

Sales tax increase proposal moves forward in Falls City

**(KLZA)-- The Falls City Council voted unanimously Monday night to have City Attorney Mike Dunn draft an ordinance to increase the city sales tax by one-half percent for a period of 10 years.**

**Ward IV Council member Derrick Leyden who proposed the plan to help pay for a proposed downtown electrical infrastructure upgrade with a price tag in excess of \$30-million said the city has the ability to increase the city sales tax by one-half of a percent to two percent. By law, the increase could only be for a 10-year period.**

**Once the ordinance is written, it must be approved by the Council and would then go before the voters in Falls City in the May, 2022, primary election.**

**The added sales tax money would only pay for a portion of the proposed upgrades. Other funding could include bonding and rate increases.**

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