

TOWN MANAGER REPORT - February 20th TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

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Clubhouse Update

The Vail Recreation District Subcommittee met for two hours on February 6th. Numerous items were discussed and the meeting was productive.

Specific to the Clubhouse, thorough discussion was had with regard to the status of pending items that need to be addressed, with notable progress since the last update to the Town Council. As a reminder, the town has had a commissioning agent review the project systems to ensure they are constructed and operating as designed. Initially the commission agent generated a list of over 80 items to address. It is noted that some of these items are suggested improvements which were not part of the design but may make the building more functional from a systems standpoint.

The contractor has completed the majority of the items, the town had our independent mechanical contractor verify the completion of the items; a few required rework and those have been completed.

The commissioning agent, the MEP design consultant, architect, contractor, subs and town staff and VRD staff are scheduled to review the entire list March 1st on site as part of the commissioning and project close out. The contractor completed the rest of the punch list work that was identified for the fall, with the exceptions that are noted below, as well as the majority of over 170 items provided in a warranty list just after the first of the year.

Specific items still outstanding to be completed this spring, subsequent to April 15th, will be:


- vinyl floor replacement (all public areas)
- one tree replacement
- roof leak (under warranty)
- water penetration spot (not under warranty)
- some concrete repair
- some asphalt repair
- final door resolution in the banquet room.

The town continues to hold over \$174,000 as a final payment once all the work is completed. This retention of funds, and the inclusion of our Facilities Manager John King in the resolution process, has proven to be effective in seeing the many items addressed. So progress has been, and remains, very good. Thanks to Greg Hall, John King, and the many others who have overseen these lingering details.

I-70 Auxiliary Lanes Update

The below is courtesy of Suzanne Silverthorn, Communications Director:

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Auxiliary Lanes**

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PRESS RELEASE

Improvements being planned on West Vail Pass

VAIL - The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) recently began an Environmental Assessment (EA) study to improve safety and operations on I-70's West Vail Pass. This study will investigate existing and future transportation conditions, develop and analyze potential improvements, and identify a preferred alternative to move into preliminary design.

An eastbound and westbound auxiliary lane from the East Vail exit to the Vail Pass rest area on I-70 was recommended in a broad-scale study of the I-70 mountain corridor in 2011. The EA will study the benefits and impacts of these additional lanes and other safety and operational improvements on West Vail Pass. Final design and construction will follow as funding becomes available.

Public and stakeholder input and involvement is essential during this planning effort, and community member input will inform decision-making throughout this project.

A public open house meeting is planned for February 22 at Donovan Pavilion, 1600 S. Frontage Road West, Vail. Members of the public are invited to attend any time between 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. to learn about the project, provide suggestions regarding necessary improvements, and talk with members of the project team. No formal presentation is planned.

For those unable to attend the meeting in person, the meeting's graphic displays will be made available on the project web page beginning February 22. Comments can be submitted anytime via an online comment form. To view the graphics, submit comments, or to join the project mailing list, visit www.codot.gov/projects/I-70-West-Vail-Auxiliary-Lanes.

STUDY INFORMATION: For more information on the I-70 West Vail Pass Auxiliary Lanes project, visit www.codot.gov/projects/I-70-West-Vail-Auxiliary-Lanes.

Vail Health Annual Meeting



The annual meeting occurred on January 30th and the attendance was very high. It was an excellent meeting loaded with in-depth information related to the services provided, the structure of the organization (a non-profit), the staff (965 local employees, emergency care and urgent care, the many specialty services and levels of care that are provided, sports medicine, the volunteer corps, and related topics. I am taking the liberty of posting two images from the presentation, related to mental health (and its significance related to the recently approved ballot measure), and the master plan (related to pending construction and the new facilities that will be completed in the near term).

MENTAL HEALTH

- Increase in detox patients from 210 (2014) to 511 (2016).
- Nearly 13% of Eagle County 7th & 8th graders have a suicide plan.
- People with mental illness wait an average of 10 years to seek treatment.
- 60% of people with a mental illness don't receive treatment.
- 20% of veterans suffer from PTSD or severe depression.
- Ballot 1A designates \$1.2 million annually for mental health services in Eagle County.
 - Counselors in schools, jails
 - Operation of walk-in clinic, mental health beds, social detox facility

MASTER FACILITY PLAN

West Wing completed (2015-17)

East Wing started (2017-20)

- Increased size for our growing community
- Modernized facility that is easy to navigate
- New 24/7 Emergency Department
- New patient rooms & intensive care unit
- Additional physician clinic space
- Expanded medical research capabilities
- New entrance off South Frontage Road
- On-campus helipad
- More covered parking



OUR HOSPITAL OF THE FUTURE (2020)



Colorado City and County Managers Association



The annual conference occurred in Glenwood Springs on February 8th and 9th. It was a good conference with about 260 management level employees from local governments throughout the state attending. The list of topics and presentations was excellent. Highlights included an inspiring keynote speech by Randy Fox, a leadership expert and NCAA basketball official; a panel discussion related to economic development; and an interesting presentation entitled “Sustainovation: Unlocking Sustainable Innovation in Government” presented by Nick Kittle (who has experience as a dynamic TedX speaker).