



MEMORANDUM

P.O. Box 4100 ♦ FRISCO, COLORADO 80443

TO: MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL
FROM: TONY O'ROURKE, TOWN MANAGER
RE: STATE ADVOCACY SERVICES
DATE: JANUARY 11, 2022

In May 2020 the Town of Frisco entered into an agreement with Squire Patton Boggs to serve as the Town's state government affairs advocate and advisor in partnership with Summit County, Breckenridge, Silverthorne and Dillon for a total cost of \$90,000. Each entity paid \$18,000 annually for these state advocacy services.

Recently, Summit County and Breckenridge have decided to enter into an agreement with Squire Patton Boggs for both Federal and State advocacy services. Accordingly, the prior partnership between Summit County, Breckenridge, Silverthorne, Dillon and Frisco for state advocacy service with Squire Patton Boggs is now null and void.

Given the opportunities for state grants, particularly DOLA grants related to the 602 Galena and 619 Granite workforce housing projects, and COVID related assistance, we believe it would be prudent to retain Squire Patton Boggs for FY 2022 at a cost of \$6,250 per month or \$75,000 annually.

Similar to our federal advocacy agreement with Squire Patton Boggs, we will work directly with Mara Sheldon to identify and pursue specific state funding opportunities, particularly in the area of Workforce Housing, Wildfire Mitigation, PFAS and Infrastructure. Should the Town Council desire to retain Squire Patton Boggs, funding would come from FY 2022 General Fund operating reserves, which has a current balance of \$6.9 million dollars.