CITY OF MEDICINE HAT

Bylaw 4896-2026

Medicine Hat

A BYLAW OF THE CITY OF MEDICINE HAT to amend Bylaw 2244, the Electric Utility Bylaw

WHEREAS Council considers it advisable to amend certain fees, rates and charges set out in Schedule “A” and Schedule “B” to Bylaw 2244;

NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MEDICINE HAT, IN COUNCIL ASSEMBLED, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Bylaw 2244 is amended as follows:

   (a) Schedule “A” is repealed and replaced with the new Schedule “A” attached to this Bylaw; and

   (b) Schedule “B” is repealed and replaced with the new Schedule “B” attached to this Bylaw.

2. This Bylaw shall come into force on January 1, 2027.

READ A FIRST TIME in open Council on November 2, 2026.

READ A SECOND TIME in open Council on _____.

READ A THIRD TIME in open Council on _____.

SIGNED AND PASSED on _____.

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MAYOR – Linnsie Clark **CITY CLERK – Amanda Peterson**

SCHEDULE "A" TO BYLAW 2244

AS AMENDED BY BYLAW NO. 4896-2026

(Effective January 1, 2027)

SCHEDULE "A"

City of Medicine Hat **Electric Utility** **Electric Rates**	***Effective:*** January 1, 2027 ***Rate Approval:*** Bylaw 4896-2026 ***Consumer Classes:*** E.1 Residential E.2 Farm E.3 General Service E.4 Commercial E.5 Industrial E.6 Unmetered E.7 Rental Lighting E.8 Street Lighting

E.1 RESIDENTIAL

E.1.1 RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

Availability	This classification is limited to residential Consumers who use the Electric Utility's standard single phase service in an individual residence or apartment suite.	
Conditions	(a) Single phase three-wire installation (b) Maximum service capacity: 200 amps (c) Voltage: 120/240 Volts *(Note: Residential Consumers adjacent to a commercial area may be served from a 120/208 Volt system at the option of the Electric Utility.)* *(Note: Should the customer require a single phase residential service greater than 200 amps it shall be serviced from a dedicated 120/240 Volt transformer and classified and handled as a commercial service)*	
Application	This rate classification applies to residential Consumers within the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat. For clarity, the rates will remain in effect until amended or repealed.	
Administration	Administration Charge:	$0.1021 per day
Distribution Access Service	Service Charge:	$0.5414 per day
	Facilities Usage:	$0.0282 per kWh
Energy Charge	The Energy Charge shall be a per kWh charge set November 1, 2023, and adjusted quarterly on the first day of January, April, July, and October of each year, that is equal to the Market Reference Price. Market Reference Price is defined as the twelve-month (volume weighted) forecast as per ICE-NGX wholesale market on the first day of the quarter. However, the Market Reference Price will be set no lower than $0.07/kWh or no higher than $0.11/kWh. This rate will be in effect for three months and then will be reset using the same methodology.	
Environmental Conservation Charge	Additional charge for all kWhrs used per month in excess of 950 kWhrs	$0.0074 per kWh
Capacity Charge	All kWhrs	$0.02983 per kWh
Going Green	An electricity surcharge set by the Chief Administrative Officer in order to balance the revenues and costs of the Electric Utility's programs that provide renewable or alternative energy.	
Minimum Charge	Minimum monthly billing is the Service Charge and any Surcharge.	
Municipal Consent and Access Fee (MCAF)	The MCAF is a franchise charge set by the City of Medicine Hat to access municipal land to construct, operate and maintain distribution systems serving City customers. The MCAF is 16.25% of the monthly Distribution Access Service Charges.	
(NOTE: Multiple family residences that receive services through a single electric meter and contain three or more dwelling units will be billed under General Service classification E.3.1 or E.3.3)		

E.2 FARM

E.2.1 FARM SERVICES

Availability	This classification is limited to single phase farm services and is available upon payment to the City of the actual or estimated cost of the extension required to connect the Consumer's premises to the Electric Utility's existing facilities.	
Conditions	(a) Single phase three-wire installation (b) Maximum service capacity: 200 amps (c) Voltage: 120/240 Volts	
Application	This rate classification applies to all Consumers who operate farms within the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat. For clarity, the rates will remain in effect until amended or repealed.	
Administration	Administration Charge:	$0.0984 per day

E.2 FARM

E.2.1 FARM SERVICES

Distribution Access Service	Service Charge:	$0.7979 per day
	Facilities Usage:	$0.0126 per kWh
Energy Charge	The Energy Charge shall be a per kWh charge set November 1, 2023, and adjusted quarterly on the first day of January, April, July, and October of each year, that is equal to the Market Reference Price. Market Reference Price is defined as the twelve-month (volume weighted) forecast as per ICE-NGX wholesale market on the first day of the quarter. However, the Market Reference Price will be set no lower than $0.07/kWh or no higher than $0.11/kWh. This rate will be in effect for three months and then will be reset using the same methodology.	
Capacity Charge	All kWhrs	$0.02983 per kWh
Going Green	An electricity surcharge set by the Chief Administrative Officer in order to balance the revenues and costs of the Electric Utility's programs that provide renewable or alternative energy.	
Minimum Charge	Minimum monthly billing is the Service Charge and any Surcharge.	
Municipal Consent and Access Fee (MCAF)	The MCAF is a franchise charge set by the City of Medicine Hat to access municipal land to construct, operate and maintain distribution systems serving City customers. The MCAF is 16.25% of the monthly Distribution Access Service Charges.	

E.3 GENERAL SERVICE

E.3.1 SMALL GENERAL SERVICE – Non-demand

Availability	This classification is limited to commercial, residential greater than 200 amps and other non-residential Consumers satisfying the conditions set out below.

