

ORDINANCE NO. 03-70 AC CMS

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 913.04 (b) AND (c) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF OBERLIN, OHIO, TO PROVIDE FOR THE NET METERING OF CUSTOMER OWNED PHOTOVOLTAIC EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Oberlin owns and operates a municipal electrical utility; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oberlin supports the use of renewable energy in the process of generating electricity and intends to support the local efforts to generate electricity using solar powered devices; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City of Oberlin to cooperate with utility customers desiring to connect with the City's electric system to provide locally generated electricity by the aforementioned means.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Oberlin, County of Lorain, State of Ohio, a majority of all members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1. That Sections 913.04 (b) and (c) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Oberlin, Ohio, are hereby amended to read as follows:

(b) Character of Service.

- (1) Type. Electric service supplied by the City will be 60 hertz alternating current delivered at the standard voltage available adjacent to the premises where the consumer is located.
- (2) Continuity. The City will endeavor, but does not guarantee, to furnish a continuous supply of electric energy and to maintain voltage and frequency.
- (3) Net Metering. *Net Metering (an interactive interconnection between the City's utility system and the consumer's electric service panel using a standard kilowatt hour meter capable of registering the flow of electricity in both directions) is allowed when on-site generating capacity does not exceed 10 KW (kilowatts) and is derived from solar power. In cases where capacity exceeds 10 KW, both the customer and utility must sign a net metering agreement before connecting to the utility.*

(c) Billing.

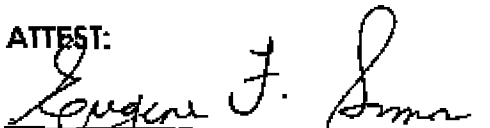
- (1) Bills for electric service will be rendered monthly.
- (2) The electricity used by the same person, firm or corporation, but delivered and metered separately or at different locations, will not be combined for billing purposes.
- (3) The City will make available upon the request of a residential customer a plan for uniform monthly payments for electric service over specified periods.
- (4) *For net metering purposes, if the current meter reading is less than or equal to the highest previous meter reading, there are no billable kilowatt-hours for the current month. However, the appropriate customer charge will still apply and continue to be billed monthly. Otherwise, the difference between the current meter reading and the highest previous meter reading is the billable kilowatt-hours.*

SECTION 2. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning or relating to the adoption of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3. That this ordinance shall take effect at the earliest date allowed by law.

PASSED: 1st Reading – September 2, 2003
2nd Reading – September 15, 2003
3rd Reading – October 6, 2003 (E)

ATTEST:


CLERK OF COUNCIL


CHAIR OF COUNCIL

POSTED: October 7, 2003

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 7, 2003