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JOHN F. RUSSELL/STAFF

Lowell Whiteman Primary School students, from front to back, Dominique Katthain, Madeline Craig-Scheckman, Eliza Leason and Drew Williamson play a holiday tune at the community center's senior luncheon Monday afternoon. See story on page 5.

Host ordinance returns

Law would punish adults who allow underage drinking in their homes

Brandon Gee
PILOT & TODAY STAFF

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS

After a three-month delay that frustrated some of its supporters, a proposed "social host" ordinance will return to the Steamboat Springs City Council today for a second and final reading.

The legislation would stipulate penalties for parents

and other adults who allow minors to drink in their homes. Although the ordinance was unanimously approved on its first reading in September, financial and civil liberty concerns have prolonged the typical two-week period between first and second readings. In response to concerns that the ordinance could be abused, changes have been made in the interim to make the ordinance

less stringent.

Removed was wording that would allow people to be cited under the ordinance not only if they have actual knowledge of underage drinking on their premises, but also if they "reasonably should know." Added was a paragraph that prevents property owners from being cited if minors trespass and drink on their property.

Also removed was language

recommending specific jail time for violating the ordinance. While mandatory jail time had previously been removed from the ordinance — and while jail time is a possibility, albeit unexercised, for any municipal violation — officials including City Attorney Dan Foote felt the inclusion of specific jail time recommendations

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SKI TOWN USA SNOW REPORT

Steamboat Ski Area

New snow — Mid-mountain*	1.5 in.	Total snow†	83 in.
New snow — Summit	1 in.	Trails open	103/165
Base — Mid-mountain	35 in.	Lifts open	9/18
Base — Summit	40 in.	Conditions	Packed powder

*24-hour snowfall as of 12:30 p.m. previous day; † total snow beginning Oct. 21 as measured at mid-mountain FOR UP-TO-DATE ROAD CONDITIONS, INCLUDING RABBIT EARS PASS, call 511 or visit: www.cotrip.org

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