E.3 GENERAL SERVICE

E.3.1 SMALL GENERAL SERVICE – Non-demand

Conditions	(a) Single phase three-wire or three phase four-wire installations (b) Voltage (single phase): 120/240 Volts or 120/208 Volts (c) Voltage (three phase): 120/208 Volts, 277/480 Volts, or 347/600 Volts This rate applies to Consumers that: (i) have consumed no more than 5,000 kWh in a monthly billing cycle, and (ii) have a demand no greater than 25 kVA as measured at the billing meter. In the event that either of these limits is exceeded, the Electric Utility may reclassify the Consumer to the E.3.3 Medium General Service - Demand classification. The City may at any time install a demand meter approved under the *Electricity and Gas Inspection Act* R.S.C. 1985 Chapter E-4.	
Application	This rate classification applies to all Consumers within the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat who meet the criteria specified above. For clarity, the rates will remain in effect until amended or repealed.	
Administration	Administration Charge:	$0.1042 per day
Distribution Access Service	Service Charge:	$0.7882 per day
	Facilities Usage:	$0.0254 per kWh
Energy Charge	The Energy Charge shall be a per kWh charge set November 1, 2023, and adjusted quarterly on the first day of January, April, July, and October of each year, that is equal to the Market Reference Price. Market Reference Price is defined as the twelve-month (volume weighted) forecast as per ICE-NGX wholesale market on the first day of the quarter. However, the Market Reference Price will be set no lower than $0.07/kWh or no higher than $0.11/kWh. This rate will be in effect for three months and then will be reset using the same methodology.	
Capacity Charge	All kWhrs	$0.02983 per kWh
Going Green	An electricity surcharge set by the Chief Administrative Officer in order to balance the revenues and costs of the Electric Utility's programs that provide renewable or alternative energy.	
Minimum Charge	Minimum monthly billing is the Service Charge and any Surcharge.	
Municipal Consent and Access Fee (MCAF)	The MCAF is a franchise charge set by the City of Medicine Hat to access municipal land to construct, operate and maintain distribution systems serving City customers. The MCAF is 16.25% of the monthly Distribution Access Service Charges.	

E.3 GENERAL SERVICE
E.3.3 MEDIUM GENERAL SERVICE - Demand

Availability	This classification is limited to commercial and other non-residential Consumers satisfying the conditions set out below.

E.3 GENERAL SERVICE
E.3.3 MEDIUM GENERAL SERVICE - Demand

Conditions	(a) Single phase three-wire or three phase four-wire installations (b) Voltage (single phase): 120/240 Volts or 120/208 Volts (c) Voltage (three phase): 120/208 Volts, 277/480 Volts, or 347/600 Volts This rate applies to Consumers that: (i) have consumed in excess of 5,000 kWh in a monthly billing cycle, or (ii) have had at any time a demand in excess of 25 kVA but no greater than 2,000 kVA at the billing meter. If an E.3.3 Medium General Service - Demand Consumer experiences a period of twelve consecutive months during which (a) consumption does not exceed 5,000 kWh per monthly billing cycle, and (b) demand does not exceed 25 kVA, the Electric Utility may reclassify the Consumer to the E.3.1 Small General Service – Non-demand classification. If an E.3.3 Medium General Service - Demand Consumer experiences a demand in excess of 2,000 kVA, the Consumer shall be required to switch to the applicable Primary classification (E.4.1 or E.5.1) and install all necessary equipment at its expense. The service capacity will not exceed 2,000 amps at 120/208 Volts, 277/480 Volts, or 347/600 Volts. The City may at any time install a demand meter approved under the *Electricity and Gas Inspection Act* R.S.C. 1985 Chapter E-4. The City may install a single phase or three phase service depending upon the anticipated load demand. Any request for three phase service which the Electric Utility deems not to be warranted on the basis of anticipated demand for electrical energy will be refused unless the Consumer pays in advance to the City a sum of money equal to the cost of installing a three phase service including all transformation costs.	
Application	This rate classification applies to all Consumers within the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat who meet the criteria specified above. For clarity, the rates will remain in effect until amended or repealed.	
Administration	Administration Charge:	$0.7133 per day
Distribution Access Service	Service Charge:	$3.3159 per day
	Demand Charge:	$6.80 per kVA
Energy Charge	The Energy Charge shall be a per kWh charge set November 1, 2023, and adjusted quarterly on the first day of January, April, July, and October of each year, that is equal to the Market Reference Price. Market Reference Price is defined as the twelve-month (volume weighted) forecast as per ICE-NGX wholesale market on the first day of the quarter. However, the Market Reference Price will be set no lower than $0.07/kWh or no higher than $0.11/kWh. This rate will be in effect for three months and then will be reset using the same methodology.	
Capacity Charge	All kWhrs	$0.02983 per kWh

E.3 GENERAL SERVICE
E.3.3 MEDIUM GENERAL SERVICE - Demand

Going Green	An electricity surcharge set by the Chief Administrative Officer in order to balance the revenues and costs of the Electric Utility's programs that provide renewable or alternative energy.
Minimum Charge	Minimum monthly billing is the Service Charge and any Surcharge. The demand charge will be based on the highest measured kVA demand during the current billing cycle.
Municipal Consent and Access Fee (MCAF)	The MCAF is a franchise charge set by the City of Medicine Hat to access municipal land to construct, operate and maintain distribution systems serving City customers. The MCAF is 16.25% of the monthly Distribution Access Service Charges.

E.3 GENERAL SERVICE
E.3.2 AND E.3.4 TEMPORARY SERVICES DURING CONSTRUCTION

Availability	These classifications are limited to Consumers within the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat who require a temporary electrical service for construction purposes. If the Consumer meets the conditions specified in rate classification E.3.1, the charges in E.3.1 shall apply and the Consumer shall be classified E.3.2. If the Consumer meets the conditions specified in rate classification E.3.3, the charges in E.3.3 shall apply and the Consumer shall be classified E.3.4. *(NOTE: All installation work for temporary services, except the final connections to the Point of Supply and the meter installation, are to be done by the Consumer or his electrical contractor in accordance with the requirements of the Canadian Electrical Code).*

E.3 GENERAL SERVICE
E.3.5 AND E.3.6 IRRIGATION SERVICES

Availability	These classifications are limited to irrigation services within the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat that meet the conditions set out in rate classification E.3.1 or E.3.3. If the Consumer meets the conditions specified in rate classification E.3.1, the charges in E.3.1 shall apply and the Consumer shall be classified E.3.5. If the Consumer meets the conditions specified in rate classification E.3.3, the charges in E.3.3 shall apply and the Consumer shall be classified E.3.6.

