



Seattle City Light

NET METERING ORDINANCE

Presentation to the Transportation and
Utilities Committee

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Background

State of Washington requires utilities to offer net-metering to eligible customer-generators on a first-come, first-served basis until the earlier of either:

- (i) June 30, 2029; or
- (ii) The first date upon which the cumulative generating capacity of net metering systems equals four percent of the utility's peak demand during 1996.

"Net metering" means measuring the difference between the electricity supplied by an electric utility and the excess electricity generated by a customer-generator's net metering system over the applicable billing period.

City Light has complied

2000 Established **Net Metering Program** (Ord 120111)

- Municipal Code follows state RCW

Proposed Changes

Updates to SMC to align with 2019 RCW updates

1. Change “**solar year**” end date

- In net-metering, a customer’s accumulated solar credits expire annually.
- The RCW changed the annual expiration date from April 30th to March 31st.

2. Add **authority to recover administrative costs** of net-meter aggregation

- If a customer requests, the utility must offer net-meter aggregation, which is a billing arrangement that shares a customer's excess electricity generation to one additional billing meter of the same customer.

Impacts

This legislation will edit Seattle Municipal Code 21.49.082;

- There are no financial or budgetary impacts due to amending the SMC.



CITY LIGHT

OUR MISSION

Seattle City Light is dedicated to delivering customers affordable, reliable and environmentally responsible electricity services.

OUR VISION

We resolve to provide a positive, fulfilling and engaging experience for our employees. We will expect and reinforce leadership behaviors that contribute to that culture. Our workforce is the foundation upon which we achieve our public service goals and will reflect the diversity of the community we serve.

We strive to improve quality of life by understanding and answering the needs of our customers. We aim to provide more opportunities to those with fewer resources and will protect the well-being and safety of the public.

We aspire to be the nation's greenest utility by fulfilling our mission in an environmentally and socially responsible manner.

OUR VALUES

Safety, Environmental Stewardship, Innovation, Excellence, Customer Care



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