



**Town Council
Monday, June 2, 2025
4:00 PM**

**Regular Meeting
130 Kearns Road
Town Council Chambers
Snowmass Village, CO 81615**

You can watch the meeting live online on our website at tosv.com.

Agenda

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

3. Proclamations and Presentations

3.A. Fire Mitigation Presentation

4. Public Comment

This section is set aside for the Town Council to LISTEN to comments by the public regarding items that do not otherwise appear on this agenda. Generally, the Town Council will not discuss the issue and will not take an official action under this section of the agenda. (Five Minute Time Limit)

5. Consent Agenda

These are items where all conditions or requirements have been agreed to or met prior to the time they come before the Council for final action. A Single Public Hearing will be opened for all items on the Consent Agenda. These items will be approved by a single motion of the Council. The Mayor will ask if there is anyone present who has objection to such procedure as to certain items. Members of the Council may also ask that an item be removed from the consent section and fully discussed. All items not removed from the consent section will then be approved. A member of the Council may vote no on specific items without asking that they be removed from the consent section for full discussion. Any item that is removed from the consent agenda will be placed on the regular agenda.

5.A. 2025 Draft Agendas

5.B. Minutes for Approval

5.C. Ordinance No. 09, 2025 - Amend 2025 budget for expanded bus service -
First Reading

5.D. Resolution No. 19, 2025 - Deerbrook THs Final PUD Application extension

6. Public Hearings - Quasi-Judicial Hearings

Public Hearings are the formal opportunity for the Town Council to LISTEN to the public regarding the issue at hand. For land use hearings the Council is required to act in a quasi-judicial capacity. When acting as a quasi-judicial body, the Council is acting in much the same capacity as a judge would act in a court of law. Under these circumstances, the judicial or quasi-judicial must limit its

consideration to matters which are placed into evidence and are part of the public record. The Council must base their decision on the law and the evidence presented at the hearing.

7. Policy/Legislative Public Hearings

8. Administrative Reports

8.A. Follow-up Discussion with EAB regarding their April Letter to Council

8.B. Entryway Improvement Update

9. Town Council Reports and Actions

Reports and Updates

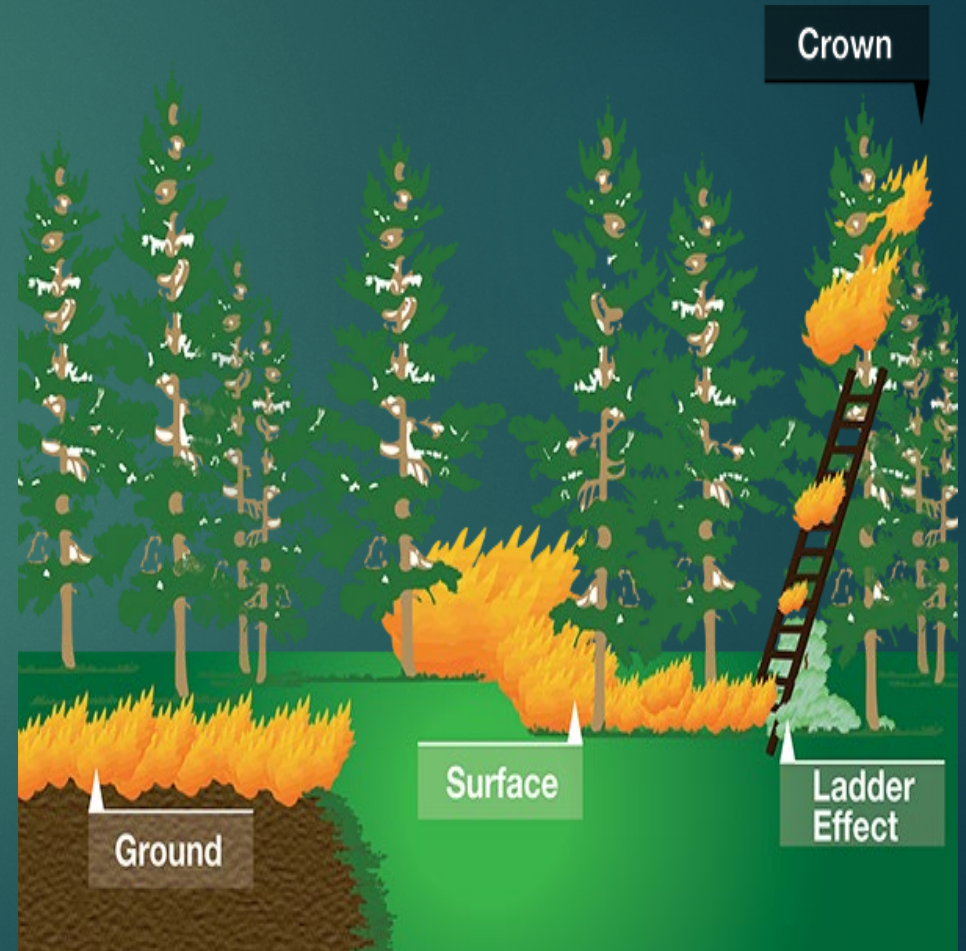
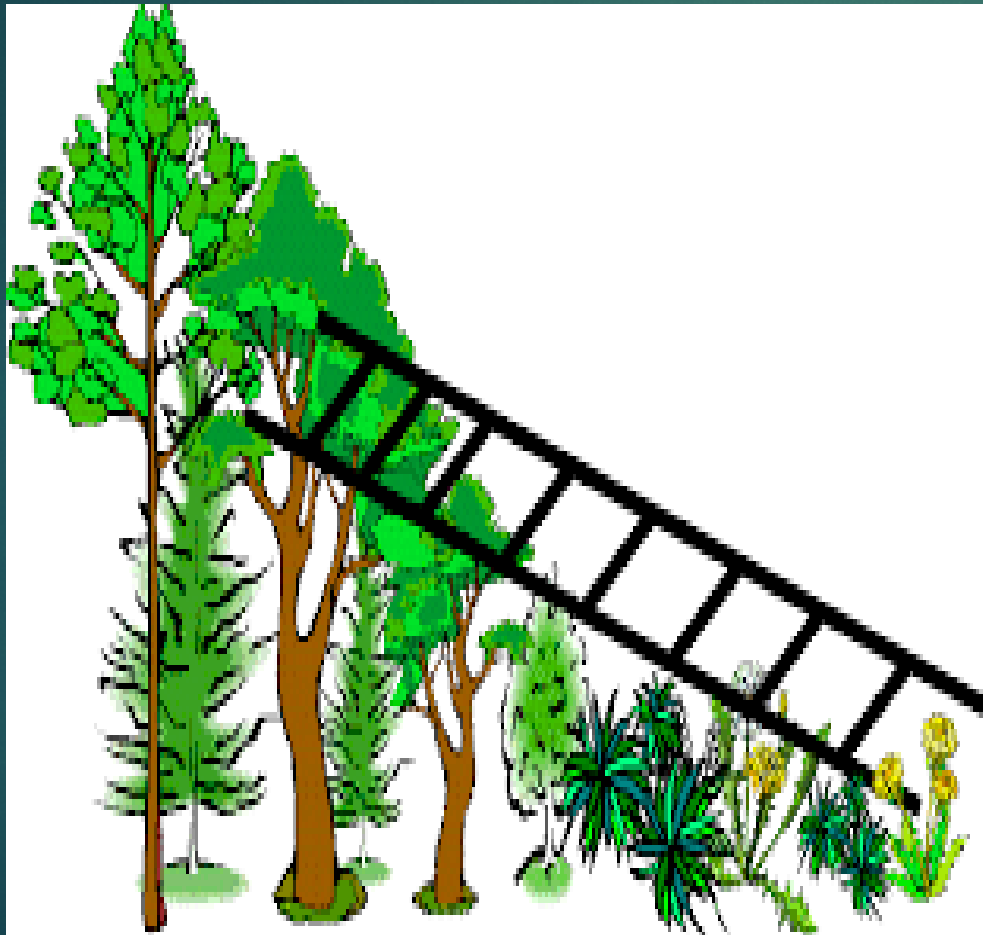
10. Executive Session

10.A. Executive Session: Negotiations - potential workforce housing property and lease for provider at Little Red Schoolhouse; Performance Review of Town Manager

11. Adjournment

Vegetation Management Mitigation Goals

- ▶ Prevent the progression of a surface fire becoming a crown fire via ladder fuels.



Vegetation Management and Wildfire Mitigation Goals

- ▶ Protect Infrastructure
- ▶ Create fuel breaks where possible
- ▶ Remove dead and dying standing trees close to the roadways
- ▶ Remove dead fuels from the forest floor near homes or subdivisions
- ▶ Mitigate housing structure ignition potential
- ▶ Work with SHOA on commonly owned property within the community.





Pines Subdivision 2013

One year later





Fall 2014 Brush Creek and Meadow





The following spring



SHOA area between Faraway Road / N. Ridge



Snowmass Sun

Large-scale wildfire mitigation
project starting this summer in
Snowmass

May 18, 2016



In 2016, over 2000 dead trees were removed from Ridge Run Subdivision.



Melton 1 Common Area Brush Project





Wildfire mitigation = Healthier Forest



Melton 1 HOA







2016 TOSV, SHOA, Fire Authority Sponsored Mitigation Projects



Neighborhood Chipping Day

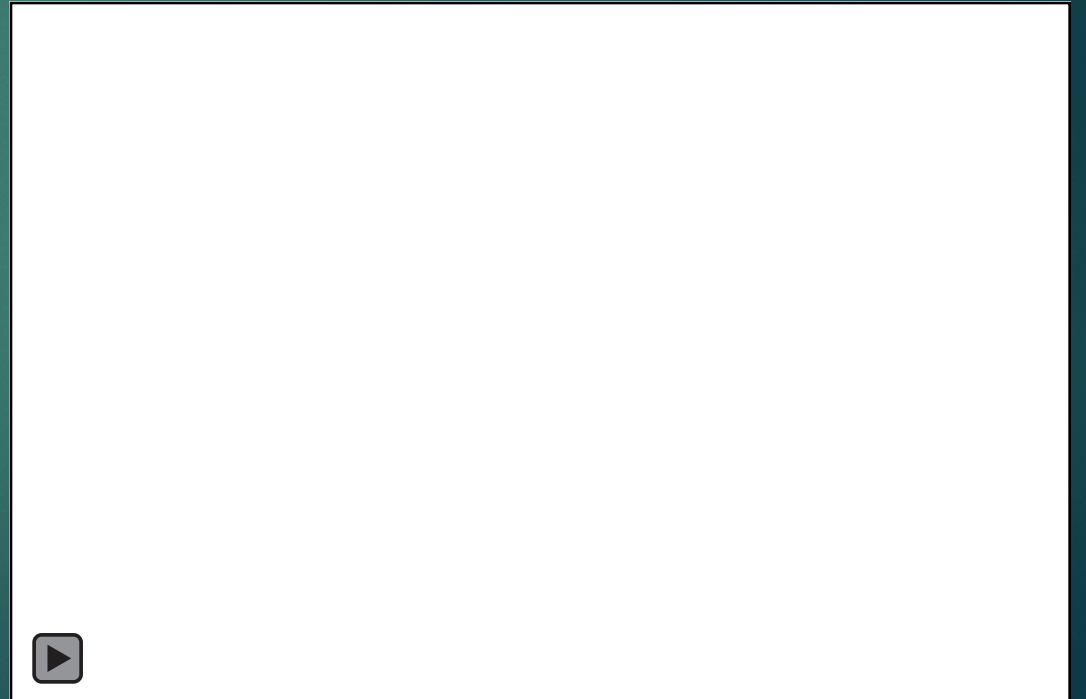


Tom Blake Trail



Fuel load removed in 2017

- ▶ Sinclair Lane 35 acres treated
- ▶ Faraway Road / Tom Blake Trail (159 acres treated)
595 tons of dead and declining aspen removed. (3.75 tons acre)
- ▶ Pines Subdivision- Phase 1 139 tons of dead aspen. (2.7 tons acre)













Oak Ridge Rd.





Pines Subdivision work Fall



Wildfire mitigation efforts continue in Snowmass Village

Heavier equipment used on four acres off Faraway Road | June 29, 2022

Snowmass Sun

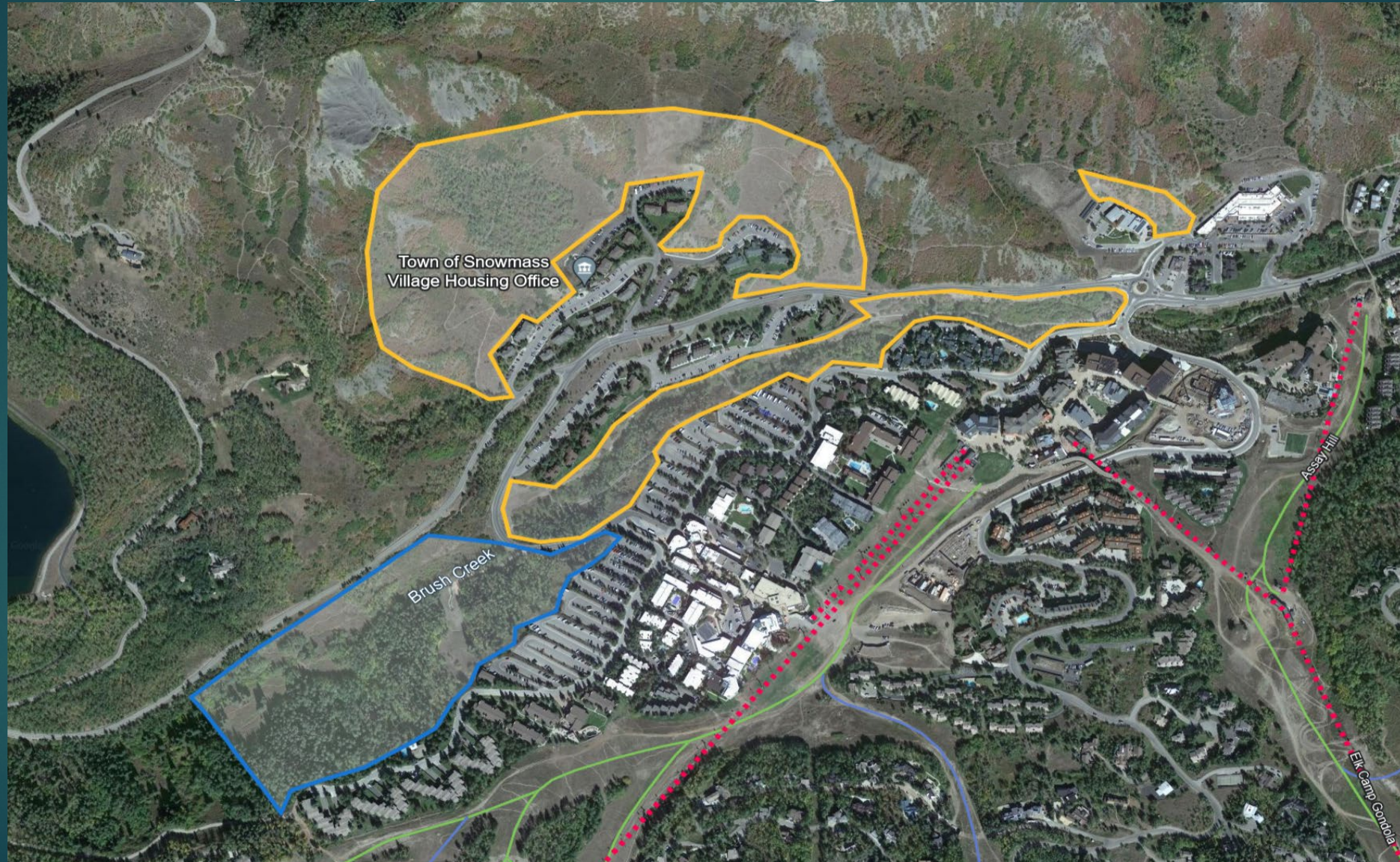


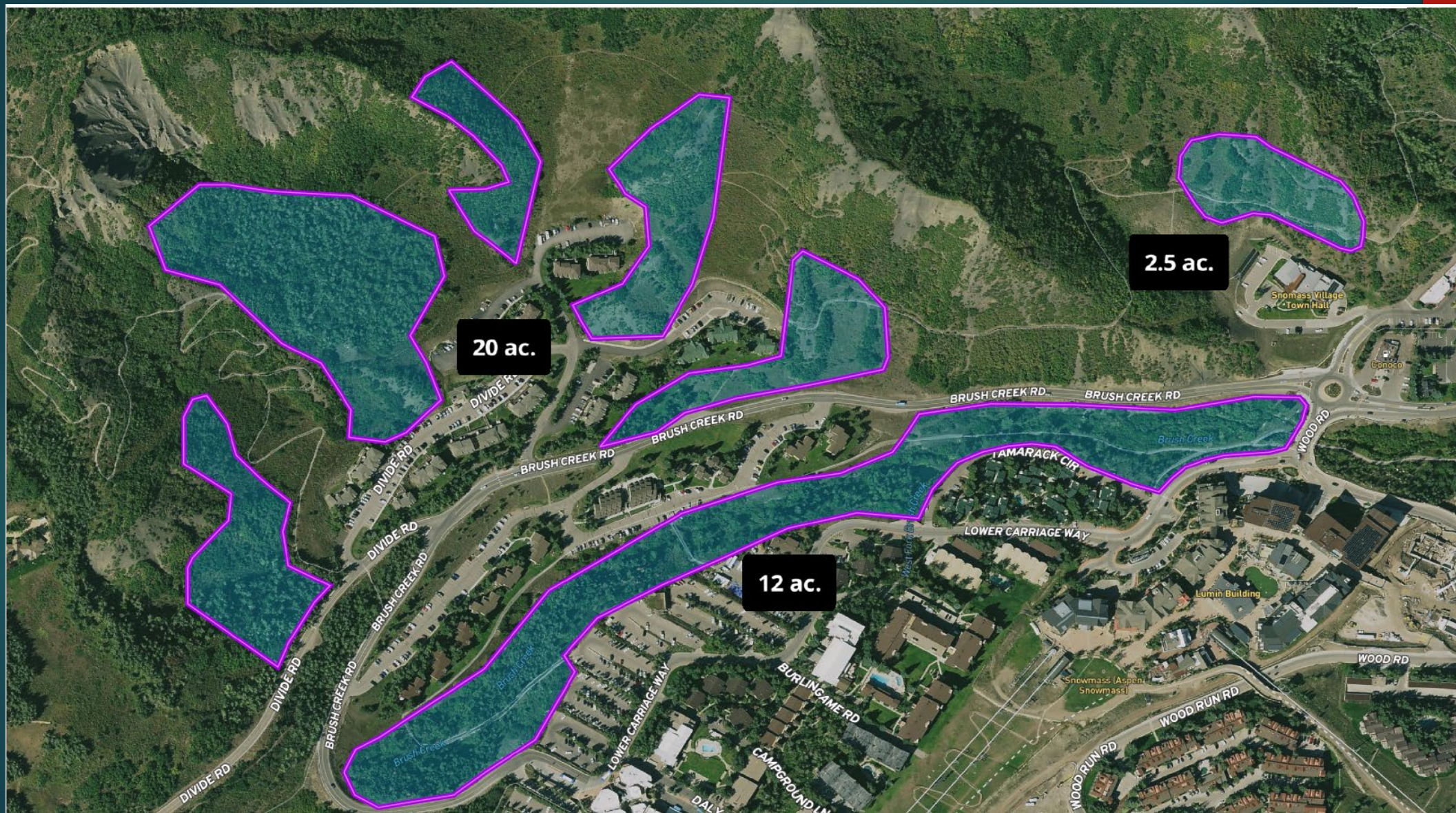


Stellar Lane 2023



2024 Employee Housing





Spring 2024



Fall 2024



Below lower numbered parking lots



Town Hall / 800 Communication



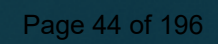


2024 Town Maintenance Facility



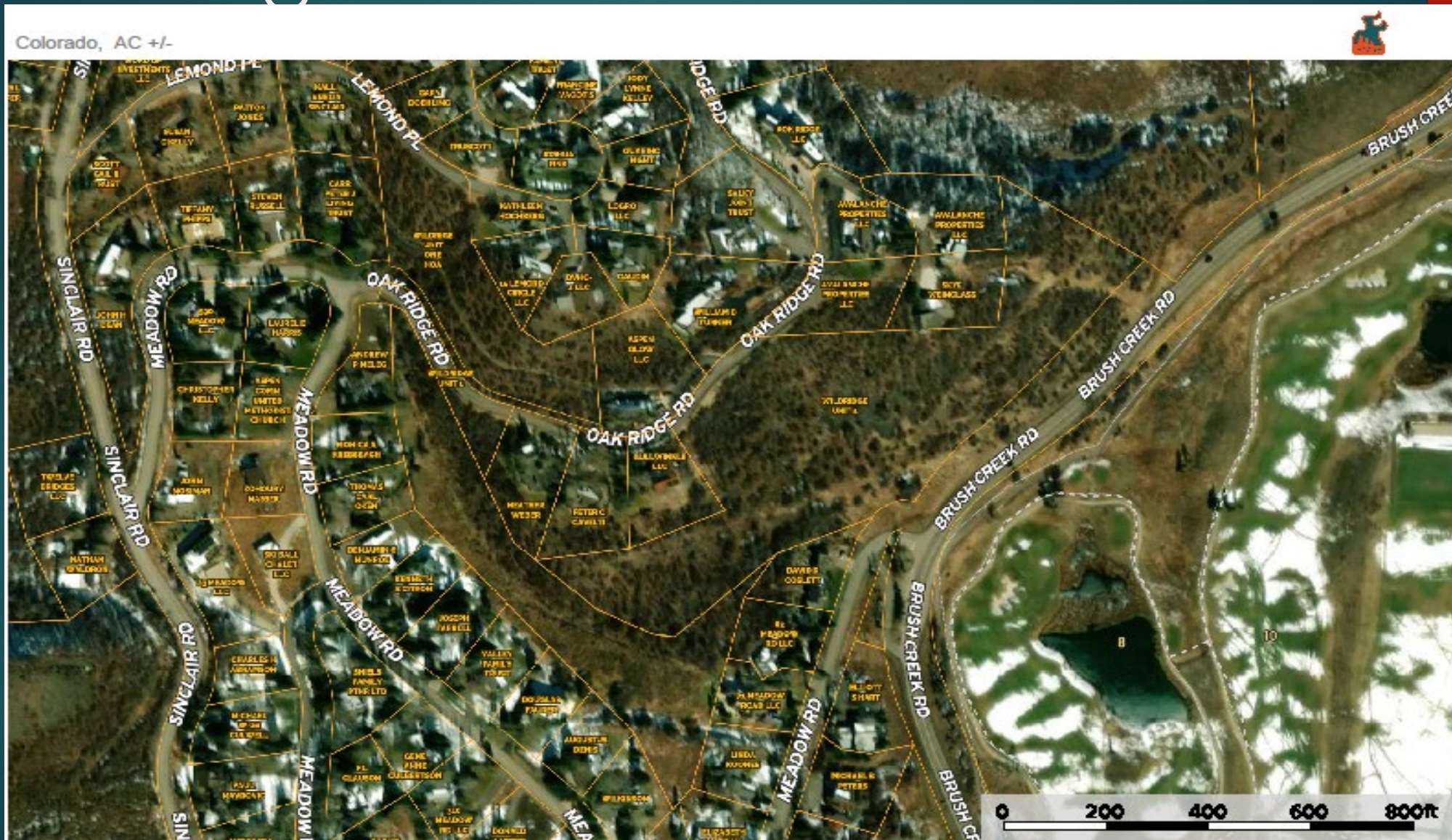
TOSV Maintenance Facility







Oak Ridge Road 2024



Spring 2025 Villas North Project



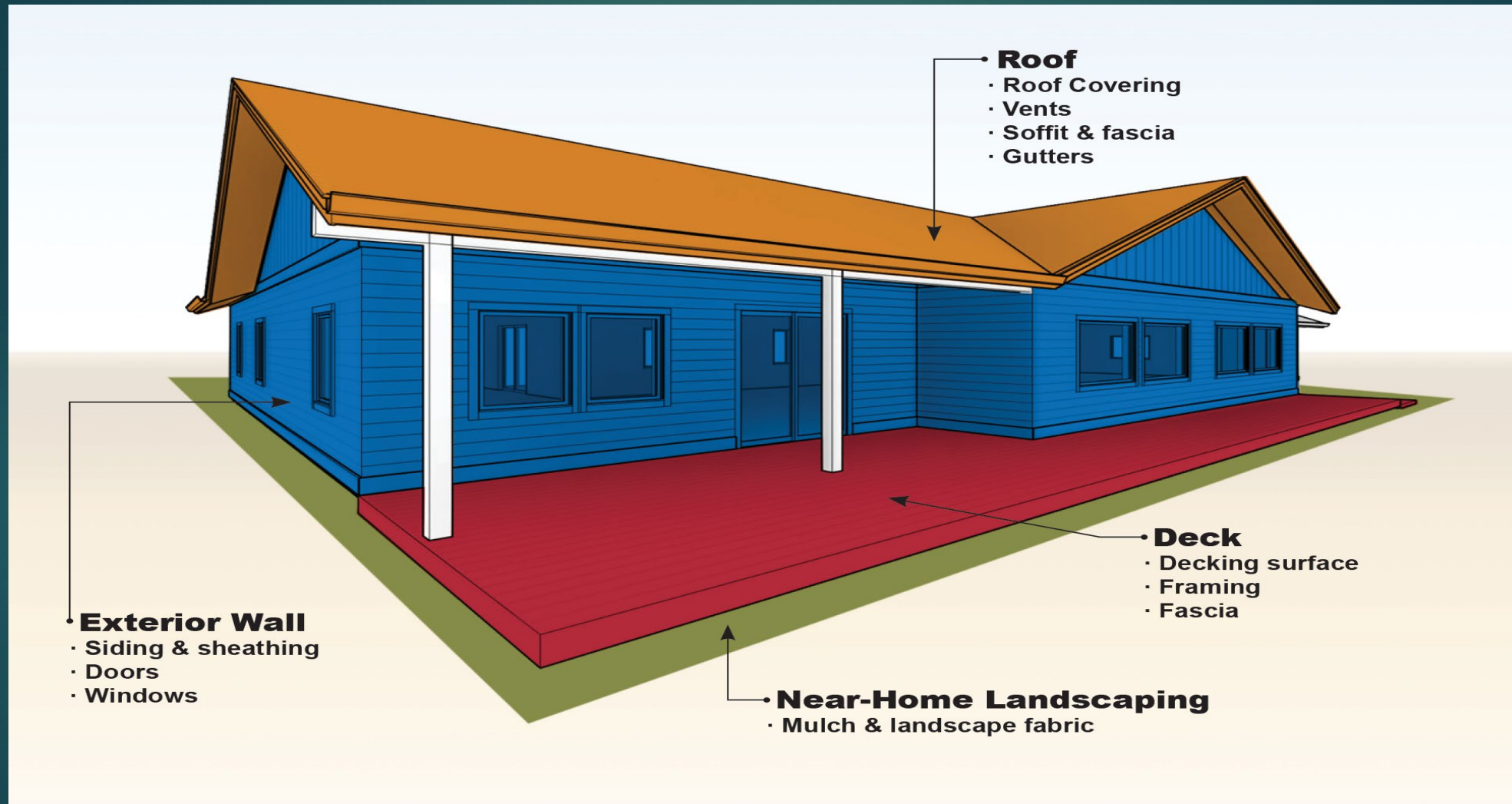
Spring 2025 Villas North







2019 an Ordinance was passed to help “harden” Snowmass Village against wildfire



Provide more public education awareness.

