedule. The payment of this noncompliance penalty shall not be considered a substitute for any other remedy available to Electric Services including, but not limited to, reduction of service.

Sec. 28.109. STREET AND SECURITY LIGHTING RATE & INCIDENTAL UNMETERED ENERGY.

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(2) **Rate per Billing Period.** For each monthly billing period the lighting customer:
 (a) shall be charged for service per lamp:

	Monthly Lamp Charge	Monthly Consumption (kWh per Lamp)
400 Watt - Mercury Vapor	16.63	153
400 Watt - Mercury Vapor-Ornamental	19.11	153
250 Watt - Mercury Vapor	11.51	96
250 Watt - Mercury Vapor-Ornamental	15.62	96
175 Watt - Mercury Vapor	9.08	67
175 Watt - Mercury Vapor-Ornamental	11.51	67
400 Watt - High Pressure Sodium	17.58	153
400 Watt - High Pressure Sodium-Ornamental	19.11	153
250 Watt - High Pressure Sodium	12.31	96
250 Watt - High Pressure Sodium-Ornamental	16.10	96
200 Watt - High Pressure Sodium	11.35	77
200 Watt - High Pressure Sodium-Ornamental	15.47	77
150 Watt - High Pressure Sodium	9.61	60
150 Watt - High Pressure Sodium-Ornamental	12.09	60
100 Watt - High Pressure Sodium	7.44	38
100 Watt - High Pressure Sodium-Ornamental	9.67	38

	Monthly Lamp Charge	Monthly Consumption (kWh per Lamp)
70 Watt - High Pressure Sodium	6.29	27
70 Watt - High Pressure Sodium-Ornamental	8.61	27
400- LED	14.02	69
400-LED-Ornamental	19.10	69
250-LED	10.94	36
250-LED-Ornamental	16.01	36
150-LED	8.52	24
150-LED-Ornamental	12.07	24
70-LED	5.54	13
70-LED-Ornamental	8.58	13

Ornamental fixtures are units on poles other than standard round-wood poles.

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(4) Incidental Unmetered Energy For Customer-Owned Lighting, Signs And Other Constant-Wattage Loads

(a) Where a customer owns lighting, signs, or similar constant-wattage single-phase loads no greater than 2 kVA (2,000 volt-amperes) per point of connection and where it is not practicable to meter the energy through the customer's normal metering location, service may be provided under a contract for incidental unmetered energy. To qualify, the customer must provide verification that their electric loads have a constant-wattage, or calculable monthly kWh. The basis for monthly kWh to be billed shall be included in the service contract. Calculated monthly energy will be billed at a rate of \$.1221 per kilowatt-hour plus the applicable energy cost adjustment. Once placed in service, changes to loads served by an unmetered service may only be made following review and approval by the Electric Services Department with an approved amendment to the service contract. A Standard Unmetered Service includes 150' of overhead service wire from an existing transformer or service connection point; additional costs above what is included in a Standard Unmetered Service are the customer's responsibility.

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Section Two. All ordinances, or parts of ordinances, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, if any.

Section Three. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as required by law.

Passed this 28 day of October, 2025.

Clemie Hall

John A. Haila

John A. Haila, Mayor

First Reading: 10-14-2025
Second Reading: 10-28-2025
Third Reading: 10-28-2025
Passed on: 10-28-2025

I, Renee Hall, City Clerk of the City of Ames, Iowa, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of Ordinance No. 4575, passed by the City Council of said City at the meeting held on 10-28-2025 and signed by the Mayor on 10-28-2025, and published in the Ames Tribune on 10-31-25.



Renee Hall, City Clerk