



**AGENDA**  
**for the Board of Trustees**  
**of the Town of Palisade, Colorado**  
**341 W 7<sup>th</sup> Street (Palisade Civic Center BOARD ROOM)**

**August 26, 2025**

**6:00 pm Regular Meeting**

A live stream of the meeting may be viewed at:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/3320075780>

- I. **REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00 pm**
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. **ROLL CALL**
- IV. **AGENDA ADOPTION**
- V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
  - A. **GET INVOLVED WITH OUR COMMUNITY! UPCOMING PUBLIC MEETINGS (Palisade Civic Center, 341 W 7<sup>th</sup> Street):**
    1. **Planning Commission** – Tuesday, September 2, 2025, at 6:00 pm
    2. **Board of Trustees BUDGET WORK SESSION**– Tuesday, September 2, 2025, at 6:00 pm in the Civic Center TRAINING ROOM
    3. **Board of Trustees**– Tuesday, September 9, 2025, at 6:00 pm
  - B. **AMERICA’S FARMLAND TRUST** Farmers Market Celebration starts August 1, 2025, through September 30, 2025, and Palisade Sunday Farmers’ Market is competing! This national campaign recognizes markets that impact their communities. Vote here: <https://markets.farmland.org/markets/309110>
  - C. **SHORT-TERM VACATION RENTALS** The Town of Palisade has established a Short-Term Vacation Rental (STVR) program with 12 resident permits available. This prescreening survey will help determine if you should proceed with the formal application process: <https://forms.gle/gFrGHbPHd2VNkDGz7>
  - D. **PALISADE MINICIPAL SWIMMINGPOOL** will be closed after September 1, 2025, for the Season.
  - E. **DOG DAYS AT PALISADE MINICIPAL SWIMMINGPOOL** will happen after September 1, 2025, date still to be determined.
  - F. **TOWN HALL WILL BE CLOSED** on Monday, September 1, 2025, in observance of Labor Day.

- G. PEACH AVENUE STREET IMPROVEMENTS** will begin the first week of September. **All vehicles will need to be moved off of Peach Avenue from 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to 8<sup>th</sup> Street by Monday, September 1, 2025. Towing will be enforced on September 2, 2025, at 8:00 am.**

The street will be completely closed to vehicle traffic from September 2, 2025, through September 5, 2025, and again from September 8, 2025, through September 12, 2025. Peach Avenue will be open for the weekend, but there will be cones and snow fence where the cuts for patches are.

Parking for LaPlaza and the Thrift Store will be the North paved section of the Palisade Fire Department parking lot (entrance on 7<sup>th</sup> Street).

**Expect detours during weekdays (open on the weekend) for two weeks while the Town improves this street.**

## **VI. TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

## **VII. CONSENT AGENDA**

The Consent Agenda is intended to allow the Board to spend its time on more complex items. These items are generally perceived as non-controversial and can be approved by a single motion. The public or any Board Member may ask that an item be removed from the Consent Agenda for individual consideration.

### **A. Expenditures**

- Approval of Bills from Various Town Funds – July 30, 2025 – August 12, 2025

### **B. Minutes**

- Minutes from August 12, 2025, Regular Board of Trustees Meeting

## **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. RESOLUTION 2025-22: Federal Mineral Lease District (FML) Grant Application Support Requests for a Police Department K-9 Unit**

The Board of Trustees will consider Resolution 2025-22 supporting a grant request of \$48,000 with a \$70,000 in-kind match of salary, benefits & vehicle, including an annual budget to maintain the program, for a Police Department K-9 Unit.

1. Staff Presentation
2. Board Discussion
3. Decision – Motion, Second, and Rollcall Vote to: Approve or deny Resolution 2025-22 supporting a \$48,000 Mesa County Federal Mineral Lease District grant application for a K-9 Unit.

**B. RESOLUTION 2025-23: Colorado Tourism Office (CTO) Grant Request**

The Board of Trustees will consider approving RESOLUTION 2025-23 supporting the Tourism Advisory Board (TAB) applying for a CTO grant for off-season regional marketing.

1. Staff Presentation
2. Board Discussion
3. Decision – Motion, Second, and Rollcall Vote to: Approve or deny RESOLUTION 2025-23 supporting the application for a CTO Grant for off-season regional marketing with a match of \$15,000 from the Tourism Budget, a \$5,000 contribution from Powderhorn, and \$40,000 from the CTO grant for a total project cost of \$60,000.

**C. ORDINANCE 2025-08: Adoption of Building Codes 1<sup>st</sup> READING**

This is the **first reading** of Ordinance 2025-08, adopting the most recent editions of the International Building Code, Colorado Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code, International Mechanical Code, International Existing Building Code, International Residential Code, International Energy Conservation Code, the Colorado Model Electric Ready and Solar Ready Code, and the National Electrical Code.

1. Staff Presentation
2. Board Discussion
3. Decision – Motion, Second, and Rollcall Vote to: Approve ORDINANCE 2025-08 on first reading and move the item forward to Public Hearing on September 9, 2025.

**D. Non-Profit/Organization Budget Requests for 2026**

*(Please keep presentations to 3 Minutes or Less)*

The Palisade Board of Trustees will hear presentations from the following entities for funding in 2026. No decisions will be made at this meeting, and all requests heard will be considered during budget work sessions for the 2026 Town of Palisade budget.

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| • Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado (AGNC) | • LaPlaza                      |
| • Colorado West Land Trust                            | • One River Front              |
| • Grand Junction Economic Partnership (GJEP)          | • Palisade Chamber of Commerce |
| • Grand Junction Sports Commission                    | • Palisade Historical Society  |
| • Grand Valley Outdoor Recreation Coalition           | • Rivers Edge West             |

**IX. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**All those who wish to speak during public comment must sign up on the sheet provided outside the boardroom doors. Please keep comments to 3 MINUTES OR LESS and state your name and address.** Neither the Board of Trustees nor staff will respond to comments at this time. The Board may direct staff to look into specific comments to bring back as an Agenda item at a future meeting; however, the Board reserves the right to clarify information from comments that are factually incorrect.

All emails sent to the Town Clerk for public comment will be forwarded to the Board of Trustees. Any member of the public who wishes to have a statement or email read into the Minutes is required to appear in person and make said statements to the Board directly.

**X. COMMITTEE REPORTS****XI. ADJOURNMENT**



## **PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

### **Staff Report**

**Meeting Date:** August 26th, 2025

**Department:** Police Department

**Department Director:** Chief of Police

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#### **Stats for July 2025:**

In the month of July, we had 397 calls for service, which is a decrease of 32 calls from last month.

#### **Grand Junction Regional Communication Center Monthly Report:**

In summary, for the month of July 2025, we are down calls for service by 10% versus the same month in 2024. Year to date 2025, we are down calls for service at 21% compared to the same time last year in 2024. There are many variables that can explain the decrease in calls for service; the most common is that police proactivity can help reduce calls for service. In summary, the response time for priority one calls (Urgent response) from dispatch to arrival is estimated at 7 minutes and 11 seconds. Priority two and three (non-urgent response) vary depending on the availability of a peace officer when the calls for service land in the mobile system; that is, a peace officer could be on a call for service, and the new call would need to hold until the peace officer is available. 397 calls for service for the month cover a variety of events such as traffic stops, civil, suspicious vehicles and persons, abuse calls, assist other agencies, follow-up calls, verbal disputes, business checks, medical assists with fire, panic, and business alarms, and many other types of calls. Complete detailed reports are available upon request through the Chief of Police.

#### **Reports and Summons:**

Case Reports	27
Supplement Reports	15
Arrests	12

#### **Traffic:**

35 traffic citations were issued this month. Traffic citations range from speeding, stop sign violations, and many other driving violations involving motor vehicles.

#### **Training:**

- Officers are working on annual mandatory skills training within the agency, which includes Arrest Control, Driving, and Firearms. Training for police staff is an ongoing monthly goal. Staff development is a key factor in ensuring we are offering the best public safety service to the community and ensuring our staff have a wide range of knowledge to accomplish the goals and objectives for public safety services.

**Investigations:**

- PPD investigations have been working diligently on multiple cases, including the Arson/Homicide in 2024, the shooting incident in 2024, and the ATM burglary in 2024. These remain active until final dispositions can be reached in each case.

**Significant Events:**

- The Palisade PD was recently awarded around \$4,300 in-service grant training funds to support equipment needs for annual in-service training. We will soon begin using these funds to purchase training items and equipment.

**Code Compliance**

**Total open cases from 7/1/25-7/31/25: 32**

**Total closed cases from 7/1/25-7/31/25: 25**

**Message from the Chief:**

The police department has been working very hard on many aspects of public safety services, including new programs, retention, staff training, community engagement programs, and projects. As we move forward, this will continue to be an important mindset, and we look forward to building rapport with the community. I am proud of the police staff and the overall teamwork of our Town Government.



## PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**Meeting Date:** August 26, 2025

**Re:** Consent Agenda

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The Consent Agenda has been attached as a separate document for ease of reading.

Included in the consent agenda are:

- A. **Expenditures**
  - Approval of Bills from Various Town Funds – July 30, 2025 – August 12, 2025
- B. **Minutes**
  - Minutes from August 12, 2025, Regular Board of Trustees Meeting



**PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Agenda Item Cover Sheet**

**Meeting Date:** August 26, 2025

**Presented By:** Chief of Police

**Department:** Police

**Re:** Resolution 2025-22

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**SUBJECT:**

Mesa County Federal Mineral Lease Grant Request for K-9 Unit

**SUMMARY:**

The Palisade Police Department is requesting the Board of Trustees' support in a grant request to help fund a K-9 program in the Police Department. The K-9 Unit will be with the School Resource Officer and utilized in the schools, at events, and in town for services to public safety.

This grant request is for \$48,000 from the grant.

The Town is providing \$70,000 in-kind, including the salary, benefits of an officer already employed by the Town, and use of a vehicle already owned by the Town.

The Town would have an estimated \$20,000 yearly maintenance cost for the program.

**BOARD DIRECTION:**

Approve Resolution 2025-22 supporting a \$48,000 Mesa County Federal Mineral Lease District grant application for a K-9 Unit.



**TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO  
RESOLUTION NO. 2025-22**

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE GRANT APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FROM THE  
MESA COUNTY FEDERAL MINERAL LEASE DISTRICT FOR THE POLICE K9 PROGRAM  
WITH THE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER IN MESA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 51.**

**WHEREAS**, the Police Department of the Town of Palisade is a political subdivision of the State of Colorado, and therefore an eligible applicant for a grant awarded by the Mesa County Federal Mineral Lease District “MCFMLD”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Police Department, Town of Palisade, has submitted a Grant Application for the Police K9 Program requesting a total award of \$48,000 (forty-eight thousand), with the Town contributing in-kind of salary, benefits, vehicle (\$70,000 in-kind match); and

**WHEREAS**, the Police Department, Town of Palisade, supports the completion of the project if a grant is awarded by the MCFMLD.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES THAT:**

**Section 1.** The above recitals are hereby incorporated as findings by the Palisade Board of Trustees.

**Section 2.** The Palisade Board of Trustees strongly supports the Grant Application submitted by the Police Department and has appropriated matching funds for a grant with the Mesa County Federal Mineral Lease District.

**Section 3.** The Town of Palisade supports federal mineral development in Colorado.

**Section 4.** If the grant is awarded, the Palisade Board of Trustees strongly supports the completion of the K9 Unit project.

**Section 5.** The Palisade Board of Trustees, of the Town of Palisade, authorizes the expenditure of funds necessary to meet the terms and obligations of any grant awarded pursuant to a Grant Agreement with the MCFMLD.

**Section 6.** The project is owned by the Town of Palisade, in the Police Department, and will be owned and maintained by the Town of Palisade Police for the next 7-10 years (life span of a K9 working dog officer). The Palisade Board of Trustees will provide funding to maintain the K9 program with the Palisade Police Department, supporting the services of the School Resource Officer and the K9 Unit in Palisade High School and Taylor Elementary School to provide safety for Mesa County students. The Town will appropriate funds for maintenance annually.

**Section 7.** If a grant is awarded, the Palisade Board of Trustees hereby authorizes Mayor Mikolai to sign a Grant Agreement with the MCFMLD.  
The effective date of this Resolution is the date passed and approved below.

