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MATT STENSLAND/STAFF

Steamboat Springs High School sophomore Jackson Coe looks for an open teammate during the third quarter of Tuesday's match against Eagle Valley High School. Steamboat won the match, 15-1. For story, see page 33.

Sales tax down 20 percent

February collection decrease the largest since recession began

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February sales tax collections were nearly 20 percent lower than February 2008 numbers.

Steamboat Springs sales tax figures released Tuesday show

a 19.6 percent decrease for the month, from about \$2.2 million to about \$1.8 million. February was Steamboat's sixth straight month of year-over-year revenue decreases, and sales tax income declined in every area and every industry.

With recent cuts, the Steam-

boat Springs City Council has budgeted for a 19 percent sales tax revenue decrease, Revenue Supervisor Kim Weber said.

"Right now, there's a 16 percent decrease year to date but an 11 percent decrease for the general fund," Weber said. "So we're still within our budget

with the latest budget reductions that they made."

The cuts were in the general fund, she said, so Steamboat will be within its new budget as long as year-to-date general fund revenues don't slip by

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Steamboat Ski Area

Table with snow report data: New snow (Mid-mountain, Summit), Base (Mid-mountain, Summit), Total snow, Trails open, Lifts open, Conditions.

*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

