

**From:** [Jayme Watts](#)  
**To:** [Brad Bonkowski](#); [Stacey Giomi](#); [Lori Bagwell](#); [John Barrette](#); [Public Comment](#)  
**Cc:** [Paul Young](#); [Keith Shellhamer](#)  
**Subject:** Rate hikes and Business Licensing  
**Date:** Wednesday, December 2, 2020 1:08:10 PM

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Greetings!

We are writing to you to ask that you consider postponing any rate hikes that will adversely affect small businesses in Carson City until COVID-19 restrictions are eased. We have all experienced a dramatic downturn in revenue and higher costs will make it increasingly difficult for us to operate our businesses. Another issue that is of concern is the rate structure for health permits and business licenses. Since March, none of our businesses have been able to operate at anywhere near full capacity. However, we are still paying fees based on those former numbers that we have not reached in nearly nine months. Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Carson Hot Springs

Sassafras Eclectic Food Joint

Shoe Tree Brewing Co.

**From:** [Kate Ventrice](#)  
**To:** [Public Comment](#)  
**Subject:** Feedback on Agenda Item for December 3rd Meeting  
**Date:** Wednesday, December 2, 2020 8:06:22 AM

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Regarding Agenda Item 15C

To the Board of Supervisors:

Please vote against increasing our water rates. The **base** rate on my monthly utility bill has increased to over \$70.00 over the last few years. This bill is usually the highest utility bill I pay - and on a school employee salary (which obviously has been frozen due to the current crisis) and with two teenagers at home, I am finding it hard enough to make ends meet. I doubt that I am the only Carson City resident in this predicament.

Thank you for considering the above.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Ventrice

We are writing to oppose a potential change in code ordinance regarding freight/cargo containers on private residential property. We understand that currently most are not allowed. A homeowner in our neighborhood has placed one on his property and it is an eyesore for everyone around it.

We filed a complaint via Carson Connect in July about a container in our neighborhood. It's in the yard of an already dilapidated house. It's in our view every day. Currently this container does not meet code requirements, but the code enforcement division is refusing to act until the code is revised.

So now that you are considering whether these types of containers should be allowed on residential property, we ask that you vote to leave the current code in place. We understand that often times a homeowner might need more storage, but a homeowner that keeps his property well maintained is not going to use this type of container. The only ones we have seen in a residential area have been on the least maintained property in the neighborhood. The eyesore so to speak. The existing codes allow these containers under some circumstances with many restrictions, including aesthetic ones. If you vote to ease the restrictions, we hope you keep the aesthetic codes in place, and possibly enhance them. We don't like looking at this every day, and I doubt any of you would either.

We've included a couple of photos. The green container is our daily view. Would you want that next to your home?

Thank you for your consideration.

Jerry Massad, 775-287-2691 [gmassad@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gmassad@sbcglobal.net)  
Denise Clodjeaux 775-230-9570 [clodjeaux@yahoo.com](mailto:clodjeaux@yahoo.com)

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**From:** [Connie Muir](#)  
**To:** [Public Comment](#)  
**Cc:** [Connie Muir](#)  
**Subject:** Proposed utility rate increase  
**Date:** Wednesday, December 2, 2020 7:32:07 AM

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My name is Connie Muir, and I am a resident of Carson City.

I'm asking the Board of Supervisors to please vote no on any utilities rate increases.

Carson City Utilities should be self sustaining with the high fees already collected each month.

Any money collected by the Utilities Department must be allocated to only Utilities, and hands off by the General fund, or any other departments.

Improvement projects such as the Downtown, and South Carson developments that have required utility infrastructure relocation have been expensive.

Any tax or utilities rate increases must be justified, and with the unnecessary improvements the City continues to do, justification isn't shown. The proposed increases are likely to dig out of reckless debt incurred from overspending on pet improvements.

Any growth related costs are typically paid by the developers with usage fees.

Carson City has been using water from Marlette for years without rate increases. Rate increases haven't been shown to be justified and must NOT be approved.

Please vote NO!

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Please don't publish my contact information.

