
The regular meeting of the Vail Town Council was called to order at approximately 6:00 P.M. by Mayor Chapin.

Members present: Dave Chapin, Mayor
 Kim Langmaid, Mayor Pro Tem
 Jenn Bruno
 Travis Coggin
 Kevin Foley
 Jen Mason
 Brian Stockmar

Staff members present: Scott Robson, Town Manager
 Patty McKenny, Assistant Town Manager
 Matt Mire, Town Attorney
 Tammy Nagel, Town Clerk

1. eBikes for Essentials Program Kickoff

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Presenter(s): Dave Chapin, Mayor

Background: Town of Vail has partnered with QuietKat to provide seven electric bikes to income-qualified, essentials workers who are Town of Vail residents as an alternative mode of transportation to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from vehicle miles traveled and ease commuting challenges and parking impacts. The program participants will track usage of the eBikes and reduction of greenhouse gas emissions through the CanBikeCo app developed by National Renewable Energy Laboratory and Colorado Energy Office. The seven selected participants will receive their eBikes and associated safety gear during this brief congratulatory ceremony and program kickoff.

Beth Markham, Environmental Sustainability Coordinator, shared there were 7 community members that would be receiving free ebikes as a result of the program to alter the way they commute to work and other daily locations. QuietKat from Eagle built the bikes to provide the owner with everything they need such as saddle bags to carry their items and wider tires to work in all types of terrain.

2. Citizen Participation (10 min.)

Mark Kelley, President of the Vail Rotary Club, provided council with an update on the Rotaries Duck Race that was held on Sept 5. Kelley stated the event was the Rotaries largest fundraiser. Over 11,000 ducks were adopted and the grand prize winner of \$5000 donated their winnings back to the club to support all of the Rotaries charities and projects and 90% of the money raised stays locally.

3. Recognition and Swearing in Ceremony

3.1. Recognition of Police Chief Dwight Henninger as the President of the International Association of Chiefs of Police

Presenter(s): Dave Chapin, Mayor

Robson introduced the topic stating it was a special privilege for the Town of Vail to have the town's Police of Chief sworn in as the President of the International Association of Chiefs of Police. Robson stated the Association was the world's largest and most influential for police leaders; 30,000 members across the world and represents 165 nations.

Chapin complemented Chief Henninger as an "Unbelievable Police Chief for this community! Congratulations!"

3.2. Swearing in of Police Chief Dwight Henninger as a Special Deputy US Marshal

Presenter(s): U.S. Marshal David Weaver, Colorado District Office and Chief Katrina Crouse

Weaver shared the history of the US Marshal being the oldest law enforcement entity in American and only 94 Marshals serving the nation. Weaver conducted the swearing in of Chief Henninger as a special deputy marshal.

Henninger stated his goal as IACP president was to help restore people's faith in law enforcement around the country and around the world.

4. Proclamations

4.1. Proclamation No. 7 Series of 2021 Library Card Sign-up Month 2021

Presenter(s): Dave Chapin, Mayor

Action Requested of Council: Approve Proclamation No. 7, Series 2021

Each council took turns reading Proclamation No. 7, Series of 2021 into the record.

5. Consent Agenda

5.1. Resolution No. 44, Series 2021, a Resolution Approving a Lease Agreement between the Town of Vail and the Children's Garden of Learning

Action Requested of Council: Approve, approve with amendments or deny Resolution No. 44, Series 2021.

Background: The Town desires to lease to the Children's Garden of Learning for the purpose of operating a child education center.

Staff Recommendation: Approve, approve with amendments or deny Resolution No. 44, Series 2021.

Langmaid made a motion to approve Resolution No. 44, Series of 2021 with the change Article 3 Section C changing from “within 30 days” to “within 7 days”; Coggin seconded the motion passed (7-0).

6. Town Manager Report

Robson reported he had received positive feedback about the Vail Social that occurred the night before and thanked all of staff for their efforts to make the event successful. Robson provided a brief update on the status of COVID cases in Eagle County saying the vaccination rate was 75% in Eagle County and still ask everyone to be diligent with getting vaccinations, the town was still required to wear masks in common areas within the town buildings.

7. Presentations / Discussion

7.1. Review Housing Initiatives and related Program Focus Areas and Project Priorities

Presenter(s): Scott Robson, Town Manager, George Ruther, Housing Director, Matt Gennett, Community Development Director

Action Requested of Council: Input about town's housing initiatives related to priorities.