WHAT IS A RED FLAG WARNING?

A warning issued when **critical fire weather conditions** are happening or about to happen.

It does not necessarily mean there is a fire, but that conditions will be very dry and windy. If a fire is present, it can become extreme!

Avoid activities that could spark a wildfire!



Take Action!

- ✓ Make your wildfire plan, with at least 2 evacuation routes
- ✓ Maintain your go kit
- ✓ Follow fire prevention tips and regulations
- ✓ Listen to local officials for updates and evacuation orders





HIGH Fire Danger!
No Fireworks, No Open Burning, !



SNOWMASS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Gene Burrus, President - 2027

Jami Lee Ferraro, Sec./Treasurer – 2027

Worthe Holt, Director - 2027

Jack Lafield – Director - 2025

Deborah Madsen, Vice President 2024

Michele Clements, Director - 2024

Norbert Hansch, Director – 2025

July 10, 2024

Greetings Fellow Snowmass Homeowners,

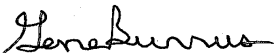
I trust you have been enjoying the weather and relaxing during this beautiful summer in the mountains.

I wanted to reach out about a very serious potential danger that could befall our community - a deadly wildfire. Sometimes wildfires are unavoidable, but we all can play a role in ensuring our community is as safe as possible. We are asking each of you to examine your property and remove dead trees and excessive underbrush which could accelerate the spread of wildfire. John Mele, the Fire Marshal, has offered to make site visits when requested by a homeowner to evaluate conditions and recommend steps for mitigation. His contact information is below.

We are continuing to partner with the town and with the Roaring Fork Fire District to remove fire fuels in critical HOA common areas. This year we are budgeting \$45,000.00 and our efforts are well underway.

Thank you for taking time to read this, and I hope you will consider helping to decrease the chances of a wildfire devastating our community

Regards,



Gene Burrus

President

Snowmass Homeowners Association

John Mele

Deputy Chief / Fire Marshal

ROARING FORK FIRE RESCUE

Office: (970) 340-7040

Mobile: (970) 376-5526

Snowmass Homeowners Association, Inc.
c/o The Romero Group
350 Market Street, Suite 304 / PO Box 4100, Basalt, CO 81621



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Specialized Wildland Type 3 Severity Crews Patrol





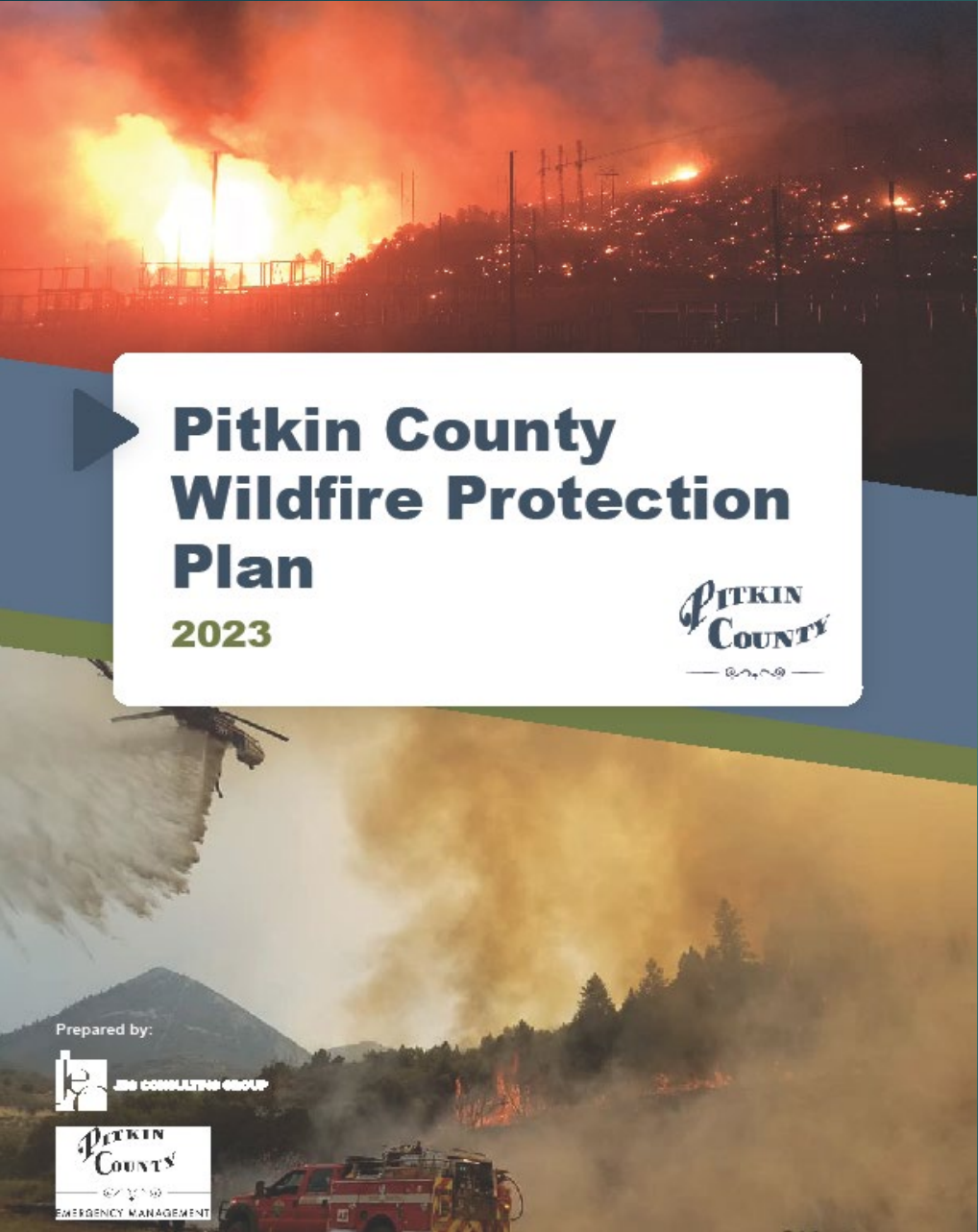
Emergency Notification and Information

Reachwell and Pitkin Alert

<https://www.reachwellapp.com>

<https://PitkinAlert.org>

<https://Roaringforkfire.org>



Pitkin County Wildfire Protection Plan

2023



Prepared by:



Emergency Services Partners

- ▶ Pitkin County Sheriff
- ▶ Aspen Fire Protection District
- ▶ Carbondale & Rural FPD
- ▶ U.S. Forest Service
- ▶ Bureau of Land Management
- ▶ Colorado State Forest Service
- ▶ Roaring Fork Valley Wildfire Collaborative

June 18, at the Collective in Snowmass Village



- ▶ Doors open at 5:30 P.M.
- ▶ Film begins at 6:15 P.M.
- ▶ Question and answer panel 7:45 P.M.
- ▶ Wildland fire truck on display
- ▶ Wildfire educational materials available



2025 DRAFT Agenda Overview

- Regular Meetings begin at 4:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted
- Work Sessions begin at 4:00 p.m. and aim to end at 6:00 p.m.
- The dates on which agenda items are listed are only a best approximation. Agenda items are added to this list as they arise. Agenda items may well be moved to different meeting dates. Agendas are generally not finalized until the Thursday prior to the meeting.
- In addition to agenda items, this document also lists expected absences of Town Council members. In compliance with section 2-49 of the municipal code, once the consent agenda is approved, the absences noted will be considered to have received the prior approval necessary of the majority of the Council for members to be absent from meetings.

Topic to incorporate:

- Summer – Water Plant Tour with Darrell Smith & Kit Hamby
- In 2025 - Town Attorney and Town Clerk provide an Ordinance to Review Town Ordinances – Required every five years since 1994 Re-codification Adoption per the Town Charter. See Ord 19, Series 2020 as example.
- Transit Center Next Steps

Monday May 19 – Regular Meeting (Kinney Absent)

- Public Input Meeting on Draw Site
- Decision to submit the Draw Site for Preliminary Plan land use review
- Special Review – ASC Elk Camp Restaurant new deck

Monday June 2 – Regular Meeting (Conklin Absent)

- Scott Thompson John Mele fire mitigation presentation (aim for first on agenda)
- Entryway Improvement Update
- Discussion/ follow up with EAB regarding April letter (close to 5:00)
- Exec Session – personnel – performance reviews
- Deerbrook THs Final PUD application extension - Reso
- Ord No 9 – Amending 2025 Budget for expanded bus service

Monday June 9 – Work Session (Fridstein absent; DeAngelo Remote)

- Overarching discussion on available tools to maintain affordability in free market housing including STR regulations and vacancy tax opportunities
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Monday June 16 – Regular Meeting

- Exec Session – personnel – Performance reviews
- SAAB – sculpture and mural
- DMP – Update
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Monday July 7 – Regular Meeting

- Rep Velasco visit?
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Monday July 14 – Work Session

Monday July 21 – Regular Meeting

- Initial Discussion Regarding Continuation of Snowmass Public Education Fund Property Tax

2025 DRAFT Agenda Overview

Monday Aug 4 – Regular Meeting

- Discussion regarding community survey
- Town Attorney Update

Monday Aug 11 – Work Session

Monday Aug 18 – Regular Meeting

- EOTC Budget/work plan – Linda DuPriest

EOTC – Thursday August 14 4-6pm – Pitkin County

Tuesday Sept 2 – Regular Meeting

Monday Sept 8 – Work Session

Monday Sept 15 – Regular Meeting,

Monday Oct 6 – Regular Meeting

- Budget Introduction
- Town Attorney Update

Monday Oct 13 – Work Session

- Budget

Monday Oct 20 – Regular Meeting

- POST Grant Ord – 1st reading?
- Budget – Comments from FAB

EOTC – Thursday October 23 – City of Aspen

Monday Nov 3 – Regular Meeting

- GID Meeting - Adopting the GID Budget
- Budget Adoption
- POST Grant – 2nd reading

Tuesday Nov 10 – Work Session

Monday Nov 17 – Regular Meeting

- B & C Applications

Monday Dec 1 – Regular Meeting

- Reso RE 2025 Meeting Dates
- Reso on Delinquent Solid Waste / Trash
- B & C Interviews

2025 DRAFT Agenda Overview

Monday Dec 8 – Special Meeting

- **GID Meeting – set Mill Levy**
- B & C Discussion

Monday Dec 15 – Regular Meeting

- B & C Resolution appointing new Members

Topics for Work Sessions or Other Meetings Requested by Town Council Members

- Schedule Updates will all of the Town Boards to review priorities and current initiatives.
 - EAB
 - FAB
 - PTRAB
 - POSTR
 - Tourism – quarterly updates
 - Grants – Recent Awards; Review of Criteria; Purpose, etc.
 - SAAB
 - Planning

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Town Council
Town Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 7, 2025
4:00 PM
130 Kearns Road
Town Council Chambers
Snowmass Village, CO, 81615

You can watch the meeting live online on our website at tosv.com

Mayor Shenk called to order the Regular Meeting of the Snowmass Village Town Council on Monday April 7, 2025, at 4:01 pm.

A complete live recording of this meeting can be found at www.tosv.com under Town Council Meetings. This meeting will be archived indefinitely, allowing you to view it at any time.

1) CALL TO ORDER

2) ROLL CALL

Council Members Present: Alyssa Shenk, Tom Fridstein, Britta Gustafson, Susan Marolt and Cecily DeAngelo(virtually).

Council Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Clint Kinney, Town Manager; Jeff Conklin, Town Attorney; Greg LeBlanc, Assistant Town Manager; Betsy Crum, Housing Director; Anne Martens, Public Works Director, Dave Shinneman, Community Development Director; Marianne Radinsky, Finance Director; and Megan Harris Boucher, Town Clerk.

Public Present: Ali Naaseh-Shahry, Leslie Desmond, Cara Haugan, Judy Clauson, Patrick Rawley, Darlene Fridstein and Erica Golden.

3) PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

33 3.A) [YouthZone update](#)

34 [3A 1 Agenda Item Summary YouthZone.pdf](#) 

35 [3A 2 YouthZone presentation - 2024 wrap up Snowmass.pdf](#) 

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38 Ali Naaseh-Shahry, Development Director gave a briefly summarized YouthZone's services
39 and highlighted some changes and improvements to their programs from last year.
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41 **4) [PUBLIC COMMENT](#)**

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44 **5) [CONSENT AGENDA](#)**

45 5.A) 2025 Agenda Overview

46 [5A 2025 Agenda Overview.pdf](#) 

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48 Councilmember Fridstein would like to add the Transit Center discussion to an upcoming
49 work session.
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51 5.B) [Minutes for Approval](#)

52 [5B 1 03-03-25 TC Minutes - DRAFT.pdf](#) 

53 [5B 2 03-18-25 TC Minutes - DRAFT.pdf](#) 

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55 Mayor Shenk sent some minor edits to Boucher. Mostly typographical errors.
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57 Councilmember Marolt motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember
58 Fridstein seconded. All in favor.
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60 **6) PUBLIC HEARINGS - QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARINGS**

61 **7) POLICY/LEGISLATIVE PUBLIC HEARINGS**

62 **8) ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

63 8.A) [CGRB Recommendations and Resolution for distribution of funds](#)

64 [8A 1 2025 Agenda Item Summary - CGRB recommendations.pdf](#) 

65 [8A 2 2025 CGRB FINAL recommended amounts.pdf](#) 

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67 [8A 3 2025 Resolution EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS BUDGETED FOR GRANT](#)
68 [CONTRACTS.pdf](#) 
69 [8A 4 CGRB Report 2025.pdf](#) 

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71 Mayor Shenk recused herself as she works for one of the applicants. Judy Clauson
72 presented for the Citizen's Grant Review Board. Other members present included Leslie
73 Desmond, Cara Haugan and Darlene Fridstein. Clauson briefly went through the CGRB
74 process, highlighted some information on each of the grants and shared their
75 recommendations. In addition, the CGRB requested that the Town Council consider
76 increasing overall funds available for the grants in next year's budget.

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78 Councilmembers ask a few questions and thanked the board for all their time and
79 guidance with these applications.

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81 Councilmember Gustafson motioned to approve the resolution. Councilmember Marolt
82 seconded. All in favor. Mayor Shenk recused and was absent from the discussion and the
83 vote.

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86 8.B) [Adopt Grant Criteria for 2025-26 Grant Cycle](#)

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88 [8B Agenda Item Summary - Grant Criteria Discussion.pdf](#) 

89 Council had a brief discussion to review the Grant Criteria for 2025-26. The Council asked
90 the CGRB if they believe the criteria still works for next year. Both Council and CGRB
91 emphasized the desire to keep the emphasis on Snowmass Village community serving.
92 Council noted that non-profits may be experiencing uncertainty with federal funding
93 sources, need to expand services as federal funding lessens, and have additional clients as
94 economy is further challenged. They also noted a trend towards less personal donations to
95 these non-profits during economic downturns as well.

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97 Could a new question be added that would ask if there have been additional financial
98 hardships that are unique to this past year.

99 Council decided to keep the criteria the same and they will try to increase the funds for
100 2026, which will be discussed during budget process.

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102 8.C) [Ordinance RE 2024 Financial Year End Review - 1st Reading](#)

103 [8C 1 TC Agenda Item Summary - Financial Update and Ordinance No. 06, 2025-1st](#)
104 [Reading.pdf](#) 

105 [8C 2 2024 Year-end Financial Update & 2025 revisions -Council.pdf](#) 

106 [8C 3 Ordinance 06, 2025 - 1st Reading-Budget Revisions 2025.pdf](#) 

Marianne Rakowski, Finance Director, reviewed the financial year end summary, highlighted changes/differences, and walked the Council through the agenda item. All funds ended 2024 with an increase in fund balance from the 2024 Budget with the exception of the Lottery Fund where lottery proceeds did not meet budget. The POST Fund remains at \$0, since the State reimburses the Town for all expenditures made using police grant funding. Overall, the revenues exceeded our expectations and Town staff stayed committed to effectively managing the expenditures throughout 2024 to remain in a strong financial position.

Council had a brief discussion regarding the probable decrease in revenue from the RETT fund in the coming years as new development decreases. Noted that the finance department budgets conservatively and that they track both existing units that resell as well as new development that sell.

Marianne continued with some details and answered questions - going through the 2024 budget actuals.

Councilmember Marolt motioned to approve on First Reading Ordinance No. 06, 2025. Councilmember Gustafson seconded. All in favor.

8.D) [Resolution to ratify action to appoint Directors to SMV Building Authority](#)

[8D 1 Agenda Item Summary - SMV Building Authority.pdf](#) 

[8D 2 Res 16, 2025 - SMV Building Authority.pdf](#) 

[8D 3 Exhibit A - SMV Building Authority - Resolution - Appointment of Directors - signed.pdf](#) 

Jeff Conklin, Town Attorney, summarized this agenda item. Conklin clarified that the SMV Building Authority is a nonprofit corporation, duly organized, by the Town. It was formed for the purpose of assisting in projects benefiting the Town, including assistance by borrowing funds. The Corporation will be used in conjunction with the Town's financing for the purchase of the residential parcels at the Snowmass Center.

It has not been actively utilized in many years and it needs to have new directors appointed. The Town Attorney is authorized to appoint and this is asking Council to ratify this action and these new members to the SMV Building Authority.

Councilmember Marolt motioned to approve. Councilmember Fridstein seconded. All in favor.

8.E) [Ordinance RE budget - authorizing COP Financing - 1st Reading](#)

[8E 1 Agenda Item Summary - COPS for Snowmass Center.pdf](#) 

[8E 2 Ordinance No 7, Series of 2025 - First Reading.pdf](#) 

148 [8E 3 Lease Agreement.pdf](#) 

149 [8E 4 Site and Improvement Lease.pdf](#) 

150 [8E 5 Certificate Purchase Agreement.pdf](#) 

151 [8E 6 Mortgage and Indenture.pdf](#) 

152 [8E 7 Preliminary Official Statement.pdf](#) 

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154 Town Attorney Conklin summarized the agenda item and ordinance. To finance the
155 purchase of the Center Property, the Town is utilizing lease-purchase arrangement through
156 the issuance of certificates of participation (“COPs”). The Town’s public works facility will
157 act as “collateral” in this arrangement, as it has in the past on other COPs. The final
158 financing terms will be included after the Town goes to market on the issuance.

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160 The purpose of this ordinance is to approve the financing for the purchase of the
161 Snowmass Center.

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163 Councilmember Marolt motion to approve Ordinance No. 07, 2025 on First Reading.
164 Councilmember DeAngelo seconded. All in favor.

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166 8.F) [Draw Site Review](#)

167 [8F Agenda Summary Draw Site Owners Review.pdf](#) 

168 [8F Attachment A - Draw Site.pdf](#) 

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170 Housing Director Betsy Crum introduced the agenda item and briefly summarized past
171 discussions on Option 6 and highlighted some specific details regarding that option.

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173 Crum introduced Erica Golden and Patrick Rawley. Golden went through Option 6 and the
174 refinements from Council’s last set of comments and suggestions.

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176 Council made comments and suggestions for the design team to consider. Staff and design
177 team will find the commonalities with Councilmembers comments and develop those
178 more for future meetings.

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181 **5 Minute Break**

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183 9) [TOWN COUNCIL REPORTS AND ACTIONS](#)

184 9.A) [Adopt 2025 Town Council Goals](#)

185 [9A 1 Agenda Item Summary - Town Council Goal Statement.pdf](#) 

186 [9A 2 Goal Statement.pdf](#) 

Council went through each section and asked for a few clarifications.

Suggested amendments and changes to sections included:

- number of units - creating 185 new units moving towards the larger goal of 383 new units as identified in the 2018 comp plan.
- Bullet points under Destination Management Plan
 - make sure community is aware of what we currently do to help local businesses - not just focus. And increase community awareness on services currently provided to local businesses.
 - rebalance - not balance - "re-balance" or refocusing the balance.
 - continually work to strike a balance between welcoming visitors and community trying to get back in balance.
- Develop a detailed area plan - no comments
- Strengthen community engagement – add exploring a community hub location.
- Sustainability & resiliency
 - add “as it relates to” fire, water, greenhouse gas & waste disposal.
 - Updating the community preparedness brochure
 - enhance community communication, preparedness and recovery.
 - Intro those bullet points: add “specific ideas include” and then list.
- Help year round residents thrive not just survive: take out "in the valley"; add after affordability “capacity and accessibility issues” – it is not just about \$ - Maybe leave out the line that just talks about \$.
- take out the caveat- Remove “While it is difficult” and just have "This Council desires to address fundamental..."
- Roundabout language - "set the timing and the scope for the Owl Creek Brush Creek roundabout project, while also looking at interim safety measures.”
 - add a bullet - Create a master schedule for all proposed private and public construction projects. (This was described as a Master construction schedule that is maintained and updated. Develop and track what we can.To help reduce impacts to residents.)
- Public communication and preparation – second line of paragraph change word order to - “a thoughtful manner designed to reduce impacts to residents.”

Councilmember Fridstein motioned to approve as amended. Councilmember Marolt seconded. All in favor.

Council Updates

Councilmember DeAngelo attended first Nordic Meeting. The Nordic Council is looking at revising the Nordic plan. Looking at ways TOSV can impact that plan.

Councilmember Fridstein attended PTRAB and EAB meetings. Addressing attendance

and EAB is close to finalizing their suggestions for Council. Coming soon. He also attended a “State of the River Meeting” about the CO River. Former President Biden signed on his last day a grant that topped off the funding for the Shoshone water rights. Secure unless current administration rescinds that. Important.

Councilmember Gustafson attended the recent Tourism Board meeting. They continue to discuss the Destination Management Plan in great detail.

Mayor Shenk will attend upcoming RFTA and Sister Cities meetings. She welcomed the DAV Winter Sports Clinic. They had a very successful week. Now Mtn Travel Symposium is back after a long time away. Attended SAAB meeting where they discussed a collaboration with Anderson Ranch and talked about the tunnel mural. Met with Roaring Fork Wildfire collaborative and they are looking at maybe creating a fire break near Sopris Ranch.

10) EXECUTIVE SESSION

10.A) [Executive Session - Town Attorney Updates](#)

[10 A Agenda Item Summary Exec Session - Attorney's Quarterly Update.pdf](#)

Mayor Shenk read the legal language for the Executive Session.

At 7:13 pm Councilmember Fridstein motioned to go into Executive Session. Councilmember Gustafson seconded. All in favor.

At 7:36 pm, Councilmember Marolt moved to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene the Regular Meeting, Councilmember Fridstein seconded. All in favor.

11) ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Fridstein motioned to adjourn. Mayor Shenk seconded. All in favor. Adjourned at 7:36 pm.

The Snowmass Village Town Council approved this set of meeting minutes at their Regular Meeting on Monday, June 2, 2025.

Submitted By,

Megan Harris Boucher, Town Clerk

Town of Snowmass Village Agenda Item Summary

Date of Meeting:

June 2, 2025

Agenda Item:

Ordinance No. 09, 2025 - Amend 2025 budget for expanded bus service - First Reading

Presented by:

Marianne Rakowski, Finance Director

Background:

The Town of Snowmass Village was awarded an Ozone Season Transit Grant in the amount of \$154,609.47 to be used toward provided expanded summer bus service in Snowmass Village. The Town agrees to provide an additional \$2,160 in matching funds, so the total expenditure for this pilot program is \$156,769.47.

The expanded service aligns with the state's commitment to reduce emissions and improve air quality by encouraging bus ridership. During the period of June 2nd through September 21st, the expanded summer service will run seven days a week, from 6:45 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. Riders can request rides via the Village Shuttle App and receive curb-to-curb service.

First reading of Ordinance No. 9, Series of 2025 revises the 2025 General Fund to account for the above.

Financial Impact:

Ordinance No. 9, Series of 2025, revises the 2025 adopted budget and appropriates these funds for spending.

The impact on the General Fund is \$2,160 in matching funds.

