



CITY OF KUNA

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To the Citizens of Kuna,

The City proudly announces the launch of a new system for water, sewer and trash customers to pay their monthly bills via the Internet. The eBill/ePay system is now available to all Kuna utility customers for viewing their bills on a secure website and electronically submitting payments using a credit card. Customers will no longer need to write checks and provide postage, or drop by City Hall to ensure that their payments are credited to their accounts in a timely manner. Once registered on the eBill/ePay website, customers will receive monthly notifications alerting them that their current bill information is available online. The email contains a link to the eBill/ePay website, making it easy to access the bill online. To register, simply visit the City of Kuna website at www.cityofkuna.com and select Utility Billing. At the bottom of the Utility Billing Policies page, click on the "CLICK eBILL/ePAY TO LOGIN AND VIEW AND/OR PAY YOUR UTILITY BILL" link to register and create a user profile. Once registered, customers will then re-visit the site to set up their accounts using a pin number located on *the left side of the next utility bills*.

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE NEXT CITY COUNCIL TOWN HALL MEETING TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 2006. DISCUSSIONS WILL CENTER AROUND ESTABLISHMENT OF A RECREATION CENTER AND PROVISION OF AN OVERPASS ALLOWING UNINTERRUPTED TRAVEL OVER THE TRAIN TRACKS TO ACCESS THE SOUTHERN PORTION OF KUNA. PLEASE JOIN US FOR INVIGORATING DISCUSSIONS AND PROVIDE YOUR INPUT!

The City is working hard to bring recreation facilities to the community. The City owns over 500 acres south of town at the existing sewer farm. Currently, the land can be used for only one purpose – to apply treated effluent. To be able to use this area for recreational purposes, the City would need to upgrade its sewer treatment facility. This upgrade is part of a multi-million dollar proposal to bring recreation to Kuna. In order to make the proposal a reality, the City will need to raise capital. An election for a bond of approximately \$7 million dollars will be held during the general election in November of this year to determine if the community will financially support this proposal. Further information is available at City Hall. The City needs your reactions and invites your comments.

Included with this Newsletter is your invoice for water and sewer usage for the month of May. The City recently found it necessary, after approximately 24 years with no rate increases, to raise rates to pay for maintenance and operations of our current systems. Unfortunately, the lack of gradual rate increases over the past 24 years has had a negative effect on the City's ability to provide its current residents with up-to-date systems that do not require constant maintenance.

Together we can keep Kuna a quality, friendly, family-oriented place in which to live.

Dean Obray, Mayor