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TO: Mayor and Town Council
FROM: Travis Elliott, Town Manager
CC: TOP Staff
DATE: March 31, 2023
RE: Info Update

SPRING IS SPRINGING

I know it doesn't feel like it, but it is spring and irrigation season is right around the corner. Residents that have Town irrigation should be ready for water no later than April 15th. That means irrigation valves and hookups need to be turned off. Public works will begin filling irrigation lines and getting irrigation ready between April 15th and May 1st. Residents should expect for irrigation to be on and ready on May 1.

CONSTRUCTION SEASON

Warmer weather also means construction & asphalt season, and we are busy preparing Town projects and other construction.

Love's expects to resume asphalt paving as early as next week – weather permitting. Within two weeks, we expect them to begin making the intersection improvements at Cardinal Way and CR 300. Slight traffic delays are expected during this project, but the full road closures are behind us after the Cardinal Way water line extension installation that was completed last Saturday. The heavy equipment remains on site and ready to complete the water line down to near the fire station.

Meanwhile, the Town has issued an RFP for sidewalk replacements, and we are drafting another RFP for asphalt patching and maintenance. Town crews have also been installing utilities for the Parachute Adventures restroom, and they are ready to begin vertical as soon as we go through the necessary approvals. All of this means it will be a busy summer!

TID BITS:

- Thank you for attending the Drop In Co Work Grand Opening celebration on Wednesday. We had a great turnout, and it was a great celebration. Kudos to the Chamber for organizing and to Mayor Rugaard for giving a great speech.
- Rockmageddon will ROCK! We have finalized the lineup of concerts for this year's event, and it will be bigger than ever with multiple acts spread out over the course of Friday and Saturday nights. Stay tuned for the formal announcement and save the date: June 1-4, 2023. You don't want to miss it.

- We are making our final edits to the Trails Plan. The final version will go to Planning Commission and Town Council in April for adoption.
- CML has issued an excellent summary of the SB23-213 Land Use Bill that emerged last week. You can view it online here: [sb23-213-analysis-v3.pdf \(cml.org\)](https://www.cml.org/sb23-213-analysis-v3.pdf). CML is asking municipalities to adopt a resolution of opposition to the bill, which we can discuss at the April Town Council meeting.
- We are working with the Family Resource Center to finalize event details for the May the 4th Be With You 5K and Wasson McKay Park grand re-opening. Check our website for details.
- Did you get the Town's newsletter this week? Never miss an issue by subscribing online: [Town of Parachute Newsletters | Town of Parachute \(colorado.gov\)](https://www.townofparachute.com/newsletters)
- The RFP for Phase 2 of the Downtown Development Plan is now available on BidNet and our website. Bids are due April 10th. It is getting a lot of early interest from firms across the country.
- The RFP for possible tenants in the Wasson McKay house is now LIVE and available on our website, parachutecolorado.com. We had three individuals attend the site walk and open house on Monday.
- We received 9 applications for our season Public Works positions. We will be evaluating and interviewing candidates over the next two weeks.
- If you know of anyone that might be interested (and qualified) to serve on Planning Commission, please have them submit a cover letter and resume to Lucy at lspalenka@parachutecolorado.com.
- Upcoming Meetings and Events:
(please let us know if you plan to attend so we can track public noticing requirements)
 - Parachute Pick Up – April 28 – 29, 2023 – Cottonwood Park
 - Wasson McKay Park Grand (RE)Opening – Thursday, May 4, 2023
 - Rockmageddon – June 1 – 4, 2023
 - Summer TOP Staff Family Barbecue – Thursday, June 8, 2023 at 5:30pm – Cottonwood Park
 - Grand Valley Days – August 18 – 20, 2023