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### **Vail Town Council Candidate 2017**



#### **Taylor Strickland**

Age: 24

Career: Communications and Marketing Consultant.

Business: Public Relations Professional

Residence: Racquet Club Neighborhood – East Vail

Years in Vail: 2

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#### **Candidate Dialogue:**

Please tell us:

2. What are your top five priorities for the next 5, 25 and 50 years to achieve on behalf of:
  - a. The community-at-large (includes non-resident homeowners and local residents),
  - b. The local voters (residents).

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1. The qualifications and life experiences you would bring to the Vail Town Council?

Early on, I learned that one of my strongest and favorite characteristics is my inability to be passive and stand on the sidelines, so I developed an action-oriented approach to life. It is not personally fulfilling for me to go to work and return home, I have always sought to be actively engaged in whatever situation or environment I found myself in. Since working and residing in Vail, I have gone above and beyond to not only be a resident, but to also involve myself in activities that I have a passion for. In all aspects of life, I have a track record of putting actions behind my comments and offering solutions in the place of problems.

I am constantly striving to keep abreast of the events happening in and around Vail for professional and personal reasons. One of the advantages I find most valuable is that being a young adult, I am immersed in the young adult culture that Vail offers. I don't find there to be a need to wait to get involved because my demographic holds a significant role in our community and we desire and deserve to be a part of the decision-making process. As a communications professional, I learn and execute new ways to inform and educate people from all walks of life, and I think this is a valuable asset in any public service capacity. Finally, I bring experience with developments, particularly real estate developments, transportation solutions and special event coordination. As a town council member, I plan to bring the perspective of youth, but not without

experience, as I have already served in roles where I've needed to make decisions and consider the perspective of vastly different groups.

Put simply, I would bring to Vail Town Council a diverse perspective that is often overlooked or assumed, experience in public service and a desire to listen and learn. With participation from younger candidates like myself, we have an opportunity to usher in a new generation of leaders, without a harsh transition.

Kindest Regards,

Taylor Strickland

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