E.4 COMMERCIAL
E.4.1 COMMERCIAL – PRIMARY

Availability	This classification is limited to primary Consumers who use the Electric Utility's standard three-phase service at 13,800 volts for commercial or other non-residential purposes other than manufacturing, and who have a demand greater than 1,000 kVA measured at the billing meter.
Conditions	All metering equipment, transformers, switching equipment, cable, and cable terminations on the Consumer's property ("the equipment") shall be supplied and installed by the Consumer at no cost to the Electric Utility. The equipment shall comply with Electric Utility Standards. The Consumer shall retain ownership of the equipment and shall be responsible for its ongoing maintenance, repair, and replacement. Upon written application to the Electric Utility, the Utility may approve the application of this rate classification to Consumers that have a demand less than 1,000 kVA. Minimum Service Capacity: 1,000 kVA Voltage: 13,800 Volts If an E.41 Commercial – Primary Consumer experiences a period of twelve consecutive months during which demand does not exceed 1,000 kVA, the Electric Utility may reclassify the Consumer to the E.3.3 Medium General Service - Demand classification.
Contract Option	A Consumer who satisfies the requirements for application of this rate classification may make a written request to the Electric Utility to negotiate a contract for the supply of electrical energy and services.

E.4 COMMERCIAL

E.4.1 COMMERCIAL – PRIMARY

	If the City and the Consumer are successful in negotiating a contract, the provisions of this rate classification shall apply during the period of time prior to the effective date of the contract and the terms and conditions of the contract shall apply as of the effective date of the contract. If the City and the Consumer do not reach agreement on a contract, the provisions of this rate classification shall continue to apply as long as the Consumer satisfies the requirements for application of this rate classification. Contracts within the approved contract option framework for the supply of electrical energy and services may be approved by the Chief Administrative Officer and shall be signed by the City's authorized signing officers. Upon expiration or termination of a contract entered into pursuant to this contract option, the Consumer shall be bound by the provisions of this rate classification. If at any time a Consumer who has entered into a contract ceases to satisfy the requirements for application of this rate classification, the contract may be terminated by the City, and upon termination of the contract the Consumer shall be bound by the provisions of the rate classification that is applicable under this Schedule.	
Application	This rate classification applies to all Consumers within the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat who meet the criteria specified above. For clarity, the rates will remain in effect until amended or repealed.	
Administration	Administration Charge:	$13.2506 per day
Distribution Access Service	Service Charge:	$3.321 per day
	Demand Charge:	$6.52 per kVA
Energy Charge	The Energy Charge shall be a per kWh charge, adjusted monthly, that is equal to the Market Reference Price. Market Reference Price is defined as the average of the rates for owners whose regulated rate tariffs are approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission under section 103(2) of the *Electric Utilities Act* for that calendar month as posted by the Alberta Utilities Commission on its website page under *Regulated Rate Option Regulation* or, when it comes into effect, the *Rate of Last Resort Stability Regulation*. If the information is not available on the Alberta Utilities Commission website for any reason, the Energy Charge shall remain the same as the Energy Charge for the last month when the information was available on the Alberta Utilities Commission website, unless adjusted by a bylaw passed by Council pursuant to section 63.	
Capacity Charge	All kWhrs	$0.02983 per kWh
Minimum Charge	Minimum monthly billing is the Service Charge and any Surcharge. The demand charge will be based on the highest measured kVA demand during the current billing cycle.	

E.4 COMMERCIAL

E.4.1 COMMERCIAL – PRIMARY

Municipal Consent and Access Fee (MCAF)	The MCAF is a franchise charge set by the City of Medicine Hat to access municipal land to construct, operate and maintain distribution systems serving City customers. The MCAF is 16.25% of the monthly Distribution Access Service Charges.

E.5 INDUSTRIAL

E.5.1 INDUSTRIAL – PRIMARY

Availability	This classification is limited to primary Consumers who use the Electric Utility's standard three-phase service at 13,800 volts for manufacturing purposes and who have a demand greater than 1,000 kVA measured at the billing meter.
Conditions	All metering equipment, transformers, switching equipment, cable, and cable terminations on the Consumer's property ("the equipment") shall be supplied and installed by the Consumer at no cost to the Electric Utility. The equipment shall comply with Electric Utility Standards. The Consumer shall retain ownership of the equipment and shall be responsible for its ongoing maintenance, repair, and replacement. Upon written application to the Electric Utility, the Utility may approve the application of this rate classification to Consumers that have a demand less than 1,000 kVA. Minimum Service Capacity: 1,000 kVA Voltage: 13,800 Volts If an E.51 Commercial – Primary Consumer experiences a period of twelve consecutive months during which demand does not exceed 1,000 kVA, the Electric Utility may reclassify the Consumer to the E.3.3 Medium General Service - Demand classification.

E.5 INDUSTRIAL

E.5.1 INDUSTRIAL – PRIMARY

Contract Option	A Consumer who satisfies the requirements for application of this rate classification may make a written request to the Electric Utility to negotiate a contract for the supply of electrical energy and services. If the City and the Consumer are successful in negotiating a contract, the provisions of this rate classification shall apply during the period of time prior to the effective date of the contract and the terms and conditions of the contract shall apply as of the effective date of the contract. If the City and the Consumer do not reach agreement on a contract, the provisions of this rate classification shall continue to apply as long as the Consumer satisfies the requirements for application of this rate classification. Contracts within the approved contract option framework for the supply of electrical energy and services may be approved by the Chief Administrative Officer and shall be signed by the City's authorized signing officers. Upon expiration or termination of a contract entered into pursuant to this contract option, the Consumer shall be bound by the provisions of this rate classification. If at any time a Consumer who has entered into a contract ceases to satisfy the requirements for application of this rate classification, the contract may be terminated by the City, and upon termination of the contract the Consumer shall be bound by the provisions of the rate classification that is applicable under this Schedule.	
Application	This rate classification applies to all Consumers within the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat who meet the criteria specified above. For clarity, the rates will remain in effect until amended or repealed.	
Administration	Administration Charge:	$65.3839 per day
Distribution Access Service	Service Charge:	$3.2956 per day
	Demand Charge:	$6.51 per kVA
Energy Charge	The Energy Charge shall be a per kWh charge, adjusted monthly, that is equal to the Market Reference Price. Market Reference Price is defined as the average of the rates for owners whose regulated rate tariffs are approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission under section 103(2) of the *Electric Utilities Act* for that calendar month as posted by the Alberta Utilities Commission on its website page under *Regulated Rate Option Regulation* or, when it comes into effect, the *Rate of Last Resort Stability Regulation*.	