Background: The purpose of discussion is to highlight the town's housing initiatives and the current areas of focus and priorities particularly as they relate to potential housing projects, housing policies and administration of the InDeed program.

Robson said the town's priorities included continued investment in and administration of the Vail InDEED program; continued acquisition of a limited number of single-family homes/condos to be deed-restricted and the redevelopment of town-owned Timber Ridge Apartments. Council unanimously referred initiative 2A to the November 2021 ballot asking voters to consider a .05 cent sales tax increase in an effort create the Town's first dedicated funding source for Vail's housing programs. If passed by voters this fall, the increase to Vail's sales tax rate would be the first since 1974 and would bring the rate from 4.0% to 4.5%. The current 3–5-year housing priority list is pragmatic and reflective of input received from a broad range of community leaders over the past 12-months. Robson stated the current housing project focus areas include:

- ✓ A bundle of strategic actions which advance the Town's housing and environmental stewardship goals
- ✓ Projects which are both actionable and realistic
- ✓ Initiatives that achieve multiple adopted town and regional goals and objectives
- ✓ Demonstrate a need for a dedicated source of funding for housing
- ✓ Focus almost exclusively on infill and redevelopment opportunities along with continuation of the highly successful InDeed program which is being duplicated across the country.
- ✓ Utilizes a holistic approach aimed at addressing several goal areas concurrently

Matt Gennett, Community Development Director, stated the matrix to provide a snapshot of what was in the pipeline the next five years. The West Vail Master Plan and Civic Area Plan having potential additional housing opportunities.

Chapin stated Ballot Issue 2A passing would be critical for these projects and goals to be achieved.

Bruno said these projects would just a make a dent in the current housing needs.

Langmaid agreed and said it was exciting to see Timber Ridge at the top of the list although it had a huge price tag of \$70M. It is time to address Timber Ridge and Ballot Issue 2A would help achieve that goal.

Foley thought when it came to Timber Ridge there should be for sale units as well as rent.

Stockmar thanked Gennett for all his efforts on this report.

8. Action Items

8.1. Gondola Haus - A request for Permission to Proceed through the development review process for the expansion of an existing 2nd story deck onto Town property

Presenter(s): Jonathan Spence, Planning Manager

Action Requested of Council: The Community Development Department requests that the Town Council evaluate the proposal to utilize Town of Vail property for the purpose of an expanded 2nd story dining deck. This utilization of Town of Vail property, if approved by all relevant review boards, commissions, and agencies, would be subject to the terms of a license agreement and could be discontinued if required to do so.

Background: The Gondola Haus (formerly the Vista Bahn Building), located at 298 Hanson Ranch Road, was constructed in 1997 in the vicinity of Seibert Circle at the southern terminus of Bridge Street. This mixed-use building contains both residential and commercial uses including the Almresi Restaurant, located on the second floor. The restaurant has an existing deck that currently encroaches into the Hanson Ranch ROW. The proposal is to enlarge the existing dining deck which will also increase the quantity but not the degree of encroachment into town property.

Spence reviewed the request stating the Gondola Haus located at 298 Hanson Ranch Road, was constructed in 1997 in the vicinity of Seibert Circle at the southern terminus of Bridge Street. The mixed-use building contains both residential and commercial uses including the Almresi Restaurant, located on the second floor. The restaurant had an existing deck that currently encroaches into the Hanson Ranch ROW. The proposal was to enlarge the existing dining deck which will also increase the quantity but not the degree of encroachment into town property.

Dominic Mauriello with MPG Planning Group, representing Vista Bahn Building LLC provided council with a presentation demonstrating where the deck would be extended. Mauriello stressed the presentation was not the actual proposal but was just to be used to demonstrate the requested area.

There was no public comment.

Bruno made a motion to approve the Gondola Haus request to proceed through the development review process for the expansion of their deck onto Town property; Mason seconded the motion passed (7-0).

8.2. Parking and Transportation Task Force Recommended Winter 2021-2022 Parking Program

Presenter(s): Greg Hall Director of Public Works and Transportation

Action Requested of Council: Approve or approve with modifications the Winter 2021-2022 Parking Program as recommended by the Parking and Transportation Task Force

Background: The Parking & Transportation Task Force met in person on September 13, 2021, to review statistics from the winter 2020 - 2021 season as well as make recommendations for Winter 2021 – 2022 Parking Program. The Parking & Transportation Task Force was formed in 1999 in an advisory capacity and has been enacted through the years at the direction of the Vail Town Council. In reinstating the Task Force, the role of the 12-member group is to provide advisory input and recommendations on parking, transit and traffic operations.

