

# RE-ADDRESSING INFORMATION PACKET

# TOWN OF MOUNTAIN VILLAGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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**GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT** 

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# **BRIEF OVERVIEW OF OUR RE-ADDRESSING PROJECT**

The Town of Mountain Village is undertaking an extensive re-addressing project in order to align all addresses with the newly adopted addressing standards and to improve the 911 response time. As a Town, we must maintain consistency and clarity with our addressing system for public safety. After careful evaluation, the addressing coordinator has found that this particular property is out of compliance with the Town's standards and must be given a new address.

The items found in this packet will guide you (the property owner) through the re-addressing process and provide all the necessary components to smoothly transition into this new address. The property owner will be responsible for contacting certain entities which are listed below and in the notification letter.

#### **PROPERTY OWNERS:**

- » Gas
- » Electric
- » Phone
- » Title company
- » Insurance providers
- » Delivery
- » Medical providers
- » Trash
- » Alarm companies
- » HOAs
- » Banks
- » Any other relevant parties

#### TOWN OF MOUNTAIN VILLAGE

- » San Miguel County Addressing Official
- » San Miguel County Sheriff's Office
- » San Miguel County Assessor
- San Miguel County Clerk & Recorder's Office
- » San Miguel County GIS Department
- » Town of Mountain Village Road and Bridge Department
- » Town of Mountain Village Fire Department
- » Any other appropriate emergency response agency(ies) (e.g., Mountain Village Police Dispatch)
- » Appropriate United States Post Office
- » Any private entities who enter a monetary contract with the Town of Mountain Village for address and street update information

We appreciate your cooperation as we implement these standards and make the Town of Mountain Village a safer community. Any and all questions regarding the re-addressing process can be directed to the Town's GIS Administrator and Addressing Coordinator Lauren Tyler.

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

#### Lauren Tyler

GIS Administrator | Addressing Coordinator 455 Mountain Village Blvd. Suite A addressing@mtnvillage.org | (970) 369-8289

# **NAVIGATING THE 60-DAY TRANSITION**

We understand that transitioning to a new address can be a challenging process, and we want to assure you that the Town is here to help guide you through this period. We recognize the significance of these changes, and we are here to help all affected residents during this transition. The Town is committed to providing assistance and support as you update your address. Our team is available to answer questions, address concerns, and ensure a smooth transition.

#### **USPS & PRIVATE DELIVERY COMPANIES**

During this 60-day transition, residents are **not required** to set up a forwarding address with the United States Postal Service (USPS). The Town will provide each group's new addresses to the USPS right as it begins notifying residents. The USPS will automatically update its address database within two weeks, linking the old and new addresses together. As a result, mail will be forwarded from the old address to the new one seamlessly through USPS services.

It's important to note that the USPS does not control when private delivery companies (i.e., UPS and FedEx) make the switch to the new address. The USPS can only update its official address matching software database. Private delivery companies such as UPS and FedEx may use their own proprietary address database and can take more than two weeks to update address data. The Town is actively looking into ways of communicating with these private entities to ensure the address change occurs in a timely fashion. Amazon partners with ESRI Community Maps which updates on a quarterly basis, so it safe to assume that changes in their system may not appear for up to four months.

#### **SERVICE PROVIDERS**

The Town will automatically change your address with its water/sewer billing system, as that is the only utility the Town manages/provides to residents.

The Town will do its best to contact service providers and notify local businesses of this change, but ultimately, it is up to you, the property owner, to change the address on the associated accounts. The Town is not authorized to make the change for property owners within these accounts. If any issues with service providers arise during this process, please contact addressing@mtnvillage.org to notify staff of the problem. We ask that you only contact our staff if the business is not complying with the change or the issue cannot be resolved by you, the property owner, alone.

# **GOOGLE MAPS, APPLE MAPS & MORE**

Third party mapping platforms such as Google Maps or Apple Maps may not reflect the address change immediately. Please allow at least 2 months for the new address to be reflected on these platforms as they may perform monthly or bi-monthly updates.

If you, the property owner, wish to expedite the process with Google Maps or Apple Maps, we recommend using the self-report or contributor option on the mobile app or through their website. For other private businesses, we recommend reaching out to them directly to update your address.