Applicability to Council Goals & Objectives:

The Town Budget remains one of the keystone policy documents the Town Council adopts. It is the primary tool to pay for and implement Town Council goals. Revising the 2025 budget will ensure the Council's goals and objectives can continue to be met.

Council Options:

1. Approve, Modify or Deny Ordinance No. 9, Series of 2025

Staff Recommendation:

It is the recommendation of the Town Staff that the Council approve the First Reading of Ordinance No. 9, Series of 2025 revising the 2025 budget.

Attachments:

1. Ordinance 9, 2025 - 1st Reading-Budget Revisions 2025 - Expanded Bus Service

1 SNOWMASS VILLAGE
2 TOWN COUNCIL

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4 ORDINANCE NO. 9
5 SERIES OF 2025
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9 **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 BUDGET FOR THE GENERAL FUND**
10 **FOR THE TOWN OF SNOWMASS VILLAGE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS**
11 **FOR EXPENDITURE IN 2025.**
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13 WHEREAS, Clint Kinney, Town Manager, has submitted changes to the 2025
14 Adopted Budget; and
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16 WHEREAS, the 2025 amendments include changes to the General Fund; and
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18 WHEREAS, the General Fund is revised to include an increase in revenues and
19 expenditures to account for the award of the Ozone Season Transit Grant and
20 the related expenditures to provide expanded summer transit service; and
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22 WHEREAS, the Town of Snowmass Village Home Rule Charter requires
23 adjustments to the budget when circumstances change relating to the budget.
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25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of
26 Snowmass Village, Colorado:
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29 Section One: Revised Budget

30 That the Town of Snowmass Village 2025 budget for the General Fund be
31 adjusted to include the below amendments.
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33 Section Two: Appropriation

34 That the below 2025 revised expenditures are hereby appropriated for
35 expenditure during the 2025 budget year.
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37 Section Three: Effective Date

38 This Ordinance shall become effective upon adoption in accordance with
39 Article X, Section 9.11 (e) of the Home Rule Charter.
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**Town of Snowmass Village
Budget Changes – 2025**

	2025	2025
	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
General Fund	\$ 154,610	\$ 156,770
TOTAL	\$ 154,610	\$ 156,770

INTRODUCED, READ AND ADOPTED on first reading by the Town Council of Snowmass Village, Colorado on the 2nd day of June, 2025 with a motion made by Council Member _____ and seconded by Council Member _____ and by a vote of ___ in favor to ___ opposed.

INTRODUCED, READ AND ADOPTED on second reading by the Town Council of Snowmass Village, Colorado on the 16th day of June, 2025 with a motion made by _____ and seconded by _____, and by a vote of ___ in favor to ___ opposed. A roll call was taken, those in favor were _____, those opposed were _____.

TOWN OF SNOWMASS VILLAGE

Alyssa Shenk, Mayor

ATTEST:

Megan Harris Boucher, Town Clerk

Town of Snowmass Village Agenda Item Summary

Date of Meeting:

June 2, 2025

Agenda Item:

Resolution No. 19, 2025 - Deerbrook THs Final PUD Application extension

Presented by:

Jim Wahlstrom, Senior Planner

Background:

On November 6, 2023, the Town Council adopted Resolution No. 26, Series of 2023, the Deerbrook Townhome's Preliminary Plan, which included a rezoning request to Multi-Family (MF), and granted the applicant to proceed to a Final Plan submission. According to the municipal code provisions below, the applicant has one year to submit the Final Plan application.

In a letter received and dated October 7, 2024, the applicant requested an initial six-month extension of the Final Plan application, or to May 6, 2025, which was accepted by Resolution No. 22, Series of 2024.

On April 4, 2025, the Applicant filed a second extension request for another six months. While this request and action does not require a public hearing, the municipal code requires Town Council action by super-majority vote on requested extensions for a Final Plan submission.

The Applicant filed the Final Plan application on May 5, 2025 meeting the deadline of the first extension request. Pursuant to the formal Final Plan submission, the Town Staff conducted a due process completeness review of the application pursuant the Municipal Code procedures and found the materials meeting the Municipal Code's minimum sub-mission requirements for the proposed request in the application. Town Staff is prepar-ing the application for referral for an evaluation review as a result.

However, the Applicant is seeking the second extension request acknowledging additional information is needed to satisfy the Preliminary Plan conditions, including the completion of skier, fire lane, utility easement grants on the submitted plat amendment.

In addition, the property management for Deerbrook Townhomes has changed within the past year.

Municipal Code provisions:

Pursuant to Section 16A-5-340(n), 'Expiration,' of the municipal code it states:

"Expiration. The applicant shall be required to submit the final plan application within twelve (12) months after the date of preliminary plan approval. Failure to submit the appli-cation within this time period shall render the preliminary plan null and void, and require the applicant to submit a new sketch plan for review by the Town. The Town Council may, at its sole discretion and for good cause shown, grant an extension of the deadline to submit a final plan application, provided that the applicant requests such an

extension in writing no less than thirty (30) days prior to such lapse and said extension is approved by at least three-quarters ($\frac{3}{4}$) of the Town Council members of the Town Council present and voting.”

The municipal code specifically states the Town Council may “at its sole discretion and for good cause shown” grant an extension beyond the one-year deadline from the date of the preliminary plan acceptance to proceed to the submission of a Final Plan application.

Given the circumstances and events described in the applicant’s letter April 4, 2025, staff supports this request for another six-month extension to allow time for the Applicant to more specifically address the conditions of the Preliminary Plan approval during the submission and the review of the Final Plan application.

Financial Impact:

There is no town fiscal impact associated with the request.

Applicability to Council Goals & Objectives:

Council Options:

The Town Council may approve, approve with conditions, or deny Resolution No. 19, Series of 2025, regarding the request to extend the deadline another six-months, or to November 6, 2025, to submit the Deerbrook Townhomes Final Plan application, including sufficient responses to the conditions in the Preliminary Plan acceptance. By code, a super-majority $\frac{3}{4}$ vote of the Town Council is required to grant the extension request.

Staff Recommendation:

Approve Resolution No. 19, 2024 granting a second six-month extension to November 6, 2025 for the submission of the Deerbrook Townhome’s Final Plan PUD application.

Attachments:

1. 5D TC Reso 19, 2025 - Deerbrook TH's Final Plan Ext Req - TC Mtg 6-2-25
2. 5D EXHIBIT '1' of TC Reso 19 - 2nd PP Deadline Ext Request Ltr_4-4-25 w its EX 'A'

1 TOWN OF SNOWMASS VILLAGE
2 TOWN COUNCIL

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4 RESOLUTION NO. 19
5 SERIES OF 2025
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7 A RESOLUTION APPROVING DEERBROOK TOWNHOMES' SECOND SIX-
8 MONTH EXTENSION REQUEST OF A FINAL PLAN PUD APPLICATION
9 SUBMISSION BEYOND THE ONE-YEAR CODE LIMITATION.
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11 WHEREAS, on November 6, 2023, the Deerbrook Townhomes
12 Preliminary Plan PUD application was reviewed and accepted by Town Council
13 with conditions via Resolution No. 26, Series of 2023, and the Applicant was
14 granted permission to proceed to a Final Plan submission; and
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16 WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 16A-5-340(n), 'Expiration,' of the
17 municipal code it states: *"Expiration. The applicant shall be required to submit*
18 *the final plan application within twelve (12) months after the date of preliminary*
19 *plan approval. Failure to submit the application within this time period shall*
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21 *new sketch plan for review by the Town. The Town Council may, at its sole*
22 *discretion and for good cause shown, grant an extension of the deadline to*
23 *submit a final plan application, provided that the applicant requests such an*
24 *extension in writing no less than thirty (30) days prior to such lapse and said*
25 *extension is approved by at least three-quarters (¾) of the Town Council*
26 *members of the Town Council present and voting."*

27 WHEREAS, in a letter dated April 4, 2025, with referenced exhibits, the
28 applicant requested a second six-month extension to file the Final Plan
29 application, or until November 6, 2025; and
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31 WHEREAS, the Applicant submitted the Final Plan application with other
32 application requests, including a formal rezoning, on May 5, 2025, which met the
33 first extension deadline on May 6, 2025. However, the Applicant expressed the
34 need for additional time to address some of the conditions in the Preliminary Plan
35 approval and requested the extension.
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37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of
38 Snowmass Village, Colorado:
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40 **Section One: Findings.** The Town Council finds:
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- 42 1. The Applicant submitted a letter dated April 4, 2025 with referenced
43 exhibits meeting the municipal code's mandated 30-day deadline for
44 submittal of the second requested extension request.
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- 46 2. The Applicant submitted the Final Plan application with multiple other
47 application requests, including a formal rezoning, on May 5, 2025, which
48 met the first extension deadline on May 6, 2025.

3. However, the Applicant expressed the need for additional time to address some of the conditions in the Preliminary Plan approval.

4. After the review and evaluation, the Applicant has submitted sufficient reasons or justification to demonstrate "*good cause shown*" pursuant to the code criteria for granting a second extension of the Final Plan PUD application submission items or responses to the Preliminary Plan conditions up until November 6, 2025.

5. There are no public hearing notification requirements in the municipal code to consider a request to extend the deadline for a Final Plan PUD application submission.

Section Two: Action. The Town Council hereby grants the Deerbrook Townhome's a second six-month extension to November 6, 2025, for the submission of the Final Plan PUD application to include responses to the conditions of the Preliminary Plan approval.

Section Three: Severability. If any provision of this Resolution or application hereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect any other provision or application of this Resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and, to this end, the provisions of this Resolution are severable.

INTRODUCED, READ, AND APPROVED by the Town Council of the Town of Snowmass Village on June 2, 2025, upon a motion by Town Council Member _____, the second of Town Council Member _____, and upon a vote of ____ in favor and ____ against.

**TOWN OF SNOWMASS VILLAGE
TOWN COUNCIL**

Alyssa Shenk, Mayor

ATTEST:

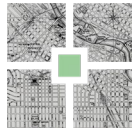
Megan Boucher, Town Clerk

93 APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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97 Jeff Conklin, Town Attorney
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99 **Exhibits incorporated:**

- 100 ➤ **Exhibit "1"** with the Applicant's letter dated April 4, 2025 explaining their
101 "good cause shown" pursuant to the municipal code criteria for extending
102 the deadline of a Final Plan application submission by six months, or to
103 November 6, 2025, for the submission of the Final Plan application with
104 responses to the Preliminary Plan conditions; plus its referenced **Exhibit**
105 **"A"** of the Town Council Resolution No. 26, Series of 2023, acceptance of
106 Deerbrook Townhome's Preliminary Plan with intended MF rezoning and
107 permission to proceed to the Final Plan stage.



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Land Use Planning ■ Site Design ■ GIS Analysis ■ Public Process

EXHIBIT "1"
Town Council
Resolution No. 19, Series of 2025

April 4, 2025

Town of Snowmass Village Community Development Department
c/o Jim Wahlstrom, Senior Planner
108 Eighth Street, Suite 401
Glenwood Springs, CO 81601

RE: Request for Second Extension of the Deadline to Submit a Final Plan Application for the Deerbrook Townhomes Site Improvements Project.

Dear Jim:

This letter is being submitted on behalf of the Deerbrook Condominiums HOA (Applicants) to formally request a second extension to the deadline for submission of a Final Plan Application as provided for in Section 16A-5-320(8) of the Town of Snowmass Village Land Use and Development Code (LUDC). On November 6, 2023, the Town of Snowmass Village Town Council approved Resolution No. 26, Series of 2023 (Exhibit A) which authorized the Applicants to proceed to the final plan stage of the development review process for a series of improvements to the Deerbrook property which are listed below. Section 16A-5-340(n) of the LUDC specifies that a preliminary plan application be submitted within 12 months after the date of approval of the preliminary plan resolution, which in this case, was November 6, 2024.

On October 7, 2024, the Applicants submitted a request for extension to the deadline for submission of a Final Plan Application as provided for in Section 16A-5-320(8) of the LUDC. The Town Council considered the Applicants request on October 21, 2024 and granted a six-month extension as evidenced by Resolution No. 22, Series of 2024 (Exhibit B). For the reasons provide in this letter, the Applicants are now seeking a second six-month extension to the final plan application submission deadline.

Improvements Included in Sketch Plan Review

- a. Removal of existing surface garages and surface parking.
- b. Develop 15 two-stall garages (30 spaces).
- c. Develop 20 surface spaces (15 spaces with covered carports).
- d. Swimming pool with seating areas.
- e. Fitness building with bathrooms.
- f. Personal storage (incorporated into garages).

April 4, 2025

- g. Install landscaping throughout the property including along the driveways, at the point of entry into the property, and elsewhere around the property to screen the proposed improvements and improve site aesthetics.

Resolution No. 26, Series of 2023 has several conditions which require coordination with outside entities/organizations prior to submittal of the final plan application. The key conditions are listed below along with a statement of the status of the work related to each condition.

1. Coordination with the Ridge Re: Protection and Maintenance of Ski-back Trail. Condition 17 required the development of a plan to protect and maintain the ski-back trail in light of the change in shadow patterns created by the lower carport (Carport C). The Applicants have been working with the Ridge to define an accepted plan but have yet to finalize the agreement needed for the final plan application.
2. Preparation of Final Plat Drawing: The development review process for the Deerbrook Townhomes Site Improvements Project requires the preparation of an amended final plat, prepared by a Colorado registered surveyor. One aspect of the amended final plat is to memorialize the location of the Skier-return Easement which is a component of the agreement described in item one above. While an easement agreement for the Skier-return Easement was executed in May 1986, the location of the easement was never surveyed. As part of the amended ski easement agreement current being worked on, Deerbrook has agreed to survey the easement alignment and include it on the amended final plat. The surveyor is currently working on the amended final plat but inclusion of the description for the skier-return easement had to be coordinated with the negotiations related to the amended ski easement agreement.
3. Management Company Transition: Management of the Deerbrook HOA and related maintenance and contract oversight changed hands in the last half of 2024 from Willow Creek to the Romero Group. This transition period contributed to intermittent delays in the process of preparing the Final Plan application as management responsibilities and consultant oversight duties were clarified.

The Applicants have been diligently pursuing preparation of a final plan application that addresses all issues and conditions contained in the preliminary plan approval resolution. However, for the reasons identified in this letter, the Applicants may be unable to meet the May 6th deadline established in Resolution No. 22, Series of 2024.

The Applicants remain committed to providing the best project for Deerbrook residents, our neighbors, and the Town of Snowmass Village and we believe it's critical to take the time necessary to achieve that objective. Therefore, on behalf of the

Deerbrook – Final Plan Submission Extension Request

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April 4, 2025

Deerbrook Condominium HOA, we respectfully request that the Town Council consider this request for a second six-month extension of the deadline for submitting a final plan application, as provided for in Section 16A-5-340(n) of the LUDC.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim Malloy". The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial "T" and a cursive "Malloy".

Tim Malloy, Principal
TGMC, LLC

Copied via email:

Omar Kahn, HOA Board of Directors President
John Howard, HOA Consultant
David B. Kelly, HOA Attorney

Attachments
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**TOWN OF SNOWMASS VILLAGE
TOWN COUNCIL**

**RESOLUTION No. 26
SERIES OF 2023**

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE DEERBROOK TOWNHOMES PRELIMINARY PLAN APPLICATION AND A REZONING FROM 'SPA-1' TO 'MF (Multi-Family).'

WHEREAS, the Town Council accepted the new and amended Sketch Plan via the Town Council Resolution No. 3, Series of 2022, which referenced the Planning Commission Resolution No. 6, Series of 2021, and granted the Applicant permission to proceed to the Preliminary Plan level of review; and

WHEREAS, Town Council Resolution No. 3, Series of 2023, granted permission to extend the submission of the Preliminary Plan application until July 18, 2023; and

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2023 the Deerbrook Condominium Association formally submitted a Preliminary Plan application, as updated on May 11, 2023 to address completeness review comments pursuant to the municipal code procedures; and

WHEREAS, the application was sent to referral agencies on May 30, 2023 with review comments requested due on June 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, a joint meeting of the Town Council and Planning Commission was held on July 17, 2023 to hear a presentation of the application by the applicant; and

WHEREAS, Town Council Resolution No. 20, Series of 2023, identified the specific components or project elements, areas of the code or core issues for the Planning Commission's review of the Preliminary Plan application involving the Deerbrook Townhomes property; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission recommended to the Town Council in Resolution No. 5, Series of 2023, the Applicant be granted permission to proceed to the Final Plan review stage pursuant to the recommended conditions; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing notice was printed in the Aspen Times on October 4, 2023 for the scheduled Town Council meeting on November 6, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Preliminary Plan application and the intended rezoning from SPA-1 to 'MF' was processed pursuant to TOSV municipal code Sections 16A-5-340 and 16A-5-220, respectively.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Snowmass Village, as follows:

Section One: General Findings. The Town Council generally finds:

1. **Application material sufficiency.** The Applicant has submitted sufficient information pursuant to Section 16A-5-340 of the Municipal Code to permit the Town Staff and Planning Commission an adequate review of the proposed Major

PUD Preliminary Plan application and the intended underlying re-zoning to 'Multi-Family' (MF).

2. **Public Hearing Notices.** The Applicant met the minimum public hearing notice requirements outlined in Section 16A-5-60, '*Notice of public hearing*' in the Municipal Code including the submission of signed affidavits for the mailing and posting of the public hearing notice.
3. **Response to Sketch Plan issues and concerns.** The Preliminary Plan application provided detailed, sufficient, and appropriate responses to each of the directives, issues and concerns identified during the new and revised Sketch Plan review in Town Council Resolution No. 3, Series of 2022, referencing the Planning Commission Resolution No. 6, Series of 2021.
4. **Response to Town Council Directives.** The Planning Commission satisfactorily evaluated the specific components or project elements, areas of the code, or core issues identified in Town Council Resolution No. 20, Series of 2023.
5. **Comprehensive Plan.** The proposed Preliminary Plan including the replacement garages, carports, the private pool, fitness facility and other accessory structures are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan strategic initiatives and policies.
6. **Zone district limitations.** Town Council Resolution No. 63, Series of 1992, allowed the zoning for the Faraway Ranch Specially Planned Area (SPA) to lapse, as permitted in Ordinance No 22, Series of 1984. The intended rezoning from 'SPA-1' to 'MF' is generally compliant with the review standards for a rezoning which shall be confirmed with a subsequent Final Plan and rezoning review and ordinance. The proposed development currently would comply with all the limitations of the planned zone district, except for the existing 40-foot high townhomes units which would become legal nonconforming.
7. **Access and Connection provisions.** The general findings are as follows:
 - a. There is acceptable circulation of vehicular driveways, cul-de-sacs, pedestrian ways, trail access and planned connections, emergency services, and compliance with fire protection and wildfire hazard provisions.
 - b. The proposed gravel pathway off-site for primarily non-winter usage appears acceptable and is appropriately connected to new pedestrian paths on the site.
 - c. The Applicant has objected to the town staff's recommended public access trail easement over the private ski-back trail (serving an adjacent property) that would begin and end on only the Deerbrook site due to privacy issues, closeness of existing spas near the ski-back trail, a narrow 10-feet between Buildings B and C, limited height clearance under an existing bridge, and existing trails to the north and south of the site. However, it appears

necessary to provide emergency access to the property along the ski-back trail in the event the main access drive becomes inaccessible, despite the existing constraints in the vicinity noted above.

- d. The applicant has sufficiently committed to connect to a trail easement south of the property when the Town can obtain a trail easement paralleling the south property line from the adjacent owners.

8. **Architectural plans and Views.** The Preliminary Plan application demonstrates the proposed mass, scale, height, density, volume, materials, colors, and detailed design elements of the proposed accessory buildings, the affected views, and the site walls which are compatible with, appropriate for, or an enhancement of the character of the community and with surrounding buildings, and consistent with the municipal code's building design guidelines.
9. **Parking.** The Sketch Plan and Preliminary Plan applications were filed under the prior TOSV off-street parking code before Ordinance No. 3, Series of 2023, became effective reducing the Town's off-street parking requirements. The proposed parking reduction from 60 to 50 spaces is acceptable without the need for a Parking Management Plan primarily because the parking increases from two (2) spaces to 3.3 spaces per unit despite no proposed increase in the number of units.
10. **Traffic impacts.** Pursuant to the municipal code's generation rates, the existing units create 45 daily trips including the proposed new or replacement private accessory structures, as it is the residents with the units that drive the vehicles. This represents less than one percent (<1%) of the projected 11,000 daily trips on nearby Brush Creek Road per a 2018 transportation impact report. The proposed project does not require a new transportation impact report pursuant to the code criteria that the application was filed under.
11. **Landscaping and open space.** The type, amount, size, species, and location of proposed landscaping are adequate and suitable for the development, including the view simulations adequately showing landscaping screening around the perimeter of the development and for compliance with affected code standards. The proposed tree removal and mitigation plan appears acceptable. Despite the open space reducing from the 55% standard pursuant to the original Faraway Ranch SPA land use plan, the Applicant acceptably represented that the open space is 4% lower than the approximate 50% open space currently on the Deerbrook Subdivision site and would be greater than the minimum 25% open space standard pursuant to the planned rezoning to 'MF.'
12. **Natural hazard areas.** The Applicant demonstrated the site, pre-development, was below a 30% gradient and that some of the slopes currently on the site, which are above 30%, occur on the south side and in between the driveways. The gradients are a result of man-made conditions. This includes the prior

construction of Ridge Road and the access driveways. Since the site was subdivided in 1988 after the code cut-off date of January 1, 1987 for requiring a geotechnical report, the Preliminary Plan application acceptably provided this report as well as an updated letter dated August 2, 2023 from the Applicant's geotechnical engineer. These studies and documents sufficiently explain the findings and recommended construction measures, including significant subsurface drainage systems, control and lowering of the historic groundwater levels, removing excavated soil and the net-effect weight from the hillside to reduce the driving forces, installation of earth retention shoring walls, drain strips connected to a collector drain at the bottom of the wall; and the installation of inclinometer casings will be employed to avoid, minimize, or mitigate the development effects for compliance with the geologic hazard and steep slope standards in the municipal code.

13. **Natural Resource Areas.** The Preliminary Plan application acceptably complies with the standards of the Development Code, such as the Brush Creek Impact Area standards. The review of the site-specific location and characteristics of any wildlife habitat areas, riparian areas, wetlands, and other valued natural features on the property, including anticipated impacts of the proposed development on these areas/features, has been acceptably addressed and mitigated.
14. **Air Quality and Noise mitigation.** For a Preliminary Plan level of review, the construction management plan provided generally describes acceptable implementable methods for the purpose of reducing pollutants and abating noise.
15. **Grading and drainage.** The Preliminary Plan application acceptably demonstrates the extent of soil and vegetation disturbance planned for the site and any disturbed areas that will be stabilized both during construction and following completion of the project. This includes where excavated materials will be stockpiled, and the design and material of the shoring and retaining structures to be installed. The applicant acceptably explains how the storm water will be handled and managed both during construction and following completion of the project.
16. **Pace and phasing.** The Preliminary Plan application sufficiently details the phasing proposal to ensure that the development and segments thereof will occur in an efficient and orderly manner with consideration given to construction and other impacts upon the community.
17. **Community welfare.** The Applicant acceptably demonstrated that the proposed development in its totality promotes the public health, safety, and welfare.
18. **Municipal Code Review Standards.** The Applicant has demonstrated general compliance with Section 16A-5-300(c) of the PUD code's 'General Restrictions,'

Section 16A-5-310 of the PUD 'Review Standards,' and the Article IV's 'Development Evaluation Standards' for a Preliminary Plan level of review.

Section Two: Action. The Town Council hereby grants the Applicant permission to proceed to the Final Plan stage subject to the following conditions in Section Three below without the need for further Planning Commission review before it is reviewed by the Town Council pursuant to the optional review procedures in municipal code Section 16A-5-340(i), '*Town Council Public Hearing*.'

Section Three: Conditions. The Applicant shall demonstrate compliance with the following conditions at the time of the Final Plan submission and review:

1. **Easements.** The shared utility, relocations, and drainage easements shall be granted on an amended plat or by separate document(s) prior to issuance of a building permit. Should a trail easement be obtained by the Town on the adjacent properties to the south, the applicant shall provide a pedestrian connection to this trail.
2. **Emergency Service and Public Trail Access.** The driveway layout arrangement and minimum turning radius shall be designed to accommodate emergency services, including removal of trees, where needed as may be determined by the Roaring Fork Fire Rescue (SWFPD). Since the Applicant has objected to providing the Town staff recommended public trail along the existing private ski-back trail, due to the constraints described in Finding No. 7, the Applicant shall in lieu work with the Roaring Fork Fire Rescue to determine and grant an appropriate emergency access route generally along the private ski-back easement on the Deerbrook site.
3. **License Agreement.** No private improvements shall be allowed in the public right-of-way unless specifically approved and may require a license agreement.
4. **Wildfire Hazard Provisions.** Defensible and landscaped spaces within and around the site's perimeter shall continue to be designed to prevent the spread of wildfire and for compliance with the Wildfire Hazard Provisions pursuant to Ordinance No. 13, Series of 2019.
5. **Water Quality Measures.** The recommended water quality protective measures described in the other geotechnical and drainage reports shall be monitored during construction.
6. **Dewatering/Discharge Permits.** The applicant shall contact the State Public Health and Environment to determine if the project needs a Construction Site Dewatering Permit and/or Discharge Permit. Proof of such permit(s), if required, shall be provided to the Town.

