

MUNICIPAL USE OF THE INTERNET

Controlling Your Piece of the Internet Strategies and Suggestions

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What needs controlling?

- **The Web Site content**
- **E-mail**
- **Employee Use**
- **Security and Virus Patches**

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Controlling Web Site Content

- Agree ahead of time on what content will be updated
- Create a checklist for updates noting date/time posted and removed
- Note official vs. draft content

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Controlling E-Mail

- Establish an e-mail usage policy to guide employees.
- Maintain a list of all e-mail addresses including private e-mail boxes where appropriate
- Create e-mail archive by date/topic
- When elected officials/staff depart, ensure you have their e-mail.

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Employee Use

- **Adopt a policy that includes both web site and e-mail use**
- **E-mail belongs to the municipality, not the user**

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Security & Virus Patches

- **Keep your server software up to date.**
- **Regularly review the log of updates applied**

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Remember!

**The League has a free Web
Advisory service to help
you with these and other
internet issues.**

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