

ORDINANCE NO. _____

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 20-049

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE ELECTRIC UTILITY; PROVIDING RATES FOR MISCELLANEOUS FEES AND CHARGES; AMENDING ORDINANCE 5736; REVISING MISCELLANEOUS FEES AND CHARGES RELATED TO CUT-ON SERVICE FEES, SERVICE CHARGES FOR SMART METER READS AND ESTABLISHING ADMINISTRATIVE FEES FOR SMART METER READS; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; MAKING FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Lakeland, through its municipal utility Lakeland Electric, has the authority to provide electric service within and beyond the corporate limit as provided in the Lakeland City Charter; and

WHEREAS, as a reasonable and necessary exercise of that authority, the City Commission of the City of Lakeland, Florida shall establish rates, rate classifications and miscellaneous fees and charges that are necessary to maintain and operate a financially viable electric utility system; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Lakeland finds it desirable to modify existing fees and charges, as well as establish new charges related to electric service which are in the best interests of the City of Lakeland and customers of Lakeland Electric; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lakeland finds that amending the fees and charges as provided herein are reasonable and non-discriminatory and otherwise in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Lakeland and the rate payers of Lakeland Electric.

Words ~~stricken~~ are deletions; words underlined are additions.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF
THE CITY OF LAKE LAND, FLORIDA:**

SECTION 1. The above recitals are true and correct and by this reference are incorporated herein by reference and made an integral part hereof.

SECTION 2. Section 35. MISCELLANEOUS FEES AND CHARGES of Ordinance 5736, as amended, is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION 35. MISCELLANEOUS FEES AND CHARGES

Electric meter test: for each additional test,
in excess of one, in a 12-month period \$50.00

Cut-On Service Fees:

Initial cut-on fee (new meter truck roll)	\$20.00
Initial cut-on fee (no truck roll)	\$10.00
Transferring cut-on fee (existing meter truck roll)	\$20.00
Transferring cut-on fee (no truck roll)	\$10.00
Delinquent cut-on fee at the electric meter	\$20.00
Delinquent cut-on fee at the electric pole	\$100.00
Cut-Off-Trip fee (truck roll)	\$20.00
Cut-Off fee (no truck roll)	\$10.00
Same day cut-fee	\$20.00
Cut-on after regular business hours	\$50.00
Energy Diversion - plus damages and hourly cost in excess of one hour	\$60.00
Saturday cut-on fee	\$50.00

Service Charges to be applied after February 28, 2013 for Change from Smart Meter Service to meter without remote interrogation capability:

Change-out from meter with remote interrogation	\$70.00
Monthly meter read fee	\$20.00
Meter re-read requested by Customer: (truck)	\$20.00
Meter re-read requested by Customer: (ping)	\$10.00
Cut-on, cut-off with Remote Disconnect Meter	\$10.00

Summary Billing:

Summary Billing Set Up Administrative Fee \$50.00

Service Charge for Unpaid Checks and Collection Fees:

For each returned check and collection of unpaid bills

<u>Check Amount</u>	<u>Fee</u>
\$0 - \$50.00	\$25.00
\$50.01 - \$300.00	\$30.00
\$300.01 - \$800.00	\$40.00
Above \$800.00	5% of charges

Delinquent Charge: To be applied to customers' bill upon delinquency.

Due 30 days after the billing date (the greater of): \$ 3.50 or 1 1/2% of the face value

SECTION 3. All other ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed.

SECTION 4. If any word, sentence, clause, phrase or provision of this Ordinance, for any reason, is held to be unconstitutional, void or invalid, the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect February 1, 2020.

PASSED AND CERTIFIED AS TO PASSAGE this 4th day of January, A.D.

2021

H. WILLIAM MUTZ, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
KELLY S. KOOS, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS: _____
PALMER C. DAVIS
CITY ATTORNEY