7. **Slope Stabilization.** The Applicant will initiate pre-construction slope stability monitoring within the next few months (over a period of 9-12 months prior to construction) to establish baseline data for evaluating slope stability/soil movement during construction. The Applicant's geotechnical team shall be called to observe conditions in the bottom of the sub-excavated area and to verify that their recommendations are being implemented, including the area around the new pool and the foundation/surface drains around the bottom of the walls.
8. **Construction Management Plan Details and Noise Abatement.** Further details and information relative to certain portions of the submitted Construction Management Plan will be forthcoming during the construction permitting phase pursuant to the preliminary plan application. These include descriptions of the planned sound barriers constructed during the shoring operations as well as snow removal storage. Noise abatement shall be addressed with the final CMP during the building permit process. The code's noise ordinance shall be adhered to by the Applicant. Materials should be sourced within 500 miles of the property, including use of recycled, low-emitting materials, wherever possible.
9. **Air Quality Measures.** The construction manager on site shall take immediate predetermined steps to control any off-site transport of dust that occurs, such as use of a water truck, hoses, traffic stops, etc., and immediately notify the Town.
10. **SWSD Will-Serve Letter conditions.** The applicant shall comply with the conditions of approval in a Will-Serve letter dated August 3, 2023 from the Snowmass Water and Sanitation District prior to excavation and construction.
11. **Lighting.** All exterior lighting shall comply with the Town's Lighting Ordinance No. 18, Series of 2003, also found in municipal code Section 18-265 for a Multi-Family site, including, *"All light sources, which are not fully shielded, shall use other than a clear lens material as the primary lens material to enclose the light bulb to minimize glare from that point light source."*
12. **Signs:**
 - a. Off-premise signs. As the Preliminary Plan PUD applies to the Deerbrook Subdivision site, if another off-premise project sign is proposed in addition to the project entry/address monument signs at the Ridge Road exit (approved by Ordinance 25, 1989), the Applicant may submit either a sign permit application for consideration by the Community Development Director (since the affected Timbers common area is zoned SPA-1) for compliance with the new private access agreement, or an Amendment to the prior approved the Comprehensive Sign Plan for subsequent review by the Town's Planning Commission and Town Council.

- b. On-premise signs. Any proposed on-premise project signs shall meet the requirements of the sign code, be located within the Deerbrook Subdivision, placed outside of easements, and meet the minimum 10-foot setback requirement, unless included as part of a supplemental CSP Amendment application submission. If on-premise signs are proposed, the applicant shall subsequently submit a sign permit application for review, consideration, and action by the Town's Community Development Department and pursuant to applicable municipal code procedures following a Final approval, or an Amendment to the prior approved Comprehensive Sign Plan for subsequent review by the Town's Planning Commission and Town Council.
- 13. **Accessible Routes and Building Codes.** Considering the existing units are not handicap accessible, the Applicant shall comply with applicable accessible route requirements in the Building Code to include the provision of accessible access to the pool facility and from the two appropriately sized accessible parking spaces, as deemed needed by the Town's Building Official. Any safety netting, fencing or parapet walls as determined required by the building code shall be installed.
- 14. **Condominium documents.** Amended condominium maps and documents, including the plans incorporated in the Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CC&Rs) of the homeowners' association shall subsequently be provided for review and approval by the Town. The CCRs shall demonstrate the areas adjacent to a public street within the public right-of-way, or within the private adjacent common or open space areas, shall be the responsibility of the homeowners' association for the maintenance of the snow removal, snow storage, drainage, landscaping, irrigation, repair, replacement, etc.
- 15. **Omnibus Provision.** Any review comments from the referral agencies such as from the Town's Public Works Department's Town Engineer dated June 29, 2023, the Town's Environmental consultant dated June 19 and 26, 2023, Roaring Fork Fire Rescue (SWFPD) requirements, and the Snowmass Water and Sanitation District (SWSD) Will-Serve letter dated August 3, 2023 with conditions shall be sufficiently addressed by the Applicant at the next Final Plan review stage.
- 16. **Parking.** Installation of Electronic Vehicle (EV) charging stations should be considered. The garages should be utilized for vehicles versus for extra storage.
- 17. **Private Ski-back easement.** Prior to Final approval, Deerbrook and the Ridge reach conclusion on the protection and maintenance of the ski-back trail.

Section Four: Severability. If any provision of this Resolution or application hereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect any other provision or application of this Resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and, to this end, the provisions of this Resolution are severable.

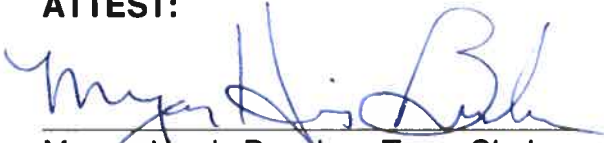
READ, APPROVED AND ADOPTED, as amended, by the Town Council of the Town of Snowmass Village on November 6, 2023 upon a motion by Council Member Fridstein the second of Council Member Marolt, and upon a vote of 5 in favor and 0 against.

**TOWN OF SNOWMASS VILLAGE
TOWN COUNCIL**



Bill Madsen, Mayor

ATTEST:



Megan Harris Boucher, Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Jeffrey J. Conklin, Town Attorney

Exhibits incorporated by reference:

- Preliminary Plan application materials resubmitted May 11, 2023.
- Referral agency review comments and public comments received in the Town Council packet for the November 6, 2023 meeting.

**TOWN OF SNOWMASS VILLAGE
TOWN COUNCIL**

**RESOLUTION NO. 22
SERIES OF 2024**

A RESOLUTION ACTING ON DEERBROOK TOWNHOMES' SIX-MONTH EXTENSION REQUEST OF A FINAL PLAN PUD APPLICATION SUBMISSION BEYOND THE ONE-YEAR CODE LIMITATION, AFTER THE PRELIMINARY PLAN APPLICATION WAS ACCEPTED BY TOWN COUNCIL VIA RESOLUTION NO. 26, SERIES OF 2023, ON NOVEMBER 6, 2023, PURSUANT TO SECTION 16A-5-340(n), 'EXPIRATION,' OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE.

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2023, the Deerbrook Townhomes Preliminary Plan PUD application was reviewed and accepted by Town Council with conditions via Resolution No. 26, Series of 2023, and the Applicant was granted permission to proceed to a Final Plan submission; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 16A-5-340(n), 'Expiration,' of the municipal code it states: *"Expiration. The applicant shall be required to submit the final plan application within twelve (12) months after the date of preliminary plan approval. Failure to submit the application within this time period shall render the preliminary plan null and void, and require the applicant to submit a new sketch plan for review by the Town. The Town Council may, at its sole discretion and for good cause shown, grant an extension of the deadline to submit a final plan application, provided that the applicant requests such an extension in writing no less than thirty (30) days prior to such lapse and said extension is approved by at least three-quarters ($\frac{3}{4}$) of the Town Council members of the Town Council present and voting."*

WHEREAS, the 2018 Amended Comprehensive Plan's Conservation and Development Map does not show the Deerbrook Townhomes property within the West Village / Village Mall / Base Village Comprehensively Planned Area where development and redevelopment are encouraged; and

WHEREAS, the Deerbrook Townhomes property is located within the 'Residential Area' designation of the Conservation & Development Map in the adopted 2018 adopted Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, within the 'Residential Area' of Conservation & Development Map in the adopted 2018 Comprehensive Plan it states that, *"it may be possible to incorporate a small amount of additional multi-family residential units within some existing complexes. These areas are intended to remain in their current form as conventional use-based districts"*; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Deerbrook Townhomes project Sketch Plan and Preliminary Plan were evaluated under the 2018 Amended Comprehensive Plan, as further modified in 2022; and

WHEREAS, in a letter dated October 7, 2024, with referenced exhibits, the applicant requested a six-month extension to file the Final Plan application or until May 6, 2025; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Snowmass Village, Colorado:

Section One: Findings. The Town Council finds that:

1. The Applicant submitted a letter dated October 7, 2024 with referenced exhibits meeting the municipal code's mandated 30-day deadline for submittal of a requested extension request, explaining the reasons or justification for complying with the "*good cause shown*" criteria in the municipal code.
2. After the review and evaluation, the Applicant has submitted sufficient reasons or justification to demonstrate "*good cause shown*" pursuant to the code criteria for granting an extension of the Final Plan PUD application submission.
3. There are no public hearing notification requirements in the municipal code to consider a request to extend the deadline for a Final Plan PUD application submission.

Section Two: Action. The Town Council hereby grants the Deerbrook Townhome's a six-month extension to May 6, 2025 for the submission of the Final Plan PUD application.

Section Three: Severability. If any provision of this Resolution or application hereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect any other provision or application of this Resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and, to this end, the provisions of this Resolution are severable.

INTRODUCED, READ, AND APPROVED by the Town Council of the Town of Snowmass Village on October 21, 2024 upon a motion by Town Councilmember Shenk, the second of Town Councilmember Fridstein, and upon a vote of 5 in favor and 0 against.

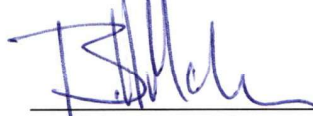
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Deerbrook Townhome's 6-month extension request for Final Plan application submittal

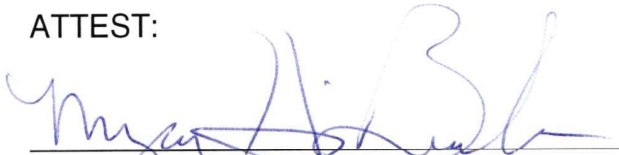
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**TOWN OF SNOWMASS VILLAGE
TOWN COUNCIL**



Bill Madsen, Mayor

ATTEST:



Megan Boucher, Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Jeff Conklin, Town Attorney

Exhibits incorporated:

- Applicant's letter dated October 7, 2024, referencing the approved Town Council Resolution No. 26, Series of 2023, of the accepted Preliminary Plan PUD application, and requesting a six-month extension of the expiration deadline, or to May 6, 2025, for the submission of the Final Plan application.

Town of Snowmass Village Agenda Item Summary

Date of Meeting:

June 2, 2025

Agenda Item:

Follow-up Discussion with EAB regarding their April Letter to Council

Presented by:

Greg LeBlanc, Assistant Town Manager

Background:

Town Council uses the recommendations of each of its advisory boards and commissions to evaluate and make informed policy decisions. The Environmental Advisory Board (EAB) is tasked with updating and accomplishing the goals of the town's Environmental Sustainability Plan. The board provides technical expertise and a broad community perspective in order to develop recommendations concerning projects, programs, policies, and operational practices that benefit the natural environment, the local economy, and the community. They encourage community participation in these pursuits and manage relationships with other area environmental groups.

On April 16, 2025, the EAB sent a recommendation letter to the Town Council with recommendations for prioritizing environmental efforts by the Town. These recommendations include actions in the following areas:

1. Fire
2. Building Electrification
3. Water
4. Compost
5. Demolition and Waste
6. Sustainable Transloading Facility
7. Sustainability Coordinator Staff Position

Members of EAB will be present to discuss the recommendations made in this letter.

Financial Impact:

There is no direct financial impact of this discussion item.

Applicability to Council Goals & Objectives:

The 2025 Council Goal of A Continued Commitment to Sustainability and Resiliency states that Snowmass Village is committed to being proactive in protecting community assets. This requires addressing environmental and other safety topics. Efforts to im-

prove resiliency will require strong leadership from the Town Council and efforts from the community at large. Educational efforts and more public involvement with disaster pre-paredness and recovery will be critical. The Council will work to ensure broad communi-ty involvement, through HOAs and other organizations, to address specific identified hazards such as wildfires. This discussion is intended to address some of the actions listed under this goal.

Council Options:

This item is intended for the discussion of, and possible direction by the Town Council.

Staff Recommendation:

This item is intended for the discussion of, and possible direction by the Town Council.
No staff recommendation currently.

Attachments:

1. 8A 2 EAB Letter to Council on 2030 Emissions
2. 8A 3 2020 Snowmass Village Sustainability Plan
3. 8A 4 June 2 2025 EAB Presentation to Council

Dear Town Council Members,

The EAB sees its role as helping the Town reach ambitious sustainability goals that protect our Town from climate-related problems. The EAB was also part of setting aggressive Emission Reduction Goals for 2030. We are not on track to meet these goals, which could impact tourism and quality of life in our town. Although significant emissions reductions can be achieved through our partnerships with Holy Cross and CORE, the EAB seeks to move forward simultaneously with initiatives in the following topic areas:

1. Fire
2. Building Electrification
3. Water
4. Compost
5. Demolition and Waste
6. Sustainable Transloading Facility
7. Sustainability Coordinator Staff Position

The following is to educate Councilmembers on these topics: the time it would take, staffing needs, costs, and the next steps.

Fire

Recommendation: *The EAB strongly recommends a four-phase approach to dramatically improve fire-defensible spaces around structures in Snowmass Village. This would start with education, extend to financial incentives, and eventually to code changes and rules affecting existing structures. There is widespread industry agreement, with supporting science, on the essential practices of defensible space. These practices include both landscaping and home hardening actions.*

EAB's long-term goal is to develop strong fire protective measures in line with other mountain towns that have successfully implemented these policies. The Council will determine the schedule for implementing this plan. However, the EAB urges that this schedule be aggressive, with a completion timeframe of 3-5 years or less.

Background:

There is likely only one short-term event that can destroy the Town in hours or days - a wildfire. The Roaring Fork Fire District and Snowmass Water and Sanitation District are not designed or equipped to battle fires on a scale that threatens entire neighborhoods or the whole town. Meanwhile, fire risks are predicted to worsen. The Colorado State Forest Service estimates a 50-200% increase in the area burned annually by 2050.

Wildfire readiness should be pursued in both the public and private arenas. The mitigation efforts undertaken by the Town and the Roaring Fork Fire Department on public lands in recent years are vital and should be continued and expanded. The 2019 updates to the building codes related to strengthening building envelopes were also significant steps forward.

The one significant arena where wildfire protection is lacking is on private landscapes. Private owners can work on their properties if they are so motivated, but the survivability of one's structure also depends significantly on what one's neighbors choose to do. We are, in essence, "our neighbor's keeper". This thrusts wildfire protection into the public sphere and should not be left simply to what one individual chooses to do.

A simple drive around Snowmass Village neighborhoods reveals that most homes in the Town do not adhere to standard recommendations for fire-defensible space. This includes cutting back of vegetation and tree branches in the closest perimeter around the home (particularly evergreens), replacement of decks and other structures made of wood in favor of fire-resistant materials and coatings, removal of wood mulch in landscape beds immediately abutting the foundation, etc. The end goal of the village should be that all private structures meet the commonly accepted standards of defensible space, to protect valuable property and prevent the spread of embers from structure to structure. To get there, the EAB envisions four phases:

1. Education/Outreach
2. Incentives for private action
3. Code changes affecting future development/redevelopment (ie, whenever building permits are pulled)
4. Application of Rules/enforcement related to existing structures not being altered.

Phase 1 (Pilot): The EAB would like the Town to work closely with Roaring Fork Fire Rescue and the Roaring Fork Wildfire Collaborative to increase public messaging on wildfire readiness with succinct, well-defined guidelines. Vail's "Fire Free Five" is a good model, with robust web graphics and instructive photos (see below). Public forums could be held around showings of *Elemental: Reimagine Wildfire*, a film that dives deeply into how defensible space affects the survival of properties. A showing at TACAW last spring was well received and would help move the conversation forward. A well-coordinated communication campaign, led by Town and Fire District staff, is needed. Outreach must be tailored to each audience, including full and part-time residents.

At the same time as education is taking place, other mountain towns can be consulted on best practices for specific ordinances, including enforcement and associated costs.

Phase 2: Incentives: The town should offer financial incentives to improve private structures and landscapes. One existing model is the matching grant program in Vail.

Phase 3: Code changes should be implemented after consultation with other Colorado towns, the Colorado State Forest Service, the Roaring Fork Wildfire Collaborative, and the Roaring Fork Fire Rescue.

Phase 4: Application of rules to existing structures that are not being altered. This last phase would likely be the most controversial and challenging to enforce. Items to discuss include who would do enforcement, the enforcement steps, and the exact fire defensibility standards being enforced. A secondary challenge, which some residents have already encountered, is finding the workforce (i.e., contractors) to address all the work required, especially if it is being done on a community-wide scale.

Our long-term goal is to have all structures in the Town completely fire-safe. We should start the process immediately.

Supplemental information:



Reference: CSFS's 2020 Forest Action Plan

Home Ignition Safety Zone: The two primary factors are 1) Structural Ignitability and 2) Defensible space/landscaping



The Town of Vail's **Fire Free Five** program has clear guidelines prominently displayed on its website and is supported by town code (see below).

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WHAT IS A "FIRE FREE FIVE" LANDSCAPE?

During a wildfire, embers are lifted into the air and can travel significant distances before falling to the ground. Still hot, they can land on roofs, in gutters, on decks and even stick into your siding. Embers also accumulate near the base of buildings and can ignite dead leaves, trees, shrubs, wood mulch and other combustible landscape materials. A small ground fire can quickly spread into siding, up trees, under eaves and onto the structure.

A **Fire Free Five** landscape is designed, installed, and maintained in a way that removes combustible landscape materials within five feet of a building to help protect the home or business from ember-based fires, or fires moving along the ground.

This guide is designed to aid you in envisioning, designing, and maintaining your "Fire Free Five" landscape. The Town of Vail would like to assist you in helping to protect your property in the event of a wildfire. Did you know that funding is available to assist you with your project? Visit the Town of Vail link to apply for funding now: www.vailgov.com/firefreefive

The "Fire Free Five" is the most critical part of landscaping to reduce wildfire risk, however it is not everything. The landscaping around your property should be maintained in a way to prevent wildfire from spreading throughout your yard. For more information on defensible space: www.vailgov.com/government/departments/fire/wildfire/defensible-space

ZONE 1 (0-5' FROM STRUCTURE)

- Perennial plants and groundcovers only.
- Remove all combustible items including firewood, construction materials, lawn furniture, etc.
- Use non-combustible mulch or stone.
- Do not use space under decks for storage.

ZONE 2 (5-30' FROM STRUCTURE)

- Remove bottom branches from lower 6 feet of trees.
- Remove all dead and diseased trees and shrubs.
- Thin out trees so there are 6-10 feet from crown to crown.

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Excerpt from Vail Town Code: https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/vailco/latest/vail_co/0-0-0-14907

§ 14-10-8 LANDSCAPING, DRAINAGE AND EROSION CONTROL.

(A) (1) Various natural vegetation zones exist within the Gore Valley as a result of the form and aspects of the land itself. The north facing slopes within the valley are typically heavily wooded with spruce, pine and aspen and generally receive less direct sunlight than the drier south facing slopes which typically consist of sage, aspen and other vegetation tolerant of drier conditions. The valley floor which is adjacent to Gore Creek consists of a wide variety of trees and shrubs adapted to the relatively fertile soil and natural availability of water.

(2) The goal of any landscape plan should be to preserve and enhance the natural landscape character of the area in which it is to be located and serve as an aid in fire prevention and protection. The landscape scale and overall landscape design shall be developed so that new vegetation is integral with the natural landscape and the inherent form, line, color and texture of the local plant communities. The major objective of the landscaping is to help reduce the scale of new structures, to assist in the screening of structures, to **reduce the risk to life and structures from the intrusion of fire from wildland fire exposure and fire exposures from adjacent structures, and to mitigate structure fires from spreading to wildland fuels.** The planting of large-sized, well-spaced plant materials is encouraged. **Fire wise plant materials are required** due to their ability to resist fire. Trees shall be maintained through limbing and pruning in order to **prevent limbs from being too close to structures** and other plant materials. Special care should be taken in

selecting the types of plants to use when designing a landscape plan. Final selection should be based upon the soils and climate, ease of establishment, suitability for the specific use desired, ability to deter the spread of fires and the level of maintenance that can be provided. New planting shall use plants that are indigenous to the Rocky Mountain alpine and subalpine zones or are capable of being introduced into these zones.

(3) (a) A recommended list of plant materials, some indigenous to the Vail area, is on file with the Department of Community Development. Also indicated on the list are fire wise plant materials which are suitable for planting within the Vail area. The minimum sizes of landscape materials acceptable are as follows:

(b) Required trees.

Deciduous	2 inch caliper
Conifers	6 foot
Required shrubs	#5 gallon container Foundation shrubs shall have a minimum height of 18 inches at time of planting

(B) Landscape design shall be developed to locate new plantings in natural looking groups and shall be designed and installed in conformance with the Vail Fire and Emergency Services Fire-Resistant Landscaping guidelines, unless exempted by § 12-11-3 of this code. Geometric plantings, evenly spaced rows of trees, and other formal landscape patterns shall be avoided.

(J) All plantings must be mulched with materials as listed in the Vail Fire and Emergency Services Fire-Resistant Landscaping guidelines, unless otherwise exempt per §§ 14-10-5(B), 12-11-3 of this code.

(L) Defensible space shall be created and maintained in an area extending from the perimeter or projection of the building or structure to a radius of 100 feet or the lot lines, whichever is less. Defensible space and landscaping shall comply with Vail Fire and Emergency Services Fire-Resistant Landscaping guidelines.

Links:

<https://www.vail.gov/government/departments/fire/wildland/fire-free-five>

<https://www.nfpa.org/education-and-research/wildfire/preparing-homes-for-wildfire>

[Landscape-New - Sustainable Defensible Space](#)

Building Electrification

Recommendation: *Support building owners to increase the pace of voluntary electrification and energy efficiency projects by increasing the Town of Snowmass Village's financial investment by 20% a year over year for the next 5 years to provide building owners, with a focus on residential units, rebates, grants, and technical advising through the Community Office of Resource Efficiency's (CORE) building performance hub and associated advising and outreach programs.*

Background:

The most significant contributor of greenhouse gas emissions in the Town of Snowmass Village is from natural gas use in existing buildings, representing 74% of total emissions in Snowmass Village; reducing emissions in the existing building stock is imperative to meet the Town's climate goals. Holy Cross Electric, the electrical utility provider that services TOSV, is committed to a 100% renewable energy grid by 2030, and currently, over 80% of its electricity is from renewable sources. Eliminating gas use in buildings is one of the most effective ways for TOSV to impact meeting its climate goals greatly. The cost difference between a gas replacement heating system and an all-electric heat pump heating and cooling system is generally double that of an all-electric system. Without a policy or building performance standard requiring existing buildings to reduce their emissions over time, building owners have little incentive to remove gas and electrify their buildings without external financial incentives through grants and rebates. We recommend the Town of Snowmass Village continue to increase investment in funding for grants and rebates to reduce the cost burden of electrification.

Heat pump technology is not new, but advancements in technology have made it possible for adoption in high elevation and cold climates like Snowmass Village; in 2021, the highest elevation heat pump was installed at the Elk Camp Ski Patrol & Wildlife Center at 11,200' through a collaboration between Aspen Snowmass, Mitsubishi, and CORE. Because this technology is relatively new in this region, great confusion continues on the viability of these technologies and how to deploy them effectively. CORE is uniquely positioned in the Roaring Fork Valley to provide guidance and technical assistance.

Pilot Example:

In 2024, CORE completed a Building Electrification Study for the Town of Snowmass Village that significantly details the opportunities, challenges, and additional considerations to reduce emissions in the built environment. This study supplements this recommendation and offers additional guidance and recommendations for the Council to consider.

In 2024, CORE supported TOSV to add insulation and air sealing to a multifamily rental facility on Carriage Way as a first step to reduce energy consumption in that building, thereby increasing the comfort in these apartment units by reducing air exchanges in the building and providing a more comfortable environment. In February of 2025, CORE worked with TOSV to submit a grant application to the Colorado Energy Office to replace the existing gas-fired furnaces with heat pumps to fully electrify the heating and cooling systems in this multifamily complex; the outcome of the grant award is forthcoming. If awarded, the heating and cooling systems in this building will be electrified in the summer of 2025.

Water

Recommendation: *The Town takes steps to fully evaluate all town-owned irrigated spaces for irrigation efficiency in the next two years, using third-party assessors. Based on the recommendations outlined in these reviews, irrigation systems should be upgraded to maximize efficiency. If they are not in place, this should include weather-based controllers, rain sensors, and high-efficiency heads. EAB recognizes that some of the most significant savings are on the residential or private side. The EAB will work closely with SWSD to integrate their learnings over the next 6 months to implement a more aggressive recommendation for the Town's optimal benefit. EAB recommends that the Town analyze stormwater systems and recognizes that additional research needs to be done on the ecological benefits of natural waterways.*

Background:

EAB would like to see the Town continue to be conscious of our water usage in a changing climate. **Approximately 40% of our annual water use goes towards outdoor irrigation**, and the strain on regional water supplies will only grow with a warmer planet and longer, hotter growing seasons. To promote conservation, partnerships with Snowmass Water and Sanitation (SWSD) are encouraged. SWSD is pursuing several initiatives to reduce irrigation use in private residential and commercial spaces. More significant efforts are being made to enforce the 3-day-a-week watering schedule, and the tiered rate structure means that higher users pay five times the cost per gallon than the lowest users. The District is also contacting high users directly, making them aware of their disproportionate use and informing them about funding available to incentivize irrigation system upgrades.

EAB applauds recent collaborations between the Town and SWSD staff on community-wide education and messaging, as well as a recent collaboration on a grant submitted by SWSD to the Colorado Water Conservation Board for turf replacement demonstration projects. A pilot program is planned to convert conventional turf to more water-efficient grass types as part of the Recreation Center landscaping. This project is in keeping with the recent law, SB24-005, passed by the state of Colorado, banning the planting of non-functional turf in future development of public spaces and HOA common areas. We would like to see the town continue to move our landscaping aesthetic towards native landscaping that can be well-maintained and water-conserving. For example, more drought-tolerant turf alternatives can be selected to mirror traditional lawns while using half to a third of the water of traditional grass species. The water-conserving species also require less mowing and fertilization.

