



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

THAT'S A WRAP

April was a good month, plenty of good skiing and we had guests in Town. Snowmass saw its fourth busiest April ever, as far as occupancy goes, achieving 33.5%. It was a strong end to the season. As you know, occupancy is a leading indicator of sales tax revenues to come, so keep your fingers crossed. With winter over and summer coming, we are continually reading about how busy Aspen's summer is apparently expected to be. According to TOSV's most recent occupancy projections, as of this week, we are only pacing about 20% ahead of last summer; which will put us just behind occupancy numbers for a "regular, normal" summer. At this point, nothing record breaking. We are expecting that last minute bookings for events and weddings will pick up, so we aren't worried about hitting revenue projections. But at this point, our summer is looking slightly less busy than normal. As a side note, it is our understanding that Snowmass Rodeo ticket sales are going well.

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- The snow earlier this week impacted a number of planned paving projects. Brush Creek Trail and Coffey Place will now be paved in the next 2 weeks.
- Coffey Place has all but two units sold and closed. Those last two units should close any day now. Next steps for the project include finalizing landscaping (which could be until July), getting the HOA up and operational, and closing out final payments.
- Town Cleanup Day is May 2.
- The Top of the Village boiler project started this week.
- We extended a job offer to a new Recreation Center Manager. Dan's first day will be June 1. We are down to some super qualified Parks and Trail Manager applicants. Those interviews are next week. And we continue to hire for summer councilors, front desk staff and a slew of other summer jobs.
- Speaking of fun, Sky Mountain Park opens Sunday.
- We are continuing to work to develop a scope of work for Mountain View remodel project. The recent increases in material costs are not helping this pricing exercise. The architect and contractor are back to the drawing board.
- Next up for the Snowmass Inn, projects will be going out to bid for boilers, hot water heaters and carpentry work. We have not made plans for improvements to the individual rooms yet, just improvements that impact the entire facility.
- We are making progress on hiring a construction firm for the Mall Transit Station. We received 5 proposals and will be interviewing finalists shortly.

- We were able to literally test drive an electric bus this week so we could test the range of the vehicle.
- Not shocking news, the number of skier visits were up over last season, so our expected revenue projects from Ski Co will be met.
- The details of the American Rescue Plan revenues are trickling out from Washington DC. At this point, we understand we should expect half of the expected payment this year and the second half next year. In addition to this direct distribution, we are continuing work with our neighbors on submitting a “Roadmap to Recovery” grant from the State. This is the regional process that can hopefully set us up for some significant infrastructure grant funds.
- Aspen Ski Co turns 75 next year. It is our understanding they are starting to plan a season long celebration. We hope to be on the invite list.
- Speaking of celebration, the Planning Commission review of the Comprehensive Plan is continuing.
- The Enclave final PUD plans have been submitted for review.

CC: Department Directors