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**From:** Stewart Aitchison <swaitchison@gmail.com>  
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**To:** Office  
**Subject:** Fire Mesa Kitchen

Dear Bluff City Council,

I am writing in regard to the Bluff Community Fire Mesa Kitchen. There has been lots of discussion on the use and of using this facility. It would be helpful if the city council would clarify a few things:

1. What is the intended purpose of this kitchen?
2. Is it available only for private, non-commercial use or can a business use it periodically?
3. Does the user need to be a Bluff resident or is the kitchen also available to non-residents?
4. What does it cost to maintain (utilities, cleaning, managing) this facility?
5. Does the current amount of use and fees cover this cost? For example, the Dolores Community Center rents their kitchen for \$25/hour or \$40/half-day or \$60/full day with a refundable \$100 deposit. Apparently, there are fee discounts if the same user books the facility at least 10 times annually.
6. Has the council examined other community kitchens for guidance?

I hope that an equitable solution can be reached so that residents and new businesses in Bluff will feel welcomed by the city council instead of being hindered by unreasonable restrictions and fees.

Thank You.

Stewart Aitchison