

KINZIE ANNOUNCES COUNTY COLLABORATION AND COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS
BLOOMINGTON — November 1, 2007 — Jillian Kinzie, the democratic candidate for City Council in District Two, announces a partnership with County Councilmember Jill Lesh on her monthly “Citizens’ Breakfast” and increased opportunities for “Community Conversations” – informal opportunities for residents to share their ideas and concerns about community issues. According to Kinzie, “given the considerable overlap between the neighborhoods in City District 2 and County District 4, which Lesh represents, we have a natural opportunity to collaborate to provide a stronger voice for resident concerns.” In addition, “this partnership is one step toward increasing cooperation between the city and county to build a stronger community.” Kinzie sees a need for greater communication between the county and city and feels that efforts like this foster constructive partnerships around issues of mutual concern.

Once elected, Kinzie will join Councilmember Lesh in conducting the monthly breakfasts to address issues including plans for the Juvenile Justice Facility and Indiana’s light-rail initiative. In addition, Kinzie plans to identify additional opportunities for community conversations for citizens to provide on-going input into the issues and concerns important to the city. “I am committed to seeking out different views to better understand the needs of residents and to partnering with the county on issues of common interest. It is through direct contact with citizens that I can be an effective representative on City Council,” said Kinzie. “By speaking with a vast number of people in and out of my district I have been able to better understand the issues and concerns of most importance to the residents of Bloomington.” When elected, Kinzie looks forward to continuing the commitment to Bloomington she has demonstrated in her more than 10 years of investment in civic life.

For more information on Jillian Kinzie’s positions and experience, please go to www.JillianKinzie.com.