



To: Mayor and Town Council
From: Clint Kinney, Town Manager
Date: July 11, 2025
Re: Info Update

SCHOOL DISTRICT REQUEST

The School District will make a presentation to the Town Council on July 21 regarding their requested property tax increase. In the meantime, as a bit of background, the School District is considering several options to address its operational and capital funding. These include potential mill levy and bond proposals for the 2025 ballot, as well as extensions of local education funding for the City of Aspen and Town of Snowmass Village ballots. The School District would like to share information with the community about the district's budget, their proposals, recent polling, and next steps for the District. They are looking for feedback and have invited us to attend an information session on Tuesday, July 15, from 3 to 4:30 p.m. They have asked for RSVPs by sending an email to finance@aspenk12.net

Event Details:

Date: Tuesday, July 15

Time: 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Location: Aspen School District Board of Education Room

Virtual link: <https://aspenk12-net.zoom.us/j/85036600847>

FOLLOW UP

Wood Road is experiencing a bunch of heavy construction traffic due in part to a lot of construction projects on the Mountain (Ullrhof, Elk Camp Chair, etc) . We have had a radar trailer near the top of Wood Road for over two weeks to try and slow traffic. Contrary to what was stated at the Council meeting, we have had Police patrols on Wood Road every day with running stationary radar. In addition, we are running a speed study to have that information as part of a solution discussion. We continue to have the PD on Wood Road frequently, (similar to other prominent side streets), but these on Mountain construction projects are significant. We have (and will continue) to explore other accesses to the Mountain, but Wood Road will continue to have significant construction activity occur this summer and next summer.

TID BITS:

- We are still working with the Mall and Venga Venga to update their comprehensive sign plans. What they have submitted to date is not likely to be approved by the Town Council (via ordinance). We are hoping to get their revised proposal shortly. But, either way, we expect a new sign plan proposal will be in front of the Council in the near future.

- The remediation along Brush Creek through the Snowmass Club golf course is almost complete. The Club gets a lot of credit for doing a good job addressing the issue.
- Anecdotally, business is soft lately and our sales tax revenues are backing up those stories. We plan to send out an informal survey to businesses to see how they did over the 4th of July weekend to get their feedback. We want to find out if our events are helping, how the businesses are doing, etc
- The Destination Management Plan continues to be developed. A draft of the DMP is expected in the next couple of weeks.
- We continue to focus on the many of aspects of emergency preparedness. Internally, we are putting a group together to focus on preparedness issues such as our continuity of operations plan, etc.
- When you ride our outstanding transit system next week, you may get hit up to complete a ridership survey. We do these in the summer so that we have a better chance of hearing from locals who utilize the system to get their feedback.
- We have two housing lotteries underway, one for a unit in Capital Peak and one for a unit in Rodeo Place.
- We had fire mitigation completed along the Nature Trail this week. They are expected to start along Faraway next week.
- The Melton Ranch Trail is open.
- Ski Co's installation of new snow making lines is affecting Discovery and Village Bound trails. The significant trenches are requiring closures and detours. They are going to try to have the trails open on the weekends, but impacts should be expected.
- We have some shinny new, resurfaced tennis courts, pickle ball courts and a basketball court.
- The Tripple Crown baseball tournament will be in town next week
- The SAAB community mural painting day is next Thursday July 17
- We have not yet received Ski Co's ideas/proposal for e-bikes on their trails. We expect to receive it soon so the POSTR Board can review it at their August meeting.

CC: Department Directors