E.5 INDUSTRIAL

E.5.1 INDUSTRIAL – PRIMARY

	If the information is not available on the Alberta Utilities Commission website for any reason, the Energy Charge shall remain the same as the Energy Charge for the last month when the information was available on the Alberta Utilities Commission website, unless adjusted by a bylaw passed by Council pursuant to section 63.	
Capacity Charge	All kWhrs	$0.02983 per kWh
Minimum Charge	Minimum monthly billing is the Service Charge and any Surcharge. The demand charge will be based on the highest measured kVA demand during the current billing cycle.	
Municipal Consent and Access Fee (MCAF)	The MCAF is a franchise charge set by the City of Medicine Hat to access municipal land to construct, operate and maintain distribution systems serving City customers. The MCAF is 16.25% of the monthly Distribution Access Service Charges.	

E.6 UNMETERED

E.6.1 UNMETERED SERVICES

Availability	This classification is limited to general service Consumers whose load is constant and predictable and where metering is considered by the Electric Utility to be impractical.	
Conditions	(a) Single phase three-wire installations (b) Voltage: 120/240 Volts or 120/208 Volts	
Application	This rate classification applies to all Consumers within the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat who meet the criteria specified above. For clarity, the rates will remain in effect until amended or repealed.	
Administration	Administration Charge:	$0.1306 per day

E.6 UNMETERED

E.6.1 UNMETERED SERVICES

Distribution Access Service	Service Charge:	$0.4161 per day
	Facilities Usage:	$0.0180 per kWh
Energy Charge	The Energy Charge shall be a per kWh charge set November 1, 2023, and adjusted quarterly on the first day of January, April, July, and October of each year, that is equal to the Market Reference Price. Market Reference Price is defined as the twelve-month (volume weighted) forecast as per ICE-NGX wholesale market on the first day of the quarter. However, the Market Reference Price will be set no lower than $0.07/kWh or no higher than $0.11/kWh. This rate will be in effect for three months and then will be reset using the same methodology.	
Capacity Charge	All kWhrs	$0.02983 per kWh
Minimum Charge	Minimum monthly billing is the Service Charge and any Surcharge.	
Municipal Consent and Access Fee (MCAF)	The MCAF is a franchise charge set by the City of Medicine Hat to access municipal land to construct, operate and maintain distribution systems serving City customers. The MCAF is 16.25% of the monthly Distribution Access Service Charges.	

E.7 RENTAL LIGHTING

Availability	The Electric Utility has unmetered fixtures on a rental basis throughout the Service Area. Existing fixtures may, at the sole discretion of the Electric Utility, be replaced with fixtures approved by the Electric Utility.
Conditions	1. Within the Service Area: (a) Rental lights installed on existing Electric Utility structures located in lanes, streets, easements, or public reserve areas shall be in accordance with the Alberta Electric Utilities Code. 2. The Electric Utility will maintain the following items within the Service Area for a monthly rental fee: (a) Fixture, lamps and photocell controls; (b) Relamping and maintenance (on an earliest convenience basis – no overtime calls permitted).

E.7 RENTAL LIGHTING

Application	This rate classification applies to all Consumers within the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat who meet the criteria specified above. E.7.1 250 Watt Mercury Vapour or 100 Watt High Pressure Sodium E.7.2 400 Watt Photocell Head E.7.3 400 Watt Floodlight For clarity, the rates will remain in effect until amended or repealed.	
Administration	Administration Charge:	$0.1314 per day
Distribution Access Service	Service Charge:	$0.2419 per day
	Facilities Usage:	$0.0125 per kWh
Energy Charge	The Energy Charge shall be a per kWh charge set November 1, 2023, and adjusted quarterly on the first day of January, April, July, and October of each year, that is equal to the Market Reference Price. Market Reference Price is defined as the twelve-month (volume weighted) forecast as per ICE-NGX wholesale market on the first day of the quarter. However, the Market Reference Price will be set no lower than $0.07/kWh or no higher than $0.11/kWh. This rate will be in effect for three months and then will be reset using the same methodology.	
Capacity Charge	All kWhrs	$0.02983 per kWh
Minimum Charge	Minimum monthly billing is the Service Charge and any Surcharge.	
Municipal Consent and Access Fee (MCAF)	The MCAF is a franchise charge set by the City of Medicine Hat to access municipal land to construct, operate and maintain distribution systems serving City customers. The MCAF is 16.25% of the monthly Distribution Access Service Charges.	

E.8 STREET LIGHTING

Availability	Applies to standard street light fixtures.	
Conditions	Variable charge based on profile of monthly hours of lighting operation applied to total wattage rate for lamp size and ballast.	
Contract Option	A Consumer who satisfies the requirements for application of this rate classification may make a written request to the Electric Utility to negotiate a contract for the supply of electrical energy and services. If the City and the Consumer are successful in negotiating a contract, the provisions of this rate classification shall apply during the period of time prior to the effective date of the contract and the terms and conditions of the contract shall apply as of the effective date of the contract. If the City and the Consumer do not reach agreement on a contract, the provisions of this rate classification shall continue to apply as long as the Consumer satisfies the requirements for application of this rate classification. Contracts within the approved contract option framework for the supply of electrical energy and services may be approved by the Chief Administrative Officer and shall be signed by the City's authorized signing officers. Upon expiration or termination of a contract entered into pursuant to this contract option, the Consumer shall be bound by the provisions of this rate classification. If at any time a Consumer who has entered into a contract ceases to satisfy the requirements for application of this rate classification, the contract may be terminated by the City, and upon termination of the contract the Consumer shall be bound by the provisions of the rate classification that is applicable under this Schedule.	
Application	Charges for service in any billing period are based on the sum of the total energy consumed by all municipal lighting structures. This rate classification applies to all Consumers within the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat who meet the criteria specified above. For clarity, the rates will remain in effect until amended or repealed.	
Administration	Administration Charge:	$0.0169 per day
Distribution Access Service	Service Charge:	$0.1549 per day
	Facilities Usage:	$0.0075 per kWh
Energy Charge	The Energy Charge shall be a per kWh charge, adjusted monthly, that is equal to the Market Reference Price. Market Reference Price is defined as the average of the rates for owners whose regulated rate tariffs are approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission under section 103(2) of the *Electric Utilities Act* for that calendar month as posted by the Alberta Utilities Commission on its website page under *Regulated Rate Option Regulation* or, when it comes into effect, the *Rate of Last Resort Stability Regulation*. If the information is not available on the Alberta Utilities Commission website for any reason, the Energy Charge shall remain the same as the Energy Charge for the last month when the information was available on the Alberta Utilities	

