

BYLAW NO. 4722

A BYLAW OF THE CITY OF MEDICINE HAT to amend Bylaw No. 2489, the Gas Utility Bylaw.

WHEREAS Council considers it advisable to amend Bylaw No. 2489;

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

1. Bylaw No. 2489 is amended as set out in this Bylaw.
2. Section 3 of Schedule "A" is repealed and replaced with the following:

"CONTRACT OPTION"

- 3.1 A Consumer who satisfies the requirements for application of Rate Class A or Rate Class B may elect one of the contract options.
- 3.2 A Consumer's election of the contract options must be made in accordance with procedures established by the CAO.
- 3.3 Billing for natural gas consumption under the contract options will be effective the first day of the next billing period.
- 3.4 A Consumer who elects one of the contract options will discontinue the contract option only after the Consumer is billed under the FP_g contract option for at least twelve consecutive billing periods.
- 3.5 Billing for natural gas commodity consumption under the contract options will cease effective the first day of the next billing period after the twelve-month contract has ended. A Consumer will default back to the Market Reference Price option unless the Consumer has signed up for a new contract offering for the next 12-month period.
- 3.6 The City reserves the right to discontinue the contract option offerings at any time. For clarity, existing contracts will be honoured through their remaining terms.
- 3.7 If a Consumer that signed the contract is no longer in possession of the property in question, then the contract shall automatically terminate and the new Customer in possession of the property will be required to enter into a new contract if they desire.
- 3.8 A Consumer who elects the Fixed Price Gas (FP_g) Contract Option will:
 - (a) continue to be responsible to pay all rates and charges applicable to the Consumer's rate classification, with the exception of the Commodity Charge applicable to that rate classification; and
 - (b) pay a Commodity Charge for natural gas consumption per gigajoule at the price then in effect as stated on the City's website on the date the Consumer signs up for this contract option, and the Consumer shall continue to pay a Commodity Charge for natural gas

consumption at the same price for a period of twelve consecutive billing months. The price will be updated quarterly on the City's website. All Consumers are bound by the price in effect as of the date of sign up for this contract option.

- 3.9 A Consumer who elects the Variable Price Gas (VP_g) Contract Option will:
- (a) continue to be responsible to pay all rates and charges applicable to the Consumer's rate classification, with the exception of the Commodity Charge applicable to that rate classification; and
 - (b) pay a Commodity Charge for natural gas consumption per gigajoule of average market price for the month of consumption plus \$1/GJ. The average price will be the simple average of the same day Alberta Energy Company (AECO) market price."

3. This Bylaw will come into force on January 1, 2023.

READ A FIRST TIME in open Council on November 7, 2022.

READ A SECOND TIME in open Council on _____

READ A THIRD TIME in open Council on _____

SIGNED AND PASSED on _____

MAYOR: Linnsie Clark

CITY CLERK: Arlene Karbashewski