## Breckenridge, Vail battling over proposed lift ticket tax

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Breckenridge voters will decide on a lift-ticket tax to cover for parking and transit upgrades after the town and Vail Resorts failed to reach an agreement on funding.

Town leaders wanted the resort operator to support a town-wide transit plan that includes a parking garage, pedestrian access, road improvements and employee parking lots. That plan carries an annual operating budget of \$4 million to \$6 million. Vail Resorts said it was only willing to cover the majority of the cost of a new parking structure – either on its own land near the gondola or at the downtown F-Lot.

The impasse led Breckenridge to say on Monday that it will ask voters to approve an "admissions tax" — similar to the 4 percent parking and transit tax the Town of Vail charges on lift ticket sales — to fund the transit plan.

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