Beyond changes in the types of vegetation grown in our Village, one crucial step EAB would like to recommend is that all space irrigated by the Town be reviewed by a third-party irrigation professional in collaboration with Snowmass Water and Sanitation District. Small changes in irrigation efficiency can make significant changes in water consumption. Weather-based controllers, rain sensors, and modern, efficient sprinkler heads can dramatically affect water usage. Snowmass Water and Sanitation District completed a third-party assessment of the irrigation at their office and wastewater treatment complex in Fall 2023. It reduced water usage in 2024 by nearly 1 million gallons. The City of Aspen completed an irrigation assessment of their public parks and reduced water consumption by 20% or more in several areas. A similar process could be done on Town properties, and we recommend that all properties be evaluated within the next three years, with Town staff taking the lead in determining the best way to prioritize this work.

Compost

Recommendation: *We recommend that the Town Council initiate a pilot program of ten commercial spaces (restaurants, etc.) to coordinate with TOSV, and if this program is not feasible for the town, an organization such as EverGreen Zero Waste should be contracted to facilitate organic hauling from participants. The Pilot program would allow us to understand any operational hurdles to disposing of compostable materials during this time for a more extensive adoption by all commercial spaces. We also suggest requiring all on-mountain Aspen Skiing Company restaurants to compost in the kitchen as they currently do. We also enforce composting in restaurants as they utilize compostable materials, which releases more methane when added to the regular waste stream ¹. Still, they do not have enough compostable bins to make it clear where to trash your items. Simply said, we also request that all on-mountain ski restaurants have an active and clearly marked composting program for pre- and post-consumer organics and move as much as possible to reusable tableware to reduce post-consumer transiting of materials*

Background:

TOSV started a residential drop-off compost program a couple of years ago. The drop-off locations are at the Public Works office and Snowmass Center. The program is excellent for those who want to participate, including Clark's Market, which frequently uses the composting site. However, we can make some of the biggest realizations and impacts in the commercial composting space.

The City of Aspen conducted a year of research to inspire their Ordinance, which was passed last year. Since passing, the City has had great results, with a 70% increase in organics going to the previously trashed Compost. There was some apprehension about the program, which was mitigated through education. The restaurants have some of the best outcomes and feel they can make a difference at their workplace with composting.

EverGreen Zero Waste has noticed a significant increase in organics since the Ordinance's passing in October 2023. Diversion increased by 69% in 2024 to a total of 3,255 tons. According to available data, this would have reduced 928 metric tons of CO2 equivalent (0.7 per ton). *Source:*
<https://libjournals.unca.edu/ncur/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/1698Deesing-Brittany-FINAL.pdf>

Pilot Example:

The board acknowledges that staffing and space constraints exist. We suggest starting with a volunteer composting program for 10 commercial businesses and making it mandatory if the program helps reduce waste from the ToSV. To help get all 10 restaurants signed up, ToSV could consider an incentive or cover the first year's pilot program cost. We could provide indoor containers for the restaurants, signage, and staff training. With ten restaurants, we would have a materials and supply budget of \$100 per restaurant for indoor containers and signage. We could also provide compostable bags for an added cost of \$1 per bag (100 bags is about a month supply per restaurant), and an operational cost estimate which is dependent on the set up of the restaurant and how many services they need per week (\$75 per month - \$300 per month).

¹ when compostable products end up in a landfill or incinerator, their climate footprint increases: compostable packaging that ends up in landfills releases methane, a greenhouse gas 30 times more potent than carbon dioxide. - <https://www.beyondplastics.org/fact-sheets/bad-news-about-bioplastics>

To create efficiencies, a contractor could collect ongoing data, preferably from someone in the Valley who has already done this work. Since they have already successfully started this program, we could utilize the City of Aspen's learnings from sourcing vendors for composting bins and bags.

After a year of running the program and understanding what changes to Snowmass Village would need to happen to run a mandatory program, receive a cost analysis to mandate all restaurants to compost and only use compostable takeout materials.

We've attached CoA's Ordinance for review.

Construction and Demolition

Recommendation: *Work with Pitkin County Landfill to track five (5) construction jobs through Green Halo, a software that helps track waste management for construction projects currently used by Pitkin County and those adopting C&D ordinances, to adopt a similar Construction & Demolition Diversion ordinance by late 2026 or early 2027. Adopting a complete demolition and construction change in code would depend on our kick-off date and the ability to collect one year of our TOSV data. A full-time hire may be required if an ordinance is passed to monitor Green Halo; however, there may be some opportunities to partner with Pitkin County, as they have provided a resource to the City of Aspen until they hire their staff member. Our full recommendation is to hire this full-time employee or find a part-time employee to manage, and to roll out the same ordinance as City of Aspen to limit confusion for all contractors working Up Valley.*

Background:

Our local landfill has received approval for a \$22 million bond² to expand the landfill, which will only give us 30 more years of landfill use. If we continue to have demolition and waste the way we have over the last few years, we will not have 30 years, but even less time. If the expansion is not completed, the landfill will provide less than 5 years available in capacity. **53% of the total materials landfilled are construction and demolition debris.** If we pass a similar policy to the City of Aspen, we can prevent future costs to homeowners requiring us to transport waste and demolition to other places outside the Valley.

With the passing of the City of Aspen's recent demolition and waste ordinance, they have had to hire a staff member to manage the demolition and waste diversion policy. Additional costs for this policy change have been training contractors and laborers to follow the code and set them up for success. The City of Aspen has identified some experts on the Front Range who can educate on this program. There is also an increase in the communications budget to get the message out.

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https://www.aspendailynews.com/news/pitkin-county-finalizes-three-ballot-issues/article_f6a8e810-65d9-11ef-94fe-6715896ef1de.html

Pitkin County Region Comprehensive Greenhouse Gas Emissions Report 2023 also showed that despite construction diversion plans, solid waste needs greater attention, as there was still an increase in this category contributing to the overall increase in Carbon Emissions from 2019 to 2023.

Pitkin County has given some temporary headcount assistance to manage GreenHalo until the City of Aspen hires their own FTE. The annual cost of Green Halo is roughly \$1,476, according to an Aspen Budget report.

Pilot Example:

Incentivize five (5) construction and demolition projects to cooperate in 2025 and 2026. One point of contact at TOSV works with Pitkin County Landfill to track and monitor progress in GreenHalo. A point of contact would need to be identified to collaborate with Pitkin County Landfill staff, or a temporary contractor to enable the pilot's success.

Sustainable Transloading Facility

Recommendation: *The EAB recommends that the Town Council initiate a work session with East West Partners and 106 West Logistics to understand the potential mutual benefits of last-mile delivery solutions. Last-mile solutions are known to lower emissions in populated areas. By consolidating trips and employing electrified vehicles, we can limit emissions from large trucks and lower congestion during peak times.*

Background:

106 West specializes in micro-mobility solutions. According to their website, they are “Revolutionizing first and last-mile delivery solutions using low-speed electric vehicles in pedestrian-friendly areas.” As a logistics company, 106 West can potentially reduce commercial truck congestion within Snowmass Village. East West Partners has garage and loading dock facilities at Base Village that would be sufficient to service all three commercial nodes in Snowmass Village. The optimization of these spaces could provide incredible community benefits and emissions reductions for the community. 106 West runs large-scale operations in Vail Village and Breckenridge and pilot programs in other mountain communities.

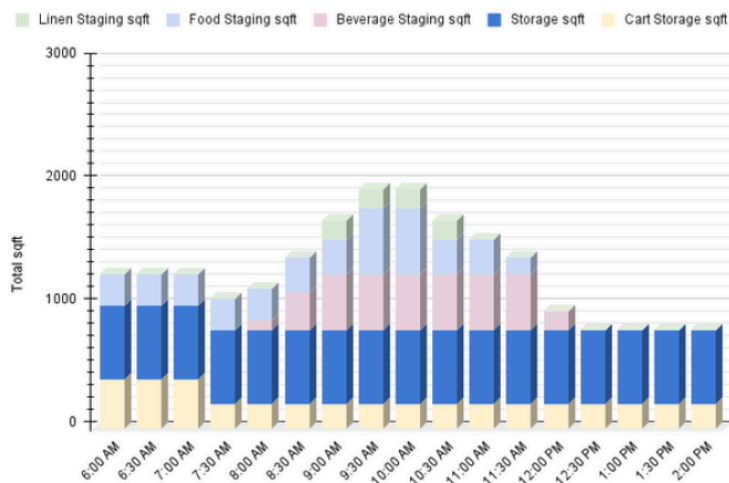
The loading dock areas owned and managed by East West Partners have been identified as a potential location suitable to meet last-mile delivery solutions for all commercial areas. Currently, EWP may lack the incentive to partner on a program that benefits the entire community. EAB believes ToSV would play a vital role in mediating and revealing potential mutually beneficial opportunities.

Pilot Example:

If synergies are present for all stakeholders, digital modeling of traffic flows, delivery congestion reduction, and emissions reductions could be modeled and presented by 106 West. Eventually, pilot programs could be implemented for one or more commercial zones in ToSV.

Initial Impact Report for Snowmass

Based on initial research, discussions with distributors, and communication with local businesses, we believe we can confidently operate a successful load and delivery program in the East-West loading dock. The graph below highlights the necessary sqft to receive and deliver all of the food and beverage distributors during the busiest times of the year while simultaneously delivering to the local businesses.



The following graph depicts the maximum square footage necessary to accommodate all of the known distributors as well as active 106West delivery in 30 min increments.

Furthermore, based on our initial research, this is the estimated impact our program will have on the community.

**Delivery Trucks Removed From
Snowmass Per Week**

60+

**GHGs Removed From
Snowmass Per Year**

305,352 lbs

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Sustainability Coordinator Position

Recommendation: *The EAB strongly recommends adding headcount to the ToSV staff to focus entirely on these items and more, as we aim to reduce our emissions by our expressed goal. If we do not do this, we are putting our town at risk by not putting our best foot forward to combat a fast-paced climate change that will impact our tourism, our residents' safety, and our Village's future.*

Background:

All of the above recommendations take time and community engagement. EAB has previously recommended that ToSV hire a sustainability coordinator to lead critical initiatives. We request that town staff and council members consider this idea carefully before the next budget cycle. Aspen and Pitkin County have dedicated climate action/sustainability staff working on programs and policies to reach their goals. Simply adding this to an existing staff member's workload is not realistic.

Next Steps

The EAB asks that the Council review this letter and schedule the EAB to speak with the Council during multiple work sessions about the recommendations and any appropriate next steps. At a Council Meeting, we hope to bring along essential stakeholders, including someone who represents climate-focused staffing for a neighboring town, to answer any real-time questions on staffing, workload, and possible barriers to completing our goals.



Resiliency & Sustainability Plan Update

2020

Through the Town's Environmental Advisory Board, this document intends to provide a brief overview on the progress, achievements, and challenges of sustainability actions that were identified in the 2009 Sustainability Plan.

Update and
status report on
the Town's 2009
sustainability
goals

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2009 SUSTAINABILITY PLAN BACKGROUND

In January 2008 a local citizens' group requested that the Town Council approve funding to develop an Environmental Sustainability Plan for Snowmass Village. The Council made the necessary appropriations and engaged the Rocky Mountain Institute to help facilitate a public process and collect community input on the topic.

In July 2008, more than 50 Snowmass Village and Roaring Fork Valley community members convened to participate in a series of public workshops focused on identifying and prioritizing community environmental issues, problem areas, and goals. In addition, performance objectives were discussed and potential action items were identified. Finally, a set of selection criteria was developed to help the community prioritize action items for implementation.

On February 2, 2009, this Environmental Sustainability Plan was presented and adopted by the Town Council.

INTRODUCTION

The Town of Snowmass Village recognizes that preserving our natural environment and confronting global climate change are fundamental to the ongoing success and enjoyment of our resort community.

In recognition of those issues, which the community has deemed most critical to our sustainability, the plan was built around the following topics:

- 1. Energy Conservation and Climate Protection**
- 2. Affordable Housing and Community-Serving Commercial**
- 3. Land Use and Open Space**
- 4. Water**
- 5. Resource Conservation, Recycling and Solid Waste**
- 6. Green Building**
- 7. Mobility and Transportation**
- 8. Watershed Water Quality**
- 9. Air Quality**
- 10. Wildlife Habitat and Physical Environment**

The specific goals and a broad collection of Implementation Concepts that were presented under each of these headings are listed below. Alongside each original goal is a status update based on the actions taken since their adoption in 2009.

STATUS UPDATES

A status update of each goal area and implementation concept adopted in the 2009 Sustainability Plan is provided below. This update is summarized in the “performance dashboard,” and also reported in detail in the individual status updates.

2020 PERFORMANCE DASHBOARD

Within each of the original categories established in 2009, many implementation concepts were deemed a priority. Each of these implementation concepts were rated by the EAB and assigned a performance score. The following table provides a quick snapshot of these scores and overall status of our sustainability plan by each category. Each individual implementation concept also has received its own status update, which is available for review in the next section.

Topic Area:	Number of Goals on Track	Number of Goals Needing Attention	Number of Goals Unaddressed or Missed	Total Number of Implementation Goals	Rating
Energy Conservation and Climate Protection	10	2	0	12	 94%
Affordable Housing and Commercial	4	1	1	6	 83%
Land Use and Open Space	3	2	1	6	 78%
Water	3	2	0	5	 87%
Conservation, Recycling, and Solid Waste	8	9	0	17	 82%
Green Building	10	2	0	12	 94%
Mobility and Transportation	7	3	1	11	 85%
Watershed and Water Quality	4	4	1	9	 78%
Air Quality	2	2	0	4	 83%
Wildlife Habitat and Physical Environment	6	2	2	10	 80%
TOTAL	57	29	6	92	 85%

The following provides a complete status update for each category and implementation concept passed in 2009.

ENERGY CONSERVATION AND CLIMATE PROTECTION			
2009 Category Goals: 1. Significantly reduce consumption of non-renewable energy and fuels: 2. Increase use of locally generated, non-polluting, renewable energy. 3. Significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions.			
IMPLEMENTATION CONCEPTS	STATUS	PROGRESS / NOTES from 2015	2020 Notes for Update
1. Establish a grant/rebate/subsidy program using Renewable Energy Offset Program (REOP) funds to incentivize and assist in implementing renewable energy generation projects and energy efficiency upgrades		The REOP fund currently has a balance of approx. \$150,956.36. Community Development has observed the majority of homeowners/builders eligible for REOP have chosen to mitigate their energy intensive systems with renewable energy, rather than pay the in-lieu fee. This is a positive sign that carbon is being mitigated on-site, and the program is working as it is intended. Any REOP funds collected are then used for planning or designing renewable energy projects, purchasing energy offsets, or making energy efficiency improvements. Also, thanks to CORE's county-wide programs, Snowmass Village residents benefit directly from their grant programs funded by Aspen's REMP funds, grants, and other revenue sources.	The REOP fund continues to operate and serves as an incentive to offset energy use of new development. The REOP fund is being used for CORE Dues payments each year, which in turn goes to support community initiatives, grants, and rebates. The REOP fund has been identified as a source of funds to use as PuRE rebates through partnerships with Holy Cross Energy. These rebates would be made available to commercial and residential partners. Ski Co, SWSD, and the Crestwood has expressed interest in participation.
2. Create incentive program to encourage Town employees to carpool and use public transportation to get to work		The town currently offers an employee shuttle providing transportation to/from Snowmass Village for down valley employees. On average, this shuttle carries approx. 8 employees each day. In addition, in summer, 2014 the SAAB led a project to install 6 new bike racks around Snowmass Village, encouraging cycling and/or bike-and-ride as a more viable transportation option.	Many of the same incentives are in place. The town provides town fleet vehicles for employees to carpool with, as well as bus passes for commuting to and from work.

ENERGY CONSERVATION AND CLIMATE PROTECTION			
		Furthermore, the Snowmass Transit website, launched in spring 2014, enhances the ease of use of the Village Shuttle through convenient access to bus schedules and alerts via mobile devices. In the future, the town may consider the following options to incentivize clean commutes: Providing RFTA bus passes to interested employees sponsoring interdepartmental contest/awards encouraging clean commuting practices	The Village Shuttle continues to enhance its online features, including the deployment of GTFS technology in 2018 to allow for transit planning through GTFS applications, such as the Transit app and Google Maps.
3. Produce “Energy Fair” events in Snowmass Village		In addition to hosting open houses associated with the MBCx project, AREDay will be held in Snowmass Village for the next 3 years, thanks to Snowmass Tourism. Overall, the EAB, Snowmass Tourism, and Public Works have been collaborating to establish new standards for ‘green’ events in Snowmass Village in a long-term effort to reduce waste, energy, and water use at events, as well as provide educational opportunities to event attendees and organizers .	AREDay still takes place in Snowmass Village. In addition, the TOSV EAB organizes and promotes events in the community as the need arises. For example, the EAB has hosted an Electric Vehicle Ride & Drive Event in Snowmass Village, and has organized a networking event with the different “E-boards” of the valley. The EAB would like to host events in the future.



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

ENERGY CONSERVATION AND CLIMATE PROTECTION			
4. Conduct baseline analysis of Town Environmental Indicators including energy use (electricity, natural gas, gasoline, diesel) and other resources for Town organization and the community as a whole		In 2009 the town funded a carbon inventory identifying emissions resulting from various economic sectors and uses in Snowmass Village and Pitkin County. It is anticipated that an update of this study would cost approximately \$6,000 if Council and staff determined this to be a priority. More recently, the town has focused on establishing a baseline for its own operations in an effort to identify the most cost effective and high impact savings opportunities. This has been accomplished through the MBCx project, which invested approximately \$150,000 of the Holy Cross Community Enhancement Fund to install advanced meters to all primary town facilities to better understand our energy and natural gas usage in real-time, arming facilities maintenance engineers with the tools they need to ensure equipment is operating at optimal levels, and increasing the efficiency of building automation systems. With this project, the town is 'leading by example' in the hopes that a strong ROI and measurable benefits encourage other local businesses and homeowners to follow suit.	The 2009 carbon emission inventory baseline is still proving useful to the Town to track progress towards the 2020 goal of a 20% reduction. An update was completed, by CORE, in 2014 and 2017, which showed the community has reduced emissions by 17%. An additional update will be completed in early 2021 which will document and show the Town's progress towards the "20 by 20" goal. The EAB is recommending that the Town evaluate and adopt new, more ambitious carbon reduction goals. In addition, the Town is working with CLEER to update our energy navigator dashboards to show Town energy usage. These dashboards are going to be updated with the completion of the Solar PV projects to also track the renewable energy produced on site, as a portion of the energy use of Town buildings
a. Inventory town-owned buildings, facilities, and vacant land and prioritize opportunities to incorporate on-site renewables		In addition to a survey of Town owned properties completed in 2007, the Town of Snowmass Village also contracted with SGM to survey Town Assets for potential Solar Panel installation locations. However, this survey will most likely need to be updated and locations will need to be re-evaluated, based on new technologies in the solar industry.	This was completed in 2018. After a robust analysis of various sites for solar farms, Nikola proposed two 1 MW arrays on Town properties. Both sites were considered by the Town Council. The Town Council directed staff to pursue smaller solar projects first, which is the project we are aiming to complete in 2020. The Town Council would like to re-evaluate the 1 MW solar array above Mtn View once the rooftop arrays and ground mount array on Town parcels are complete.



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

ENERGY CONSERVATION AND CLIMATE PROTECTION			
b. Evaluate building shells and mechanical systems to identify opportunities for efficiency upgrades		See above (measure 4)	This is an ongoing initiative. The MBCx project is ongoing, but has started realizing some major energy savings for the Town
c. Investigate new technologies for higher efficiency street lights		Public Works has implemented and continues to install LED lighting.	This has been complete for several years.
d. Evaluate inclusion of hybrid, electric, flex-fuel, and/or biodiesel technology in new vehicle and equipment purchases		The Fleet Maintenance Division consistently evaluates new technologies and their potential applicability in our fleet (Town vehicles, busses, etc.).	The Village Shuttle continues to evaluate EV technology for buses, and recently completed a test drive of the various routes in Snowmass Village with an electric bus. EVs have not been purchased for TOSV Fleet vehicles. Admin vehicles would be the best candidate for EVs, but the Town has elected to not purchase new admin vehicles in some time. Instead, the town continues to recycle old fleet vehicles.
e. Set percentage reduction targets based on baseline data		During the 2013 strategic planning process, the seated Council established a goal of a 20% reduction in carbon dioxide emissions by 2020 over a 2009 baseline.	20 by 20 goal has been established and remains the Town's target. The EAB is recommending that the Town evaluate and adopt new, more ambitious carbon reduction goals.
5. Evaluate feasibility of incorporating methane recovery and biomass energy generation systems at the Pitkin County Landfill		This has been evaluated by Pitkin County. It was found that this project was unfeasible.	N/A



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

ENERGY CONSERVATION AND CLIMATE PROTECTION			
6. Develop energy procurement and generation strategy that includes generation of on-site energy, renewable energy purchases, and/or carbon offsets to minimize carbon footprint for town operations		This was part of the RFP that the town undertook in 2012/2013 and was identified as phase two of a multi-phased energy efficiency and renewable energy strategy. We are currently wrapping up phase I and will return to Council with results, and potential future implementation projects (likely winter/spring 2015).	The final phase of this project, onsite generation, is underway and scheduled to be completed in 2020 with the finalization of solar PV at 4 different locations, including a ground mount array behind Town Hall. Combined, the solar panels are expected to produce roughly 74% of the Town's building electricity use.
7. Identify and remove town regulations that serve as barriers to developing renewable energy generation projects		This is in progress as the Community Development Department evaluates all regulations in totality. Renewable energy generation is a common topic that planners consider during pre-application phases of any development.	In coordination with CORE, the Town is actively pursuing a SolSmart designation. By implementing various recommendations by SolSmart, the Town intends to make it easier than ever for community members to install on-site renewables. Staff anticipate bringing code revisions for the Town Council to consider in early 2021.
8. Create informational resources outlining strategies for reducing energy use and the financial resources available to support those efforts		The town's website and social media properties provide nimble platforms to compile and share real-time information related to energy efficiency programs, and financial assistance (e.g. grant opportunities or rebates). In addition, several episodes of Town Talk have covered home energy efficiency strategies and incentives. We work closely with CORE and the EAB on these ongoing educational efforts.	The Town's partnership with CORE continues, and we routinely partner to communicate energy efficiency programs. Likewise, the free energy assessments offered by CORE remains available FREE to Snowmass Village residents. Upon receiving an assessment, residents are provided with a list of financial assistance opportunities, such as rebates from Holy Cross Energy.



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

ENERGY CONSERVATION AND CLIMATE PROTECTION			
9. Explore opportunities to establish shared renewable energy infrastructure		In 2012, the Town engaged with community partners and representatives from a front-range geothermal company to explore the opportunity to install ground-source heat pumps beneath the numbered lots to reduce heating and cooling needs in Snowmass Village. At the time, this project was determined to be cost prohibitive, however given the data gathered through the MBCx project, this may be a viable option in the future. Currently, staff and the EAB are anticipating a proposal from the Snowmass Water & Sanitation District on a potential hydro-electric project in Snowmass Village.	The micro hydro project, identified in 2012, is currently underway in partnership with SWSD. The 22 kW turbine is expected to produce approximately 100,000 kWh annually, and will have an estimated payback of approximately 11 years.
10. Work with Part-Time residents, lodges, and property managers to reduce energy use in unoccupied homes and empty lodge rooms		The Core Energy Smart Program currently does audits and outreach with Part Time owners and property manager, and the EAB will continue to look for additional outreach mechanisms, including utilizing groups such as PTRAB.	The CORE energy smart program continues to offer free energy efficiency assessments in Snowmass Village. This program comes complete with a list of various rebates and opportunities to increase the efficiency of our local building inventory.
11. Pursue grants and assist community members in pursuing grants for renewable energy generation projects and other efficiency upgrades		The town has actively pursued grants to fund important energy efficiency and renewable energy projects, including CORE. We've also recently received a Randy Udall grant, and CORE assisted the Town in compiling a list of all available opportunities.	Town has secured various grants over the past 5 years that have helped us achieve some major renewable energy projects and efficiency upgrades. This includes nearly \$200,000 in grant funding from CORE through the Randy Udall grant, and \$200,000 renewable energy grant from DOLA, and \$50,000 in rebates through Holy Cross Energy.
12. Track and promote progressive climate legislation at the local, state, and federal levels		This is primarily done through associations like CAST, and actions are taken when specific legislation is introduced or of impact to the Town.	The Town remains a member of CAST, and joined the Colorado Compact in 2017. The EAB also recommends joining Colorado Communities for Climate Action (CC4CA). Upon approval by the Town Council will solidify our leadership and advocacy on legislation impacting climate and environmental issues.



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

ENERGY CONSERVATION AND CLIMATE PROTECTION			

AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVING COMMERCIAL			
2009 Category Goals: 1. House as many Snowmass Village employees as want to live within Town Limits 2. Build new and update existing affordable housing using energy efficient, green construction practices incorporating renewable energy systems. Increase inventory of affordable commercial space and community-serving retail businesses offering basic supplies for residents.			
IMPLEMENTATION CONCEPTS	STATUS	PROGRESS/NOTES from 2015	2020 Notes for Update
1. Pursue seasonal housing partnerships with educational and arts providers, businesses, and non-profits to maximize housing development potential on town land		The Housing Department works closely with the SkiCo—the Town’s largest employer—who provides seasonal affordable housing at the Club Commons. Many tenants who decide to become permanent residents after the ski season find themselves looking for permanent housing, and our department offers the next step (sees themselves as an important resource and stepping stone). This is accomplished through education and outreach.	In addition to the continued partnerships with SkiCo and APCHA, the Town is currently developing a Housing Development Master Plan to evaluate and potentially develop Town-owned parcels with affordable housing opportunities.
		The department also works closely with Community Development to evaluate housing mitigation requirements for development, and works with developers as requested.	