**RESOLVED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of August 2025.**

TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO

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Greg Mikolai, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Keli Frasier, CMC  
Town Clerk



**PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Agenda Item Cover Sheet**

**Meeting Date:** August 26, 2025

**Presented By:** Trustee Snook & Juliann Adams  
Ryan Robinson Powderhorn Financial Match Support

**Department:** Tourism Advisory Board

**Re:** RESOLUTION 2025-23

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**SUBJECT:**

Colorado Tourism Office Grant for Off-season Marketing

**SUMMARY:**

GOAL: We seek grant funding to create an authentic video and photography series that captures Palisade's spirit, history, culture, as well as the surrounding region's amenities. Reflecting the nature and character of our community, and inspired by the Do Colorado Right campaign, these stories will invite visitors who value and respect our environment. Through OTT/CTV, YouTube paid promotion, radio spots in surrounding states, and social media, we will share this vibrant narrative to encourage tourism during the off-peak season to sustain our economy while safeguarding the place we call home.

**GRANT FUNDING REQUEST (2:1 Match)**

TOTAL PROJECT COSTS: \$60,000

- CTO Contribution: \$40,000
- TAB Contribution: \$15,000
- POWDERHORN Contribution: \$5,000

CTO's Eligible Activities Applicable to the Campaign :

- Creative advertising production
- Print, digital, video, social, television, Over-the-top (OTT) streaming, and radio
- Content development (written, video, or audio)
- Photography
- Videography and post-production video editing
- Campaign landing page or microsite
- Audio development (radio, OTT streaming, etc.)
- Fulfillment costs

At the August 20, 2025, regular meeting of the Tourism Advisory Board, TAB voted unanimously to forward a recommendation of approval to the Board of Trustees for the grant application and the allocation of \$15,000 from the Tourism fund.

**BOARD DIRECTION:**

Approve Resolution 2025-23 supporting the application for a CTO Grant for off-season regional marketing with a match of \$15,000 from the Tourism Budget, \$5,000 contribution from Powderhorn, and \$40,000 from the CTO grant for a total project cost of \$60,000.

## TAB Fund Balance 2025

Beginning new year in January 2025:                      \$124,000 Total

### Budgeted Expenses in 2025:

Slate Contract for 2025:	-\$75,000
Other 2025 Expenses:	<u>-\$15,000</u>
Total Expenses:	-\$90,000

Total January 2025 Fund Balance after Expenses:                      \$34,000

Projecting to collect lodging fees in 2025:	\$100,000	
Lodging Fees collected through 08/01/2025:	\$48,800	
<u>This leaves Fund Balance as of 08/01/2025:</u>	<u>\$82,800</u>	<u>(\$34,000 + \$48,800)</u>

TAB's Current Fund Balance as of 08/01/2025, with lodging fees collected to date, is: \$82,800

*\*\*The Fund Balance is unappropriated funds (not budgeted), which is \$82,800 - this is the amount after paying Slate's Contract and not adding any lodging fee collections from August to December 2025. The Fund will actually be higher come December.*



**PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Agenda Item Cover Sheet**

**Meeting Date:**           **August 26, 2025**

**Presented By:**           **Town Clerk**

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**SUBJECT:**

**FIRST READING** of Ordinance 2025-08: Adoption of Updated Building and Safety Codes

**SUMMARY:**

This is the FIRST READING of Ordinance 2025-08 as required by Colorado Revised Statute §31-16-201.

**C.R.S. §31-16-201**, et seq., governs the adoption of codes by reference and includes specific public notice requirements, introduction of the ordinance by the Board of Trustees, which is occurring on first reading, and then a public hearing, which will occur on second reading on September 9, 2025. Staff as complied with these public notice requirements. The Town is adopting all of the building codes that Mesa County adopted since they are the building department for the Town.

The First Reading is an administrative statutory requirement, and since any discussion should occur at the public hearing, the Board does not need to pull the ordinance up for debate unless they want any changes for the final adoption of the ordinance. Absent that, the Board should simply move and approve the passing of the ordinance on first reading.

**The public hearing to consider adoption of Ordinance 2025-08 is set for the regular meeting of the Palisade Board of Trustees on September 9, 2025.**

**TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO  
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-08**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO, ADOPTING AND AMENDING THE LATEST EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE, THE COLORADO PLUMBING AND FUEL GAS CODE, THE INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, THE INTERNATIONAL EXISTING BUILDING CODE, THE INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE, THE INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE, THE COLORADO MODEL ELECTRIC READY AND SOLAR READY CODE AND THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF PALISADE, IN CONFLICT OR INCONSISTENT HERewith; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THESE PRIMARY CODES; AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE AND THE CODES ADOPTED HEREIN BY REFERENCE.**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 31-16-201 *et seq.*, C.R.S., the Town of Palisade Board of Trustees has the power to adopt ordinances and a building code; and

WHEREAS, the Palisade Board of Trustees finds that adoption of this Ordinance is necessary to preserve the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Palisade.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Palisade, as follows:

**Section 1.**     **Legislative Declaration.** The Town of Palisade Board of Trustees finds that it is important for the safety of the citizens of Town of Palisade to have established a current uniform building code. Accordingly, it is necessary to adopt and amend the most recent edition of the International Building Code, together with the International Plumbing Code, the International Mechanical Code, the International Fuel Gas Code, the International Property Maintenance Code, the International Residential Code, the National Electrical Code, the International Energy Conservation Code and the Colorado Model Electric Ready and Solar Ready Code.

**Section 2.**     **Applicability.** This Ordinance shall apply throughout the Town of Palisade, Colorado.

**Section 3.**     **Purpose.** The provisions of this Ordinance have been made with reasonable consideration of, and in accordance with, the public health, safety, morals and general welfare of the public, and the safety, protection, and sanitation of such dwellings, buildings, and structures.

**Section 4.** That Article I of Chapter 18 of the Palisade Municipal Code is hereby repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

## **ARTICLE I**

### **General Provisions**

**Sec. 18-1. Scope.**

The codes adopted in this Chapter shall apply throughout the corporate limits of the Town.

**Sec. 18-2. Adoption of codes unamended.**

All sections of the referenced codes not specifically amended by this Chapter are adopted as published in said codes.

**Sec. 18-3. Administration; building official.**

The Town Administrator is authorized to act as the Town Building Official by the Board of Trustees, to administer and enforce such codes in conjunction with the County building official as is provided in said codes and in accordance with 31-15-601, C.R.S.

**Sec. 18-4. Board of appeals; appeals procedure.**

The Board of Trustees accepts the appeals procedures as established in Mesa County Ordinance 008(D).

**Sec. 18-5. Conflicts and permits previously issued.**

- (a) Any and all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with this Chapter, to the extent of such conflicts or inconsistencies, are hereby amended; provided, however, that this Chapter shall not affect the construction of buildings for which permits were issued prior to the effective date of the ordinance codified in this Chapter, and all buildings now under construction pursuant to existing permits shall be constructed in conformance with the building code applicable at the time of the issuance of said permit; provided further that no construction authorized by an existing permit shall be altered without complying with the newly adopted building codes. The adoption of this Code shall not prevent the prosecution of violations of any prior ordinance adopting prior building codes which occurred prior to the effective date of the ordinance codified in this Chapter.
- (b) Where this Chapter and the codes adopted herein by reference are in conflict with other ordinances of the Town, the more restrictive provisions shall apply.

**Sec. 18-6. Copies of codes on file.**

Not less than one (1) copy of each of the primary codes adopted by reference under this Chapter, all certified to be true copies by the Mayor and Town Clerk shall be kept in the office of the Town

Clerk.

**Sec. 18-7. Nonliability; nonassumption of duty of care.**

The Town, its officials, employees and agents thereof shall not be deemed to have assumed a duty of care where none otherwise existed by the performance of a service or an act of assistance for the benefit of any person under this Chapter. The adoption of these codes shall not give rise to a duty of care. The enforcement or failure to enforce this Chapter or the mere fact that an inspection was conducted in the course of enforcing this Chapter shall not give rise to a duty of care where none otherwise existed. Enactment of the ordinance codified in this Chapter shall not constitute a waiver of sovereign immunity by the Town, its officials, employees and agents.

**Sec. 18-8. Violation; penalty.**

The penalties imposed for violation of the codes adopted in this Chapter and of the statutory sections authorizing their adoption are as follows:

- (1) Any person violating Articles I through XII of this Chapter or any provision of any adopted code herein is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than ten (10) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.
- (2) Each day during which such illegal erection, construction, reconstruction, alteration, maintenance or use continues shall be a separate offense.
- (3) In case any building or structure is or is proposed to be erected, constructed, reconstructed, altered, remodeled, used or maintained in violation of this Chapter or of any provisions of the area building code, the District Attorney, the Board of County Commissioners, the Board of Trustees or any owner of real estate within the area, in addition to other remedies provided by law, may institute an appropriate action for injunction, mandamus or abatement to prevent, enjoin, abate or remove such unlawful erection, construction, reconstruction, alteration, remodeling, maintenance or use.

**Section 5.** That Article II of Chapter 18 of the Palisade Municipal Code is hereby repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

**ARTICLE II**

**International Building Code**

**Sec. 18-9. Adopted by reference.**

- (a) The International Building Code, 2024 Edition, as published by the International Code Council, Inc., together with amendments set forth below (hereafter “IBC” or



“International Building Code”) is hereby adopted to provide minimum standards to safeguard life and limb, health, property, and the public welfare by regulating and controlling various matters including, but not limited to the design, construction, quality of materials, use and occupancy, location, and maintenance of all buildings and structures within the jurisdiction.

- (b) The following chapters of the Appendix of the International Building Code, 2024 Edition, are adopted:

(1) Chapter C, Group U- Agriculture Building

(2) Chapter I, Patio Covers

(3) Chapter P, Sleeping Lofts

(4) No other chapters of the Appendix of the IBC are adopted

#### **Sec. 18-10. Amendments.**

The International Building Code, 2024, is hereby amended as follows:

- (a) Section 101: Section 101.4.4 **Property maintenance** is amended by deletion of this section in its entirety.
- (b) Section 105 Section 105.1 **Required** is amended by the addition of the sentence: “Each separate building, structure, pool, retaining wall, etc. shall require a separate permit.”
- (c) Section 105: Section 105.2 **Work exempt from permit** is amended to read:
- “6. Sidewalks, driveways and platforms not more than 30 inches (762 mm) above adjacent grade, and not over any basement or story below and are not part of an accessible route.
  - “11. Swings and other playground equipment, located outside, of all occupancies covered by this code.
- (d) Section 105: Section 105.2 **Work exempt from permit** is amended by the addition of the following new items:
- “14. Plastic covered crop production shelters where access to public is prohibited.”
  - “15. Shade fabric structures 400 square feet or less.”
  - “16. Storage containers on active construction sites for short-term utilization, subject to annual review.”
- (e) Section 105: Section 105.6 **Suspension or revocation** is amended by the addition of the sentence to read: “The Building Official may suspend or revoke a permit when a Stop Work Notice is issued in writing by another governing federal, state or local authorities in violation of any ordinance or regulation under their authority.”

- (f) Section 109: Section 109.2 **Schedule of permit fees** is amended by the addition of Exhibit A Mesa County Building Department Fee Schedule. (Copy of Exhibit A Mesa County Building Department Fee Schedule, is on file in Building Inspection Office).
- (g) Section 109: Section 109.6 **Refunds** is amended by the addition of the following: “Building permit fees may be refunded at the rate of 85% of the building permit fee provided the project for which the permit was issued has not commenced and/or inspections have not been conducted. No refunds will be made after work has commenced or after 180 days of issuance.”
- (h) Section 109: Section 109.7 **Fees for agriculture buildings** is amended by the addition of Subsection 109.7 to read: “No fees shall be required for a building permit obtained for Agriculture Buildings defined as buildings or structures used for the sole purpose of providing shelter for agricultural implements, farm products, livestock or poultry, that is not a place of employment or open to the public. This agriculture building fee exemption does not include fees for electrical, mechanical and plumbing permits for said structures.”
- (i) Section 110: Section 110.7 **Inspections for agriculture buildings** is amended by addition of Subsection 110.7 to read as follows: “No inspections shall be required for a building permit obtained for Agriculture Buildings defined as buildings or structures used for the sole purpose of providing shelter for agricultural implements, farm products, livestock or poultry, that is not a place of employment or open to the public. However, this exemption is not an exception of the minimum building standards set forth in the International Building Code, or to the other requirements for inspections for electrical, mechanical and plumbing.”
- (j) Section 111: Section 111.2 **Certificate issued** is amended by deletion of: “or other laws that are enforced by the department” and replaced with: “or other codes referenced in this ordinance.”
- (k) Section 111: Section 111.3 **Temporary occupancy** is amended by addition of the following: “Such temporary occupancy shall be limited to the provisions of this code or any other code referenced in this ordinance.”
- (l) Section 113: Section 113 **Board of appeals** is amended by deletion of this section in its entirety and replaced with: “The Board of Appeals established in Part 13 shall serve as the Board of Appeals.”
- (m) Section 114: Section 114.4 **Violation penalties** is amended by deletion of this section in its entirety and replaced with: “Any person who violates a provision of the code or fails to comply with any of the requirements thereof shall be subject to the penalties prescribed in Part 16 of this Ordinance.”
- (n) Section 116: Section 116.1 **Unsafe Conditions** is amended by adding a paragraph to read: “The building official may cause the premises to be closed up and secure through any available public agency or contractor arrangement by private persons and the cost thereof shall be charged against the real estate upon which the structure is located and shall be lien upon such real estate and may be collected by any other legal resource. The building official may condemn unsafe structures.”
- (o) Section 305: Section 305.2.3 **“Twelve” or fewer children in a dwelling unit** is amended by deleting Five and replacing with Twelve.

