

## City council to study water rate hike

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Gallup's city council will have a work session to talk about potential water rate increases at 4:30 pm Aug. 2 at the City Council Chambers.

The session is to look at possible alternatives to proposed water rate hikes of 22.5% this year and again next year. The council discussed the increases in May, but postponed action after two councilors voiced concerns that the bumps were just too big.

The original proposal would add \$5.50 - \$6 a month to bills for lower-consumption residential customers, and \$12 to \$15 for residents who use more.

The meeting will be open to the public and will be broadcast on the city's Facebook page. No action will be taken at the meeting, but it gives the public an opportunity to comment before any rate change is approved.

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