



## Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: 1/27/2025

To: Mayor Kudron & Town Trustees

From: Sarah Weekes, Event Manager

### **ITEM:**

**A NEW SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT APPLICATION & RESOLUTION 06-2025, A RESOLUTION SETTING CERTAIN FEES FOR COLORADO SKIJORING'S SPECIAL EVENT, "GRAND LAKE SKIJORING"**

### **BACKGROUND:**

Skijoring is a winter sport that originated as a way to travel across snow-covered landscapes. The sport's history can be tracked back hundreds of years to Scandinavia, where the Sami people used reindeer to pull them across the snow. Skijoring is now a competitive sport where competitors navigate a course of jumps, gates and sometimes spear rings. Skijoring is practiced by cowboys, skiers and horses. There are also some versions of the sport where riders tour behind dogs, cars or snowmobiles.

Colorado Skijoring is a non-profit organization established this year to facilitate the first Grand Lake Skijoring Event on March 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025. It has been the desire to bring Skijoring to Grand Lake for several years. This event is expected to bring many competitors and spectators to Grand Lake to enjoy the fun and excitement of the sport.

They request the Board waive the new event fee of \$250 as they are a non-profit.

When reviewing the application, the Board of Trustees is to consider the following:

***Municipal Code 11-6-3(C): Special Event Permit Application Review and Approval.***

*1. Review Considerations. The following factors shall be considered prior to approval of a SEP:*

- (a) The predominant use of the primary facility being used; and*
- (b) The proposed event and the event hours; and*
- (c) Neighborhood compatibility; and*
- (d) Effect of the proposed event on the community; and*
- (e) The Town's anticipated cost in staff time and equipment use; and*
- (f) The benefit to non-profit from the event; and*



- (g)The benefit to local businesses from the event; and*
- (h)Duplication of services or sale items; and*
- (i)Nature of the past event issues or similar past event issues.*

#### **FISCAL NOTE**

In 2025, the Board of Trustees has not waived any fees for Colorado Skijoring.

#### **SUGGESTED MOTIONS**

*I make a motion to approve/(deny) **A NEW SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT APPLICATION & RESOLUTION 06-2025, A RESOLUTION SETTING CERTAIN FEES FOR COLORADO SKIJORING'S SPECIAL EVENT, "GRAND LAKE SKIJORING"***