We appreciate your understanding and patience during this transition. The Town is committed to making this process as smooth as possible, and we are here to support you every step of the way. We will do our part in notifying as many entities we can during this transition, but please understand there are some businesses we are unable to communicate directly with. If you have any questions or need further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

# **REPLACING YOUR ADDRESS IDENTIFICATION SIGN**

It is imperative that this step be completed as soon as possible. Once this letter and packet are received, you (the property owner) are required to correct the address identification sign on the property within 60 days. If any changes need to be made to a freestanding address monument that are more than a simple exchange of numerals, planning will need to review the address monument design. Please provide design drawings showing front elevation and side elevation with dimensions, proposed materials, proposed light fixture and a site plan showing the location of the monument on the lot (if the location is changing). This can be emailed to cd@mtnvillage.org. The design review fee of \$250 will be waived.

#### **DESIGN REQUIREMENTS**

The address identification signs must follow the rules and guidelines laid out in the Mountain Village Community Development Code Section 17.5.13(E)(4), Address Identification Signs:

The complete requirements for address identification signs can be found by scanning the QR code provided, however if you simply need to change the numerals on your home or on an existing monument please keep in mind these basic requirements:



- ▶ numerals should be a minimum of 6" in height
- ▶ numerals should contrast with the background they are mounted on
- ▶ numerals should have a reflective surface (or be treated with a reflective coating) in case of power outage.

#### REBATE INFORMATION

The Town is offering reimbursements for changing an address monument due to re-addressing. A reimbursement form is included in this packet and can be found on our website. Once the materials have been purchased and installed, the reimbursement form can be submitted to the Addressing Coordinator or uploaded through our online form (QR code provided below).



The reimbursement request form **requires** proof of purchase through invoices or receipts. Pictures showing the completion of the monument/sign installation are also **required** for the request form to be considered.

The reimbursement includes the cost for the numbers on the sign or materials for the base and the cost of labor if it is invoiced from a licensed business. It does not include the cost of lighting or utilities installation.

For freestanding address monuments, the town will cover up to \$200.

For address identification numbers on the building, the town will cover up to \$25.

#### **NOTICE OF FINES**

We kindly request your cooperation in updating the physical address identifiers for your property. A final notice letter will be sent at the 60-day mark reminding you (the property owner) that the address for the property has changed and restating the requirements listed above. If the address identification sign is not corrected by the **effective date** listed in the top right corner of the official notice, according to Section 17.1.8.J of the Community Development Code the Town is authorized to issue an appropriate fine per day that this violation exists. Please know we are ready and willing to cooperate with residents on this process.

## **TIMELINE**

 Re-addressing notification letter sent to the property owner. DAY 0 Town of Mountain Village contacts its responsible parties. Post Office (USPS) is notified of change in address from Town staff. USPS address matching software database has updated address. **DAY 14** USPS will automatically forward all mail to the new address. Property owners should have already started the process of updating service providers and other relevant parties on their address change. **DAY 30** A new address monument should have been ordered or installed. Both addresses are linked in the USPS database. The new address is in full effect & final notice letter sent. Final deadline for contacting service providers and other relevant parties. **DAY 60** • Final deadline for new address monument installation & reimbursement form. Private delivery companies should have the updated address from the matching software database. The Mountain Village Police Department will conduct a follow up **DAY 90** review of property to ensure all steps have been completed. USPS will now be using the updated address. **DAY 365** All addresses will be evaluated one year later to ensure standards are being followed

# **CHECKLIST**

The following checklist has been created to guide you (the property owner) through all the necessary steps to complete the re-addressing process.

Contact service providers:
BEGIN AFTER 2 WEEKS
**(list of local companies provided on page 7 of the packet)
<ul> <li>□ Power/electricity</li> <li>□ Trash/recycling</li> <li>□ Phone</li> <li>□ Cell phone provider</li> <li>□ Cable TV</li> <li>□ Fiber/internet</li> <li>□ Alarm/security company (if applicable)</li> </ul>
Notify additional parties such as: COMPLETE BY 60-DAYS
Any tenants or other people living on the property Banks/credit card companies HOAs Insurance companies Medical providers Employers Department of Motor Vehicles Subscription services Pet records Legal and financial advisor services Any additional billing services Friends, family or other relatives
Replace address monument or identification sign on the property: COMPLETE BY 60-DAYS
<ul><li>Order and install the new sign by the 60-day mark</li><li>Fill out the Town's re-addressing rebate form to receive compensation for replacement sign</li></ul>
Optional steps that can be taken: COMPLETE AT ANY POINT AFTER 60-DAYS
<ul><li>Submit an issue through Google Maps, Apple Maps or Waze to update address</li><li>Validate your address with UPS or FedEx</li></ul>

