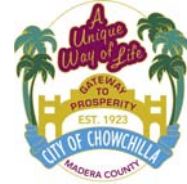


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City of Chowchilla offers Online Bill Payment Option

Residents now have the convenience of paying their utility bills online

Chowchilla, CA, October 6, 2011: Tired of writing checks, buying stamps, or waiting in line?

The City of Chowchilla has teamed up with Xpress Bill Pay to offer residents the ability to pay their bills online. This new service is in response to customer requests for faster and more convenient bill payment options.

The new service will give residents the ability to view, track, and pay their city bills through the secure Xpress Bill Pay website. Various payment options are available including credit and debit cards and electronic funds transfers in place of writing a check each month. Customers can also set up automatic monthly payments, request to receive an electronic version of their utility bill in place of the copy that is mailed, and view up to a full year's history of their accounts.

Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director Wayne Padilla said the options represent a tremendous opportunity for utility customers to save time and money when paying for their services since there is no cost to use this service and it is available 24 hours per day, every day of the year. Padilla stated, "The service not only gives customers the ultimate flexibility when it comes to paying their bills but also helps us reduce administrative costs for the city. The service allows residents to receive and pay their bills online, and view their billing history to track expenses." Padilla continued, "With their experience in online bill payment and strong customer focus, Xpress Bill Pay is a great ally for us in this new service. In the future, we will be adding other services that can be paid through the Xpress Bill Pay website, such as building permit and business license fees."

Keith Jenkins, President of Xpress Bill Pay said, "Our service uses the convenience and security of the Internet to simplify customers lives. Our online bill tracking and payment technology helps to take the

hassle out of paying your monthly bills. That's why so many cities are using our system – customers are asking for it.”

Residents can learn more about Xpress Bill Pay by visiting www.ci.chowchilla.ca.us and clicking on the 'Pay Your Utility Bill' tab or by inquiring at the Finance/Utilities window at the Chowchilla Civic Center.

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