- (p) Section 308: Section 308.2.4 **Five or fewer persons receiving custodial care** is amended by deleting: “provided an automatic sprinkler system is installed in accordance with section 903.3.1.3 or with section 2904 of the International Residential Code.”
- (q) Section 310: Section 310.4.1 **Care facilities within a dwelling** is amended by deleting: “provided an automatic sprinkler system is installed in accordance with section 903.3.1.3 or with section 2904 of the International Residential Code.”
- (r) Section 310: Section 310.6 **Residential Group R-5** is amended by the addition of Section 310.6 to read as follows: “**Residential Group R-5.** Residential Group R-5 occupancy shall include buildings, structures or portions thereof for more than five but not more than 16 persons, excluding staff, who reside on a 24-hour basis in a supervised residential environment. This occupancy requires that all persons residing within shall, without any assistance, be capable of responding to an emergency situation to complete building evacuation. Such occupancy shall comply with the International Residential Code. This group shall include, but not limited to, the following:

Congregate living facilities (nontransient) with 16 or fewer occupants, for whom supervision is provided on a 24-hour basis within the building, structure or portion thereof”

- (s) Section 1004: Table 1004.5 **Maximum floor area allowances per occupant** is amended to change the maximum floor area allowance per occupant of Agriculture Building from: 300 Gross to 500 Gross.
- (t) Chapter 30: Chapter 30 **Elevators and conveying systems** is amended by the addition of four new sections and subsections to read as follows:

## SECTION 3010 PERMITS & CERTIFICATES OF INSPECTION

**3010.1 Permits Required.** It shall be unlawful to install any new elevator, moving walk, escalator or dumbwaiter or to make alterations to any existing elevator, dumbwaiter or moving walk, as defined in ASME A17.1, without first having obtained a permit for such installations from the building official. Permits shall not be required for maintenance or minor alterations.

**3010.2 Certificates of Inspection Required.** It shall be unlawful to operate any elevator, dumbwaiter, escalator or moving walk without a current certificate of inspection issued by an approved inspection agency. Such certificates shall be issued upon payment of prescribed fees and a valid inspection report indicating that the conveyance is safe and that the inspection and tests have been performed in accordance with ASME A17.1. Certificates shall not be issued when the conveyance is posted as unsafe pursuant to Section 3013.

**3010.3 Applications for Permits.** Applications for a permit to install shall be made on forms provided by the building official, and the permit shall be issued to an owner or the owner’s representative, upon payment of the permit fees specified in this section.

**3010.4 Applications for Certificates of Inspection.** Applications

for an inspection and certificates of inspection shall be made to an approved inspection agency by the owner of an elevator, dumbwaiter, escalator or moving walk. Fees for inspections and certificates of inspection shall be determined by the approved inspection agency.

**3010.5 Fees.** A fee for each permit shall be paid to the building official as prescribed in the jurisdiction Permit Fee Schedule.

## **Section 3011**

### **Design**

**3011.1 Detailed Requirements.** For detailed design, construction and installation requirements see Chapter 16 and the appropriate requirements for ASME A17.1.

## **Section 3012**

### **REQUIREMENTS FOR OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE**

**3012.1 General.** The owner shall be responsible for the safe operation and maintenance of each elevator, dumbwaiter, escalator and moving walk installations and shall cause periodic inspections to be made on such conveyances as required by this section.

**3012.2 Periodic Inspection and Tests.** Routine and periodic inspections and tests shall be made as required by ASME A17.1.

**3012.3 Alterations, Repairs and Maintenance.** Alterations, repairs and maintenance shall be made as required by ASME A17.1.

**3012.4 Inspection Costs.** All costs of such inspections shall be paid by the owner.

## **Section 3013**

### **UNSAFE CONDITIONS**

**3013.1 Unsafe Conditions.** When an inspection reveals an unsafe condition of an elevator, escalator, moving walk or dumbwaiter, the inspector shall immediately file with the owner and the building official a full and true report of inspection and unsafe conditions. If the building official finds that the unsafe condition endangers human life, the building official shall cause to be placed on such conveyance, in a conspicuous place, a notice stating that such conveyance is unsafe. The owner shall see to it that such notice of unsafe condition is legibly maintained where placed by the building official. The building official shall also issue an order in writing to the owner requiring the repairs or alterations to be made to such conveyance that are necessary to render it safe and may order the operation thereof discontinued until the repairs or alterations are made or the unsafe conditions are removed. A posted notice of unsafe conditions shall be removed by the building official when satisfied that the unsafe conditions have been corrected.

- (u) Section 3109: Section 3109.1 **General** is amended by deletion and replaced with:  
“Swimming pools, spas and hot tub barriers shall comply with section 305 of the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code.”

**Sec. 18-11. Copies on file and available for sale.**

At least one (1) copy of the International Building Code, 2024 Edition, and the adopted Chapters of the Appendix thereto, together with one (1) copy of the ordinance codified in this Chapter, shall be kept on file in the office of the Town Clerk or Building Official. Copies of said IBC and adopted Appendix shall be available for sale to the public at a moderate price.

**Sec. 18-12. Penalties.**

- (a) It is unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to erect, construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, improve, remove, convert or demolish, equip, use, occupy or maintain any building or structure in the Town or cause or permit the same to be done, contrary to or in violation of any of the provisions of the IBC.
- (b) Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of the IBC shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each and every day or portion thereof during which any violation of any of the provisions of the IBC is committed, continued or permitted. Any offense under this Section shall be deemed one of "strict liability." Violation of the IBC shall be punished by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars (\$300.00), or by imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days or by both such fine and imprisonment.
- (c) The issuance or granting of a permit or approval of plans and specifications shall not be deemed or construed to be a permit for, or any approval of, any violation of the provisions of the IBC. No permit presuming to give authority to violate or cancel the provisions of the IBC shall be valid, except insofar as the work or use, which it authorized, is lawful.
- (d) The issuance or granting of a permit or approval of a plan shall not prevent the administrative authority from thereafter requiring the correction of errors in said plans and specifications or from preventing construction operations from being carried on thereunder when in violation of the IBC or any other ordinance or from revoking any certificates of approval when issued in error.

**Section 6.** That Article III of Chapter 18 of the Palisade Municipal Code is hereby repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

**ARTICLE III**

**Colorado Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code**

**Sec. 18-13. Adopted by Reference.**

- (a) The International Plumbing Code, International Fuel Gas Code and applicable chapters of the International Residential Code published by the International Code Council and as amended and adopted by the State of Colorado Plumbing Board pursuant to Title 12, Article 155 C.R.S., together with amendments set forth below (hereafter “CPFGC” or “Colorado Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code”) is hereby adopted to regulate the design, construction, quality of materials, erection, installation, alteration, location, relocation, replacement, addition to, use and maintenance of plumbing systems within the Jurisdiction.

**Sec. 18-14. Amendments.**

- (a) Fee schedule is amended by the addition of Exhibit A Mesa County Building Department Fee Schedule. (Copy of Exhibit A Mesa County Building Department Fee Schedule, is on file in Building Inspection Office).
- (b) Fee refunds is amended by the deletion of this section in its entirety and replaced with the following: “Building permit fees may be refunded at the rate of 85% of the building permit fee provided the project for which the permit was issued has not commenced and/or inspections have not been conducted. No refunds will be made after work has commenced or after 180 days of issuance.”
- (c) Means of appeal is amended by deletion of this section in its entirety and replaced with the following: “The Colorado State Plumbing Board serves as the Board of Appeals for the International Plumbing Code.”

**Sec. 18-15. Copies on file and available for sale.**

At least one (1) copy of the International Plumbing Code, International Fuel Gas Code, and International Residential Code, 2024 Edition, and the Appendices adopted thereto, together with one (1) copy of the ordinance codified in this Chapter, shall be kept on file in the office of the Town Clerk or Building Official. Copies of said CPFGC and such Appendices shall be available for sale to the public at a moderate price.

**Sec. 18-16. Penalties.**

- (a) Any person, firm, or corporation violating any provisions of the CPFGC shall be punished by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars (\$300.00), or by imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days or both such fine and imprisonment. Each separate day or any portion thereof, during which any violation of the CPFGC occurs or continues, shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punishable as herein provided. Any municipal offense under the CPFGC shall be deemed one of "strict liability."

- (b) The issuance or granting of a permit or approval of plans and specifications shall not be deemed or construed to be a permit for, or any approval of, any violation of the provisions of the CPFGC. No permit presuming to give authority to violate or cancel the provisions of the CPFGC shall be valid, except insofar as the work or use, which it authorized, is lawful.
- (c) The issuance or granting of a permit or approval of a plan shall not prevent the administrative authority from thereafter requiring the correction of errors in said plans and specifications, or from preventing construction operations from being carried on thereunder when in violation of the IPC or any other ordinance, or from revoking any certificate of approval when issued in error.

**Section 7.** That Article IV of Chapter 18 of the Palisade Municipal Code is hereby repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

## **ARTICLE IV**

### **International Mechanical Code**

#### **Sec. 18-17. Adoption by Reference.**

- (a) The International Mechanical Code, 2024 Edition, as published by the International Code Council, together with amendments set forth below (hereafter “IMC” or “International Mechanical Code”) is hereby adopted to regulate the design, construction, quality of materials, erection, installation, alteration, location, relocation, replacement, addition to, use and maintenance of mechanical systems.

#### **Sec. 18-18. Amendments.**

The International Mechanical Code, 2024 Edition, is hereby amended to read as follows

- (a) Section 108: Section 108.2 **Schedule of Permit Fees** is amended by the addition of Exhibit A Mesa County Building Department Fee Schedule. (Copy of Exhibit A Mesa County Building Department Fee Schedule, is on file in Building Inspection Office).
- (b) Section 108: Section 108.6 **Refunds** is amended by the deletion of this section in its entirety and replaced with the following: “Building permit fees may be refunded at the rate of 85% of the building permit fee provided the project for which the permit was issued has not commenced and/or inspections have not been conducted. No refunds will be made after work has commenced or after 180 days of issuance.”

- (c) Section 112: Section 112 **Means of appeal** is amended by deletion of this section in its entirety and replaced with the following: “The Board of Appeals established in Part 13 shall serve as the Board of Appeals.”
- (d) Section 114: Section 114.4 **Violation penalties** is amended by deletion of the section in its entirety and replaced with the following: “Any person who violates a provision of this code or fails to comply with any of the requirements thereof shall be subject to the penalties as prescribed in Part 16 of this Ordinance.”

**Sec. 18-19. Copies on file and available for sale.**

At least one (1) copy of the International Mechanical Code, 2024 Edition, and Appendices adopted thereto, together with one (1) copy of the ordinance codified in this Chapter, shall be kept on file in the office of the Town Clerk or Building Official. Copies of the IMC and adopted Appendix shall be available for sale to the public at a moderate price.