E.8 STREET LIGHTING

	Commission website, unless adjusted by a bylaw passed by Council pursuant to section 63.	
Capacity Charge	All kWhrs	$0.02983 per kWh
Minimum Charge	Minimum monthly billing is the Service Charge and any Surcharge.	
Municipal Consent and Access Fee (MCAF)	The MCAF is a franchise charge set by the City of Medicine Hat to access municipal land to construct, operate and maintain distribution systems serving City customers. The MCAF is 16.25% of the monthly Distribution Access Service Charges.	

NOTE: WHEREVER APPLICABLE, THE GOODS AND SERVICES TAX SHALL BE ADDED TO THE FEES, RATES, CHARGES OR OTHER AMOUNTS PAYABLE TO THE CITY PURSUANT TO THE PROVISION OF THIS BYLAW. (SEE BYLAW NO. 2716)

SCHEDULE "B" TO BYLAW 2244

AS AMENDED BY BYLAW NO. 4896-2026
(Effective January 1, 2027)

SCHEDULE "B"

City of Medicine Hat

Electric Utility

Electric Rates

Effective:
January 1, 2027

Rate Approval:
Bylaw 4896-2026

Consumer Classes:
N.1 Residential

N.2 Farm

N.3 General Service

N.4 Commercial

N.5 Industrial

N.6 Unmetered

N.7 Rental Lighting

N.8 Street Lighting

N.1 RESIDENTIAL

N.1.1 RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

Availability	This classification is limited to residential Consumers who use the Electric Utility's standard single phase service in an individual residence or apartment suite.	
Conditions	(a) Single phase three-wire installation (b) Maximum service capacity: 200 amps (c) Voltage: 120/240 Volts *(Note: Residential Consumers adjacent to a commercial area may be served from a 120/208 Volt system at the option of the Electric Utility.)* *(Note: Should the customer require a single phase residential service greater than 200 amps it shall be serviced from a dedicated 120/240 Volt transformer and classified and handled as a commercial service)*	
Application	This rate classification applies to residential Consumers outside the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat. For clarity, the rates will remain in effect until amended or repealed.	
Administration	Administration Charge:	$0.1021 per day
Distribution Access Service	Service Charge:	$0.5414 per day
	Facilities Usage:	$0.0282 per kWh
Energy Charge	The Energy Charge shall be a per kWh charge set November 1, 2023, and adjusted quarterly on the first day of January, April, July, and October of each year, that is equal to the Market Reference Price. Market Reference Price is defined as the twelve-month (volume weighted) forecast as per ICE-NGX wholesale market on the first day of the quarter. However, the Market Reference Price will be set no lower than $0.07/kWh or no higher than $0.11/kWh. This rate will be in effect for three months and then will be reset using the same methodology.	
Environmental Conservation Charge	Additional charge for all kWhrs used per month in excess of 950 kWhrs	$0.0074 per kWh
Capacity Charge	All kWhrs	$0.02983 per kWh
Going Green	An electricity surcharge set by the Chief Administrative Officer in order to balance the revenues and costs of the Electric Utility's programs that provide renewable or alternative energy.	
Minimum Charge	Minimum monthly billing is the Service Charge and any Surcharge.	
(NOTE: Multiple family residences that receive services through a single electric meter and contain three or more dwelling units will be billed under General Service classification N.3.1 or N.3.3.)		

N.1 RESIDENTIAL

N.1.1 RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

N.2 FARM

N.2.1 FARM SERVICES

Availability	This classification is limited to single phase farm services and is available upon payment to the City of the actual or estimated cost of the extension required to connect the Consumer's premises to the Electric Utility's existing facilities.	
Conditions	(a) Single phase three-wire installation (b) Maximum service capacity: 200 amps (c) Voltage: 120/240 Volts	
Application	This rate classification applies to all Consumers who operate farms outside the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat. For clarity, the rates will remain in effect until amended or repealed.	
Administration	Administration Charge:	$0.0984 per day
Distribution Access Service	Service Charge:	$0.7979 per day
	Facilities Usage:	$0.0126 per kWh
Energy Charge	The Energy Charge shall be a per kWh charge set November 1, 2023, and adjusted quarterly on the first day of January, April, July, and October of each year, that is equal to the Market Reference Price. Market Reference Price is defined as the twelve-month (volume weighted) forecast as per ICE-NGX wholesale market on the first day of the quarter. However, the Market Reference Price will be set no lower than $0.07/kWh or no higher than $0.11/kWh. This rate will be in effect for three months and then will be reset using the same methodology.	
Capacity Charge	All kWhrs	$0.02983 per kWh
Going Green	An electricity surcharge set by the Chief Administrative Officer in order to balance the revenues and costs of the Electric Utility's programs that provide renewable or alternative energy.	
Minimum Charge	Minimum monthly billing is the Service Charge and any Surcharge.	