Staff Recommendation: Approve the Parking and Transportation Task Force recommendations for the Winter 2021-2022 Parking Program.

Hall reviewed the proposed Winter 2021-2022 Parking Plan with council. The Parking & Transportation Task Force met in person on September 13, 2021, to review statistics from the winter 2020 - 2021 season as well as make recommendations for Winter 2021 – 2022 Parking Program. Hall stated the adopted goal of the Town of Vail for parking during the winter is to provide a parking program in which all but 15 days of overflow parking occur. This past winter there were 32 days of overflow parking. The previous full winter season 2018-2019, there were 34 days of overflow parking. Same full year period comparison, transactions were down 10%, however daily revenue was up 9.2%. Winter 2021-2022 objectives and recommendations were:

- Require construction projects to have an employee transportation and parking plan
- Continue to work with ECO Transit to support service. Continue to work on the eventual formation of a Regional Transit Authority in the coming year
- Develop a marketing and messaging plan with an emphasis around the following to reach 15-day overflow goal:
 - ✓ Walking
 - ✓ Don't rent a car
 - ✓ Environmental effects of driving
 - ✓ Healthy lifestyles
 - ✓ Reduce congestion
 - ✓ Work from home, and stay in Vail to attend on-line classes or zoom meetings verses driving during peak commuter patterns on I-70
 - ✓ Promote enhanced Bustang and new Pegasus services
 - ✓ Promote transit use
 - ✓ Ridesharing (Uber, Lyft)
 - ✓ Carpooling and carpooling apps Treadshare and Gondola
 - ✓ Employee van pools
 - ✓ Biking
 - ✓ Continue to investigate first and last mile solutions
- Overnight storage of cars, there was discussion that during this summer, hotels and

short-term rentals saw a larger number of cars on site due to limited air travel, limited shuttle service, and with less group business and more of a drive market. This would be monitored to see if the trend continues to the winter.

Stockmar would like to see more charging stations for electric vehicles within the transportation centers.

There was no public comment.

Coggin approved the recommended Winter 2021-2022 Parking Program as presented; Bruno seconded the motion passed (7-0).

9. Public Hearings

9.1. Second reading of Ordinance No. 18, Series 2021, an ordinance concerning the Residences at Main Vail and in connection therewith authorizing the project, the leasing of certain town property, and the execution and delivery of a site lease, a lease purchase agreement and other documents.

Presenter(s): Kathleen Halloran, Finance Director

Action Requested of Council: Approve, approve with amendments or deny Ordinance No. 18, Series 2021

Background: Please see attached memo

Staff Recommendation: Approve, approve with amendments or deny Ordinance No. 18, Series 2021

Halloran reviewed Ordinance No. 18, Series of 2021 with council stating there were no changes since the first reading.

There was no public comment.

Coggin made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 18, Series of 2021; Mason seconded the motion passed (7-0).

9.2. Ordinance No. 19, Series of 2021, Second Reading, an Ordinance Amending Title 7 of the Vail Town Code to Permit the Town to Designate Dismount Zones

Presenter(s): Ryan Kenney, Vail Police Commander

Action Requested of Council: Approve, approve with amendments or deny Ordinance 19, Series 2021.

Background: Town Council directed staff to look for solutions to the pedestrian/biker interactions occurring in the Village and Lionshead. Staff research has shown dismount zones may ease the congestion in certain areas and improve safety. Ordinance No.19, Series 2021 will give authority to establish bicycle dismount zones and enforce violations.

Staff Recommendation: Approve, approve with amendments or deny Ordinance 19, Series 2021.

Mire presented Ordinance No. 19, Series of 2021 on behalf of the police dept. stating there were no changes since the first reading except the exemption of pedicabs having to obey the dismount zones.

Coggin made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 19, Series of 2021; Mason seconded the motion passed (7-0).

There being no further business to come before the council, Foley moved to adjourn the meeting; Coggin seconded the motion which passed (7-0) and the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Attest:

Dave Chapin, Mayor

Tammy Nagel, Town Clerk