



To: Mayor and Town Council  
From: Clint Kinney, Town Manager  
Date: May 15, 2020  
Re: Info Update

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#### MAYOR'S TASK FORCE FOR ECONOMIC RECOVERY

The Task Force had its kick of meeting today. Lots of ideas were brainstormed and we have good ideas to explore/ discuss including; How do we get to the critical mass of people in the Village needed to generate revenues so that rent and employees can be paid; Ideas to create more acreage to serve customers safely; Create a “pick up” zone for retail and restaurants near the Tree House; Create a “Survivability Fund” with Town dollars for small business owners; Further promote a shop local campaign—support your own; Streamline the liquor license process to allow for increased areas to serve food and alcohol (to help address social distancing requirements); Purchase products such as hand sanitizing stations that can help the village stand out as a clean environment to visit and enjoy. The Task Force will meet at again next week to continue to develop plans of attack.

#### HEALTH ORDERS

The Pitkin County Health order ends on May 26. The Board of Health (in conjunction with the BOCC and the Hospital) are considering asking that State for exemptions to the State Public Health Order that would go into effect on May 27 so that our local “Roadmap to Reopening” can be implemented. I feel sorry for my colleagues, because they hear me at most every Public Health type meeting advocate a nauseating amount (way more than any broken record) to align our local standards with the State’s. I continue to believe this will increase predictability and make enforcing any Public Health Order more practical. The drawback to following the state is that we don’t know exactly what the state is going to put in place on the 27th. We don’t expect to know that State’s plan until May 25<sup>th</sup> when the State is expected to announce if restaurants can begin reopening and at what level and it will also decide when summer residential and day camps can open and under what conditions.

#### TID BITS

- At today’s Village food distribution, food was given to 155 households. Of that amount, 106 households were here in the Village, many of rest of folks work here. The distribution served 333 adults and 90 children. While it is truly unfortunate that we need this service, it is great that it is available. Thanks to everyone for making this a success for the Snowmass Village community.
- The Skittles will start operation on June 19 and run through September 27, running 9 am to 10 pm daily.
- There was a mistaken statement made at Monday’s Council meeting. The Westin DID NOT sell. There was a mistake made in reading the legal descriptions. The RETT payment for \$140,000 was for the sale of the Mountain Chalet and Snowmass Inn, not the Westin.
- Over 100 people virtually attended the Tourism Talk on Thursday.

- Town Staff has been instrumental in developing the county web site for covid recovery- [www.covid19.pitcounty.com](http://www.covid19.pitcounty.com)
- We are working to finalize more safety measures and a TOSV reentry plan so that we can ensure our employees are as safe as possible while at work.
- 98% of merchants filed and paid their March sales taxes on time.
- Dates are still in flux, but it looks like the Gondola could open around the 3rd week in June. Many hotel and condo complexes are looking for June openings as well.
- The replacement project for the Recreation Center gym floor is making good progress. The floor project, in addition to a lot of other sprucing up projects should be done in early June.
- We – cycle is planning to have its two stations (Town Park Station and the Commons) installed here after Memorial day.
- The Coffee Place financing is tentatively set to close next week.
- For those of you keeping score at home, the state is changing how they count positive results for COVID – 19. Therefore, for now, we have a different total in cases than reported by the State. Public Health is working to match reporting methods with the state. It was this change in methodology that showed a blip of 6 positive cases being reported earlier this week. They weren't really new cases, but a difference in reporting methodology.
- United has reduced their DEN-ASE schedules from 8x daily or 56 flights per week to 12 flights per week (2x daily except just one flight on Thursdays and Saturdays). Delta also reduced their SLC-ASE schedules from two flights daily in June to one. Total weekly May capacity is now down -57% from last year, while total June capacity is now down -82% from last year.

CC: Department Directors