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First Selectman Announces New Town of Greenwich Web Site

December 9, 2002 ... First Selectman Richard V. Bergstresser today announced a new Town of Greenwich Web site – www.greenwichct.org -- with interactive features and online services that make it easier to do business with the Town and to find the information you need. The site is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Key time-saving features include:

- Using credit cards online to purchase copies of birth, death and marriage certificates and to pay real estate, motor vehicle, personal property and sewer taxes. Soon, you will be able to pay for parking tickets online.
- Obtaining Town forms without calling or writing Town Hall. You can download Town forms, permits and applications from many departments, including Planning and Zoning, Public Works, Parks and Recreation, Human Resources and Town Clerk, and can fill out most of them right on your computer.
- Personalizing the site so that if you are a resident, business or visitor, you can register and receive information that is most important to you
- Getting answers to your questions quickly and easily with a comprehensive Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) section for each Town department, agency and organization.
- Finding what you are looking for quickly and easily. The site is organized into four major categories:
 - Residents -- services and information for those who live in Greenwich
 - Visitors -- general information that is of value to those who visit or want to learn more about our Town
 - Business -- for those who work and do business in Greenwich
 - Services Online – fast access to a variety of transactions that can be conducted online.

“Our residents asked me to give them a Town of Greenwich Web site that is easy to use and interactive and contains up-to-date information,” said First Selectman Richard V. Bergstresser. “The new Web site accomplishes that.

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“Since Information Technology (IT) is a priority for me, I asked my Assistant Adrienne Singer, who has an extensive background in technology and communications, to provide Greenwich with a new Town Web site that would meet our residents’ requirements. From the initial feedback we received as we tested the site, the new Web site surpasses their expectations.

“The new site is another step forward in using IT to help make our government more efficient and more effective,” continued Mr. Bergstresser. “ The Web site contains tools to make it easier to do business with the Town as well as a tremendous amount of content and many pages can be translated into eight languages.

“I encourage everyone to introduce themselves to the new site by taking an online tour. Most important, I welcome your comments.”

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