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MEMORANDUM

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P.O. Box 4100 ♦ FRISCO, COLORADO 80443

**TO: MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL**  
**FROM: DIANE MCBRIDE, ASSISTANT TOWN MANAGER**  
**RE: INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN TOWN OF FRISCO AND TOWN OF BRECKENRIDGE**  
**DATE: NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

**Summary and Background:** The Frisco Nordic Center has been owned by the Town of Frisco for over 25 years. The Nordic business was operated through a concessionaire agreement until 2016. For the 2016/2017 season, the Town of Frisco took over Nordic operations and has continued to operate the business since that time.

The Frisco Nordic Center, Breckenridge Nordic Center and Gold Run Nordic Center have worked together for many years to offer joint season Nordic passes and to promote cross country skiing and snowshoeing in the County.

The Town of Breckenridge operates Gold Run Nordic Center. The Breckenridge Nordic Center is privately owned and operated by Breckenridge Nordic Center, LLC.

The intent and purpose of the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) is to establish a framework for Frisco and Breckenridge to provide information and details regarding the logistics and operations of joint Nordic efforts. Prior to this IGA, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was in place between all three Centers for years. This MOU also provided a framework for joint Nordic efforts but upon review this year, was outdated and no longer needed to include all three parties.

The Breckenridge Nordic Center is not a party to this Agreement, nor is it a third party beneficiary of this Agreement. However, Frisco, Breckenridge and the Breckenridge Nordic Center have worked together for many years, and Frisco and Breckenridge continue to work together on various matters related to the sale of passes and operation of respective Nordic Centers. Because Gold Run Nordic Center and the Breckenridge Nordic Center share Breckenridge season pass sales revenues and joint marketing efforts, a separate agreement is in effect between these two operations.

This IGA between Frisco and Breckenridge is attached and sets forth the cooperative management of specific Nordic operations to benefit our respective residents and the many visitors who use the Nordic Center facilities each year.

**Analysis:** The intent and purpose of the IGA is to establish a framework for Frisco and Breckenridge to provide information and details regarding the logistics and operations of joint Nordic efforts.

Frisco and Breckenridge will share in the seasonal grooming of the paved Recreation Pathway between Frisco and Breckenridge. Both parties will also agree upon and publish annual season pass fees and punch pass fees. The collection of revenues from the sale of joint season passes and the distribution of such revenues is also set forth in this Agreement.

The Agreement will automatically renew for successive terms of one year each until such time as either Breckenridge or Frisco give written notice of termination.

**Financial Impact:** There is no additional financial impact associated with this IGA. All expenses and revenues have been accounted for in the annual Nordic and Trails operating budget.

Breckenridge manages the Nordic Season Pass Office for joint passes. Breckenridge collects revenue and tracks all costs associated with the production, sales and distribution of the joint season passes. Revenues for joint season passes are distributed one-third per Center (1/3 to Gold Run Nordic Center, 1/3 to Breckenridge Nordic Center, and 1/3 to Frisco Nordic Center).

**Alignment with Strategic Plan:** Vibrant Culture, Art and Recreation is one of the strategic priorities for Town Council. The Town of Frisco's Adventure Park at the Peninsula Recreation Area, along with hiking, biking, Nordic skiing, and snow tubing are central to the community's economic vitality and therefore a high priority for the Town Council to maintain, sustain, and protect for future generations.

**Environmental Sustainability:** Cross country skiing and snowshoeing provide active recreation and alternative transportation opportunities for members of the community. Coordinating the costs for pass production between Frisco and Breckenridge also reduces labor and material costs.

**Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommends signing the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Town of Frisco and the Town of Breckenridge for the coordinated efforts of Nordic operations in Summit County.

**Reviews and Approvals:** This report has been reviewed and approved by:

Bonnie Moinet – Finance Director

**Attachments:**

Attachment 1: Intergovernmental Agreement – Town of Frisco and Town of Breckenridge