**Sec. 18-20. Penalties.**

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to erect, construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, improve, remove, convert, demolish, use or maintain any mechanical system or equipment or cause to or permit the same to be done in violation of the IMC, as adopted.
- (b) Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of the IMC, as adopted, shall be punished by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars (\$300.00), or by imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days or by both such fine and imprisonment, and shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each and every day or portion thereof during which any violation of any of the provisions of the IMC is committed, continued or permitted. Said offense shall be deemed one of "strict liability."
- (c) The issuance or granting of a permit or approval of plans and specifications shall not be deemed or construed to be a permit for, or any approval of, any violation of the provisions of the IMC. No permit presuming to give authority to violate or cancel the provisions of the IMC shall be valid, except insofar as the work or use, which it authorized, is lawful.
- (d) The issuance or granting of a permit or approval of a plan shall not prevent the administrative authority from thereafter requiring the correction of errors in said plans and specifications or from preventing construction operations from being carried on thereunder when in violation of the IMC or any other ordinance or from revoking any certificates of approval when issued in error.



**Section 8.** That Article V of Chapter 18 of the Palisade Municipal Code is hereby repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

## **ARTICLE V**

### **International Existing Building Code**

**Sec. 18-21. Adopted by reference.**

- (a) The International Existing Building Code, 2024 Edition, as published by the International Code Council, together with amendments set forth below (hereafter “IEBC” or “International Existing Building Code”) is hereby adopted to regulate the design, construction, quality of materials, erection, installation, alteration, location, relocation, replacement, addition to, use and maintenance of existing buildings within the Jurisdiction.

**Sec. 18-22. Amendments.**

The existing building code adopted in Article VI is hereby amended as follows:

- (a) Section 108: Section 108.2 **Schedule of permit fees** is amended by the addition of Exhibit A Mesa County Building Department Fee Schedule. (Copy of Exhibit A Mesa County Building Department Fee Schedule, is on file in Building Inspection Office).
- (b) Section 108: Section 108.6 **Refunds** is amended by the deletion of this section in its entirety and replaced with the following: “Building permit fees may be refunded at the rate of 85% of the building permit fee provided the project for which the permit was issued has not commenced and/or inspections have not been conducted. No refunds will be made after work has commenced or after 180 days of issuance.”
- (c) Section 112: Section 112 **Board of appeals** is amended by deletion of this section in its entirety and replaced with the following: “The Board of Appeals established in Part 13 shall serve as the Board of Appeals.”
- (d) Section 113: Section 113.4 **Violations** is amended by deletion of this section in its entirety and replaced with the following: “Any person who violates a provision of the code or fails to comply with any of the requirements thereof shall be subject to the penalties prescribed in Part 16 of this Ordinance.”

- (e) Section R115: Section R115 **Unsafe buildings and equipment** is amended by deletion of this section in its entirety and replaced with: “As amended in section 116 of the 2024 International Building Code.”

**Sec. 18-23. Copies on file and available for sale.**

At least one (1) copy of the International Existing Building Code, together with one (1) copy of the ordinance codified in this Chapter, shall be kept on file in the office of the Town Clerk or Building Official. Copies of the IEBC shall be available for sale to the public at a moderate price.

**Sec. 18-24. Penalties.**

- (a) Any person, firm or corporation violating any provisions of the IEBC shall be punished by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars (\$300.00), or by imprisonment of not more than ninety (90) days or by both such fine and imprisonment. Each separate day or any portion thereof, during which any violation of the IEBC occurs or continues, shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punishable as herein provided. Any municipal offense under the IEBC shall be deemed one of "strict liability."
- (b) The issuing of or granting of a permit or approval of plans and specifications shall not be deemed or construed to be a permit for, or an approval of, any violation of the provisions of the IEBC. No permit presuming to give authority to violate or cancel the provisions of the IEBC shall be valid, except insofar as the work or use, which it authorized, is lawful.
- (c) The issuance of or granting of a permit or approval of plans shall not prevent the administrative authority from thereafter requiring the correction of errors in said plans and specifications, or from preventing construction operations being carried on thereunder when in violation of the IEBC or any other ordinance, or from revoking any certificate of approval when issued in error.

**Section 9.** That Article VI of Chapter 18 of the Palisade Municipal Code is hereby repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

**ARTICLE VI**

**International Residential Code**

**Sec. 18-25. Adopted by reference.**

- (a) The International Residential Code, 2024 Edition, published by the International Code Council, together with amendments set forth below (hereafter “IRC” or

“International Residential Code”) is hereby adopted for regulating the design, construction, quality of materials, erection, installation, alteration, location, repair, location, relocation, replacement, addition to, use and maintenance of one-and two family dwellings and townhouses not more than three stories in height within the Jurisdiction.

(b) The following chapters of the Appendix of the International Residential Code, 2024 Edition, are adopted:

- (1) Appendix BB, Tiny Houses
- (2) Appendix BF, Patio Covers
- (3) Appendix BO, Existing Buildings and Structures
- (4) Appendix CB, Sizing of Venting Systems Serving Appliances Equipped with Draft Hoods, Category I Appliances and Appliances Listed for Use with Type B Vents
- (5) Appendix CC, Recommended Procedure for Safety Inspection of an Existing Appliance Installation
- (6) No other Appendix chapters of the IRC are adopted

#### **Sec. 18-26. Amendments.**

The International Residential Code, 2024 Edition, is hereby amended as follows:

- (a) Section R101: Section R101.2 **Scope** is amended by moving Owner-occupied lodging houses with five or fewer guestrooms from exception to scope.
- (b) Section R101: Section R101.2 **Scope** is amended by moving a care facility with five or fewer persons receiving custodial care within a dwelling unit from exception to scope.
- (c) Section R101: Section R101.2 **Scope** is amended by moving a care facility with five or fewer persons receiving care that are within a dwelling unit from exception to scope.
- (d) Section 101: Section 101.2 **Scope** is amended by the addition to scope: “Child Care Facilities as permitted under HB21-1222, but not to exceed 12 Children.”
- (e) Section 101: Section 101.2 **Scope** is amended by the addition to scope: “Residential Group R-5, as defined in the IBC.”

(f) Section 102: Section 102.6 **Existing structures** is amended by deletion of: “International Property Maintenance Code.”

(g) Section R104: Section R104.2.3.1 **Flood hazard areas** is amended by the deletion of this section in its entirety and replaced with the following: “No permit will be issued without review and approval from the local jurisdiction floodplain administrator.”

(h) Section R104: Section R104.3.1 **Determination of substantially improved or substantially damaged existing buildings in flood hazard areas** is amended by the deletion of this section in its entirety and replaced with the following: “No permit will be issued without review and approval from the jurisdiction floodplain administrator.”

(i) Section R105 Section R105.1 **Required** is amended by the addition of the sentence: “Each separate building, structure, pool, retaining wall, etc. shall require a separate permit.”

(j) Section R105: Section R105.2 **Work exempt from permit** is amended to read:

(1) “5. Sidewalks, Driveways and Platforms not more than 30 inches above the adjacent grade and not over any basement or story below.”

(2) “7. Temporary (removable) prefabricated swimming pools installed for a maximum of 180 days per year.”

(3) “8. Swings, playhouses and other playground equipment.”

(4) “10. Decks that are not more than 30 inches above grade at any point.”

(k) Section R105: Section 105.2 **Work exempt from permit** is amended by the addition of the following new items:

(1) “11. Re-siding of buildings regulated by this code.”

(2) “12. Roof recover of buildings regulated by this code that do not exceed Limits of Section R908.4 and 908.4.1”

(3) “13. Plastic covered crop production shelters where access to the public is prohibited.”

(l) Section R106: Section R106.1.4 **Buildings in flood hazard areas** is amended by the deletion of this section in its entirety and replaced with the following:

“The local jurisdiction floodplain administrator will be responsible for adherence to applicable regulations under their authority. A final verification and approval from the floodplain administrator will be given prior to issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy.”

(m) Section R106: Section R106.3.1 **Construction documents** is amended by deletion of the second sentence of the first paragraph: “One set of construction documents so reviewed shall be retained by the Building Official.”

(n) Section R106: Section R106.5 **Retention of construction documents** is amended by deletion of this section in its entirety.

(o) Section R108: Section R108.2 **Schedule of permit fees** is amended to add Exhibit A Mesa County Building Department Fee Schedule. (Copy of Exhibit A Mesa County Building Department Fee Schedule, is on file in Building Inspection Office).

(p) Section R108: Section R108.5 **Refunds** is amended by the deletion of this section in its entirety and replaced with the following: “Building permit fees may be refunded at the rate of 85% of the building permit fee provided the project for which the permit was issued has not commenced and/or inspections have not been conducted. No refunds will be made after work has commenced or after 180 days of issuance.”

(q) Section R108: Section R108.7 **Fees for agriculture buildings** is amended by the addition of Subsection R108.7 to read: “No fees shall be required for a building permit obtained for Agriculture Buildings defined as buildings or structures used for the sole purpose of providing shelter for agricultural implements, farm products, livestock or poultry, that is not a place of employment or open to the public. This agriculture building fee exemption does not include fees for electrical, mechanical and plumbing permits for said structures.”

(r) Section R109: Section R109.5 **Inspections for agriculture buildings** is amended by addition of Subsection R109.5 to read as follows: “No inspections shall be required for a building permit obtained for Agriculture Buildings defined as buildings or structures used for the sole purpose of providing shelter for agricultural implements, farm products, livestock or poultry, that is not a place of employment or open to the public. However, this exemption is not an exception of the minimum building standards set forth in the International Building Code, or to the other requirements for inspections for electrical, mechanical and plumbing.”

(s) Section R110: Section R110.2 **Certificate issued** is amended by deletion of: “or other laws that are enforced by the department” and replaced with: “or other codes referenced in this ordinance.”

(t) Section R110: Section R110.3 **Temporary occupancy** is amended by addition of the following: “Such temporary occupancy shall be limited to the provisions of this code or other codes referenced in this ordinance.”

(u) Section R112: Section R112 **Board of appeals** is amended by deletion of this section in its entirety and replaced with: “The Board of Appeals established in Part 13 shall serve as the Board of Appeals.”

(v) Section R113: Section R113.4 **Violation penalties** is amended by deletion of the section in its entirety and replaced with the following: “Any person who violates a provision of this code or fails to comply with any of the requirements thereof shall be subject to the penalties as prescribed in Part 16 of this Ordinance.”

(w) Section R115: Section R115 **Unsafe structures and equipment** is amended by addition to read: “As amended in section 116 of the 2024 International Building Code.”

(x) Section R202: Section R202 **Definitions** is amended to read:

a. “Dwelling. Any *building* that contains one or two *dwelling units* used, intended, or designed to be built, used, rented, leased, let or hired out to be occupied, or that are occupied for living purposes. Dwelling is not defined as a *building* that is used, intended, or designed to be separated as individually owned properties. See definition of *townhouse*.”

b. “Townhouse. A *building* that contains two or more attached *townhouse units*.”

(y) Section R302: Table R302.1 (1) **Exterior walls** is amended by changing the following:

a. “Walls (not fire resistance rated) Minimum Fire Separation Distance = 3 feet”

b. “Projections (not fire resistance rated) Minimum Fire Separation Distance = 2 feet”

c. “Openings (unlimited) Minimum Fire Separation Distance = 3 feet”

d. “Openings, deleted 25% Maximum of Wall Area/ 0 Hours/ 3 feet”

e. “Penetrations (all) Minimum Fire Separation Distance < 3 feet, compliance with Section R302.4 and at 3 feet or greater, no requirements.”

(z) Section R302: Section R302.2 **Townhouses** is amended for the purpose of this section to read: “Townhouse shall include two (2) or more attached townhouse units as defined in Section R202.”

(aa) Section R302: Section R302.3 **Two-family dwellings** is amended for the purpose of this section to read: “Two-family dwelling does not include buildings that are used, intended, or designed to be separated as individually owned properties. See definition of townhouse.”

(bb) Section R306: Section R306 **Flood-resistant construction** is amended by deletion of this section in its entirety and delegating authority to the local jurisdiction floodplain administrator.

(cc) Section R309: Section R309.1 **Townhouse automatic sprinkler systems** is amended by deletion of this section and replaced with the following: “An automatic sprinkler system shall be installed in townhouses that contain more than four townhouse units. **Exception:** An automatic sprinkler system shall not be required where additions or alterations are made to existing townhouses that do not have an automatic sprinkler system installed.”

(dd) Section R309: Section R309.2 **Automatic fire sprinkler systems** is amended by the deletion of “shall be installed” and replaced with “may be installed”.

(ee) Section R317: Section R317.1 **Floor surface** is amended by the deletion of the second paragraph.

(ff) Section R317: Section R317.5 **Fire sprinklers** is amended by deletion of this section in its entirety.

