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Sales support development of avalanche transceiver training, practice course

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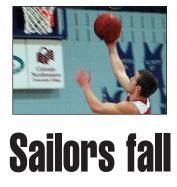
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Obama signs bill

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Throwing pottery



Phippsburg resident Susann Allen trims a clay bowl she was working on Tuesday afternoon at the Steamboat Arts and Crafts gym. Allen said she just finished taking her first pottery class with local artist Julie Anderson. "I was fondly known as the bowl girl because all I made was bowls," Allen said.

Thunderhead falls short

Steamboat Springs City Council uses flawed review criteria in denying project

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Redevelopment plans for the former Thunderhead Lodge site at the base of the Steamboat Ski Area fell short of approval Tuesday in a 3-3 vote of

the Steamboat Springs City Council.

Outdated review criteria may have influenced the vote.

With the blessing of city staff and a 5-1 recommendation for approval from the Steamboat Springs Planning Commission, the project appeared to be in a

strong position as it approached its final hurdle Tuesday. But a motion to approve the project failed in the tie vote, and the project was tabled until April. Council members instructed developers to provide more public benefits to justify requested variances that include building heights about 30 feet above code and private improvements in the public right of way.

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Council members Loui Antonucci, Cari Hermacinski and Scott Myller supported the project, and council members

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