N.3 GENERAL SERVICE

N.3.1 SMALL GENERAL SERVICE – Non-demand

Availability	This classification is limited to commercial, residential greater than 200 amps and other non-residential Consumers satisfying the conditions set out below.	
Conditions	(a) Single phase three-wire or three phase four-wire installations (b) Voltage (single phase): 120/240 Volts or 120/208 Volts (c) Voltage (three phase): 120/208 Volts, 277/480 Volts, or 347/600 Volts This rate applies to Consumers that: (i) have consumed no more than 5,000 kWh in a monthly billing cycle, and (ii) have a demand no greater than 25 kVA as measured at the billing meter. In the event that either of these limits is exceeded, the Electric Utility may reclassify the Consumer to the N.3.3 Medium General Service - Demand classification. The City may at any time install a demand meter approved under the *Electricity and Gas Inspection Act* R.S.C. 1985 Chapter E-4.	
Application	This rate classification applies to all Consumers outside the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat who meet the criteria specified above. For clarity, the rates will remain in effect until amended or repealed.	
Administration	Administration Charge:	$0.1042 per day
Distribution Access Service	Service Charge:	$0.7882 per day
	Facilities Usage:	$0.0254 per kWh
Energy Charge	The Energy Charge shall be a per kWh charge set November 1, 2023, and adjusted quarterly on the first day of January, April, July, and October of each year, that is equal to the Market Reference Price. Market Reference Price is defined as the twelve-month (volume weighted) forecast as per ICE-NGX wholesale market on the first day of the quarter. However, the Market Reference Price will be set no lower than $0.07/kWh or no higher than $0.11/kWh. This rate will be in effect for three months and then will be reset using the same methodology.	
Capacity Charge	All kWhrs	$0.02983 per kWh
Going Green	An electricity surcharge set by the Chief Administrative Officer in order to balance the revenues and costs of the Electric Utility's programs that provide renewable or alternative energy.	
Minimum Charge	Minimum monthly billing is the Service Charge and any Surcharge.	

N.3 GENERAL SERVICE
N.3.3 MEDIUM GENERAL SERVICE - Demand

Availability	This classification is limited to commercial and other non-residential Consumers satisfying the conditions set out below.	
Conditions	(a) Single phase three-wire or three phase four-wire installations (b) Voltage (single phase): 120/240 Volts or 120/208 Volts (c) Voltage (three phase): 120/208 Volts, 277/480 Volts, or 347/600 Volts This rate applies to Consumers that: (i) have consumed in excess of 5,000 kWh in a monthly billing cycle, or (ii) have had at any time a demand in excess of 25 kVA but no greater than 2,000 kVA at the billing meter. If an N.3.3 Medium General Service - Demand Consumer experiences a period of twelve consecutive months during which (a) consumption does not exceed 5,000 kWh per monthly billing cycle, and (b) demand does not exceed 25 kVA, the Electric Utility may reclassify the Consumer to the N.3.1 Small General Service – Non-demand classification. If an N.3.3 Medium General Service - Demand Consumer experiences a demand in excess of 2,000 kVA, the Consumer shall be required to switch to the applicable Primary classification (N.4.1 or N.5.1) and install all necessary equipment at its expense. The service capacity will not exceed 2,000 amps at 120/208 Volts, 277/480 Volts, or 347/600 Volts. The City may at any time install a demand meter approved under the *Electricity and Gas Inspection Act* R.S.C. 1985 Chapter E-4. The City may install a single phase or three phase service depending upon the anticipated load demand. Any request for three phase service which the Manager deems not to be warranted on the basis of anticipated demand for electrical energy will be refused unless the Consumer pays in advance to the City a sum of money equal to the cost of installing a three phase service including all transformation costs.	
Application	This rate classification applies to all Consumers outside the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat who meet the criteria specified above. For clarity, the rates will remain in effect until amended or repealed.	
Administration	Administration Charge:	$0.7133 per day
Distribution Access Service	Service Charge:	$3.3159 per day
	Demand Charge:	$6.80 per kVA
Energy Charge	The Energy Charge shall be a per kWh charge set November 1, 2023, and adjusted quarterly on the first day of January, April, July, and October of each year, that is equal to the Market Reference Price. Market Reference Price is defined as the twelve-month (volume weighted) forecast as per ICE-NGX wholesale market on the first day of the quarter. However, the Market Reference Price will be set no lower than $0.07/kWh or no higher than $0.11/kWh. This rate will be in effect for three months and then will be reset using the same methodology.	

N.3 GENERAL SERVICE N.3.3 MEDIUM GENERAL SERVICE - Demand		
Capacity Charge	All kWhrs	$0.02983 per kWh
Going Green	An electricity surcharge set by the Chief Administrative Officer in order to balance the revenues and costs of the Electric Utility's programs that provide renewable or alternative energy.	
Minimum Charge	Minimum monthly billing is the Service Charge and any Surcharge. The demand charge will be based on the highest measured kVA demand during the current billing cycle.	

N.3 GENERAL SERVICE N.3.2 AND N.3.4 TEMPORARY SERVICES DURING CONSTRUCTION	
Availability	These classifications are limited to Consumers outside the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat who require a temporary electrical service for construction purposes. If the Consumer meets the conditions specified in rate classification N.3.1, the charges in N.3.1 shall apply and the Consumer shall be classified N.3.2. If the Consumer meets the conditions specified in rate classification N.3.3, the charges in N.3.3 shall apply and the Consumer shall be classified N.3.4. *(NOTE: All installation work for temporary services, except the final connections to the Point of Supply and the meter installation, are to be done by the Consumer or his electrical contractor in accordance with the requirements of the Canadian Electrical Code).*

N.3 COMMERCIAL
N.3.5 AND N.3.6 IRRIGATION SERVICES

Availability	These classifications are limited to irrigation services outside the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat that meet the conditions set out in rate classification N.3.1 or N.3.3. If the Consumer meets the conditions specified in rate classification N.3.1, the charges in N.3.1 shall apply and the Consumer shall be classified N.3.5. If the Consumer meets the conditions specified in rate classification N.3.3, the charges in N.3.3 shall apply and the Consumer shall be classified N.3.6.