(gg) Section R319: Section R319.1 **Emergency escape and rescue openings required** first sentence is amended to read: “Basements, floors above grade plane, habitable attics, the room to which a sleeping loft is open and every sleeping room shall have not less than one operable emergency escape and rescue opening.”

(hh) Section R319: Section R319.1 **Emergency escape and rescue openings required** is amended by the addition of the following exception:

a. “5. Storage rooms located above a garage and accessed only through the garage.”

(ii) Section R322: Section R322.1 **Dwelling units or sleeping units** is amended by deletion of this section in its entirety.

(jj) Section R323: Section R323 **Elevators and Platform Lifts** is amended by deletion of this section in its entirety.

(kk) Section R325: Section R325.1.2 **Natural ventilation** Exception 3 is amended by deletion in its entirety and replacing with the following: “Required ventilation openings shall be permitted to open into a thermally isolated sunroom or roofed porch, deck, or patio where the space has adequate openings to the outside.”

(ll) Section R328: Section R328.1 **Swimming pools, spas and hot tubs** is amended by deletion of this section in its entirety.

(mm) Section R333: Section R333 **Wildfire hazard areas** is amended by the addition of Section R333.

### **Section R333 Requirements in Wildfire Hazard Areas.**

a. Section R333.1 Wildfire Hazards defined. Areas that have wildfire hazard rating of medium or above (as shown on the Mesa County Wildfire Hazard Map).

b. Section R333.2 Roof Covering. Roof coverings for new buildings or structures or additions thereto or roof covering utilized for re-roofing, shall be Class A or B, tested in accordance with ASME E108 or UL790 or an approved noncombustible roof covering. For roof coverings where the profile allows a space between the roof covering and roof decking, the space at the eave ends shall be fire stopped to preclude entry of flames or embers or have one layer of 72-pound (32.4 kg) mineral-surfaced, nonperforated cap sheet complying with ASTM D3909 installed over the combustible decking.

c. Section R333.3 Roof Valleys. Where provided, valley flashings shall be not less than 0.019-inch (0.44 mm) (No. 26 galvanized sheet gage) corrosion-resistant metal installed over a minimum 36-inch-wide (914 mm) underlayment consisting of one layer of 72-pound (32.4 kg) mineral-surfaced, nonperforated cap sheet complying with ASTM D3909 running the full length of the valley.

d. Section R333.4 Underfloor Enclosure. Buildings or structures shall have underfloor areas with habitable space located above enclosed to the ground with exterior walls.

**Exception:** Complete enclosure shall not be required where the underside of exposed floors and exposed structural columns, beams and supporting walls are protected as required for exterior 1-hour fire-resistance-rated construction, fire-retardant-treated wood or heavy timber construction. Fire-retardant-treated wood shall be labeled for



exterior use and meet the requirements of Section 2303.2 of the International Building Code.

e. Section R333.5 Vents. Where provided, attic ventilation openings, foundation or underfloor vents, or ventilation openings in vertical exterior walls and vents through roofs shall not exceed 144 square inches (0.0929 m<sup>2</sup>) each. Such vents shall be covered with noncombustible corrosion-resistant mesh with openings not to exceed 1/8 inch (3.2 mm) or shall be designed and approved to prevent flame or ember penetration into the structure.

f. Section R333.6 Moved Buildings. Any building or structure moved within or into any Wildfire Hazard Area shall be made to comply with all the requirements for new buildings in the Wildfire Area.

g. Section R333.7 Replacement or repairs to buildings or structures in existence prior to the adoption of this code that are replaced or have 25 percent or more replaced in a 12-month period shall meet the requirements of this section for new construction.

(nn) Chapter 11 (eleven): Chapter 11 (eleven) **Energy efficiency** is amended by the deletion of this chapter in its entirety, and replace with: "See 2021 International Energy Conservation Code as adopted for energy code requirements."

#### **Sec. 18-27. Copies on file and available for sale.**

At least one (1) copy of the International Residential Code, 2024 Edition, and the Chapters of the Appendix adopted herein, together with one (1) copy of the ordinance codified in this Chapter, shall be kept on file in the office of the Town Clerk or Building Official. Copies of the IRC shall be available for sale to the public at a moderate price.

#### **Sec. 18-28. Penalties.**

- (a) Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of the IRC shall be punished by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars (\$300.00), or by imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days or by such fine and imprisonment. Each separate day or any portion thereof, during which any violation of the IRC occurs or continues, shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punishable as herein provided. Any municipal offense under the IRC shall be deemed one of "strict liability."
- (b) The issuance or granting of a permit or approval of plans and specifications shall not be deemed or construed to be a permit for, or an approval of, any violation of the provisions of the IRC. No permit presuming to give authority to violate or

cancel the provisions of the IRC shall be valid, except insofar as the work or use, which it authorized, is lawful.

(c) The issuance of or granting of a permit or approval of a plan shall not prevent the administrative authority from thereafter requiring the correction of errors in said plans and specifications, or from preventing operations being carried on thereunder when in violation of the IRC or any other ordinance or from revoking any certificate of approval when issued in error.

**Section 10.** That Article VII of Chapter 18 of the Palisade Municipal Code is hereby repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **International Energy Conservation Code**

#### **Sec. 18-29. Adopted by reference.**

(a) The International Energy Conservation Code, 2021 Edition, published by the International Code Council, (hereafter “IECC” or “International Energy Conservation Code”) (or more current published energy compliance standards used in its entirety as approved by the Building Official) is hereby adopted as the Energy Conservation Code of County of Mesa regulating design, construction, quality of materials, erection, installations, alterations, repair, location, relocation, replacement, additions to, use and maintenance of the building envelope, mechanical, lighting and power systems within the Jurisdiction.

#### **Sec. 18-30. Amendments**

- (a) Section 103: Section R103.5 **Retention of construction documents** is hereby amended by deletion of this section in its entirety.
- (b) Section C104 & Section R104: Section C104.2 & Section R104.2 **Schedule of permit fees** are amended by the addition of the Ordinance, Exhibit A, Mesa County Building Department Fee Schedule. (Copy of Exhibit A, Mesa County Building Department Fee Schedule, is on file in the Building Inspection office.)
- (c) Section C104 & Section R104: Section C104.5 & Section R104.5 **Refunds** is amended by the deletion of this section in its entirety and replaced with the following: “Building permit fees may be refunded at the rate of 85% of the building permit fee provided the project for which the permit was issued has not commenced and/or inspections have not been conducted. No refunds will be made after work has commenced or after 180 days of issuance.”

- (d) Section C110 & Section R110: Section C110 & Section R110 **Board of appeals** are amended by deletion of these sections in their entirety and replaced with: “The Board of Appeals established in Part 13 of the Ordinance, shall serve as the Board of Appeals.”
- (e) Section C111 & Section R111: Section C111 & Section R111 **Duties of the code official** are hereby amended by the addition of these sections: “The *code official* is hereby authorized and directed to enforce the provisions of this code. The *code official* shall have the authority to render interpretations of this code and to adopt policies and procedures in order to clarify the application of its provisions. Such interpretations, policies and procedures shall be in compliance with the intent and purpose of this code. Such policies and procedures shall not have the effect of waiving requirements specifically provided for in this code.”
- (f) Section R402: Table R402.1.3 **Insulation minimum R-values and fenestration requirements by component** is amended by changing to the following values from the 2024 International Energy Conservation Code:

5 and Marine 4	0.30 <sub>i</sub>	0.5 <sub>5</sub>	N R	49 or 30ci <sub>j</sub>	30 or 20&5ci <sup>h</sup> or 13&10ci <sub>h</sub> or 0&20ci <sup>h</sup>	13/1 7	30 or 19&7.5c <sub>i</sub> or 15ci	15ci or 19 or 13&5c <sub>i</sub>	10ci , 4 ft <sup>k</sup>	15ci or 19 or 13&5c <sub>i</sub>
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- (g) Section R402: Table R402.1.3 **Insulation minimum R-values and fenestration requirements by component** is amended by adding the following footnotes:
- “j. Insulation entirely above roof deck.”
  - “k. Slab insulation shall be installed in accordance with Section R402.2.9.1.”
- (h) Section R402: Section R402.2.9.1 **Slab-on-grade floor insulation installation** is amended by the deletion of the second sentence and replaced with the following: “Insulation located below grade shall be extended the distance provided in Table R402.1.3, but need not exceed the footing depth in accordance with Section R403.1.4 of the *International Residential Code*.”
- (i) Section R408: Section R408.2 **Additional efficiency package options** is amended by the addition of the following sentence at the end of the section: “As an alternative, additional efficiency measures and credits complying with section R408 of the 2024 *International Energy Conservation Code*, shall be deemed equivalent.”
- (j) Section R404: Section R404.2 **Interior lighting controls** is amended by the deletion of this section in its entirety.

#### Sec. 18-31. Copies on file and available for sale.

At least one copy of the International Energy Conservation Code, 2021 Edition, together with one (1) copy of the ordinance codified in this Chapter, shall be kept on file in the

office of the Town Clerk or Building Official. Copies of said IECC shall be available for sale to the public at a moderate price.

**Sec. 18-32. Penalties.**

- (a) Any person, firm or corporation violating any provisions of the IECC shall be punished by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars (\$300.00), or imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days or by both such fine and imprisonment. Each separate day or any portion thereof, during which any violation of the IECC occurs or continues, shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punishable as herein provided. Any municipal offense under the IECC shall be deemed one of "strict liability."
- (b) The issuance of or granting of a permit or approval of plans and specifications shall not be deemed or construed to be a permit for, or an approval of, any violation of the provisions of IECC. No permit presuming to give authority to violate or cancel the provisions of the IECC shall be valid, except insofar as the work or use, which it authorized, is lawful.
- (c) The issuance of or granting of a permit or approval of plans shall not prevent the administrative authority from thereafter requiring the correction of errors in said plans and specifications, or from preventing construction operations being carried on thereunder when in violation of the IECC, or any other ordinance, or from revoking any certificate of approval when issued in error.

**Section 11.** That Article VIII of Chapter 18 of the Palisade Municipal Code is hereby repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

**ARTICLE VIII**

**Colorado Model Electric and Solar Ready Code**

**Sec. 18-33. Adopted by reference**

- (a) The Colorado Model Electric Ready and Solar Ready code language developed for adoption by the Energy Code Board, pursuant to Section 24-38.5-401(5), as required by HB22-1362, is adopted as written at the time of this code adoption to regulate the design, construction, quality of materials, erection, installations, alterations, repair, location, relocation, replacement, additions to, use and maintenance of the building envelope, mechanical, lighting and power systems within the Jurisdiction.

**Section 12.** That Article IX of Chapter 18 of the Palisade Municipal Code is hereby repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

## **ARTICLE IX**

### **National Electrical Code**

#### **Sec. 18-34. Adopted by reference.**

- (a) The National Electrical Code published by the National Fire Protection Association as amended and adopted by the State of Colorado Electrical Board pursuant to Title 12, Article 23 C.R.S. (hereafter “NEC” or “National Electrical Code”) is hereby adopted to regulate the design, construction, quality of materials, erection, installation, alteration, location, relocation, replacement, addition to, use and maintenance of electrical systems in the Jurisdiction.

#### **Sec. 18-35. Amendments**

Applicants shall pay for each electrical permit at the time of issuance, a fee for electrical permits and inspections as determined by Exhibit A Mesa County Building Department Fee Schedule. (Copy of Exhibit A Mesa County Building Department Fee Schedule, is on file in Building Inspection Office).

#### **Sec. 18-36. Copies on file and available for sale.**

At least one (1) copy of the National Electrical Code, together with one (1) copy of the ordinance codified in this Chapter, shall be kept on file in the office of the Town Clerk or Building Official. Copies of said NEC shall be available for sale to the public at a moderate price.

#### **Sec. 18-37. Penalties.**

- (a) Any person, firm or corporation violating any provisions of the NEC shall be punished by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars (\$300.00), or by imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days or by both such fine and imprisonment. Each separate day or any portion thereof, during which any violation of the NEC occurs or continues, shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punishable as herein provided. Any municipal offense under the NEC shall be deemed one of "strict liability."
- (b) The issuance of or granting of a permit or approval of plans and specifications shall not be deemed or construed to be a permit for, or an approval of, any violation of the provisions of the NEC. No permit presuming to give authority to

violate or cancel the provisions of the NEC shall be valid, except insofar as the work or use, which it authorized, is lawful.