Connie Muir  
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Carson City, Nevada  
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775-220-3764

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Gerald Massad](#)  
**To:** [Brad Bonkowski](#); [Stacey Giomi](#); [Lori Bagwell](#); [John Barrette](#); [Public Comment](#)  
**Subject:** Water rate hikes and licensing  
**Date:** Wednesday, December 2, 2020 11:45:14 AM

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Good day one and all,

I would like you to postpone any and all rate hikes until the end of the pandemic is deemed over. Those of us in small business are struggling as it is and even though the rate hike seems insignificant, coupled with the loss of revenue it is bigger than you think.

Please show some solidarity and empathy for those of us that are trying to keep our doors by postponing any and all rate hikes. Also, please look at the rate structure for our business licenses and health permits as well. It seems to me that since they are based on hours of operation and numbers of seats that they should be adjusted to reflect the current restrictions that have been imposed on all of us since last March.

Sincerely,  
Gerald Massad



**From:** [Jim Phalan](#)  
**To:** [Public Comment](#)  
**Subject:** Water Rate increases  
**Date:** Wednesday, December 2, 2020 11:59:50 AM

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To whom it may concern,

Who's bright idea is it to have water rate increases during the worst pandemic of our lifetime? Who's idea was it to suggest these water rate increases when the Government requires restaurants like ours to operate at 25%?! My guess is someone who never had to run a business or make payroll!

Like other businesses in town, The Fox is on the cusp of closing, do you know why? Because the government has reduced my ability to generate income, but has provided no assistance in reducing our costs like utilities, instead, our so called government officials are asking for a water increase!

I am absolutely dumbfounded by this move to even suggest an increase at this time...it is totally absurd.

Jim  
Owner  
The Fox Brewpub

**From:** [Nancy Paulson](#)  
**To:** [Janet Busse](#); [Rachael Evanson](#)  
**Subject:** public comment  
**Date:** Wednesday, December 2, 2020 8:06:38 AM

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**From:** Lori Bagwell <[LBagwell@carson.org](mailto:LBagwell@carson.org)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 1, 2020 9:33 PM  
**To:** Nancy Paulson <[NPaulson@carson.org](mailto:NPaulson@carson.org)>  
**Subject:** Fw: Carson City supervisors could formally OK water rate hikes

Please enter the record for me as requested. Thanks

*Lori Bagwell*  
*Board of Supervisors, Ward 3*  
*Mayor-Elect*  
*775-220-3646*

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**From:** Peter Hennessey <[peter5427@reagan.com](mailto:peter5427@reagan.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 1, 2020 5:09 PM  
**To:** Lori Bagwell <[LBagwell@carson.org](mailto:LBagwell@carson.org)>; White Maurice <[fishingrampa@gmail.com](mailto:fishingrampa@gmail.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Carson City supervisors could formally OK water rate hikes

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If you're collecting public feedback, please put this in the record. Thank you.

No on rate hikes.

Please do not allow anything to like this pass without an inquisition level of questioning that can come from either of you.

Why is this needed.

Why now.

What happened to the five years of increasing rate hikes that were imposed using the same excuse.

Where did all that money really go.

What infrastructure was actually repaired or replaced.

Why not more. Or all of it.

Where will the new money really go.

What assurance do we have that the new money will spent as claimed.

When will these rate hikes end.

When will we see any reduction in rates because all the excuses have been resolved.

Is water and sewer subsidized from general revenue.

Why not. It's just another city service like fire and police.

The sheriff said again, see something say something. Does the city charge per call?

Why not. You charge for water.

My lawn died because I wasn't able to water enough this year. Yet my bill hardly went down. I have seven

trees and two bushes I can't let die, so there's only so much I can do to cut back. Even geezers need a shower, do laundry, do the dishes, and flush, once in a while.

In the past year or two, several neighbors tore out their lawns and put in rocks. So there it is. The city tells us to use less, then rewards lower usage with higher rates. What else would you expect from a monopoly.

It's not as if I could go with a lower cost competitor, so what's left?  
Go begging to the city officials. But who speaks for people like me?

Peter Hennessey  
Carson City ward 1

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