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVING COMMERCIAL			
2. Amend Housing policy to allow cost recovery to affordable housing owners for investment in energy efficiency upgrades		In 2012 Town Council passed a resolution allowing owners of deed-restricted employee housing units to recover the cost of energy efficiency/renewable energy upgrades up to 10% of the home's resale price.	This is still in place, and energy efficiency upgrades, such as new windows, are still regularly taken advantage of by Deed Restricted homeowners.
3. Establish standards requiring renewable energy generation, high efficiency systems, and other green building strategies to be incorporated into new affordable housing.		The Housing Department has ensured that energy efficiency and on-site renewable energy are key considerations in affordable housing projects. Rodeo Place for example, the most recent housing project, was constructed to exceed code mandated efficiency standards by a significant margin. Features installed in the homes include energy star rated appliances, compact fluorescent lighting fixtures, and low-flow dual-flush toilets. They are heated by 92 percent efficient boilers with the domestic hot water supply supplemented by a 46,000 BTU solar thermal system. A full description of energy saving features is available in a press release about the development's completion: http://www.tosv.com/civicalerts.aspx?aid=14	The new Coffey Place Housing development is an excellent example of this, and is an example of our continued efforts. Each home is being built with the most efficient standards, and are being pre-plumbed for solar PV panels.
		As opposed to creating new standards specific to affordable housing, the department is committed to following the town's forward-thinking green building code to show that the town is practicing what we preach.	
4. Develop plan to incorporate renewable energy generation, green building products, and efficiency upgrades into existing affordable housing stock		The Housing Department tackles improvements to existing housing stock through a three-pronged approach:	A large-scale renovation was made to the Creekside, Brush Creek, a Palisade apartment complexes in 2016, which increased the energy efficiency of all units by approximately 30%.
		1. Apartment checklist: A list of basic energy efficiency improvements that maintenance professionals are responsible for when a tenant moves out, before the next tenant moves in. The checklist is available in our 2014 annual report.	



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVING COMMERCIAL			
		2. Small-scale renovations: As our housing stock ages, the housing department is continually searching for cost-effective opportunities—largely driven by grants or available capital—to make efficiency upgrades. Recent examples include solar thermal installations on Brush Creek and Villas N. Apartments, window replacements, retrofits with energy star appliances, and boiler upgrades. Through such upgrades, some of our oldest building projects are now the most efficient.	
		3. Large-scale renovations: A large renovation project is planned for The Creekside Apartment Complex (as presented to the Council in Nov. 2014). Energy efficiency, green building materials, and sustainable design are cornerstones of the project's goals. The approximately \$3 million renovation will include sustainable building materials (like new cladding and stone, fiberglass windows and glazing, and Energy Star entry doors), improved insulation, and upgraded systems, and is expected to net an overall energy savings of 30-35 percent.	
5. Increase enforcement efforts regarding occupancy of accessory dwelling units and employee housing units		Both the Housing and Community Development Departments are currently reevaluating the effectiveness of enforcement efforts. While Community Development currently enforces occupancy of ADU's and ECU's, the department is shifting to a carrot vs. stick approach. In an effort to further stimulate local construction on the heels of Ordinance 4, series of 2013 (which changed the way we calculate floor area), the Community Development Department is looking at ways to encourage people to use the new floor area freed up by regulations by adding accessory dwelling units to take pressure off of employee housing, help ensure a vibrant workforce, and provide an opportunity to age in place for an aging population that may want to downsize.	New Housing regulations, with revised definitions and more stringent standards were adopted in 2018. This has helped cut down on the confusion of the employee definitions and has resulted in greater enforcement. Enforcement of our workforce housing, however, remains on a complaint-initiated basis.



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVING COMMERCIAL			
		They will be proposing code amendments for Council to consider in 2015.	
6. Explore land trust model and other publicly assisted economic development strategies, as well as regulatory tools available to create and/or maintain affordable community-serving commercial space.		This implementation concept has not been actively pursued to date	This implementation concept has not been actively pursued to date



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

LAND USE AND OPEN SPACE			
2009 Category Goals: 1. Adopt land use regulations promoting development that is consistent with the Town's energy conservation and environmental sustainability goals. 2. Preserve quality of existing open space and increase acreage of protected lands.			
IMPLEMENTATION CONCEPTS	STATUS	PROGRESS/NOTES from 2015	2020 Notes for Update
1. Strengthen development review standards concerning environmental impact analysis and consideration of environmental carrying capacities		The comprehensive plan update in 2010, in a section dedicated to environmental impacts, carrying capacity and environmental impacts was highlighted as a new priority. The Land Use Code also has strong standards relating to these topics.	The 2018 Comprehensive Plan Update suggested the creation of a seasonal "Town Forester" position to manage removal and replacement of trees. The EAB encourages the Town Council to evaluate current forestry requirements, and consider adopting a tree removal permitting process to protect our forest assets.
2. Clarify and strengthen development code requirements for energy consideration and create specific criteria for Energy Conservation Plans		An energy conservation policy has been established through the Land Use Code and the Building Code. This is how the REOP fee is generated and collected.	The REOP fee continues to encourage and incentivize development to minimize energy consumption or mitigate through on-site renewables.
3. Clarify Community Purpose provisions regarding "Sustainable Development" and "Preservation of Open Space."		This implementation concept has not been pursued to date. However, Community Development recommends that this warrants future discussion, likely through the next Comprehensive Plan update and next round of Land Use Code Amendments.	Plan Snowmass seeks to guide sustainable development "measured by environmental stewardship, economic prosperity, and an equitable distribution of community resources" in the 2018 Comp. Plan update. There has also been creation of the "Snowmass Village Parks, Open Space, Trails and Recreation (POSTR) Plan" and the POSTR advisory board to consult on these matters.



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

LAND USE AND OPEN SPACE			
4. Simplify application submittal requirements and create expedited review processes for projects incorporating renewable energy generation systems.		This has been considered but not adopted. Much larger policy decisions makes this a difficult policy.	The Town is actively pursuing a SolSmart designation, which would include a review of our review procedures and streamline the process to make it easier for homeowners to incorporate renewables.
5. Identify opportunities to produce food on open space lands (i.e. community garden program) and to incorporate edible landscape components into the built environment (where feasible in ways that are consistent with local wildlife control policies).		A community garden is available adjacent to the Fire Station/Anderson Ranch. Otherwise, this implementation concept has not been actively pursued to date.	A large new community garden has been installed next to the Little Red Schoolhouse. Edible landscape components have yet to be implemented.
6. Develop collaborative process to review and make recommendations on new development applications related to sustainable design and construction.		This is ongoing in practice, however not formalized on paper. The Environmental Advisory Board is included as a key stakeholder in all discussions on new and proposed development (Entryway meetings are one example).	The 2018 Comprehensive Plan seeks to foster this; however, a set process is still lacking. The EAB and POSTR Advisory Board both serve to give guidance and consultation on this topic.



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

WATER			
2009 Category Goals: 1. Ensure adequate water availability to meet current and future demand, and to serve new development, while maintaining healthy aquatic systems. 2. Promote conservation mentality and secure adequate storage facilities to eliminate need for water restrictions.			
IMPLEMENTATION CONCEPTS	STATUS	2015 PROGRESS/NOTES	2020 Notes for Update
1. Amend building code to require low-flow plumbing fixtures in new construction, and provide incentives to encourage retrofits in existing buildings (i.e. low-flow fixture rebate/subsidy program)		This has been accomplished through the green building code	This has been accomplished.
2. Increase the use of grey water systems, ditch water and snowmelt/stormwater recapture systems for irrigation purposes.		The Parks, Recreation, and Trails and Housing Departments have been making great strides to improve water conservation efforts in the Town's irrigation systems. In 2014 Town staff from various departments met with the Snowmass Water & Sanitation District to determine how near and long-term improvements to the Town's irrigation system could coordinate with goals detailed in SWSD's Water Conservation Plan which include—but are not limited to—promoting the use of non-potable water supplies for irrigation, and improving public outreach on the incentives and programs that are available for both commercial and residential accounts. Ideally, the Town and the District would collaborate on a water conservation/water efficiency pilot project with Town Park irrigation.	This concept is implemented when the opportunity arises. The SWSD has had a major improvement to it's facility including installation of a green roof for its own runoff improvements. The vehicle wash bay at the Public Works facility allows buses to use a wash that recycles 50% of water for reuse.



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

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IMPLEMENTATION CONCEPTS	STATUS	2015 PROGRESS/NOTES	2020 Notes for Update
3. Verify that building code requirements for plumbing infrastructure are aimed at maximizing both energy efficiency and water conservation—amend as necessary		This has been accomplished through the green building code	This has been accomplished.
4. Replace top-load washers with energy-and water-efficient front-load washers in Town laundry facilities and affordable housing complexes.		This has been accomplished. Town laundry facilities have been fitted with washers that use 12 gallons per load, compared to older units which previously used 28 gallons per load.	Done, although this should also be ongoing as technology continues to improve.
5. Amend development code requirements and review criteria to mandate drought tolerant landscaping in new development		This is not currently mandated	This concept is not mandated, but the code states “wherever possible, native varieties should be used.” Town staff encourages native and drought tolerant vegetation be used in Landscaping Plans.



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

RESOURCE CONSERVATION, RECYCLING, & SOLID WASTE			
2009 Category Goals: 1. Reduce per capita waste generation and increase use of environmentally friendly consumer products. 2. Increase long-term capacity (lifespan) at the Pitkin County landfill. 3. Maximize efficiencies in waste collection, hauling, and sorting systems.			
IMPLEMENTATION CONCEPTS	STATUS	2015 PROGRESS/NOTES	2020
1. Reduce office paper use by 20% throughout Town organization		The Town has successfully cut down on paper usage by nearly 30% since 2009. This is mostly attributed to the Town Council's decision to begin utilizing electronic packets and meeting materials in 2012.	
a. Promote use of TOSV website and other electronic means to distribute information		Since 2012, the Town has taken many steps to improve electronic communications and promote town engagement online. This includes the launch of tosv.com which provides a user-friendly platform for digital town-services including:	The Town continues to advance online tools and portals to eliminate paper waste and improve efficiency. In addition to the online platforms listed, the Town has also successfully eliminated paper throughout the building permit review process. This includes all applications and plans, which generated a lot of paper materials.
		- The Public Records Portal (powered by Laserfiche)	The Town has also successfully eliminated other paper based processes, such as:
		- Electronic bill-pay	- Special Event permits - Business License Applications and renewals
		- Electronic budgets	- Employee check request forms
		- Town forms (including job applications, rental applications, etc.)	- Community Survey - maintenance requests
		- News and announcements (e-newsletter, press releases)	- Sales tax rebate applications



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

RESOURCE CONSERVATION, RECYCLING, & SOLID WASTE			
		- Engagement tools: Community Voice discussion forum, and Request Tracker	
		- Platform for Granicus (for management of Council Agendas and video archives)	
		- Automatic notifications via email or text message	
		In following years, gosnowmass.com was launched by Snowmass Tourism as a premier platform for tourism news and information (events, activities, and business listings). Snowmasstransit.com went live in April, 2014 to promote access and information regarding the Village Shuttle, and ways to get around Snowmass Village without a personal vehicle, and finally Parks, Recreation and Trails launched snowmassrecreation.com promoting the departments facilities and programs.	
b. Install monitors and/or 'smart boards' in conference rooms		Monitors have been purchased and installed in several meeting spaces, but there are still improvements that could be made to make this equipment easier to use and a better alternative to printing presentation materials.	All Town meeting rooms are capable of hosting paperless meetings.
c. Require double-sided printing capability in all new printer purchases, and implement reuse of paper already printed on one side for 'fax' and draft print jobs.		This has been accomplished. Any documents that are printed one-sided and not used are placed in bins next to the printer so that they can be reused on the backside.	This has been accomplished
d. Transition document archiving from paper based to electronic format.		This has been accomplished through LaserFiche	This has been accomplished



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

RESOURCE CONSERVATION, RECYCLING, & SOLID WASTE			
e. Convert to paperless Council packet, newsletter and payroll systems.		This has been accomplished. Packets are published using Granicus and to the Town's website, and accessible to Council members on ipads. The Town's newsletter is distributed using tosv.com. Finally, with the Finance Department's transition to New World, payroll and HR and benefit information are all handled electronically.	This has been accomplished
f. Develop electronic building permit application		In progress. Community Development is evaluating which software package is most appropriate (both New World and CivicPlus, the provider of the Town's website have systems that could suit this need).	The Community Development Department successfully migrated to a 100% online platform – Community Core. Community Core allows contractors to submit applications, plans, schedule inspections, and make a payment online.
2. Establish bulk purchasing program to address cost barriers to purchasing more environmentally friendly products used through the Town organization (i.e. non-toxic cleaners, recycled paper products, etc.)		This has been discussed for special events (i.e. keeping a stock of commonly used compostable materials for vendors) however there has been no progress. Currently, there are no product restrictions for Special Event Producers, which the EAB views as a necessary first step for a policy like this one to be needed.	A formal policy has not been implemented, but employees are advised to order reusable and/or recyclable products when possible. All of our general TOSV event / meeting supplies are recyclable or compostable.
3. Establish Town procurement policy requiring the use of products containing recycled materials when available.		There is currently no policy in place, but it is anticipated this topic will be discussed during an evaluation of the Town's special event applications and procurement procedures.	A formal policy has not been implemented, but employees are advised to order reusable and/or recyclable products when possible. All of our general TOSV event / meeting supplies are recyclable or compostable.
4. Establish design criteria for trash, recycling, and composting facilities in new development.		In progress. Public Works and Community Development are evaluating what would be appropriate to include in a development review process.	This is evaluated as part of the PUD land use review process. The expansion of facilities, and the inclusion of recycling, is taken into consideration on a case by case basis.



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

RESOURCE CONSERVATION, RECYCLING, & SOLID WASTE			
5. Amend land-use application submittal requirements to include all information in electronic format and minimize the number of printed copies available.		In progress (see Implementation Concept 1. F)	This has been accomplished. However, at least one hard copy is still required to be submitted with an application to keep available for public viewing.
6. Increase enforcement and fines for littering and unauthorized use of trash facilities		Illegal dumping of dangerous materials or using illegal facilities is consistently enforced and fined by the Police Department. Littering is a less frequent offense dealt with by the PD, but there is currently a fine in place for offenders. This is a comparable fine with other communities, and it may not be necessary to increase.	Our Solid Waste division monitors community dumpster locations closely. Illegal dumping of dangerous materials or using illegal facilities is consistently enforced and fined by the Police Department.
7. Improve waste collection systems to minimize overall number of pick-ups, maximize hauling efficiency, reduce recycling contamination, and maximize recycling program participation.		This is in progress largely due to the transition to single-stream recycling (which went into effect in spring, 2014) and an the recently completed IGA with the Pitkin County Landfill. The Public Works Department has also budgeted for new equipment that supports single stream.	This is an ongoing effort, and communication and outreach continues to be developed about the do's and don'ts of single stream recycling. In 2018, Single Stream Recycling rule signs, magnets, and stickers were developed and made available to the community for free. Signs were placed at all community dumpster locations – in English and Spanish. They were also made available to all HOA's for free. Town staff continue to make presentations to local groups like the Rotary Club and HOA's about recycling.
		Efforts continue to expand local outreach/education on the components of a successful recycling program in Snowmass Village. The most recent examples include a Grassroots TV Town Talk episode which aired winter 2014/2015, and at the Free Concert Series during the summer of 2015.	



Goal on track



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Goal unaddressed or missed

RESOURCE CONSERVATION, RECYCLING, & SOLID WASTE			
8. Expand local and regional recycling facilities to accommodate a wider assortment of recyclable materials (i.e. chipboard, #5 plastics, electronics, etc.)		This has been accomplished through the transition to single stream recycling, which expanded items accepted in recycling bins to include chipboard (cereal and beer boxes), office paper, magazines, phone books, and milk and juice cartons. This is in addition to plastics (number one through seven), cardboard, paperboard, glass food and drink containers, metal cans, aluminum, magazines, paper bags, and paperback books. Electronics recycling is available at the Town's Public Works shop.	Single stream recycling remains available to all businesses and residents in Snowmass Village. The Town continues to accept a diverse array of recyclables, despite a difficult commodities market.
9. Provide trash and recycling containers at all Town parks, buildings, and public gathering spaces.		Anecdotally, this has been accomplished however the Public Works department is currently conducting a formal audit at all town facilities to ensure the right receptacles are in place, and signage reflects recent changes with the single-stream program .	The Town has continued to procure additional recycling receptacles to ensure recycling is a readily available option at public facilities. In 2019, ten bear-proof recycling receptacles were ordered and placed at our most popular bus stations. The Town has budgeted funds in 2020 to purchase another ten receptacles.
10. Expand composting capabilities to accommodate commercial food waste as well as household and yard waste.		Composting not currently a part of the Town's solid waste portfolio.	The Town now offers composting services to select commercial accounts – like the Aspen Skiing Company. These large accounts provide the most 'bang for the buck' for us to haul compostable waste, and these accounts are being used to test how the Town may provide this expanded service to all solid waste customers in the future.



Goal on track



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Goal unaddressed or missed

RESOURCE CONSERVATION, RECYCLING, & SOLID WASTE			
11. Adopt a recycling ordinance requiring diversion of construction and demolition waste, and participation in the Town's recycling program for all commercial operations and special events.		Although no ordinance is in place, the Town's EAB has been working with event producers to make sure recycling is an event priority. Examples include the Recycling Ambassador program, and working with the Rodeo to make sure recycling bins are available. In the future, green policies may be adopted through the new special event permitting process.	Construction and demolition waste continues to comprise the majority of our waste stream and the waste in the Pitkin County Landfill.
12. Create incentives for participation in the Town's recycling program.		The Town's EAB has recently launched their recycling ambassador program. Local businesses that adopt Town events and promote recycling are thanked in return through publicity and advertising. However, additional incentive programs for private residents should be developed through solid waste policies and pricing	No incentives exist to date, but the Town has made recycling services available, at no additional costs.
13. Adopt green special event criteria aimed at reducing consumption while maximize recycling and composting of waste.		This has been accomplished through the green events program, which is currently a voluntary program. It should be considered as to whether or not this program should become mandatory.	This has been accomplished through the green events program, which is currently a voluntary program. It should be considered as to whether or not this program should become mandatory.
14. Use recycled asphalt whenever possible to establish roadway subgrade base courses.		This is a key consideration of the Road Division, and also extends to shoulder materials.	This is routinely done, and was most recently accomplished with the rodeo lot.
15. Test use of recycled and alternative paving materials in new Town sidewalk and roadway surface specifications.		This is in progress and led by Public Works and the Road Division.	Recycled materials are utilized when feasible. For example, in 2017, the Town used recycled asphalt to make improvements to the Rodeo lot.



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RESOURCE CONSERVATION, RECYCLING, & SOLID WASTE			
16. Develop partnerships to incentivize waste reduction (i.e. participation in reusable bag challenge)		EAB plans to create incentive programs in 2016	Although the EAB has implemented voluntary programs, such as the recycling ambassadors, no long term incentives have been implemented.
17. Improve household hazardous waste collection system.		No steps to date have been taken to increase collections of hazardous waste.	The Town participates in the County's hazardous waste program, and routinely promotes the educational materials they provide through the Pitkin County Landfill.



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

GREEN BUILDING			
2009 Category Goals: 1. Increase energy efficiency and the use of renewable energy in new and existing construction. 2. Adopt regulations requiring sustainable design and the use of green building materials in new construction.			
IMPLEMENTATION CONCEPTS	STATUS	2015 PROGRESS/NOTES	2020
1. Establish an expedited review process and discounted fee structure for renewable energy generation projects and for efficiency enhancing retrofits		This will be considered during a broader Community Development effort to review potential amendments to the Town's Land Use Code.	This is being considered through the potential implementation of a SolSmart program in Snowmass Village.
2. Adopt a comprehensive "Green Building Code" for both new construction and renovations to existing buildings requiring:		In 2013 the Town became one of the first municipalities in Colo. to adopt the 2012 International Green Construction Code with amendments for commercial buildings, and the 2012 International Energy Conservation Code for both residential and commercial buildings.	Although our codes are some of the best, and most progressive, the EAB recommends continually adopting the latest codes. The ICC recently published the 2021 versions of the code books.
a. High-performance energy efficient design: Building envelope, lighting, windows, mechanical equipment			



Goal on track



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Goal unaddressed or missed

GREEN BUILDING			
b. On-site renewable energy generation in new development		The 2012 IGCC addresses the sustainability of an entire commercial building project and its site and promotes the conservation of water, materials, energy, and building systems. The 2012 IECC sets minimum energy efficiency provisions for both residential and commercial buildings. Users of the code can choose between two methods for showing compliance, the prescriptive and performance paths.	
c. Third-party system commissioning			
d. Use of green building materials with consideration given to embodied energy, renewable resources, recycled material content, chemical off-gassing, place of origin, etc.		These codes are available on the Town's website at www.tosv.com/codecentral	
e. Incorporation of direct digital controls and other energy load management technology			
f. Water-conserving plumbing fixtures			
3. Develop and distribute an information guide to green building products, energy efficient design, and construction practices.		While the Town does share sustainable building resources on tosv.com, the development of a guide has not been deemed a cost effective project considering how quickly technologies and 'best practices' change.	Although this has not be developed by the Town, the resources are available in the valley through organizations like CORE.



Goal on track



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Goal unaddressed or missed

GREEN BUILDING			
4. Incorporate energy usage standards into Town's Lighting Ordinance to discourage use of incandescent and other higher consumption technologies		The Community Development Department feels this is important and should be taken up at a later date.	Although this policy has not been developed, the cost effectiveness and advancement in lighting technology has resulted in the wide adoption of LED lighting, which consumes much less energy.
5. Develop economic and other incentives for new construction and renovation projects to exceed the minimum energy efficiency standards.		The Community Development Department feels this is important and should be taken up at a later date.	Environmental considerations are now included in the Community Purpose benefits of the Land Use Code. Also, strong considerations for protecting our local environment are included throughout the 2018 version of the Comprehensive Plan.
6. Work with new and existing commercial lodging and residential properties to encourage and incentivize green operating and maintenance plans including:		Through our membership and partnership with CORE, the Town is involved in promoting and educating residents and business owners on the incentives available including energy audits, grant programs, loan interest loan programs, and rebates for energy saving upgrades. Video, advertising, public relations, email outreach, and additional communications techniques have all been leveraged to inform the community of these opportunities.	This remains ongoing through our relationship with CORE. In 2017, the EAB also recognized and awarded the Environmental Leadership Award to the Timbers Club for their energy efficiency upgrades. The EAB believes there are additional opportunities to create programs to retrofit existing buildings in Snowmass Village.
a. Appliance maintenance programs			
b. Use of energy-efficient light bulbs		In the future, a deepened partnership with CORE could expand such incentive programs with Town support (for example a specific rebate program targeted at businesses, employee housing, and private housing funded by REOP and other sources).	



Goal on track



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GREEN BUILDING			
c. Electrostatic furnace ignition vs. pilot lights			
d. Occupancy-based control systems on snowmelt and other building systems		In addition, the town's environmental award, initiated in 2013, recognizes organizations or businesses located or operating in the Village that have made a commitment to improving the natural environment through policies, programs, or actions. The goal is that this recognition can help incentivize businesses that are serving as local environmental leaders, and motivate others to follow suit. Full details on the annual award are available at www.tosv.com/environmentalaward	
e. Timers, moisture and temperature sensors on snowmelt systems			
f. Programmable thermostats			
7. Conduct energy audits and thermal imaging on all Town-owned buildings.		This has been accomplished through the MBCx program.	This has been accomplished through the MBCx program. The reports have been utilized to retrofit TOSV assets, such as the boilers on Snowmelt Rd.
8. Develop a purchasing policy requiring purchases of high-efficiency equipment and appliances that allow for more sustainable operations within TOSV organization (i.e. Energy Star appliances, double-sided printers, low-flow fixtures, etc.)		There is currently no policy.	Although a formal policy doesn't exist, this is common practice by the Town's facility maintenance department.



Goal on track



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Goal unaddressed or missed

GREEN BUILDING			
9. Develop standard design specifications requiring all new Town buildings to be LEED certified, or to provide DOE certification indicating achievement of equivalent energy efficiency standards.		Any new town buildings would be requirement to meet the adopted green building code, and therefore would meet these standards.	Any new town buildings would be requirement to meet the adopted green building code, and therefore would meet these standards
10. Require third-party commissioning on all new Town-owned buildings.		Accomplished through the MBCx program and will be a practice in the future.	The building energy navigator remains in place, and was recently updated to include the production from our solar panels.
11. Develop standard specifications for retro-commissioning and retrofitting existing Town buildings with energy efficiency upgrades including fixture, appliance, systems, and building shell improvements.		This has been accomplished through the Town's capital replacement project in conjunction with MBCx implementation recommendations, to be presented to Council in winter or spring, 2015.	This has been accomplished
12. Continue to develop and implement efficient building standards and a renewable energy offset program to curb impacts of inefficient building design and outdoor energy use.		The REOP program is being implemented as the program intended. If the Council wishes to expand the program the EAB, CORE, and Town Staff can develop a proposal for Council's consideration.	The REOP program remains in place. In recent years, the Town has collected less in REOP fees, which we believe is the direct result of buildings incorporating better energy efficiency practices in their designs.