- (c) The issuance of or granting of a permit or approval of plans shall not prevent the administrative authority from thereafter requiring the correction of errors in said plans and specifications, or from preventing construction operations being carried on thereunder when in violation of the NEC or any other ordinance or from revoking any certificate of approval when issued in error.

**Section 13.** Table 108-A Fee Schedule

All fees related to the activities of the Mesa County Building Department in relation to public compliance with the adopted Building Codes are given in the Mesa County Building Department Fee Schedule attached to this Ordinance as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference. In general, fees include permit fees, plan review fees and inspection fees. All questions regarding the calculation of fees for any specific project should be directed to the Mesa County Building Department.

**Section 14.** Repeal. Any ordinance of the Town of Palisade, or part thereof, whose provisions are in conflict with this ordinance, including but limited to, Articles II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, and IX of Chapter 18 of the Palisade Municipal Code are hereby repealed. Provided, however, this ordinance shall not affect the construction of buildings for which permits were issued prior to the effective date of this ordinance. All buildings now under construction pursuant to existing permits shall be constructed in conformance with the buildings codes applicable at the time of issuance of such permit. Provided further however, no construction authorized by an existing permit shall be altered without complying with the newly adopted building codes. The adoption of this ordinance shall not in any way prevent the prosecution of violations of any previous ordinance adopting previous building codes which occurred prior to the effective date of this ordinance. Where this ordinance and the codes adopted by reference herein are in conflict with other resolutions or ordinances of the Town of Palisade, Colorado, the more restrictive provision shall apply.

**Section 15.** Severability. Each section of this ordinance is an independent section and the holding of any section or part thereof to be unconstitutional, void or ineffective for any cause shall not be deemed to affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section or part thereof.

**Section 16.** Effective Date. Pursuant to Section 31-16-203, C.R.S., as amended, a public notice shall be published twice in a newspaper of general circulation within the Town, once at least fifteen (15) days preceding a public hearing, and once at least eight (8) days preceding the public hearing. The notice shall state the time and place of the hearing, shall state that copies of the primary codes to be considered for adoption are on file with the Town Clerk and are open to public inspection, shall contain a description deemed sufficient to give notice to interested persons of the purpose of the primary codes, the subject matters of said codes and the name and address of the

agency by which it has been enacted. The public hearing on the adoption of this ordinance was held on September 9, 2025.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect following adoption and approval by the Board of Trustees and thirty (30) days following the publication of the within ordinance.

INTRODUCED, READ, AND PUBLIC NOTICE ORDERED PUBLISHED, at a regular meeting of the Palisade Board of Trustees, on August 26, 2025.

INTRODUCED A SECOND TIME at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Palisade, Colorado held on September 9, 2025, PASSED, ADOPTED AND ORDERED PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO LAW.

TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO

By:

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Greg Mikolai, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Keli Frasier, CMC Town Clerk

**EXHIBIT A**  
**MESA COUNTY BUILDING DEPARTMENT FEE SCHEDULE**

All fees related to the activities of the Mesa County Building Department in relation to public compliance with the adopted Building Codes are given in this Exhibit A. In general, fees include permit fees, plan review fees and inspection fees. All questions regarding the calculation of fees for any specific project should be directed to the Mesa County Building Department.

**Table 1A- Mesa County Building Department Fees**

<b>Fee #</b>	<b>Fee Description</b>	<b>Fee Value</b>
1	Applies to any project subject to the "Group" and "Type of Construction" identified by the 2003 International Building Code. The fee associated with any project type separately listed in this table will supersede this Permit Fee.	Table 2
	Permit Fees generally include the permit and the inspections to support a project. Re-inspection and additional plan review fees may also apply.	
	<b>Plan Review Fees in addition to the Permit Fee:</b> New Commercial Construction, Addition, or Alteration to Commercial Building	Maximum 50% of the Value of the Calculated Permit Fee as determined to be appropriate by the Building Department
	<b>New One and Two Family Residence (R-3):</b> Applies to new one and two residential projects. The Building Department has the discretion to apply this fee or a portion thereof.	Maximum 15% of the Value of the Calculated Permit Fee as determined to be appropriate by the Building Department
	<b>Third Party Plan Review:</b> The Building Department may require certain projects to have plan reviews completed by a third party. Any costs between the applicant and the third party reviewer are negotiated and charged directly between the parties. The Building Department may assess an additional fee associated for the Building Department's additional review.	Maximum 20% of the Value of the Calculated Permit Fee as determined to be appropriate by the Building Department



**Table 1B- Mesa County Building Department Fees (continued)****Fees Related to Inspections**

<b>Fee #</b>	<b>Fee Description</b>	<b>Fee Value</b>
2	Inspections outside of normal business hours (2 hour minimum)	\$50. <sup>00</sup> per hour per person
3	Inspections or plan review for which no fee is specifically indicated	\$45. <sup>00</sup> per hour per person
4	Re-inspection Fee	\$50. <sup>00</sup> first re-inspection \$100. <sup>00</sup> for addition re-inspection on same violation
5	Same day re-inspection if staff is available	\$100. <sup>00</sup> in addition to required Re-inspection fee (4)
6	When inspections are required after Temporary Certificate of Occupancy expires Extensions before TCO expires	\$250. <sup>00</sup>  \$100. <sup>00</sup>

**Project Specific Permit Fees**

<b>Fee #</b>	<b>Fee Description</b>	<b>Fee Value</b>
7	Demolition Permit	\$35. <sup>00</sup>
8	Move on Houses Permit Fee	Table 2 <sup>(2)</sup>
9	Signs Illuminated and Non Illuminated Permit Fee	Table 2 <sup>(1)</sup>
10	Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, Hot Tubs, Pools & Spas Permit Fee	Table 2 <sup>(1)</sup>
11	Manufactured Homes Permit Fee	\$100. <sup>00</sup>
12	Manufactured Home on required Permanent Foundation Permit Fee	\$150. <sup>00</sup>
13	International Residential Code (IRC) Certified Homes Permit Fee	\$150. <sup>00</sup>
14	Office/ Construction Trailer Permit Fee	\$150. <sup>00</sup> per section
15	Change in Use/ Occupation Valuation Permit Fee Under \$2,000 Valuation  Over \$2,000 Valuation	\$35. <sup>00</sup>  Table 2 <sup>(1)</sup>
16	Decks, Patio Covers, Storage Sheds & Open Carports Permit Fee Less than 400 sq. ft. in area and accessory to residences  Plumbing, Electrical & Mechanical  Over 400 sq. ft. in area: Valuation Calculated at \$15. <sup>00</sup> per sq. ft.	\$35. <sup>00</sup>  Table 2 <sup>(1)</sup>  Table 2

<sup>(1)</sup> "Total Valuation" is the actual cost of project labor and materials.<sup>(2)</sup> "Total Valuation" is determined by Table 3A and 3B.

Table 2- Mesa County Permit Fee Schedule

Total Valuation	Permit Fee (All Permit Fees Rounded up to the next dollar)
Up to \$500. <sup>00</sup>	\$35. <sup>00</sup>
\$500. <sup>01</sup> to \$2,000	\$35. <sup>00</sup> for the first \$500. <sup>00</sup> plus \$2. <sup>20</sup> for each additional \$100. <sup>00</sup> or fraction thereof, to and including \$2,000
\$2,000. <sup>01</sup> to \$25,000	\$68. <sup>00</sup> for the first \$2,000. <sup>00</sup> plus \$9. <sup>90</sup> for each additional \$1,000. <sup>00</sup> or fraction thereof, to and including \$25,000
\$25,000. <sup>01</sup> to \$50,000	\$295. <sup>70</sup> for the first \$25,000. <sup>00</sup> plus \$7. <sup>20</sup> for each additional \$1,000. <sup>00</sup> or fraction thereof, to and including \$50,000
\$50,000. <sup>01</sup> to \$100,000	\$475. <sup>70</sup> for the first \$50,000. <sup>00</sup> plus \$5. <sup>00</sup> for each additional \$1,000. <sup>00</sup> or fraction thereof, to and including \$100,000
\$100,000. <sup>01</sup> to \$500,000	\$725. <sup>70</sup> for the first \$100,000. <sup>00</sup> plus \$3. <sup>90</sup> for each additional \$1,000. <sup>00</sup> or fraction thereof, to and including \$500,000
\$500,00. <sup>01</sup> to \$1,000,000	\$2,285. <sup>70</sup> for the first \$500,000. <sup>00</sup> plus \$3. <sup>30</sup> for each additional \$1,000. <sup>00</sup> or fraction thereof, to and including \$1,000,000
\$1,000,000. <sup>01</sup> And up	\$3,935. <sup>70</sup> for the first \$1,000,000. <sup>00</sup> plus \$2. <sup>20</sup> for each additional \$1,000. <sup>00</sup> or fraction thereof

## Notes:

1. To determine the Total Valuation for new construction or additions, select the applicable Square Foot Construction Cost multiplier in Table 3A and 3B- Building Valuation Data. The product of the identified multiplier and the area, in square feet, of the outside dimension of the proposed construction project is the Total Valuation.
2. The Total Valuation for remodels is the actual labor and material cost of the project.

Table 3A- Building Valuation Data

Group	Type of Construction								
	IA	IB	IIA	IIB	IIIA	IIIB	IV	VA	VB
A-1 Assembly, Theaters, with stage	160.69	153.29	149.76	143.55	133.59	132.90	138.98	123.75	119.25
A-1 Assembly, Theaters, without stage	148.41	141.02	137.48	131.28	121.31	120.63	126.71	111.47	106.98
A-2 Assembly nightclubs	118.34	115.03	112.14	107.94	100.98	99.751	104.00	91.98	88.94
A-2 Assembly, restaurants, bars, banquet halls	117.34	114.03	110.14	106.94	98.98	98.75	103.00	89.98	87.94
A-3 Assembly, churches	149.66	142.27	138.73	132.52	122.51	121.82	127.96	112.67	108.17
A-3 Assembly, general, community halls, libraries, museums	119.71	111.78	107.24	102.03	91.08	91.39	97.46	81.24	77.74
A-4 Assembly, arenas	117.34	114.03	110.14	106.94	98.98	98.75	103.00	89.98	87.94
B Business	119.85	115.54	111.79	106.56	95.15	94.65	102.31	84.79	81.61
E Educational	128.37	124.05	120.50	115.17	106.24	103.73	111.36	94.92	91.38
F-1 Factory and industrial, moderate hazard	74.13	70.68	66.42	64.36	55.62	56.61	61.75	47.42	45.06
F-2 Factory and industrial, low hazard	73.13	69.68	66.42	63.36	55.62	55.61	60.75	47.42	44.06
H-1 High Hazard, explosives	69.75	66.29	63.04	59.97	52.43	52.42	57.36	44.23	NP
H234 High Hazard	69.75	66.29	63.04	59.97	52.43	52.42	57.36	44.23	40.88
H-5 HPM	119.85	115.54	111.79	106.56	95.15	94.65	102.31	84.79	81.61
I-1 Institutional, supervised environment	119.19	115.10	112.01	107.47	98.61	98.56	104.22	90.64	87.06
I-2 Institutional incapacitated	200.36	196.04	192.30	187.07	175.32	NP	182.81	164.96	NP
I-3 Institutional, restrained	137.99	133.67	129.93	124.70	114.47	112.98	120.44	104.12	98.94

Table 3A- Building Valuation Data (continued)

Group	Type of Construction								
	IA	IB	IIA	IIB	IIIA	IIIB	IV	VA	VB
1-4 Institutional, day care facilities	119.19	115.10	112.01	107.47	98.61	98.56	104.22	90.64	87.06
M Mercantile	88.15	84.83	80.95	71.74	70.26	70.02	73.81	61.26	59.22
R-1 Residential, hotels	120.33	116.24	113.15	108.61	99.80	99.75	105.41	91.83	88.25
R-2 Residential, multi-family	100.33	96.24	93.15	88.61	79.95	79.90	85.56	71.98	68.40
R-3 Residential, one and two-family	96.19	93.52	91.22	88.71	84.51	84.36	87.22	80.46	74.68
R-4 Residential, care/assisted living facilities	119.19	115.10	112.01	107.47	98.61	98.56	104.22	90.64	87.06
S-1 Storage, moderate hazard	68.75	65.29	61.04	58.97	50.43	51.42	56.36	42.23	39.88
S-2 Storage, low hazard	67.75	64.29	61.04	57.97	50.43	50.42	55.36	42.23	38.88
U Utility, miscellaneous	52.28	49.43	46.49	44.17	38.31	38.31	41.69	31.50	29.99

## Notes:

1. Private Garages use Utility, miscellaneous Group
2. Unfinished basements (all use groups) = \$15.<sup>00</sup> per sq. ft.
3. For shell only buildings, deduct 20 percent
4. N.P. = Not Permitted
5. Complete unfinished residential basements \$40.<sup>00</sup> per sq. ft.
6. The values in this table are from the 2003 International Building Code (IBC). This reference to the 2003 IBC is intended to only apply to the values listed in this Table. For all other requirements of the Mesa County Building Code, including the definition of any Group or Construction Type, the version of the IBC that applies is the one adopted by the Building Department.