N.4 COMMERCIAL
N.4.1 COMMERCIAL – PRIMARY

Availability	This classification is limited to primary Consumers who use the Electric Utility's standard three-phase service at 13,800 volts for commercial or other non-residential purposes other than manufacturing, and who have a demand greater than 1,000 kVA measured at the billing meter.
Conditions	All metering equipment, transformers, switching equipment, cable, and cable terminations on the Consumer's property ("the equipment") shall be supplied and installed by the Consumer at no cost to the Electric Utility. The equipment shall comply with Electric Utility Standards. The Consumer shall retain ownership of the equipment and shall be responsible for its ongoing maintenance, repair, and replacement. Upon written application to the Electric Utility, the Utility may approve the application of this rate classification to Consumers that have a demand less than 1,000 kVA. Minimum Service Capacity: 1,000 kVA Voltage: 13,800 Volts If an N.41 Commercial – Primary Consumer experiences a period of twelve consecutive months during which demand does not exceed 1,000 kVA, the Electric Utility may reclassify the Consumer to the N.3.3 Medium General Service - Demand classification.

N.4 COMMERCIAL

N.4.1 COMMERCIAL – PRIMARY

Contract Option	A Consumer who satisfies the requirements for application of this rate classification may make a written request to the Electric Utility to negotiate a contract for the supply of electrical energy and services. If the City and the Consumer are successful in negotiating a contract, the provisions of this rate classification shall apply during the period of time prior to the effective date of the contract and the terms and conditions of the contract shall apply as of the effective date of the contract. If the City and the Consumer do not reach agreement on a contract, the provisions of this rate classification shall continue to apply as long as the Consumer satisfies the requirements for application of this rate classification. Contracts within the approved contract option framework for the supply of electrical energy and services may be approved by the Chief Administrative Officer and shall be signed by the City's authorized signing officers. Upon expiration or termination of a contract entered into pursuant to this contract option, the Consumer shall be bound by the provisions of this rate classification. If at any time a Consumer who has entered into a contract ceases to satisfy the requirements for application of this rate classification, the contract may be terminated by the City, and upon termination of the contract the Consumer shall be bound by the provisions of the rate classification that is applicable under this Schedule.	
Application	This rate classification applies to all Consumers outside the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat who meet the criteria specified above. For clarity, the rates will remain in effect until amended or repealed.	
Administration	Administration Charge:	$13.2506 per day
Distribution Access Service	Service Charge:	$3.321 per day
	Demand Charge:	$6.52 per kVA
Energy Charge	The Energy Charge shall be a per kWh charge, adjusted monthly, that is equal to the Market Reference Price. Market Reference Price is defined as the average of the rates for owners whose regulated rate tariffs are approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission under section 103(2) of the *Electric Utilities Act* for that calendar month as posted by the Alberta Utilities Commission on its website page under *Regulated Rate Option Regulation* or*,* when it comes into effect, the *Rate of Last Resort Stability Regulation*. If the information is not available on the Alberta Utilities Commission website for any reason, the Energy Charge shall remain the same as the Energy Charge for the last month when the information was available on the Alberta Utilities Commission website, unless adjusted by a bylaw passed by Council pursuant to section 63.	
Capacity Charge	All kWhrs	$0.02983 per kWh
Minimum Charge	Minimum monthly billing is the Service Charge and any Surcharge. The demand charge will be based on the highest measured kVA demand during the current billing cycle.	

N.5 INDUSTRIAL

N.5.1 INDUSTRIAL – PRIMARY

Availability	This classification is limited to primary Consumers who use the Electric Utility's standard three-phase service at 13,800 volts for manufacturing purposes and who have a demand greater than 1,000 kVA measured at the billing meter.
Conditions	All metering equipment, transformers, switching equipment, cable, and cable terminations on the Consumer's property ("the equipment") shall be supplied and installed by the Consumer at no cost to the Electric Utility. The equipment shall comply with Electric Utility Standards. The Consumer shall retain ownership of the equipment and shall be responsible for its ongoing maintenance, repair, and replacement. Upon written application to the Electric Utility, the Manager may approve the application of this rate classification to Consumers that have a demand less than 1,000 kVA. Minimum Service Capacity: 1,000 kVA Voltage: 13,800 Volts If an N.51 Commercial – Primary Consumer experiences a period of twelve consecutive months during which demand does not exceed 1,000 kVA, the Electric Utility may reclassify the Consumer to the N.3.3 Medium General Service - Demand classification
Contract Option	A Consumer who satisfies the requirements for application of this rate classification may make a written request to the Electric Utility to negotiate a contract for the supply of electrical energy and services. If the City and the Consumer are successful in negotiating a contract, the provisions of this rate classification shall apply during the period of time prior to the effective date of the contract and the terms and conditions of the contract shall apply as of the effective date of the contract. If the City and the Consumer do not reach agreement on a contract, the provisions of this rate classification shall continue to apply as long as the Consumer satisfies the requirements for application of this rate classification.

N.5 INDUSTRIAL

N.5.1 INDUSTRIAL – PRIMARY

	Contracts within the approved contract option framework for the supply of electrical energy and services may be approved by the Chief Administrative Officer and shall be signed by the City's authorized signing officers. Upon expiration or termination of a contract entered into pursuant to this contract option, the Consumer shall be bound by the provisions of this rate classification. If at any time a Consumer who has entered into a contract ceases to satisfy the requirements for application of this rate classification, the contract may be terminated by the City, and upon termination of the contract the Consumer shall be bound by the provisions of the rate classification that is applicable under this Schedule.	
Application	This rate classification applies to all Consumers outside the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat who meet the criteria specified above. For clarity, the rates will remain in effect until amended or repealed.	
Administration	Administration Charge:	$65.3839 per day
Distribution Access Service	Service Charge:	$3.2956 per day
	Demand Charge:	$6.51 per kVA
Energy Charge	The Energy Charge shall be a per kWh charge, adjusted monthly, that is equal to the Market Reference Price. Market Reference Price is defined as the average of the rates for owners whose regulated rate tariffs are approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission under section 103(2) of the *Electric Utilities Act* for that calendar month as posted by the Alberta Utilities Commission on its website page under *Regulated Rate Option Regulation* or, when it comes into effect, the *Rate of Last Resort Stability Regulation*. If the information is not available on the Alberta Utilities Commission website for any reason, the Energy Charge shall remain the same as the Energy Charge for the last month when the information was available on the Alberta Utilities Commission website, unless adjusted by a bylaw passed by Council pursuant to section 63.	
Capacity Charge	All kWhrs	$0.02983 per kWh
Minimum Charge	Minimum monthly billing is the Service Charge and any Surcharge. The demand charge will be based on the highest measured kVA demand during the current billing cycle.	

