



THE SCOOP

December 2019



Happy Holidays, Winter Park!

On behalf of all of us at the Town of Winter Park, we hope you and your family have a wonderful and safe holiday season! We can't wait to see what 2020 brings as we build on our four visions for the future: [culture & character](#), [connectivity](#), [world-class recreation](#), and [a healthy environment](#).

Take a Peek Behind the Curtain!

Winter Park 101 gives you a behind-the-scenes look at the inner workings of your local government

Ever wonder what really happens in local government? Well, it turns out we couldn't operate without you, our residents! Leading up to the April 2020 election, we're excited to present our new Winter Park 101 program! This two-part event will help you understand how the Town of Winter Park operates and how you can be a part of it. Join us for these free, informal events.

Town Council Q&A

Wednesday, Jan. 8, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

To kick things off, join several Town Council Members for a Q&A at The Perk Taproom. They'll give you the inside scoop on what it means to serve on Town Council and how to run in the election.

Behind the Scenes of Winter Park

Wednesday, Jan. 15, 5:30-7 p.m.

If the Q&A sparked your interest, get a deep dive into Town operations with our second Winter Park 101 event. Get a tour of Town Hall and other facilities along with a run down from each department on how they operate and work with Town Council. [Email the Town Clerk to RSVP](#)

Save the Date

Let's Make a Deal

If you avoid parking on Hwy 40 and Town streets overnight between now and May 1 then our snow removal crews will keep the roads clear all winter long. Vehicles left overnight may receive a ticket or get towed.

Progress Reports

Weather doesn't stop our Town from making progress on our construction projects

Transit Center Construction is Under Way

The Center will be a hub for Lift routes as well as house commercial space.



Electronic Sign Tells All...

If you haven't noticed yet, a new electronic sign was recently installed near Hideaway Park and the Rendezvous Event Center. The Chamber of Commerce will manage the events and important updates advertised on the sign.



Have You Spotted this Crane?

It's working away on the new Rendezvous Center. When complete, the development will house the Winter Park Information Center and the Chamber of Commerce.



What's New With The Lift



Transit Facility Grant

A HUGE congratulations to our Transit Department for receiving a \$12 million grant from the Department of Transportation for a new transit facility! Plans for construction will move forward next year. [Read the full release](#)



Lift Winter Service

The “Weekday” schedule is currently operating every day until Dec. 12. After that, the “Weekend & Holiday” schedule begins during weekends and holidays. And don’t forget about the “Night Lift” call-and-ride service available in Winter Park, Fraser and Meadowridge until 2 a.m. every night. [Find your route](#)

Have a Seat, We Have a Few Questions For You

Police Department receives a \$3,000 grant to improve their interview room

Shout out to the Fraser Winter Park Police Department and Officer Malchow for receiving a \$3,000 grant from the Victim Assistance and Law Enforcement (VALE) Board! The funds will be used to outfit the department’s interview room to make it more comfortable to victims being interviewed.

Our Town Has Your Holiday Celebrations Covered!

Grab your family and friends to join us at our many holiday festivities this season.

Winter Park Fireworks & Family Fest, Dec. 14

Enjoy spectacular slopeside fireworks for free at Winter Park Resort. Satisfy your sweet tooth at the s'mores bar, enter to win great giveaways, and dance to the music with our DJ.

Christmas Eve Torchlight Parade, Dec. 24

Get to the Resort early to grab a warm drink and find a spot around the blazing bonfire at the base. Once the sun goes down, the mountain will glow with hundreds of flares, spectacular fireworks, and Santa himself will make an appearance.

New Year's Eve at Hideaway Park, Dec. 31

Join us for an evening of free family fun during Winter Park's New Year's Eve Celebration, 8:30 pm-10:00 pm at the Rendezvous Event Center. Ring in 2020 with sledding, hot chocolate, and fireworks.

New Year's Eve Blues Show, Dec. 31

Ring in the New Year with the Grand County Blues Society as they throw down with the Honey Island Swamp Band at the Headwaters Center. Full bar and snacks for purchase throughout the night with a complimentary champagne toast at midnight.



Upcoming Events

All events take place in Winter Park Town Hall, 50 Vasquez Road, unless otherwise noted.

Transit Advisory Committee

Monday, December 2, 4 p.m.

Transit Advisory Committee

Monday, December 16, 4 p.m.

Town Council Workshop

Tuesday, December 3, 3 p.m.

Town Council Workshop

Tuesday, December 17, 3 p.m.

Town Council Meeting

Tuesday, December 3, 5:30 p.m.

Town Council Meeting

Tuesday, December 17, 5:30 p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting

Tuesday, December 10, 8 a.m.

Planning Commission Meeting

Tuesday, December 24, 8 a.m.

Responsible Alcohol Vendor Class

Tuesday, December 10, 3 p.m. & 6 p.m.

Town Hall Closed

Wednesday, December 25

Wednesday, January 1

[View All Events](#)



Council Recap

November 19 Council Meeting

See below for some decisions and announcements made during the last Town Council meeting on Tuesday, November 19.

- The 2020 proposed budget was approved along with some changes to employee insurance plans and providers.
- Council moved forward with issuing Certificates of Participation to finance the new Public Works Facility along with other documents related to the financing.
- Contracts were approved for Mountain Snowcats for snow grooming services and Alpine Landscape for holiday lighting.
- On first reading, an amendment to the Roam development plan relates to garage setback requirements. A public hearing will be held on Dec. 3rd.
- A Commercial Enhancement Grant awarded to Fireside Market earlier this year was adjusted as a proposed mural will not be completed this year.
- A resolution was approved allowing Lot 3 in Hideaway Junction to replace the existing floorings with laminate.
- Council agreed to deny a special use permit to the Perk Taproom to redevelop a portion of Hideaway Station and allow for outdoor vending.
- A grant agreement from the Federal Transit Authority was approved for \$186,950 to cover a portion of the transit system operational costs.

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