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public notice is hereby given that at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Palisade, Colorado, to be held on September 9, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Palisade Civic Center, 341 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Palisade, Colorado, the Board will hold a public hearing to consider an Ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO, ADOPTING AND AMENDING THE LATEST EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE, THE COLORADO PLUMBING AND FUEL GAS CODE, THE INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, THE INTERNATIONAL EXISTING BUILDING CODE, THE INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE, THE INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE, THE COLORADO MODEL ELECTRIC READY AND SOLAR READY CODE AND THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF PALISADE, IN CONFLICT OR INCONSISTENT HEREWITH; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THESE PRIMARY CODES; AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE AND THE CODES ADOPTED HEREIN BY REFERENCE.

The “International Building Code”, 2024 Edition, is published by the International Code Council, 500 New Jersey Avenue, NW, 6th Floor, Washington D.C. 20001, for the purpose of “establishing minimum standards for the regulation and control of the design, construction, quality of materials, erection, installation, alteration, repair, location, replacement, addition to, use and occupancy, maintenance or demolition of any building or structure or any appurtenances connected or attached to such buildings or structures except for one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses.”

The “International Fuel Gas Code”, 2024 Edition, is published by the International Code Council, 500 New Jersey Avenue, NW, 6th Floor, Washington D.C. 20001, for the purpose of “establishing minimum standards for the regulation and control of the design, construction, quality of materials, erection, installation, alteration, repair, location, replacement, addition to, use and occupancy, maintenance or use of fuel gas systems.”

The “International Plumbing Code”, 2024 Edition, is published by the International Code Council, 500 New Jersey Avenue, NW, 6th Floor, Washington D.C. 20001, for the purpose of “establishing minimum standards for the regulation and control of the design, construction, quality of materials, erection, installation, alteration, repair, location, replacement, addition to, use or maintenance of any plumbing system.”

The “International Mechanical Code”, 2024 Edition, is published by the International Code Council, 500 New Jersey Avenue, NW, 6th Floor, Washington D.C. 20001, for the purpose of “establishing minimum standards for the regulation and control of the design, construction, quality of materials, erection, installation, alteration, repair, location, replacement, addition to, use or maintenance of heating, ventilating, cooling, refrigeration system, incinerators, or other miscellaneous heat-producing appliances.”

The “International Existing Building Code”, 2024 Edition, is published by the International Code Council, 500 New Jersey Avenue, NW, 6th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20001, for the purpose of establishing minimum requirements for existing buildings using prescriptive and performance-related provisions to encourage the use and reuse of existing buildings. This code covers repair, alteration, addition, and change of occupancy for existing buildings and historic buildings, while achieving

appropriate levels of safety without requiring full compliance with the new construction requirements contained in the other I-Codes

The “International Residential Code”, 2024 Edition, is published by the International Code Council, 500 New Jersey Avenue, NW, 6th Floor, Washington D.C. 20001, for the purpose of “establishing minimum standards for the regulation and control of the design, construction, quality of materials, erection, installation, alteration, repair, location, replacement, addition to, use and occupancy, maintenance or demolition of one- and two- family dwellings not more than three stories in height and their accessory structures.”

The “International Energy Conservation Code”, 2021 Edition, is published by the International Code Council, 500 New Jersey Avenue, NW, 6th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20001, for the purpose of “establishing minimum standards for the regulation of the design and construction of buildings for the effective use of energy. This code is intended to provide flexibility to permit the use of innovative approaches and techniques to achieve the effective use of energy”.

The “Colorado Model Electric Ready and Solar Ready Code” was published by the Colorado Energy Office and the Colorado Department of Local Affairs on June 1, 2023, as required by HB22-1362 to regulate the design and construction of buildings to prepare new buildings for solar photovoltaic or solar thermal, electric vehicle charging infrastructure, and electrification of building systems.

The “National Electrical Code”, 2021 Edition, is published by the National Fire Protection Association, One Battery March Park, Quincy, Massachusetts 02169, for the purpose and subject “of minimum regulations for the practical safeguarding of persons and property from the hazards arising from the use of electricity.”

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Ordinance to be considered at said public hearing also contains proposed amendments to the primary codes to be adopted by reference, provides for penalties for violations of the provisions of the primary codes in said Ordinance, provides for the maintenance of official copies of such codes, provides for the sale of copies of such codes, provides for repeal of certain existing Town ordinances, and provides for the effective date of the Ordinance to be considered at said public hearing.

PLEASE FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that copies of the primary code being considered for adoption, and copies of the proposed Ordinance adopting said code, are on file with the Palisade Town Clerk and are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Palisade Town Hall, 175 East Third Street, Palisade, Colorado 81526. Any questions concerning the proposed Ordinance before the Board of Trustees of the Town of Palisade, Colorado, or questions concerning the primary codes being considered for adoption may be directed to Town Hall in person or by telephone at (970) 464-5602.

TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Keli Fraser", is written over a horizontal line.

Keli Fraser, CMC Town Clerk

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**PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Agenda Item Cover Sheet**

**Meeting Date:**            **August 26, 2025**

**Re:**                            **Non-Profit/Organization Budget 2026 Requests**

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**SUMMARY:**

The Palisade Board of Trustees will hear presentations from the following entities for funding in 2026.

*(In alphabetical order)*

- Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado (AGNC)
- Colorado West Land Trust
- Grand Junction Sports Commission
- Grand Junction Economic Partnership (GJEP)
- Grand Valley Outdoor Recreation Coalition
- LaPlaza
- One River Front
- Palisade Chamber of Commerce
- Palisade Historical Society
- Rivers Edge West

**BOARD DIRECTION:**

No decisions will be made at this meeting, and all requests heard will be considered during budget work sessions for the 2026 Town of Palisade budget.



## COLORADO WEST LAND TRUST

Conserving Land. Connecting People. Enriching Lives.

Palisade Board of Trustees  
Town of Palisade  
175 East 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Palisade, CO 81526

August 18, 2025

Dear Board of Trustees:

Colorado West Land Trust seeks to apply for funding from the Town of Palisade for the 2026 calendar year. This funding request of \$10,000 is to support the Buffer (Community Separator Program) and work to conserve lands around Palisade.

This support will build on a longstanding partnership between the Land Trust and the Town of Palisade and other municipalities that seeks to conserve lands between Palisade and Clifton and Fruita and Grand Junction. This award-winning partnership was based on the understanding that the agricultural lands and wildlife habitat between the municipalities contribute greatly to the economy, tourism, and way of life in the Grand Valley. By conserving some of these key landscapes, we retain the ability to produce peaches, facilitate wineries and wine tourism, support ranches, protect wildlife habitat, and enhance riparian lands in and around the Town of Palisade.

The Land Trust was founded in Palisade 45 years ago by farmers that had a long-term vision for a sustainable fruit industry. Since 1980, CWLT has conserved over 1,200 acres of land around Palisade which has helped ensure a viable fruit industry. At the same time this has also supported a booming agri-tourism industry that depends on the continuation of wineries and orchards and helps sustain the local economy. The Land Trust is proud to lead these conservation efforts and looks forward to working with the Town to achieve even more conservation outcomes for our community.

We greatly appreciate our continued partnership with the Town of Palisade and look forward to sharing more at a future Town Council meeting. Please do not hesitate to be in touch with any questions.

Thank you,

Ilana Moir  
Director of Conservation





August 20, 2025

Town of Palisade  
175 East 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Palisade, Colorado 81526

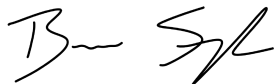
As the Executive Director, I am writing this letter on behalf of the Grand Junction Sports Commission to request funding from the Town of Palisade. Celebrating our tenth year as a nonprofit serving western Colorado, the Grand Junction Sports Commission recruits, supports, and creates sporting events to generate sports tourism and economic impact for all of Mesa County. In 2024, it was estimated that sports tourism accounted for over \$60,000,000 in impact to the local economy.

Working directly with the Town of Palisade, the Sports Commission has promoted and produced the Just Peachy Run Series including 5k and 10k runs as well as kids races. Since 2022, this event has generated over \$30,000 in support of the Town of Palisade. In 2025 alone, the event raised \$7,386 for the Police and Fire Departments and an additional \$2,620 for the Palisade Lions Club. The Sports Commission is proud to partner with the community to celebrate health and wellness while supporting many different groups such as first responders, at risk youth, and the outdoor recreation community. To further our services and impact on this community, the Sports Commission is requesting \$10,000 in funding from the Town of Palisade, which will go directly towards creating new events and more opportunities through sport.

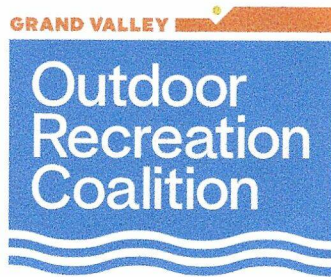
In 2024 the Grand Junction Sports Commission announced five national championships coming to Mesa County, including the USA Cycling Collegiate Mountain Bike and Road National Championships. As the closest community to the Mountain Bike National Championships and a key hub for the Road National Championships, Palisade will welcome athletes, families, and spectators from across the country. These events bring more visitors that support local businesses, and highlight the town's amenities and attractions. These championship events help position our community as a top destination on the national stage.

Thank you for your consideration in supporting the Grand Junction Sports Commission.

Sincerely,



Ben Snyder  
Executive Director  
Greater Grand Junction Sports Commission  
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**August 20, 2025**

Palisade Board of Trustees  
c/o Town Clerk  
175 E 3rd Street  
Palisade, CO 81526

**Subject: Funding Support Request – Outdoor Recreation Master Plan & Feasibility Study**

Dear Trustees,

On behalf of the Grand Valley Outdoor Recreation Coalition (GVORC), I respectfully request the Town of Palisade's funding support for our Outdoor Recreation Master Plan & Feasibility Study. This regional initiative will guide the long-term preservation, enhancement, and expansion of outdoor recreation across Mesa County, benefiting communities like Palisade through sustainable growth, economic opportunity, and environmental stewardship.

The plan will be data-driven, community-led, and aimed at improving infrastructure, access, and collaboration across jurisdictions. Key goals include:

- Auditing existing recreation infrastructure
- Analyzing usage patterns via heat maps, mobility data, and economic forecasts
- Identifying gaps, duplications, and areas for expansion
- Developing a prioritized project pipeline and funding strategy
- Strengthening regional coordination and public engagement
- Ensuring long-term sustainability and resilience

Outdoor recreation is vital to Palisade's identity and economy. Your support will help ensure the plan reflects local priorities while advancing a unified, region-wide vision. We look forward to providing additional details when we present this initiative to the board directly.

Thank you for your consideration and continued commitment to the Grand Valley's outdoor future.

Sincerely,

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**Chandler D. Smith**  
Executive Director  
Grand Valley Outdoor Recreation Coalition  
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Town of Palisade Board of Trustees

175 E 3rd Street

Palisade, CO 81526

Dear Mayor and Members of the Board of Trustees,

On behalf of La Plaza, I write to you with gratitude and deep respect for the continued collaboration between the Town of Palisade and our organization. The support you have provided plays a vital role in strengthening what we often call the "strength of Palisade", the orchard workers whose labor sustains both our community and local economy.

At La Plaza, we consistently remind our members that we do not walk this journey alone. The work we do is only possible because of strong partnerships with the Town, as well as with funders, private donors, and other community collaborators. Together, these relationships allow us to deliver services that bring stability, support, and hope to those who need it most.

