

❖ In accordance with AZ law, the City has development agreements with new businesses that bring jobs to our town. One such agreement was with Anderson Toyota that brought jobs with an annual payroll of approximately \$3 million. The Development agreements require new businesses to pay for new public infrastructure (roads, water and sewer lines) that is then decided to the City. The businesses are permitted to reimburse themselves through the generation of sales taxes. Contrary to the claim of a \$25 million giveaway, you the taxpayer never advanced a single penny.

❖ The sewer project is complete, \$120 million under budget and two years ahead of schedule. Sewer fees have not increased since April 2010, and no increases are planned. In December 2010, your City Council rescinded planned increases through 2013. Your City Council and City Staff are working on solid solutions to reduce the burden of the sewer debt.

❖ During the construction of the sewer project the Council established a \$5 million "Rate Stabilization Reserve" to help meet our bond covenants and protect the initial citizens connected to the sewer from paying more than their fair share. According to the established plan, the reserve was discontinued when the project was completed. The sewer enterprise fund should operate independently and in addition, it would be inappropriate to transfer additional funds from the water fund to the sewer fund without a legal purpose.

❖ Lake Havasu City is actively pursuing new businesses to bring new jobs to our city. Romer Beverage has opened their facility at the Agave Business Park, with further development planned.

# Straight Talk

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## Who Are We?

We are a group of concerned citizens that want continued strong local government. The turmoil caused by past recalls (remember 2005!) set the City back years.

We disagree with the current proposals by Mr. Ullery and others to create a new taxing district. We also disagree with the false allegations made in paid political ads that create turmoil and drive investors away from Lake Havasu City.

Thanks to excellent strategic planning, our City is positioned to take advantage of the economic recovery. Without a stable political environment and strong local government, we will lose investments in our City, we will lose tourism and ultimately jobs and services.

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We need your help

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# Lake Havasu City 2013

## Over the past 7 years:

- Parks have been established, expanded or improved
- Public Safety has always been a top priority
- City government is now a customer service driven organization
- Tourism has increased with new, popular events
- ASU was established through. "out of the box" solutions by your Mayor
- A solar project was implemented that will save taxpayers over a million dollars
- City Property taxes were lowered by nearly \$1 million in the middle of the "Great Recession"
- The sewer project was completed 2 years ahead of schedule and \$120 million under budget.
- A Veterans Court was established by your Mayor with the assistance of Judge Kalauli that will help many of our veterans.

❖ City Council has continued to honor the voters' wishes and has followed the voter approved Singer Initiative that requires a 2/3 voter approval for new taxes, including a bed tax.

❖ Plans are underway to refinance our sewer debt and implement additional steps that could lower fees as much as 20%. It is simple math, similar to when you buy a home; we can afford a 30 year mortgage, but a 15 year mortgage would make our payments too high to afford.

❖ **The proposals by Mr. Ullery for his Havasu 6000 are a vehicle to create his unwanted charter for Lake Havasu City that will allow him to raise your property taxes by \$80 Million for his new college at Contact Point.**

❖ **DON'T BE FOOLED BY THE ULLERY TAX BILL!**

**SAY NO TO NEW TAXES.**

❖ During the most severe recession in years, your city was proactive in restructuring city government and not only balanced our budget but established an effective rainy day fund.

❖ Over the last 7 years, the political environment of Lake Havasu City has been stabilized, and is now attractive for new business to establish operations, bringing new jobs and strengthening our economy.

❖ Mayor Mark Nexsen has worked with the Mayors of Bullhead City and Kingman to form the Tri-City Council, whose mission is to have a more effective voice in Phoenix for Mohave County.

❖ Mayor Nexsen is Chairman of the Greater Arizona Mayors Association, bringing cities and towns from "rural Arizona" together to work together to empower the citizens of rural Arizona.

❖ Mayor Nexsen is on the Executive Committee of the League of Arizona Cities and Towns, which works on many issues common to all the cities and towns, including equitable sales tax laws and the sweeping of city funds by the State of Arizona.