



To: Mayor and Town Council
From: Clint Kinney, Town Manager
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Re: Info Update

A BIG CONGRATULATIONS

It is easy to overlook excellence when it happens time and time again; it becomes expected, so let's not do that this year. It is time to once again celebrate being awarded the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award by the Government Finance Officers Association. This coveted award is the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting and represents a significant achievement in preparing and presenting an annual municipal budget. In English, that means the Finance Department does a good job of planning how to spend about \$34 million annually. Congratulations to Finance Director Marianne Rakowski and her team on receiving this distinguished award..... now get back to work, we have another budget to get adopted on Monday.

SPEAKING OF A PLAN

CDOT is continuing to develop their long-term transportation plan called "*Your Transportation Plan*". Over a five-month period, CDOT blanketed the state to engage local, regional and state-level stakeholders in person, over the phone and online. *Road condition & safety, growth & congestion, and a lack of travel options* were the most important transportation issues identified. Using this feedback, CDOT will determine specific projects for every region of the state. This "pipeline" of transportation needs will help determine where future funding is focused. Folks can stay up to date on the plan by checking for updates at YourTransportationPlan.com. The final draft plan should be ready for review in early 2020.

TID BITS

- Solar Panels are going up. Crews were able to get started at Town Park Station yesterday. They believe they will be complete with Town Park Station by the end of the week next week and will then move over to the Recreation Center to knock out the pitched roof (above the pool deck) portion of the project.
- As the snow continues to fly and the temperatures continue to drop, we are working to button up a number of capital projects including the Carriage Way boilers project, the Recreation Center HVAC project, and the Vidal Gulch storm drain project.
- The 2019 budget allocated \$50,000 to develop a conceptual plan to determine where the next several housing project should take place. An RFP for the planning effort is out on the street currently.

- Speaking of the street, the streets in Rodeo Place are getting excavated in order to start the utility work necessary for the Coffey Place project.
- We continue to hone in on the process of collecting lodging tax and sales tax revenues from units listed on short term rental sites. Our goal remains to ensure a level playing field on the taxes collected weather a unit is professionally managed or managed by an individual. While most communities require a business license for each and every unit on the market, we have taken a more business friendly approach and only require management companies to have a single license. This approach has worked well, but we intend to take the next step and ask the professionally management companies to help more specially track the units that are under their control. We think this next step will help us bring even more rental into compliance with paying the required taxes and hence level the playing field.
- In the next month, the Planning Commission and Town Council will be reviewing a proposal to update wildfire hazard provision standards in the Land Use Code.
- We are continuing to work on the electronic mapping options of the Village Shuttle. We are working to make our web page more interactive and similar to other transit agencies our guests and riders may be used to.
- The variable message sign boards on Owl Creek Road and Brush Creek Road will be completed shortly.
- Anecdotally, our turn over rate for rental units is about ½ of what it normally is.
- The ice rink will be returning to the tennis courts this winter. It is currently under construction.
- Looking for some part-time work? In response to several requests from local businesses for help in attracting and retaining Village employees, we are coordinating Snowmass Village’s first “Part-time Job Fair.” It will be on Tuesday, December 3rd from 3- 7pm at the Snowmass Limelight

LOOK!!!! A BUNCH OF COOL KIDS