This current year has been unlike any other. The fear and uncertainty within the migrant and immigrant community remain constant, like the story of the child who cried wolf, with the difference that, for our families, the threat never truly fades. Living on edge has become a daily reality. In response, La Plaza continues to focus on creating spaces of trust, belonging, and wellbeing. Through the dedication of our highly qualified staff and the steady, careful work we do, we have built a foundation of empowerment for our community.

Today, I humbly ask the Board of Trustees to continue standing with us in this journey. A donation of \$8,000 could help us immensely in moving forward with the project "Faces of the Harvest" that we started in 2024 and that had a significant expansion to make the ag workers and the town visible to many and it would help us move forward with the next steps, bringing the voices of the harvest heard. This project has multiple purposes, including visibility and appreciation for the orchard workers, reconnecting people with the food and what it takes to reach tables and humanizing the process as a whole. At the same time, your support would also make it possible for staff development, to organize activities and programs that bring relief, joy, and wellness to our members. Events such as our regular Resource Dinners during the harvest seasons, our annual Health Fair and the Sports Tournament for orchard workers, the access to

a food pantry of choice with culture appropriate options, emergency funds, are just a few examples of the initiatives that strengthen community bonds and uplift the individuals who contribute so much to Palisade.

We would be grateful for your collaboration in continuing to build a healthier, stronger, and more inclusive Palisade.

With appreciation,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Iriana Medina". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Iriana" being more prominent than the last name "Medina".

Iriana Medina

Executive Director

La Plaza – Palisade, CO





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August 11, 2025

Town of Palisade  
Members of the Board of Trustees  
PO Box 128  
Palisade, CO 81526

**RE: Grant application for 2026 funding for One Riverfront**

Dear Members of the Board of Trustees:

One Riverfront has been an active participant since 1987 in the county-wide Riverfront Project, which focuses on developing trails and open spaces. We are eager to continue collaborating with our government partners and elected officials to further this vision. Our partnerships have been instrumental in transforming the Riverfront Project into a significant multi-community connector, and we are requesting your continued financial support.

One Riverfront is composed of the Colorado Riverfront Commission, which serves as the working arm, and the Colorado Riverfront Foundation, Inc. (RFF), a 503(c) non-profit organization. We are still working to complete crucial links in the Riverfront Project that connect to Palisade. Our immediate priorities include establishing connections west from Palisade to Clifton and east from Palisade to the Cameo Education and Shooting Complex.

The Riverfront Project significantly enhances the quality of life and promotes healthy lifestyles for our residents. Additionally, One Riverfront recognizes the project's potential as an economic catalyst, attracting visitors, tourists, and businesses considering relocation to the Grand Valley.

We strongly endorse One Riverfront's grant request to the Town of Palisade for \$3,604. It is worth noting that One Riverfront is requesting the same funding amount as in 2023, demonstrating their continued fiscal responsibility.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Varner".

David Varner  
Co-chair

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Hayden Janssen".

Hayden Janssen  
Vice-Chair



**To the Honorable Board of Trustees**

Town of Palisade  
Palisade, Colorado

Dear Trustees,

On behalf of the Palisade Chamber of Commerce, I respectfully request that the Town of Palisade reinstate its \$15,000 annual gift to the Chamber in the 2026 municipal budget. This investment is not simply a contribution to our organization—it is an investment in the well-being of Palisade residents through a stronger, more resilient economy.

Over the past four years, while the Town's support of the Chamber has been significantly reduced, our organization has continued to step up. Rather than scaling back, we expanded our role as a partner in enhancing quality of life for residents. We created *WalkAbout Wednesdays*, a monthly summer art and culture walk that directly supports the Town's Palisade Art Vision committee, bringing new energy into our downtown. We also launched *Winter Rewards*, a program that rewards people for shopping locally during the slower months, keeping commerce circulating and ensuring businesses remain open to serve residents year-round. These are tangible examples of how the Chamber has acted not just for businesses, but for the community as a whole.

At the same time, we have strategically built capacity. In the last two years, we hired three new staff members with expertise in economic development and destination marketing. Skills that help bring more visitors, jobs, and investment into Palisade. We recruited a more diverse and representative board that reflects the needs of the business community, and we established the Greater Palisade Agricultural Foundation, a 501(c)(3) that sustains the agricultural heritage our residents value while creating opportunities for education, workforce development, and community pride. In fact, in just the last three years, the Chamber has grown its operating budget by nearly \$200,000, without additional Town support, demonstrating both our ability to leverage resources effectively and the strong confidence the business community places in us. With the Town as a renewed partner, we can channel that growth toward initiatives that directly enhance resident well-being as well as business vitality.

Under current leadership, Palisade has welcomed several new businesses in just the last two years. Businesses that create jobs, generate tax revenue, and enrich the daily lives of our residents. When Town staff sought guidance on how to deploy AGNC funding, they turned to the Chamber. The result was a comprehensive economic development study, offering data-driven, actionable strategies for sustainable growth. We are now incorporating this

research into our strategic plan, ensuring that Palisade's future is rooted in evidence and aligned with the values of our community.

Chambers of commerce are proven partners in building thriving communities. We are not simply event planners. Yes, we produce the Palisade Peach Festival, the region's largest event with the highest documented economic impact, but our mission is broader: to find solutions that help communities grow sustainably, balancing the needs of residents, businesses, and local government. Strong chambers create strong economies, and strong economies, in turn, create thriving towns.

We also understand your priority as trustees: to represent residents. At times, this has meant difficult decisions that prioritize immediate resident concerns over long-term business interests. Yet research consistently shows that when businesses thrive, residents benefit, through stronger local services, more vibrant amenities, increased employment opportunities, and enhanced community identity. With a stronger Chamber-Town partnership, we can work together to shift resident sentiment toward seeing businesses and residents not as opposing interests, but as partners in community well-being.

We ask that you view the Chamber's \$15,000 reinstatement not as an expense, but as a strategic investment in Palisade's future. Studies consistently show that for every dollar invested in a chamber of commerce, the return is seen in new business growth, stronger tax revenues, job creation, and improved quality of life for residents.

The Palisade Chamber of Commerce has long been a trusted leader in driving sustainable economic development. Our business community already sees us as their partner and advocate. It is our sincere hope that the Town of Palisade will reaffirm that same recognition. Together, we can ensure that Palisade continues to be not only a wonderful place to visit, but a place where residents feel proud to live and businesses have the foundation to thrive.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration. We remain committed to working side-by-side with the Town of Palisade to build a future that serves our residents, sustains our heritage, and strengthens our economy.

With appreciation and commitment,

Jessica Burford  
President & CEO  
Palisade Chamber of Commerce



August 21, 2025

Board of Directors  
Town of Palisade  
P.O. Box 128  
Palisade, CO 81526

Dear Greg, Janet, and Trustees:

With sincere appreciation to the Town of Palisade for its support, the Palisade Historical Society continues to keep Palisade's first History Museum open four days a week all year! Since opening day in 2021, we've had more than 2,443 visitors! Those who come from out-of-town often stay in Palisade for lunch and/or visit other local destinations. In addition, more than 1,976 people have come to our monthly history talks at The Ordinary Fellow Winery which began in December 2021. We also continue to provide programs for schools and other organizations as requested which adds another 1,303 students and contacts since 2021. We know these accomplishments are valuable to the Town, and taxpayers who benefit from our efforts to communicate Palisade's unique history and create a strong sense of local pride.

If you haven't seen the hand-painted peach quilt which details 90 varieties of peaches which was on display at the Blue Pig Gallery last summer, it is there again for a few more days. The wonderful quilt draws people from all over the state! Our 2025 Calendar with historic then and now photos was successful, and we just released the 2026 calendar which features photos of the Peach Quilt and information about Palisade peaches.

We also contributed to the Rocky Mountain PBS Colorado Experience segment, "Palisade Peaches," which was broadcast live last November 14<sup>th</sup> and continues to reach thousands of viewers through their website and You Tube viewer options as well as repeat broadcasts and new videos on the topic. Local television reporters have also come to the museum to do positive stories about Palisade events and history.

As an all-volunteer organization, during the last four years, our volunteers have logged more than 5,248 hours at the Museum, and another 603.5 hours at the history talks and 417.25 hours for school classes and programs. This year's visitors to the Museum are about the same as last year's, and visitors to the monthly history talks have increased, despite reported decreases in tourism in the State. In addition to documented hours on site, our volunteers spend thousands of hours on administrative tasks to keep the non-profit, operational in addition to creating newsletters and displays, giving guided tours, maintaining the website, posting information on social media, recording oral histories, and updating publications. Our *Historic Palisade Coloring Book* is in its fifth printing and has been used in nine elementary schools in the Valley!

We also spend hundreds of hours researching information requests from individuals, journalists, students, and educators. We actively collaborate with area historical organizations, especially the Museums of the West, the Mesa County Historical Society, and the Plateau Valley Historical Society. We continue to participate in the America 250 Colorado 150 planning for the United States and Colorado Statehood celebration in 2026. Our next two history talks will highlight what happened here in 1776 and 1876. The Atomic Legacy Cabin is creating a display about WWII this month, with items on loan from us including information about the German POWs who worked in our peach harvests in 1944 and 1945.

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The History Museum has been a huge step forward for our all-volunteer, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization which was organized in March 2010. Partnership with the Town of Palisade has been instrumental in this accomplishment. We look forward to working with you on signage for the museum required by the new roundabout, a potential separation of the History Museum from the residential property, and hopefully, signs on the new sidewalk along Elberta informing locals and visitors of Palisade's interesting history, especially our unique agricultural heritage.

As we continue to operate Palisade's first history museum and provide expanded service to the community, the Palisade Historical Society respectfully invites the continued financial investment by the Town of Palisade, requesting \$10,000 to support expenses for our coming fiscal year (April 1, 2026-March 31, 2027).

Here are details about our Operating Revenues and Expenses for 2025 to date:

Operating Revenues and Expenses  
January 1 – Current

Revenues to date

Donations	\$14,303
Town of Palisade	<u>10,000</u>
REVENUES	<u>\$24,303</u>

Expenses to date

*Digitizing archival issues of <i>The Palisade Tribune</i>	\$9,468
Printing/reprinting publications	5,567
Liability and D&O Insurance – due October	1,698
Administrative – Operations, programs	3,233
Museum – maintenance, repairs, cleaning, displays	<u>2,424</u>
EXPENSES	<u>\$22,390</u>

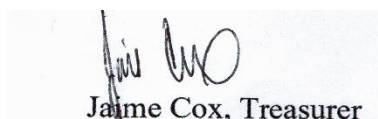
\*Digitizing additional issues of *The Palisade Tribune*, to add to the searchable Colorado Historic Newspaper Collection and Plains to Peaks database which currently have 4,567 issues – every archival copy we currently have from 1903-1994. Approximately 250 more issues are in process, which will be every archival issue in our collection through December 1999.

As always, we thank the Town of Palisade for its leadership level of support of the Historical Society and the History Museum, and for your thoughtful consideration of this request to continue our complementary work in and on behalf of Palisade. We welcome the opportunity to further explore how we, together, can synergize promotion of our community, its history, current offerings and amenities, and its vision for the future.

Sincerely,



JoAnn E. Rasmussen, Chair



Jaime Cox, Treasurer



Dear Mayor and Trustees,

On behalf of RiversEdge West and the Grand Valley River Corridor Initiative (RCI), I am writing to respectfully request the opportunity to present at your upcoming Board of Trustees meeting and to ask for the Town of Palisade's continued support in the amount of **\$2,500** for 2026.

RCI was launched in 2020 through a partnership between RiversEdge West, American Rivers, Colorado Mesa University, and numerous local stakeholders. Its mission is to steward a resilient, vibrant, and healthy river corridor that supports agriculture, habitat and wildlife, recreation, economic growth, and sustainable development benefiting todays and future generations.

With the Town of Palisade's generous support to date, RCI has been able to convene a broad network of partners, conduct scientific studies and assessments, and participate in restoration planning to ensure coordinated and effective action. These efforts have particular importance in places like Riverbend Park, which is both a community asset and a focal point for river stewardship in the Grand Valley.

The requested \$2,500 contribution will help ensure that this important work continues and grows. Specifically, it will strengthen the resiliency of the river corridor for ecological and community benefits, enhance access to natural spaces and recreation, and leverage outside funding to reduce direct costs to the Town and its taxpayers.

We believe this investment will bring lasting benefits to Palisade and help ensure a resilient river corridor that supports community values today and for future generations.

Thank you for your consideration and for your ongoing partnership in this work. Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

Rusty Lloyd  
Executive Director  
RiversEdge West

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