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

MOBILITY AND TRANSPORTATION			
2009 Category Goal: 1. Develop an integrated mobility strategy that minimizes single occupancy vehicle trips by providing attractive, safe and convenient transportation alternatives.			
IMPLEMENTATION CONCEPTS	STATUS	PROGRESS/NOTES	Notes for 2020 update
1. Adopt land use regulations that encourage transit-oriented development and maximize multi-nodal connectivity between development clusters		Unaware of formal land use regulations in place, but this is something Community Development emphasizes through plan review processes	There continue to be no formal land use regulations in place. However, the comprehensive plan and Community Development continue to emphasize this and there is a planned affordable housing phase with the Snowmass Center Redevelopment project, as well as an approaching housing master plan focusing on multi-use development. A new Snowmass Mall Transit center is also planned to focus transit users in one centralized location.
2. Develop a comprehensive and strategic transportation plan that addresses relationships and trade-offs among single-occupancy vehicle use, the provision of parking infrastructure, and public and private transit services.		This will be part of the Town's larger Capital Improvement Program development, which is included in Council's draft goals/strategic plan for 2015/2016.	The Comprehensive Plan update focuses on this issue and a Community Connectivity plan has been developed. The EOTC also focuses on this at a regional level. This still likely falls under "Goal needs attention" as the Community Connectivity plan has not garnered the necessary support to be adopted. The need to manage parking and transportation demand in an increasingly developed community remains an issue in need of focus.
3. Expand winter trail maintenance to promote year round walkability		In 2013 the Town added a full-time year round Parks & Trails Manager to oversee trail maintenance and long-term parks and trail development strategy. This has led to a higher level of maintenance on all town-owned trails (and strengthened partnerships related to maintenance on non-town-owned trails).	Town walking trails continue to be maintained throughout winter.



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

MOBILITY AND TRANSPORTATION			
4. Increase the number of pedestrian and bike trail access points throughout the Village.		This item was recently included in Council's goals, and it remains a priority of Town staff to evaluate and improve pedestrian/bike trail connectivity around town. This is one important element of a long-term expansion of our trail system (and that of the entire upper roaring fork valley's integrated trail system). The Town's continued participation in the Upper Roaring Fork Valley Trails Plan helps identify necessary areas of focus and expansion.	Bike and hiking trails throughout the village have expanded considerably, Seven Star and Hawk Ridge trails are examples, although these are generally used for recreation. WeCycle has added stations between Town Park and Club Commons, but commuter access points remain relatively unchanged and this goal is generally ongoing.
		Specifically, over the past two years three important trail connections projects have improved trail access and user safety. These include the North Rim trail extension (improving access from the Nature Trail), South Rim Trail extension (improving access from Rodeo Place/Horse Ranch), and a connection to improve access from the Tom Blake Trailhead to the parking area.	
5. Integrate future trail planning with existing transit infrastructure to enhance the safety and quality of pedestrian connections throughout the Village, especially along Brush Creek Rd., and close to high-use commercial and high density residential development.		The Town, following the adoption of Council's top goals, has recently issued an RFP to evaluate the overall connectivity of the Town. This will create a plan for further consideration.	A Community Connectivity Plan has been created but not adopted. However, priority projects and walkways to improve the connectivity of the community and increase the use of alternative modes of transportation is being actively pursued. Recent examples include the construction of sidewalks from Lower Kearns road to Base Village, the pedestrian crossing improvements at Town Park, the installation of rapid flash beacons at key intersections, and the additions of crosswalks on Owl Creek Road.



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

MOBILITY AND TRANSPORTATION			
6. Foster development of a centralized shuttle system to provide airport transportation to replace redundant and inefficient use of independent property airport shuttles.		The Snowmass Village lodging community is represented by the Snowmass Lodging Association who consistently seeks opportunities for collaboration, communication, and efficiency. While we are unaware of a formal program, we do know that they have worked together well to provide a successful shuttle program.	This continues to be an unresolved focus of the region. The Aspen Airport Vision Committee has submitted recommendations in April 2020 to the BOCC on this topic. Suggestions on how to improve local transportation connections ranged from more direct bus pick-up and drop-offs to installation of a gondola to Aspen and Snowmass. Transportation Network Companies (TNCs) such as Uber and Lyft have also become players in Airport Transit and provide a new challenge to centralizing Airport transit to and from the towns.
7. Continue free bus service throughout Snowmass Village and between Snowmass Village and Aspen.		The Town, SkiCo, and the EOTC continues to support this free service.	This has been completed.
8. Maintain convenient and consistent fixed-route transit service to high-density residential neighborhoods and commercial nodes (including the SV Recreation Center), while utilizing 'dial-a-ride' service (and/or expanded private service provider partnerships) to serve single-family and outlying neighborhoods.		The Transportation department is consistently evaluating the right mix of service for users to maximize ridership and efficiency.	The Transportation department continues to offer these services through the Village Shuttle. We have recently completed efforts to make it easier than ever to find the bus, including the launch of GTFS technology to show Village Shuttle schedules on common apps like Google Maps and the Transit App.



Goal on track



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Goal unaddressed or missed

MOBILITY AND TRANSPORTATION			
9. Encourage higher degree of regional integration among public transit, aviation, and highway transportation management strategies.		Although this happens on a case by case basis, there hasn't been any steps taken to encourage integration. Unclear what this goal was in 2009.	15-minute headways to and from the Brush Creek Park and Ride have been achieved to connect Snowmass Village transit service with regional BRT service. Airport Vision Committee has also recommended transit connections. This is an ongoing goal
10. Continue to prioritize and incentivize use of public transit and park & ride for Town sponsored special events and commuters.		The formation of the special events committee in 2013 helps facilitate internal communications planning events, and determining levels of service necessary to support special events.	These efforts are ongoing, and are consistently included in our marketing campaigns – especially for major events.
		The Town has also expanded their outreach and education to event attendees encouraging the use of public transportation. Snowmasstransit.com and event promotional materials for example provide event specific tips and schedules.	
11. Engage in Pitkin County Airport planning process to promote transit connection enhancements		The Pitkin County Airport is currently engaged in a multi-year planning process, in which Town staff is directly involved.	Engagement is done but process is ongoing.



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

WATERSHED WATER QUALITY			
2009 Category Goals: 1. Minimize negative impacts to watershed water quality. 2. Improve water quality in Brush Creek to eliminate its Roaring Fork Conservancy designation as an "Impacted" waterway.			
IMPLEMENTATION CONCEPTS	STATUS	2015 PROGRESS/NOTES	
1. Update the Town's Greenway Master Plan to better understand current riparian ecosystems health, sediment loads, biological diversity, etc.		This was incorporated into the Town's comprehensive plan in 2010. Also, a stormwater and sewer analysis was included in the Town's budget for 2016. This is within the new CIP, and the study will be taking place in the near future. The final study will be used for the comprehensive plan update.	This was included in the Town's Comprehensive Plan update in 2018, and underscores the importance of our storm water systems through new development. The Town has required improvements to stormwater drainages in Base Village, and the Snowmass Center PUD also includes many improvements to the status quo.
2. Regulate use of magnesium chloride and other chemical ice melts and dust suppressants within the Town.		In progress. The Town does not use magnesium chloride, but we also don't regulate its use by other parties, such as other construction companies that conduct Right of Way work. The Public Works department is constantly evaluating alternative methods.	The Town does not use magnesium chloride, but we also don't regulate its use by other parties, such as other construction companies that conduct Right of Way work. The Public Works department is constantly evaluating alternative methods.
3. Develop standards for creek water quality testing protocols in partnership with the Roaring Fork Conservancy.		No formal standards have been adopted by the Town	No formal standards have been adopted.
4. Implement wetland restoration and expansion projects and promote the use of permeable paving and bio-swales to allow natural filtering and minimize sheet-flow of stormwater run off		No wetland related projects are currently underway, but storm water mitigation is a constant priority for Public Works. Filters have been installed and are designed to mitigate the impacts of storm water runoff in our wetlands.	This is a major component of the Town Park / Entryway master plan. The wetlands (and the restoration thereof) will be a foundational piece of the park in the future.



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

WATERSHED WATER QUALITY			
5. Expand annual clean-up efforts and explore other methods to limit siltation impacts associated with sanding of Town roadways		This is actively implemented on Town roads and shoulders by the Town's Road Division.	The Town Road division has implemented an aggressive street sweeping schedule each spring to catch sediment from the roadways.
6. Find opportunities to re-use or recycle contaminated 3/8" chip that is picked up from ditches and stream beds each spring.		See above	The materials cleaned from stormwater systems and swept from streets are stored and recycled each year by the road division.
7. Examine water quality impacts associated with livestock intensive activities and operations (i.e. Rodeo Grounds, Krabloonik)		This could be a consideration during lease negotiations, if applicable, but this study has not taken place.	This could be a consideration during lease negotiations, if applicable, but this study has not taken place.
8. Work with Water and Sanitation District to gain understanding of Town-wide stormwater and sanitary sewer infrastructure health		This has been accomplished as part of the state water conservation plan.	The Town has adopted much more stringent stormwater retention, treatment, and discharge requirements in our Land Use Code. Examples of improvements are now starting to come to fruition through development applications like the Snowmass Center.
9. Improve domestic pet pick-up enforcement and scoop bag availability		Pet pick up is routinely enforced, but more efficient procedures could be put in place to patrol and enforce parks/trail rules. Scoop bags have been installed and are readily available at most parks and trailheads.	This effort is continuously ongoing. The Town Parks, Recreation, and Trails department has installed additional poop stations in recent years, and the animal services department routinely enforces pet waste violations. We now have 22 poop bag stations available at Town parks, trails, and facilities.



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

AIR QUALITY			
2009 Category Goals: 1. Minimize airborne dust and other pollutants, including building and vehicle emissions. 2. Stay within allowable Pm 10 levels at all times.			
IMPLEMENTATION CONCEPTS	STATUS	2015 PROGRESS/NOTES	2020
1. Require use of biodegradable, non-chemical dust suppressants on construction sites and service roads		This is not currently enforced. Through the Town's Construction Mitigation Plan, however, development projects are required to mitigate dust. No requirements are in place for biodegradable materials, but water is the most common material used for this mitigation activity.	Dust mitigation requirements remain a part of the Construction Mitigation Plan approval process. Water is encouraged and remains the most common material used.
2. Post signs and enforce adopted vehicle idling regulations		No signs posted regarding idling.	The Town worked with the developers of Base Village to ensure notices on the Town's anti-idling ordinance were posted around the Tree House and arrival center – areas that were common offenders.
3. Train town staff to recognize violations of and enforce air pollution standards		No formal training has taken place.	In 2019, the Town worked with Pitkin County Public Health to install the first air quality monitor in Snowmass Village. It is located at Town Hall, and it provides real time measurements on the PM levels in Snowmass Village. With the recent wildfire smoke present, Town staff also recently developed a webpage dedicated to informing the community and TOSV staff on our ongoing air quality conditions.



Goal on track



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Goal unaddressed or missed

AIR QUALITY			
4. Conduct minimum amount of fixed-route street sweeper operations along with on-demand response, as necessary to minimize roadway dirt and dust		We are currently doing regularly scheduled street sweeping maintenance as well as on demand sweeping services for special events or requests.	ongoing



Goal on track



Goal needs attention



Goal unaddressed or missed

WILDLIFE HABITAT & PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT			
2009 Category Goal:			
1. Minimize negative impacts to wildlife habitat and migration corridors.			
IMPLEMENTATION CONCEPTS	STATUS	2015 PROGRESS/NOTES	2020
1. Strengthen code regulations regarding excessive noise, and train staff to recognize violations and enforce them		No formal training has taken place, but Town staff are knowledgeable in handling noise complaints and directing them to the correct officer(s). No additional code regulations have been implemented beyond what is “excessive.”	The Police Department handles noise complaints on a case by case basis, and uses decibel readings to inform their decision.
2. Strengthen code regulations regarding impacts to wildlife and protection of wildlife habitat		The availability of an Animal Services unit within the police department has expanded our ability to educate, enforce, and evaluate our wildlife policies. Animal services have stepped up enforcement for illegal trail users, and has recently received a lot of publicity for their use of trail cameras to identify illegal trail users. This enforcement allows us to keep certain habitats protected for wildlife.	This is an ongoing effort. The Town has also recently worked with Colorado Parks & Wildlife and the USFS to evaluate our local elk populations. We have also strengthened our enforcement of seasonal trail closures and extended their dates in the Burnt Mountain area.
3. Examine benefits to wildlife, recreational quality and public safety associated with limiting or banning hunting within Town limits.		This evaluation has not taken place	This evaluation has not taken place
4. Increase educational, outreach and enforcement efforts regarding trash regulations		Animal services produces a lot of educational materials regarding wildlife ordinances, such as magnets on dumpsters, outreach campaigns, and informational websites. Animal services also meets with special event vendors to explain wildlife ordinances.	This effort is ongoing. The Animal Services division is included in the building and special event permitting process to help educate companies of our requirements up front. When necessary, citations are issued.



Goal on track



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Goal unaddressed or missed

WILDLIFE HABITAT & PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT			
5. Pursue grant opportunities related to environmental and wildlife education, outreach and signage		No grants pursued, but educational signage has been posted where applicable.	Signage and education materials are a consistent communication campaign for the Town.
6. Develop and distribute informational resources regarding wildlife issues, especially during migration and calving periods		During sensitive periods, Animal services steps up educational efforts and enforcement.	Signage and education materials are a consistent communication campaign for the Town. The Town ramps up these efforts leading up to seasonal trail closures, and works with the Tourism department to ensure the information is reflected on popular trail sites, such as bikesnowmass.com .
7. Work with the US Forest service to develop a pre-emptive pine beetle strategy		This strategy has not been developed	This strategy has not been developed
8. Continue to implement the Town's 10-year weed management program.		Noxious weeds are consistently treated through the Town's Parks and Recreation department and the Public Works department. Every year, through a private contractor, noxious weeds are treated along the Town's public streets and trails.	The Town has increased weed management efforts and budget recently. Also, in 2017, the Town created educational videos on the various noxious weeds in Snowmass Village to empower locals to mitigate them. The Town continually hosts weed pulling programs, designed to get the community involved.
9. Develop improved strategies for weed abatement on private property		No program in place at this point. A lot of education materials are produced by Pitkin County open space, however, and we plan on continuing to utilize these resources.	The Town works with Pitkin County and utilizes their weed abatement program.
10. Preserve and expand wetland habitat where feasible		This will be a part of the upcoming entryway and cozy point master plans that the Town will be involved in. These are upcoming opportunities to make this goal a priority of the Town.	Wetland enhancements and protections are a major part of the ongoing Town Park Entryway master plan. The plan includes strategies to improve our wetland ecosystems.



Goal on track



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Environmental Advisory Board 2025-2026 Recommendations

EAB presentation to Snowmass Town Council, June 2 2025.



Wildfire Resilience

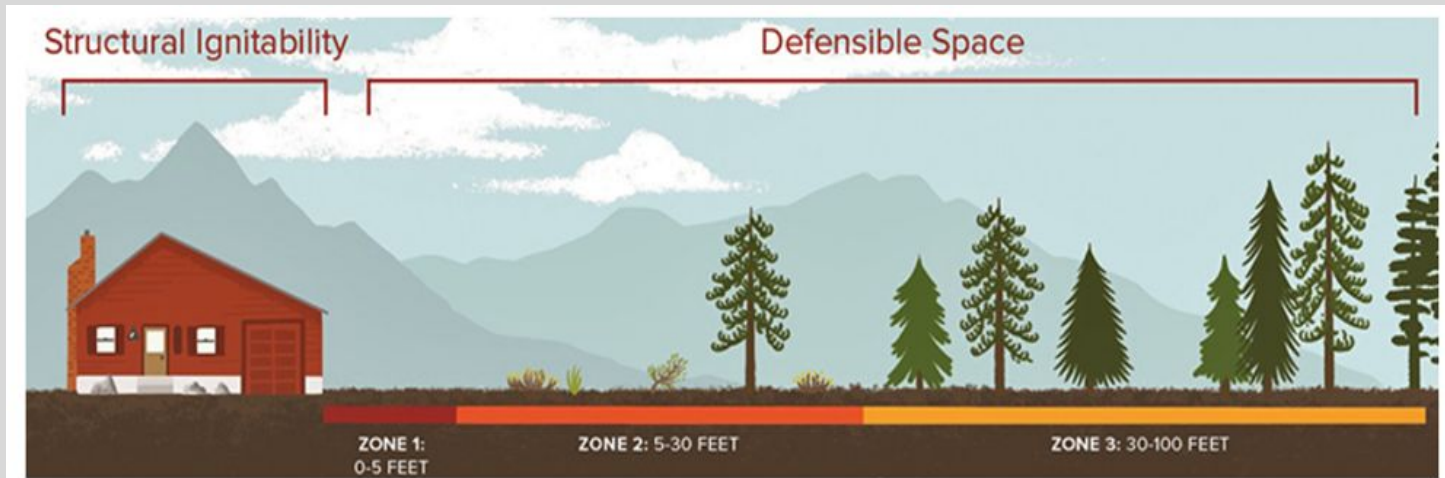
Fire Risk Is Increasing



And...

- The highest relative increase in acreage will be at elevations 8000 feet and above
- Speed: Wildfires are predicted to be faster moving. Wildfires in Colorado are 248% faster now than in 2000. (CU Boulder)

Defensible Space Works



The science shows that the two largest factors affecting structure ignitability are:

1. Vegetation management in the first five feet around the structure.
2. The type of roofing material.

***Other factors in the building envelope also have an effect. But these are the two most important factors.**

***A neighborhood needs approximately 90% compliance with defensible space guidelines to be wildfire resilient. Neighborhood-wide measures are needed to address insurability.**

Our Goal



Hodek Residence, High Park Fire 2012, CO

Make Snowmass Village wildfire resilient

**Our target is aggressive: full implementation within 3–5 years.
We envision this in 4 steps.**

Step 1 – Education & Outreach

- **Public campaign in collaboration with regional wildfire authorities**
 - Concise message, such as Vail's *Fire Free Five*
 - Movie/Forums:
Elemental: Reimagine Wildfire, June 17th
 - Curbside wildfire assessments of all properties
(ex: 30% of properties/year...) and direct messaging to property owners about how their property scores in terms of wildfire resilience



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Fire Free Five Landscaping Guide

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WHAT IS A "FIRE FREE FIVE" LANDSCAPE?

During a wildfire, embers are lifted into the air and can travel significant distances before falling to the ground. Still hot, they can land on roofs, in gutters, on decks and even stick into your siding. Embers also accumulate near the base of buildings and can ignite dead leaves, trees, shrubs, wood mulch and other combustible landscape materials. A small ground fire can quickly spread into siding, up trees, under eaves and onto the structure.

A *Fire Free Five* landscape is designed, installed, and maintained in a way that removes combustible landscape materials within five feet of a building to help protect the home or business from ember-based fires, or fires moving along the ground.

This guide is designed to aid you in envisioning, designing, and maintaining your "Fire Free Five" landscape. The Town of Vail would like to assist you in helping to protect your property in the event of a wildfire. Did you know that funding is available to assist you with your project? Visit the Town of Vail link to apply for funding now: www.vailgov.com/firefreefive

The "Fire Free Five" is the most critical part of landscaping to reduce wildfire risk, however it is not everything. The landscaping around your property should be maintained in a way to prevent wildfire from spreading throughout your yard. For more information on defensible space: www.vailgov.com/government/departments/fire/wildfire/defensible-space

ZONE 1 (0-5' FROM STRUCTURE)

- Perennial plants and groundcovers only.
- Remove all combustible items including firewood, construction materials, lawn furniture, etc.
- Use non-combustible mulch or stone.
- Do not use space under decks for storage.

Step 2 – Financial Incentives

Launch grant program: 50-75% matching funds for private property mitigation.

- Ex: Vail has spent \$400K over two years and helped 132 properties become Fire Free Five compliant.
- Expand wood chipping program
 - Ex: free, twice a week, signups online etc.



Fire-resistant landscaping can be both attractive and offer additional protection from a wildfire.

**** Based on experience of other fire districts: a well-funded and communicated voluntary program may achieve at best 40-50% compliance.**

Step 3 – Code Changes

Create defensible space codes for new construction and major remodels.

- For remodels, define parameters that trigger code compliance

Current code:

- Roofs Class A fire-rated
- Deck materials are fire-resistant
- Weeds and grasses within 10 feet cut to 6"
- Firewood stacked 15 feet away from structure



Much work is needed!

Step 4 – Ordinance for Existing Structures

Define standards, enforcement, and timeline

- Consider workforce capacity (ie contractors) to complete mitigation
- Determine consequences for non-compliant structures/owners.



Coordination & Resources

Align with town departments, Roaring Fork Fire District, and regional wildfire groups.

- Use science-based standards
- Neighborhood ambassador program

Explore and publicize insurance-related topics

Certifications:

- Wildfire Prepared Home
- Wildfire Prepared Neighborhood

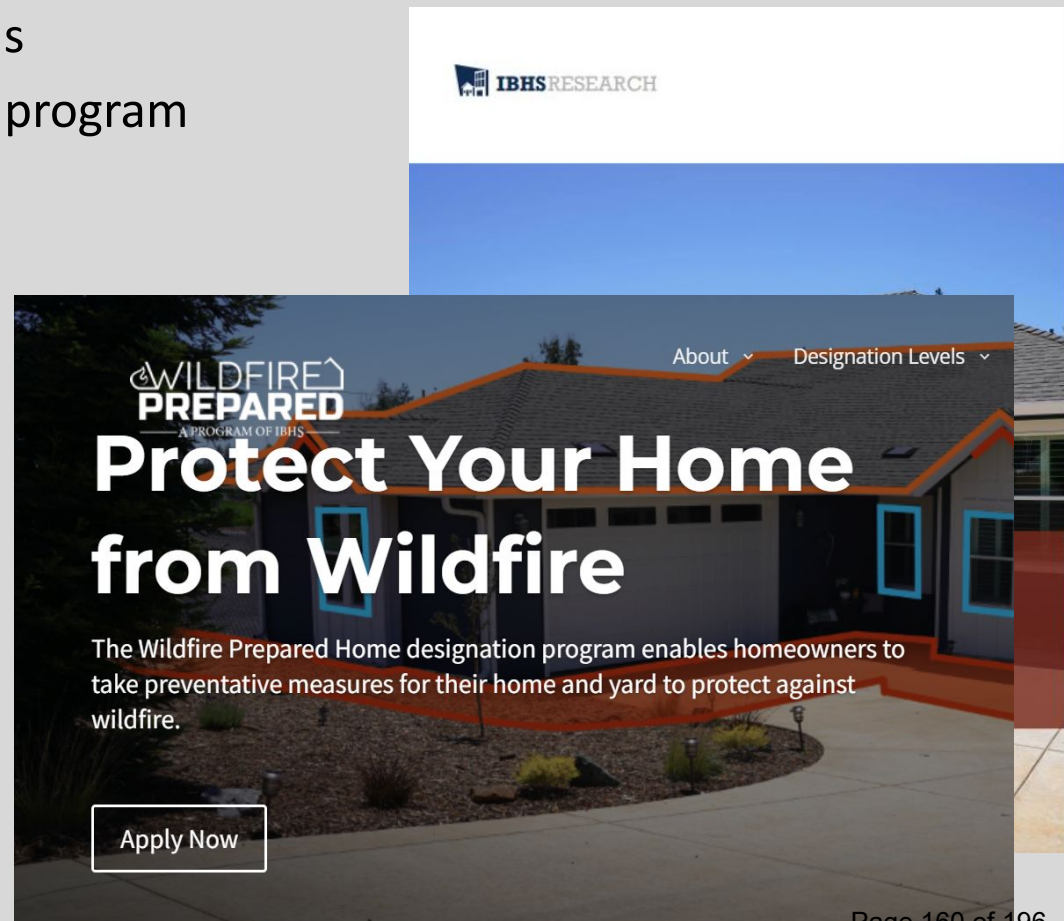




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Aspen Journalism

It's not a matter of if...



Building Electrification

74% of Emissions Come from Buildings



- Electrifying and increasing the efficiency of existing buildings is the most impactful area ToSV can reduce its GHG footprint. Natural gas comprises 45% of building emissions. (Buildings = 74% of emissions totals - *CORE 2020*)
- Reviewing ToSV's Greenhouse Gas inventory and local cost data, CORE estimates a \$126 million investment to completely electrify existing buildings ToSV.
- ToSV does not currently have policy or building performance standards to enforce all-electric systems
- Technical knowledge to electrify existing buildings and the cost to do so are the largest barriers to building owners taking action to reduce their home or buildings energy footprint.