# **LOCAL UTILITIES**

#### **POWER**

#### SAN MIGUEL POWER ASSOCIATION

P.O. Box 1150 720 N. Railroad St. Ridgway, CO 81432 (970) 626–5549 memberservice@smpa.com smpa.com

#### **BLACK HILLS ENERGY**

P.O. Box 6006 Rapid City, SD 57709 (888) 890–5554 blackhillsenergy.com

#### TRASH & RECYCLING

#### **BRUIN WASTE MANAGEMENT**

P.O. Box 630 31450 HWY 145 Naturita, CO 81422 Questions/Rates: (970) 240-8326

Accounts/Services: (800) 559-2149 bruinwaste@bruinwaste.com

bruinwaste@bruinwaste.com bruinwastemanagement.com

#### **WATER & SEWER**

#### **TOWN OF MOUNTAIN VILLAGE**

455 Mountain Village Blvd. Suite A Mountain Village, CO 81435 (970) 728-1392 tmvbilling@mtnvillage.org townofmountainvillage.com/water

#### **PHONE**

#### **CENTURY LINK**

160 N Fir St. Telluride, CO 81435 Local: (800) 603-6000

Customer Service: (800) 244-1111

centurylink.com

#### **CABLE TV**

#### **SPECTRUM**

117 Par Place Montrose, CO 81401 (866) 874-2389 spectrum.net

#### **FIBER & INTERNET**

#### **CLEARNETWORX**

301 N. Cascade Avenue Montrose, CO 81401 (970) 240-6600 clearnetworx.com

#### **SPECTRUM**

117 Par Place Montrose, CO 81401 (866) 874–2389 spectrum.net

# **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

#### **TOWN OF MOUNTAIN VILLAGE**

#### WEBSITE:

townofmountainvillage.com/addressing



#### STAFF:

#### **LAUREN TYLER**

GIS Administrator | Addressing Coordinator ltyler@mtnvillage.org (970) 369-8289

#### **AMY WARD**

Community Development Director award@mtnvillage.org (970) 369-8248

#### **CHRIS BROADY**

Chief of Police cbroady@mtnvillage.org (970) 728-9281

#### **SAN MIGUEL COUNTY**

#### WEBSITE:

sanmiguelcountyco.gov/158/Addressing



#### ADDRESSING STANDARDS:

Under Helpful Resources (Addressing Standards PDF)

#### STAFF:

#### **HEATHER WIDLUND**

GIS Director | Addressing Official heatherw@sanmiguelcountyco.gov (970) 369-5470

#### **FAQS**

#### WHY IS THIS PROCESS NECESSARY?

The 911 system used in San Miguel County has a very specific way of identifying and directing first responders to addresses. When an address falls out of the norm it can delay response time and risk people's lives.

#### **DO I NEED TO CONTACT MY TENANTS?**

Yes. It is imperative that all people living on the property are aware of the address change in case of an emergency and to change their mailing address if applicable.

# WILL THE TOWN HELP PAY FOR THE NEW ADDRESS MONUMENT?

Yes. Up to \$25 for numerals mounted on homes and up to \$200 for freestanding address monuments will be allotted for reimbursement. Receipts must be submitted with a completed reimbursement form to receive payment.

# WHAT HAPPENS IF I DON'T CHANGE MY ADDRESS AS REQUESTED?

The owner will receive a reminder and final notice of the change in the mail & on the property. Additionally, in accordance with CDC Section 17.1.8.J, the Town can issue an appropriate fine per day that a violation exists.

#### WHAT ABOUT MY MAIL?

The United States Post Office takes about two weeks to change the address in the system. However, they will have both the old and new address available for a whole year post readdressing.

# GOOGLE MAPS CAN FIND MY ADDRESS JUST FINE SO WHY DO I NEED TO CHANGE IT?

This is because the 911 addressing system does not rely on Google Maps and uses their own method for identifying locations. Often, third party mapping software such as Google Maps do not display addresses correctly as well. There is a very specific method of addressing (which can be found in our standards) that allows first responders to not second guess where they are going in an emergency.