City of Burley Guidelines and Rules for:

NET METERING (SOLAR POWER GENERATION)

APPLICATION

A City of Burley Electric Customer that owns and operates Solar or Wind electric generating equipment at their home or business that is not more than twenty-five kilowatts (25kW) and is located on the customer’s property. Electric generating equipment shall be located in the limits of the City of Burley. The equipment’s primary use shall be to offset all or part of the electric customers own electrical requirements and cannot be used to distribute to any other customer or facility by the customer.

MONTHLY BILLING BASE Charge (basic charge)

The customer shall pay the basic charge that is applicable to their connection type (customer class) on a monthly basis regardless of the credit/debit status of their electrical generating systems.

INSTALLATION AND OPERATION FEES

The customer shall pay all the fees, charges, and expenses necessary for the installation of the electrical generating equipment. No part of the cost of the installation or operation of the electrical generation shall be passed on to the City or its other customers.

Operation and Administration

A NET meter will be installed at the point of connection between the customer’s electrical equipment and the utility’s electrical service. The Net meter will keep track of the use of electricity and the delivery of generated electricity. Here is a list of the rules of operation;

1. Utility basic charge will be billed by the utility and paid by the customer every month.
2. Electricity generated in excess of that electricity that the customer uses will be measured in kilowatt hours (kWh)
3. The Net meter will keep track of credits and/or usage. kWh credits will be exchanged for kWh used on a 1 to 1 basis.
4. On each monthly bill that there is an excess of generated kWh, the customer’s bill will show no electric usage charge and only have the basic charge fee.

5. On the months where the customer’s usage has exceeded the available credits they will get billed that month for their electrical usage. Future credits cannot be applied to current monthly bill/usage. Once electricity has been delivered to the customer by the utility they must pay for it on the city’s regular billing cycle.

6. On April First of each year of operation (full or partial), the NET meter will be reset to zero and all unused credits will expire. There is to be no payment back to the customer for excess credits at this time.

7. The City will guarantee the City owned NET meter to be accurate within acceptable utility guidelines. The City will not take responsibility for any other equipment that may be monitoring the power generation.

8. The customer’s electrical equipment shall meet all applicable safety and performance standards established by the National Electrical Code, the Institute of electrical and electronics engineers, the Underwriters’ Laboratories, and any applicable state or local codes.

9. The City of Burley shall not be liable directly or indirectly for the permitting or continuing to allow an attachment of a net metering facility or for the acts or omissions of the owner that cause loss or injury, including death to any third party.