Suggested Pilot

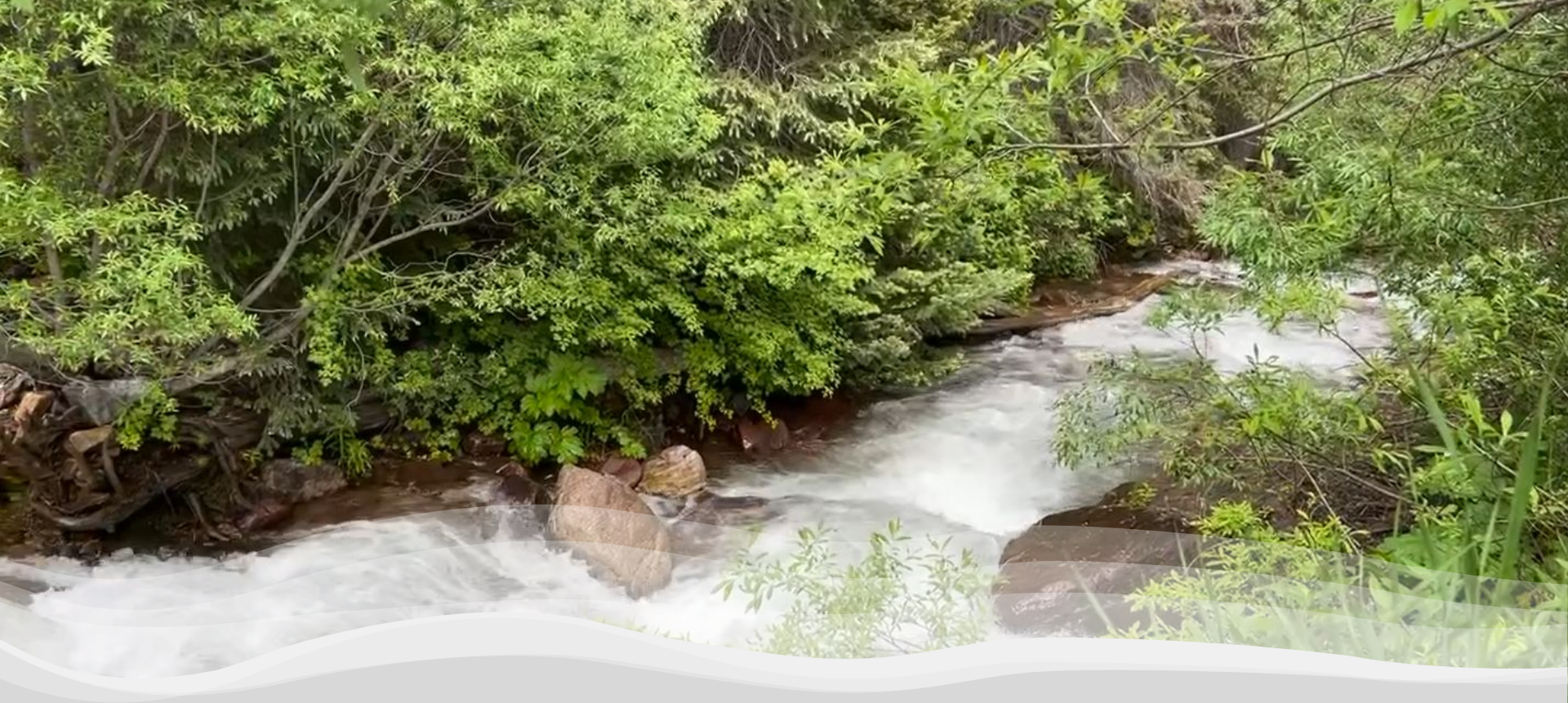


- **Support building owners to increase the pace of voluntary electrification and energy efficiency projects by increasing the Town of Snowmass Village's financial investment by 20% a year over year for the next 5 years**
- **Collaborate with CORE & HCE to expedite electrification of largest commercial buildings by 2030 through targeted engagement.**
- **Continue allocating funds for the subsidization of residential electrification.**

Hopeful Outcome



- **Comprehensive CORE audits will continue to prioritize low hanging fruit while helping residents make efficiency improvements and consider if electrification is financially feasible.**
- **Targeting commercial buildings will concentrate resources and provide best return for GHG emission reduction targets.**
- **Funding provided by ToSV would allow residents to make electrification switches when financially feasible in the long term.**



Water

East Snowmass Creek
Snowmass Village's Primary Water Source

The Future is Warmer and Likely Drier

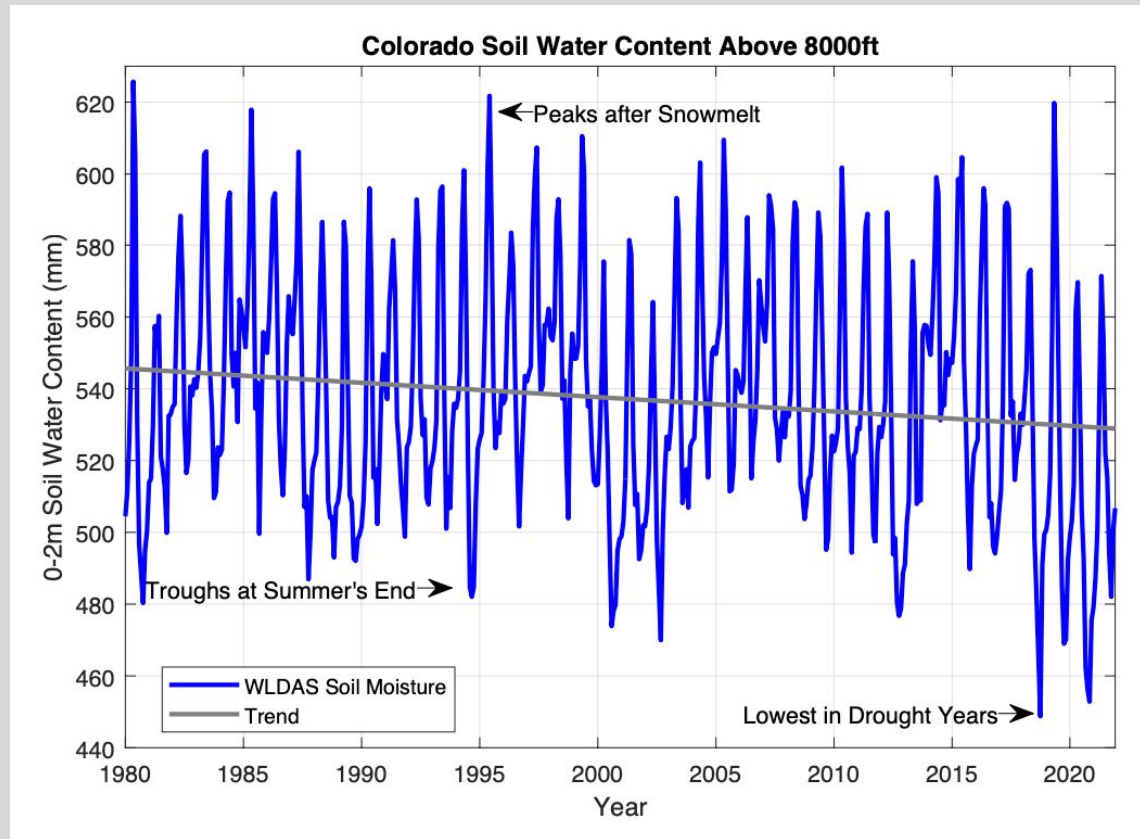
Colorado Climate Center at CSU: Projections through 2050

Climate Variable	Projected Future Trend	Confidence in Change
Average Temperature	Warmer	Very high
Summer Soil Moisture	Lower	High
Evaporative Demand	Higher	Very High
Annual Precipitation	Uncertain	Low

- By 2050 statewide temperatures are expected to rise 2.5 to 5.5 °F compared to 1971-2000 average.
- By 2050, the average year is likely to be as warm as the very warmest years on record through 2022.
- While it's unclear if annual precipitation will rise or fall, temperatures are projected to rise and evaporation will increase= drier soils.

The Future is Warmer and Likely Drier

Soil moisture
at our
elevation is
already
dropping...



- There are 30 less days of winter now versus 1980
 - Frost free days, per Aspen Skiing Co. [Aspensnowmass.com](https://www.aspensnowmass.com) and [PostIndependent.com](https://www.postindependent.com) 4/10/22
- Snowpack melting earlier = more days of soil exposed to sun and evaporation.

Irrigation is a Large Portion of Annual Water Consumption in TOSV

40% of our annual water usage is for outdoor irrigation, and it occurs mostly in 3 months.

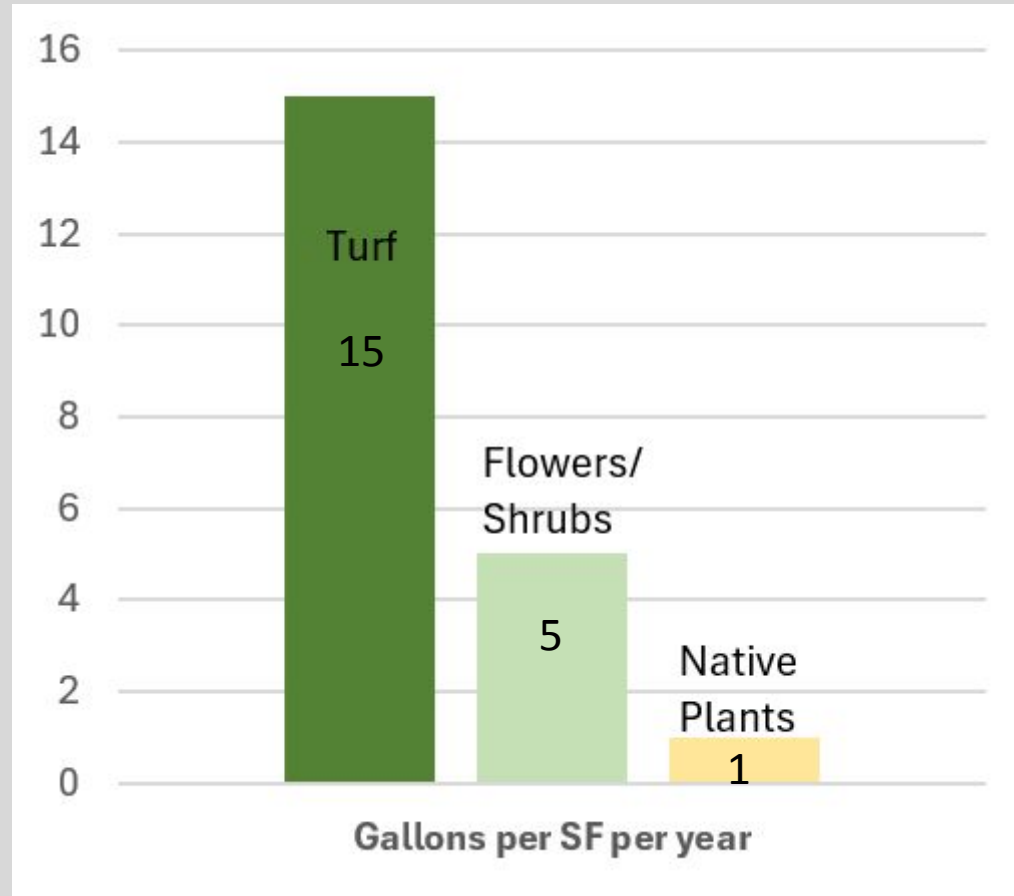
For some households, **70-80%** of their summer use is irrigation.

80% of outdoor water use does not return to the stream.



Plant Water Requirements in TOSV

Cool season
turf is the
thirstiest
plant in our
landscape



Many landscapes in Snowmass Village receive 2 to 3x the amount of water needed based on daily metering and measured landscape sizes.

Snowmass Water and Sanitation District Efforts

- Three-day-a-week watering schedule
- Tiered Rate Structure (highest tier 5 x rate of lowest tier)
- Direct Communication with high water users
- Water Conservation Campaign: Snowmass is Streamfed...
- Incentives for residents to do irrigation-efficiency assessments
- Full-time staff person dedicated to water conservation (more to come...)

North

South

May

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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31



TOSV Efforts

- Assisting with communication- town newsletters, guest services, special events, PR
- Joining SWSD in a grant funded turf replacement program

Our Request

TOSV evaluates all town-owned properties for their landscape water requirements and completes third party irrigation efficiency assessments of all town properties within 2 years.

Ensure that all irrigation systems are:

- Weather-based controllers
- With connected rain sensors.
- Delivering the right amount of water per plant type



In keeping with Colorado law SB 24-005 prohibiting non-functional turf in future development of public spaces, we recommend TOSV converts existing non-functional turf to native or low-water alternatives as much as possible.

☐ Non-functional is defined as turf that is only walked on when mowed.

For Future Discussion

Further exploration is needed into how local stream water quality and natural stream systems in the village can be regularly monitored, protected, and possibly integrated in new ways into the landscape, delivering ecosystem benefits.



West Fork Brush Creek

East Fork Brush Creek



Compost

Commercial Waste Can Be Reduced Through Composting



- **Snowmass Village has been running a residential program for a couple of years with some success**
- **There is more opportunity to reduce waste by creating policy similar to City of Aspen for organics**

City of Aspen Program



- Conducted a year of research which inspired their Ordinance
- Initial apprehension about the program - was mitigated by education
- Restaurants have had the best outcomes and feel like they can make a difference
- October 2023 passing → diversion increased by 69% in 2024 to 3,255 total tons

Suggested Pilot



- **Step 1: Volunteer composting program for up to 10 restaurants for one year and collect our own data on waste diversion**
- **Step 2: Move to a mandatory composting policy for all commercial businesses in Snowmass Village**
- **Step 3: Create organics bins in more places in Snowmass Village for residents**

Hopeful Outcome



- **Similar results to City of Aspen for higher diversion numbers and keeping our local Solid Waste Center available for longer time**



Construction and Demolition

53% of Total Materials Landfilled are Construction and Demo Debris



- Our local landfill has received approval for \$22M bond to expand landfill which will give us more years of use
- However, construction and demo take up the lionshare of space at the landfill and if we don't curb construction and demolition projects, we will use that space faster than expected

Suggested Pilot



- **Step 1: Require 5 construction projects to track waste tracking in 2025 and 2026**
- **Step 2: Monitor results of program**
- **Step 3: Put forth policy changes that require all to track waste diversion to minimize future costs to TOSV residents to transport waste beyond the Valley**

Hopeful Outcome



- We'll elongate the lifeline of the Pitkin County Solid Waste Center.
- Pitkin County Region Comprehensive Greenhouse Gas Emissions Report 2023 showed despite construction diversion plans, solid waste needs greater attention as there is an increase in Carbon Emissions from 2019-2023
- Some headcount required to manage the program



Sustainable Transloading Facility

Increase Health Benefits and Decrease Traffic with Universal Transport Facility



- Large trucks that are dropping off small loads of materials to Base Village, Snowmass Center, and Snowmass Mall is wasteful, creates more local emissions, and traffic during peak times
- Vail Valley and Breckenridge are running successful programs to mitigate these issues with a vendor called 106 West

Hopeful Outcome



- **ToSV requests East West Partners to have a meeting with 106 West to discuss ideal locations for loading and unloading materials at a central location that then allows for micromobility transit to bring cargo from one location to many.**
- **60+ delivery trucks removed from Snowmass Village per week and 305,352 lbs of GHGs removed from Snowmass Village per year (106 West Numbers)**



Sustainability Coordinator Position

Wow... That was a lot... If only we had someone to coordinate this all, and more!

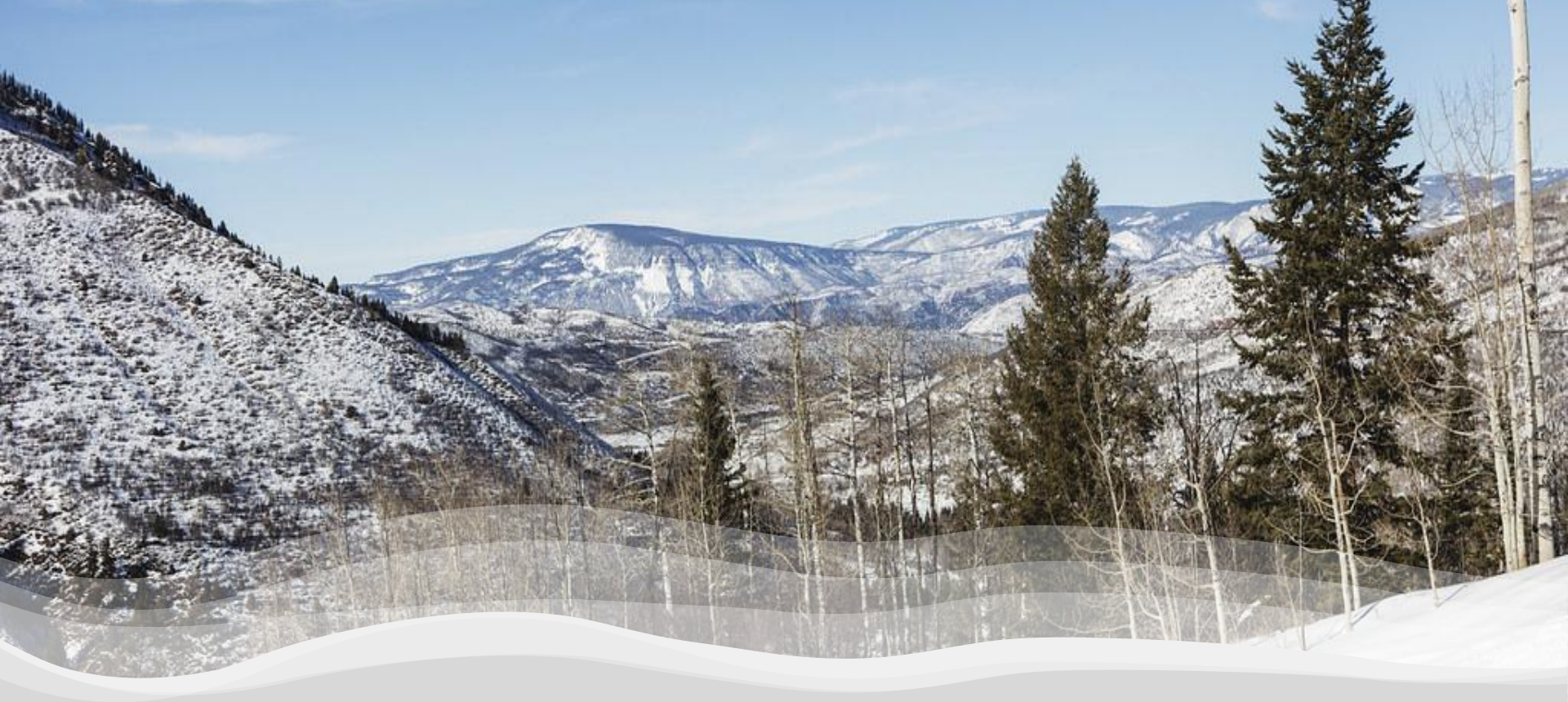


Our volunteer board has been hard at work to make these recommendations and we believe many could easily be implemented with the dedicated work of a single individual on these projects coordinating across Town staff and with the City and County.

Hopeful Outcome



- TOSV adds a headcount for a Sustainability Coordinator
- This individual would work alongside the EAB for subject matter expertise, marketing and citizen review and would be responsible for implementing these important changes.



**Snowmass is here because of our
environment.**

It's our responsibility to protect it.

Town of Snowmass Village Agenda Item Summary

Date of Meeting:

June 2, 2025

Agenda Item:

Entryway Improvement Update

Presented by:

Andy Worline, Parks, Recreation & Trails Director

Background:

After decades of planning and considerable community input, the Town Park Entryway is nearly completed.

With the dilapidated rodeo arena and bleacher now replaced, the stark contrast of the brand-new facility, including the bleachers, the newly planted trees and screening, as well as the new arena and wood fencing, has raised comments regarding what additional steps could be taken to increase the visual appeal more rapidly while the site vegetation matures.

The Town Council has asked the overall site's look and feel continue to be improved, softened, and subdued, taking into account the visual aspects and operational needs of the entryway and rodeo facility.

The Parks, Recreation & Trails (PRT) Department has undertaken several improvement measures in response to community feedback and internal evaluations. The improvements/softening are focused primarily around the rodeo bleachers and the surrounding Entryway corridor.

Below is a summary of the work completed, currently underway, and options under review:

Current Improvements in Progress:

- **Wooden Fencing Installation:** Aluminum is being removed and wood fencing is being installed along the front foreground of the rodeo bleachers. This measure is intended to soften the stark appearance of the aluminum and blend the structure more naturally into the surrounding environment.
- **Spruce Tree Planting:** 7 additional trees are being added at the parking lot entrance leading into the roundabout. This addition will help provide a more inviting and visually softened entry experience. The landscape architect and landscape contractor agreed that no additional trees could be added to the berm (without removing most of the trees and replanting). The existing vegetative berm has a large diversity of tree types that will continue grow and enhance this area over time.
- **Black Windscreens Installation:** Black-colored (the computer generated images show them as green, but they will be black) windscreens are being installed on the triangular sides and rear of the bleachers to reduce visual voids

above the Parks & Trails Maintenance Building and provide a more cohesive backdrop.

- **Perimeter Privacy Fencing:** Additional wooden privacy fencing is being constructed around the exterior perimeter of the rodeo arena. This will improve visual screening from surrounding roads and the parking lot.

Options Explored for Further Enhancements:

- **Bleacher Color Modifications:** We explored the option of painting the bleachers; however, traditional painting methods are not suitable for the aluminum structure. Powder coating is the only viable method, but it would require full disassembly, off-site processing, and reinstallation—rendering this option logistically and financially impractical at this time.
- **Mural Consideration:** We also investigated the feasibility of painting a mural on the vertical-facing panels of the bleachers. Unfortunately, the aluminum surface does not support mural application, making this option unviable.

Recommended Next Steps for Enhancement

- **Colored Seating Replacement:** Staff has worked with the bleacher contractor and determined the replacement of the aluminum seating planks with powder-coated colored seats can occur. This will help visually break up the mass of the structure, particularly when viewed from a distance. The color of the seats will need to be determined. The contractor is still determining the feasibility of powder coating the kickboards under the seats.
- **Removable Bleacher Covers:** Staff and the contractor continue to research the use of removable bleacher covers. While this solution likely wouldn't work in the winter due to snow loads, it would offer a softening effect in non-winter months. This solution does present staffing and logistical challenges, particularly the installation and removal of the covers twice weekly during the rodeo season.
- **Parking Lot Paving:** Keeping the dirt lot was an extended conversation when the current design was approved. Council feedback on the desire of changing the dirt lot to a paved lot would be appreciated.

We remain committed to improving the look and feel of our Town's Entryway and recreational spaces, and we will continue to evaluate solutions that balance aesthetics, functionality, and operational feasibility. We welcome any additional input from the Town Council as we move forward with these enhancements.

Financial Impact:

The Town Council has approved up to \$500,000 in the 2025 budget for additional changes in landscaping and bleacher updates.

Applicability to Council Goals & Objectives:

This is a continuation of the Council's goal to complete Town Park.

Council Options:

The options are many and varied.

Staff Recommendation:

It is the recommendation of Staff, that the Council, by motion;

Direct staff to purchase and utilize removable bleacher covers and to schedule the powder coating for as much of the aluminum on the grand stand as possible.

Attachments:

1. 8B 2 Exhibit A - Cover & Windscreen Sample Pictures



End bay left open for temporary storage of taller items

Reviewing if anchors can be installed on vertical support beams – The color of the windscreens are planned to be black but shown as green to indicate the area above and sides of the maintenance building.

Back Right of Bleachers

*note the screen is not flush with outer edge for better attachment.

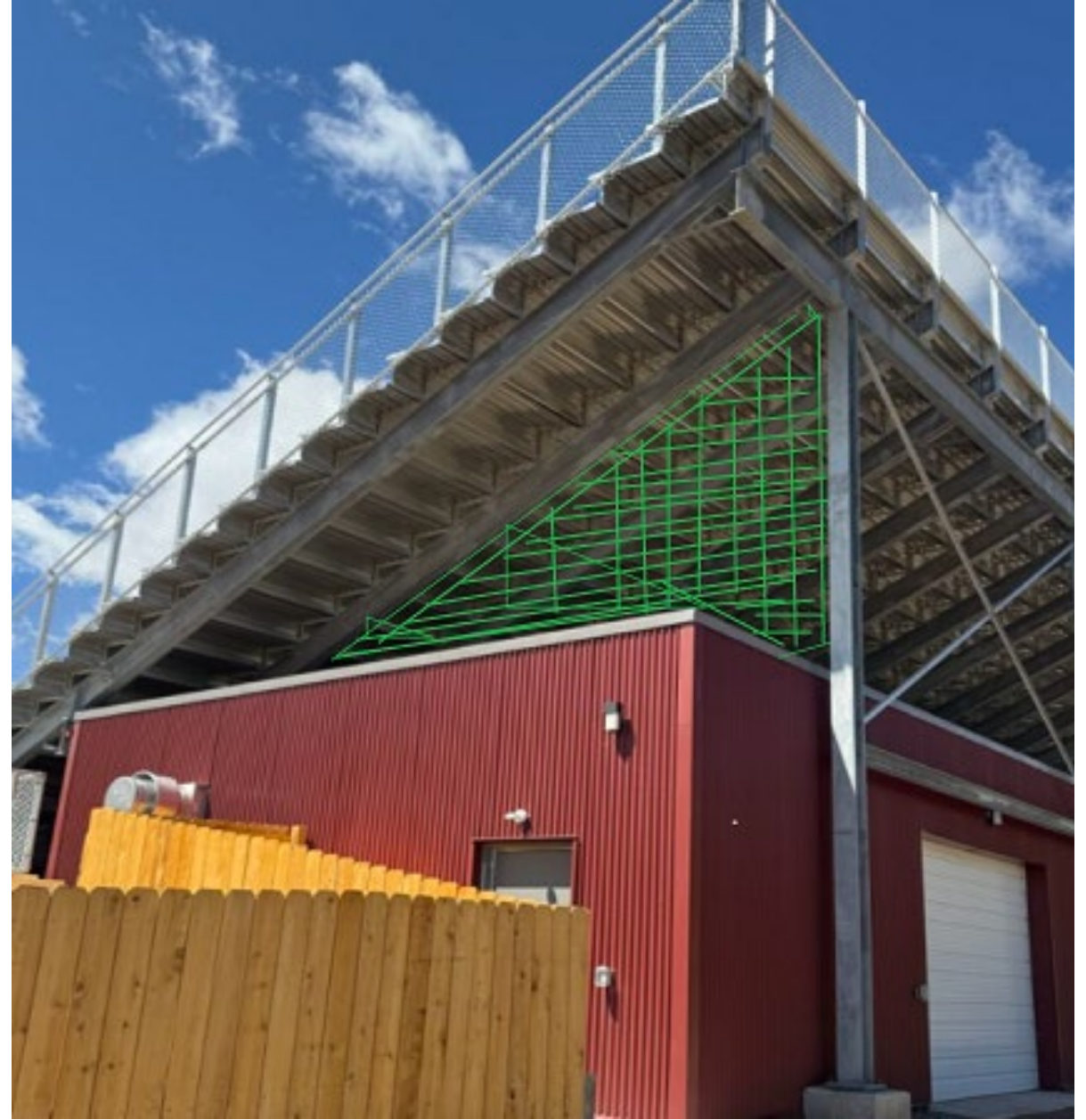


Back Left of Bleachers

As-Is from Checkpoint Charlie



Concept, with some transparency applied





From Roundabout entrance
Note the handrails and fencing will still be up in between covers.
Color can be selected