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TOWN MANAGER REPORT - July 3rd TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

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Discussion of Emerging Technologies – Autonomous Vehicles

As noted in the previous report, one of the sessions at the CML conference was presented by Mr. Rutt Bridges, Executive Director of Understanding Disruption. The session was entitled *AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES: THE DISRUPTION OF DRIVERLESS MOBILITY*.

Focus was given to the rapidly arriving new technologies related to autonomous vehicles, and the impact (positive and negative) that these innovations may have upon mobility, car ownership, infrastructure, and of course, local communities.

In reaching out to Mr. Bridges he has graciously agreed to present to the Vail Town Council during the regular meeting on August 7th, in the evening. He is doing so at his own cost, but we will provide lodging to help offset his expenses.

In preparation for this presentation, we will be inviting public officials from our neighboring jurisdictions to attend, as the topic should be of high interest to many. A bio for Mr. Rutt Bridges is found at

<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/595f9f95893fc044809d7551/t/5a8dede99140b742729c4dc3/1519250922549/Rutt+Bridges+Bio.pdf>

Retreat Schedule

There are retreats with the Town Council in August. The Budget Retreat will occur during a regular Council meeting, August 21st, at the Grand View. This will be an afternoon retreat involving Council and the leadership team, and may be facilitated. The retreat will involve some check-in at the beginning, discussing meeting protocol, policy, and Council/staff relations, followed by some in-depth discussion of budget (fiscal policy, projections, five-year capital plan, calendar, and related). The date of the second retreat, with Vail Resorts, is set for August 27th, which is a Monday. Stay tuned for agenda details.

Feedback re Fire Fighting Assistance

A copy of a recent message from Pitkin County Dispatch is pasted below. We will arrange for a comprehensive summary by our Fire Department Chief, Mark Novak, regarding this season's events and specifically the Town of Vail's resource sharing related to regional and statewide fires. You can expect this to happen at the end of summer.

From: Brett Loeb [<mailto:brett.loeb@pitkin911.org>]
Sent: Tuesday, July 10, 2018 1:38 PM
To: Marc Wentworth
Cc: APCCC email
Subject: Thank You and Great Work!

Hey Marc - Could you pass this on to your crew? Thanks!

Hi VPSCC - We know you are already on to your next fire, but we wanted to take a moment to thank you for all of your help, and great work, with Lake Christine. It is incredibly reassuring to know, no matter how crazy we get over here, you always have our backs! The way we worked together during this fire, especially during the first few days, to ensure a consistent message with our alert systems, was a thing of beauty! A relationship like this is rare in our profession, and we are grateful to have it with you - we are proud to be your partners and friends! Keep fighting the good fight with the latest fire and know that we are here for you if you need anything!

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Status of Community Development Director Recruitment

There are two panels, comprised of a few members of our leadership team, and representatives of the PEC, the DRB, and the Building Appeals Board, that have assisted in deriving the shortlist of candidates. The panels will further assist in the personal interviews occurring on Monday, July 16th.

Future Council Presentations

Eagle River Youth Collaborative

As previously noted, on Friday, June 15th, I met with Mikayla Curtis with Eagle River Youth Coalition to talk about the Eagle County Youth Master Plan. She will be presenting to you on August 7th.

CDOT

Also noted, on Friday, June 22nd, at CDOT's request, we had a meeting with the Executive Director of CDOT, Michael Lewis, and his chief engineer, Josh Laipply. The topic of the meeting was I-70 and specifically how the interstate integrates with the Town of Vail, presently, and possibilities for future improvements that may involve decking or tunneling.

I have reached out to schedule a face-to-face with the Town Council and they have graciously agreed. The date is pending. Stay tuned.

Update re Safe Passages for Wildlife site tours

(To be verbally provided by Kristen Bertuglia during Council Meeting)