



To: Mayor and Town Council
From: Clint Kinney, Town Manager
Date: July 7, 2023
Re: Info Update

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- We had a contractor cut a power line at the Recreation Center this week, so about half of the Center doesn't have power. It is going to be a significant repair. We don't expect a full fix until early next week.
- The pedestrian wood bridge is about 50 years old and starting to show her age. As part of the 2023 budget we included a decking and siding replacement project which included the restoration of the wooden piers through epoxy repair and replacement of the bridge siding and deck based upon the structural analysis. This project will bring the bridge back into acceptable safety standards. The bridge condition/life span will be extended approximately 5 to 10 years according to the project engineers. The aesthetics will be the same, however there will be a material change from the wood siding to metal siding. This new material will be safer and increase durability. The images below show the new siding. This approximate \$300,000 investment in infrastructure will occur later this Fall. After all, if you are going to have 2 projects going on in this area, you might as well have three.



- June ridership for the Village Shuttle was up about 20% from last year and down about 20% from pre-pandemic (the 2019 data had a few days more RFTA service which did

skew the numbers a little). A highlight was that Route #8 was up 50% from last year, which was expected since we are offering twice as much service designed to help with the detour. The great news is that Route #3 is also up so the Route #8 ridership isn't simply replacing runs that would have otherwise used Route #3. It seems that much of the 1,100 additional #8 rides are truly new (or returning) ridership on the route.

- Although the chasm still exists from where the Vidal Gulch waterline exploded earlier this Spring, we were able to get the Nature Trail back open from lot 7 by building a bit of a detour around the effected area. This is likely one of the more appreciated detours we currently have in the Town. Design and engineering is underway to rectify this issue. We are anticipating a similar solution to what we did in this area a few years ago, tht is to say keep the stream open and line it with rocks, rather than rebuild the pipe. We do not have an estimate on when this repair work will occur.
- We are finalizing the detour plan that will be in effect for the Melton Ranch and Horse Ranch neighborhoods during JAS. The detour will effectively use the Brush Creek bike bath uphill from the Snowmass Chapel and connect Brush Creek Road to Owl Creek Road through the Chapel parking lot. We will need to remove the existing pedestrian bridge over the Brush Creek (it isn't wide enough) and build another temporary bridge structure. This is all within the planned project. The widening of the bike path in this area will occur July 17 through the 28th. The Snowmass Chapel has been very generous and a great partner in this project.

CC: Department Directors