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**Sent:** Tuesday, October 1, 2024 9:23 AM  
**To:** 'Ken Riley'; info@keystoneco.gov; Council@townofkeystone.us; 'John Crone'  
**Cc:** 'Mark Mathews'  
**Subject:** A refresh was part of why Keystone became a town.  
**Attachments:** RE: Planning Commission Update (16.6 KB)

Mayor Riley:

In March of this year, eight applicants earnestly applied for the new Keystone Planning Commission positions. However, those applicants were not apparently sufficient for you, and on March 25<sup>th</sup>, you solicited the Keystone Neighbourhood Company director's application (as the attached email shows).

As a homeowner in Keystone that attended many incorporation discussions, I ask that rather than trying to recreate the old alliances of the past with Vail Resorts, that you instead respect the interests of the many Keystone residents that wish for Keystone to be more independent and less aligned from the interests and profits of Vail Resorts.

Your interest in bringing Mr. Mathews of KNC onboard to the Planning Commission, while over-riding the earnest interests of the eight other qualified candidates, sheds light on why you are dismissive of the many homeowners and residents in the area that question the enormous payments that we make to Keystone Neighbourhood Company, given now that we also have a town of Keystone that is slated to provide many of the same services.

The homeowners of KNC underwrite the lion's share of KNC funds (about 2/3) of the total revenues, yet we are allocated a minority of votes and seats on the executive board. And, even though Mr. Mathews has been the director of KNC for what appears to be decades, and we homeowners underwrite a very generous salary for him, we are denied from viewing his resume or qualifications for that position.

The only thing we can say for sure, given a quick Google search, is that Mr. Mathews interests lie in maintaining Vail Resorts' interests in directing the dollars that we homeowners provide.

Instead of trying to bring onboard to Keystone, and resurrect the long and stale alignments with Vail Resorts, I ask that you instead respect the interests of the many Keystone residents and homeowners that were hoping for a fresh start and a pivot away from funding Vail Resorts' interests, when they voted for incorporation.

Thank you.

Maureen Barrett  
Evergreen, Keystone