N.6 UNMETERED

N.6.1 UNMETERED SERVICES

Availability	This classification is limited to general service Consumers whose load is constant and predictable and where metering is considered by the Electric Utility to be impractical.	
Conditions	(a) Single phase three-wire installations (b) Voltage: 120/240 Volts or 120/208 Volts	
Application	This rate classification applies to all Consumers outside the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat who meet the criteria specified above. For clarity, the rates will remain in effect until amended or repealed.	
Administration	Administration Charge:	$0.1306 per day
Distribution Access Service	Service Charge:	$0.4161 per day
	Facilities Usage:	$0.0180 per kWh
Energy Charge	The Energy Charge shall be a per kWh charge set November 1, 2023, and adjusted quarterly on the first day of January, April, July, and October of each year, that is equal to the Market Reference Price. Market Reference Price is defined as the twelve-month (volume weighted) forecast as per ICE-NGX wholesale market on the first day of the quarter. However, the Market Reference Price will be set no lower than $0.07/kWh or no higher than $0.11/kWh. This rate will be in effect for three months and then will be reset using the same methodology.	
Capacity Charge	All kWhrs	$0.02983 per kWh
Minimum Charge	Minimum monthly billing is the Service Charge and any Surcharge.	

N.7 RENTAL LIGHTING

Availability	The Electric Utility has unmetered fixtures on a rental basis throughout the Service Area. Existing fixtures may, at the sole discretion of the Electric Utility, be replaced with fixtures approved by the Electric Utility.	
Conditions	1. Within the Service Area: (a) Rental lights installed on existing Electric Utility structures located in lanes, streets, easements, or public reserve areas shall be in accordance with the Alberta Electric Utilities Code. 2. The Electric Utility will maintain the following items within the Service Area for a monthly rental fee: (a) Fixture, lamps and photocell controls; (b) Relamping and maintenance (on an earliest convenience basis – no overtime calls permitted).	
Application	This rate classification applies to all Consumers outside the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat who meet the criteria specified above. N.7.1 250 Watt Mercury Vapour or 100 Watt High Pressure Sodium N.7.2 400 Watt Photocell Head N.7.3 400 Watt Floodlight For clarity, the rates will remain in effect until amended or repealed.	
Administration	Administration Charge:	$0.1314 per day
Distribution Access Service	Service Charge:	$0.2419 per day
	Facilities Usage:	$0.0125 per kWh
Energy Charge	The Energy Charge shall be a per kWh charge set November 1, 2023, and adjusted quarterly on the first day of January, April, July, and October of each year, that is equal to the Market Reference Price. Market Reference Price is defined as the twelve-month (volume weighted) forecast as per ICE-NGX wholesale market on the first day of the quarter. However, the Market Reference Price will be set no lower than $0.07/kWh or no higher than $0.11/kWh. This rate will be in effect for three months and then will be reset using the same methodology.	
Capacity Charge	All kWhrs	$0.02983 per kWh
Minimum Charge	Minimum monthly billing is the Service Charge and any Surcharge.	

N.8 STREET LIGHTING

Availability	Applies to standard street light fixtures.	
Conditions	Variable charge based on profile of monthly hours of lighting operation applied to total wattage rate for lamp size and ballast.	
Contract Option	A Consumer who satisfies the requirements for application of this rate classification may make a written request to the Electric Utility to negotiate a contract for the supply of electrical energy and services. If the City and the Consumer are successful in negotiating a contract, the provisions of this rate classification shall apply during the period of time prior to the effective date of the contract and the terms and conditions of the contract shall apply as of the effective date of the contract. If the City and the Consumer do not reach agreement on a contract, the provisions of this rate classification shall continue to apply as long as the Consumer satisfies the requirements for application of this rate classification. Contracts within the approved contract option framework for the supply of electrical energy and services may be approved by the Chief Administrative Officer and shall be signed by the City's authorized signing officers. Upon expiration or termination of a contract entered into pursuant to this contract option, the Consumer shall be bound by the provisions of this rate classification. If at any time a Consumer who has entered into a contract ceases to satisfy the requirements for application of this rate classification, the contract may be terminated by the City, and upon termination of the contract the Consumer shall be bound by the provisions of the rate classification that is applicable under this Schedule.	
Application	Charges for service in any billing period are based on the sum of the total energy consumed by all municipal lighting structures. This rate classification applies to all Consumers outside the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat who meet the criteria specified above. For clarity, the rates will remain in effect until amended or repealed.	
Administration	Administration Charge:	$0.0169 per day
Distribution Access Service	Service Charge:	$0.1549 per day
	Facilities Usage	$0.0075 per kWh
Energy Charge	The Energy Charge shall be a per kWh charge, adjusted monthly, that is equal to the Market Reference Price. Market Reference Price is defined as the average of the rates for owners whose regulated rate tariffs are approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission under section 103(2) of the *Electric Utilities Act* for that calendar month as posted by the Alberta Utilities Commission on its website page under *Regulated Rate Option Regulation* or, when it comes into effect, the *Rate of Last Resort Stability Regulation*. If the information is not available on the Alberta Utilities Commission website for any reason, the Energy Charge shall remain the same as the Energy Charge for the last month when the information was available on	

N.8 STREET LIGHTING

	the Alberta Utilities Commission website, unless adjusted by a bylaw passed by Council pursuant to section 63.	
Capacity Charge	All kWhrs	$0.02983 per kWh
Minimum Charge	Minimum monthly billing is the Service Charge and any Surcharge.	

NOTE: WHEREVER APPLICABLE, THE GOODS AND SERVICES TAX SHALL BE ADDED TO THE FEES, RATES, CHARGES OR OTHER AMOUNTS PAYABLE TO THE CITY PURSUANT TO THE PROVISION OF THIS BYLAW. (SEE BYLAW NO. 2716)