

City of Ketchum

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA MEMO

Meeting Date:	January 2, 2024	Staff Member/Dept:	Adam Crutcher/Planning
Agenda Item:	Recommendation to repreliminary plat.	eview and approve the	Block 91: Lot 3A lot consolidation

Recommended Motion:

"I move to approve the Block 91: Lot 3A Preliminary Plat Application File No. P23-052A subject to conditions 1 through 2 and approve the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision."

Reasons for Recommendation:

٠	The request to consolidate lots 3 & 4 meets all applicable standards for Preliminary Plats contained
	in Ketchum Municipal Code's Subdivision (Title 16) regulations.

- The lot and associated development will meet all applicable zoning and subdivision standards including, but not limited to, minimum lot size, setbacks, and building coverage standards for the LR zone.
- All city departments have reviewed the proposal and have no issue with the proposed lot consolidation.
- The proposed lot consolidation better meets the intent of the Mountain Overlay district than permitting development on both existing lots.

Policy Analysis and Background (non-consent items only):

See draft Findings of Fact for analysis & background.

Sustainability Impact:

None OR state impact here: None

Financial Impact:

None OR Adequate funds exist in account: None

Attachments:

- 1. Block 91: Lot 3A Application Materials
- 2. Draft Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision

Attachment A: Block 91: Lot 3A Materials





CLTA GUARANTEE

ISSUED BY STEWART TITLE GUARANTY COMPANY A CORPORATION, HEREIN CALLED THE COMPANY

SUBJECT TO THE EXCLUSIONS FROM COVERAGE, THE LIMITS OF LIABILITY AND OTHER PROVISIONS OF THE CONDITIONS AND STIPULATIONS HERETO ANNEXED AND MADE A PART OF THIS GUARANTEE, AND SUBJECT TO THE FURTHER EXCLUSION AND LIMITATION THAT NO GUARANTEE IS GIVEN NOR LIABILITY ASSUMED WITH RESPECT TO THE IDENTITY OF ANY PARTY NAMED OR REFERRED TO IN SCHEDULE A OR WITH RESPECT TO THE VALIDITY, LEGAL EFFECT OR PRIORITY OF ANY MATTER SHOWN THEREIN.

GUARANTEES

the Assured named in Schedule A against actual monetary loss or damage not exceeding the liability amount stated in Schedule A which the Assured shall sustain by reason of any incorrectness in the assurances set forth in Schedule A.

Dated: June 2, 2022

Signed under seal for the Company, but this endorsement is to be valid only when it bears an authorized countersignature.

Countersigned by:

Authorized Countersignature

TitleOne Company Name

271 1st Ave North PO Box 2365 Ketchum, ID 83340 City, State



Frederick H. Eppinger President and CEO

David Hisey Secretary

Please note carefully the liability exclusions and limitations and the specific assurances afforded by this guarantee. If you wish additional liability, or assurances other than as contained herein, please contact the company for further information as to the availability and cost.

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GUARANTEE CONDITIONS AND STIPULATIONS

- **1. Definition of Terms** The following terms when used in the Guarantee mean:
 - (a) "the Assured": the party or parties named as the Assured in this Guarantee, or on a supplemental writing executed by the Company.
 - (b) "land": the land described or referred to in Schedule (A)(C) or in Part 2, and improvements affixed thereto which by law constitute real property. The term "land" does not include any property beyond the lines of the area described or referred to in Schedule (A)(C) or in Part 2, nor any right, title, interest, estate or easement in abutting streets, roads, avenues, alleys, lanes, ways or waterways.
 - (c) "mortgage": mortgage, deed of trust, trust deed, or other security instrument.
 - (d) "public records": records established under state statutes at Date of Guarantee for the purpose of imparting constructive notice of matters relating to real property to purchasers for value and without knowledge.
 - (e) "date": the effective date.
- 2. Exclusions from Coverage of this Guarantee The Company assumes no liability for loss or damage by reason of the following:
 - (a) Taxes or assessments which are not shown as existing liens by the records of any taxing authority that levies taxes or assessments on real property or by the public records.
 - (b) (1) Unpatiented mining claims; (2) reservations or exceptions in patents or in Acts authorizing the issuance thereof; (3) water rights, claims or title to water; whether or not the matters excluded by (1), (2) or (3) are shown by the public records.
 - (c) Assurances to title to any property beyond the lines of the land expressly described in the description set forth in Schedule (A)(C) or in Part 2 of this Guarantee, or title to streets, roads, avenues, lanes, ways or waterways on which such land abuts, or the right to maintain therein vaults, tunnels, ramps or any other structure or improvement; or any rights or easements therein unless such property, rights or easements are expressly and specifically set forth in said description.
 - (d) (1) Defects, liens, encumbrances or adverse claims against the title, if assurances are provided as to such title, and as limited by such assurances.
 - (2) Defects, liens, encumbrances, adverse claims or other matters (a) whether or not shown by the public records, and which are created, suffered, assumed or agreed to by one or more of the Assureds; (b) which result in no loss to the Assured; or (c) which do not result in the invalidity or potential invalidity of any judicial or non-judicial proceeding which is within the scope and purpose of assurances provided.
- 3. Notice of Claim to be Given by Assured Claimant An Assured shall notify the Company promptly in writing in case knowledge shall come to an Assured hereunder of any claim of title or interest which is adverse to the title to the estate or interest, as stated herein, and which might cause loss or damage for which the Company may be liable by virtue of this Guarantee. If prompt notice shall not be given to the Company, then all liability of the Company shall terminate with regard to the matter or matters for which prompt notice is required; provided, however, that failure to notify the Company shall in no case prejudice the rights of any Assured under this Guarantee unless the Company shall be prejudiced by the failure and then only to the extent of the prejudice.
- 4. No Duty to Defend or Prosecute The Company shall have no duty to defend or prosecute any action or proceeding to which the Assured is a party, notwithstanding the nature of any allegation in such action or proceeding.
- 5. Company's Option to Defend or Prosecute Actions; Duty of Assured Claimant to Cooperate Even though the Company has no duty to defend or prosecute as set forth in Paragraph 4 above:
 - (a) The Company shall have the right, at its sole option and cost, to institute and prosecute any action or proceeding, interpose a defense, as limited in (b), or to do any other act which in its opinion may be necessary or desirable to establish the title to the estate or interest as stated herein, or to establish the lien rights of the Assured, or to prevent or reduce loss or damage to the Assured. The Company may take any appropriate action under the terms of this Guarantee, whether or not it shall be liable hereunder, and shall not thereby concede liability or waive any provision of this Guarantee. If the Company shall exercise its rights under this paragraph, it shall do so diligently.
 - (b) If the Company elects to exercise its options as stated in Paragraph 5(a) the Company shall have the right to select counsel of its choice (subject to the right of such Assured to object for reasonable cause) to represent the Assured and shall not be liable for and will not pay the fees of any other counsel, nor will the Company pay any fees, costs or expenses incurred by an Assured in the defense of those causes of action which allege matters not covered by this Guarantee.
 - (c) Whenever the Company shall have brought an action or interposed a defense as permitted by the provisions of this Guarantee, the Company may pursue any litigation to final determination by a court of competent jurisdiction and expressly reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to appeal from an adverse judgment or order.
 - (d) In all cases where this Guarantee permits the Company to prosecute or provide for the defense of any action or proceeding, an Assured shall secure to the Company the right to so prosecute or provide for the defense of any action or proceeding, and all appeals therein, and permit the Company to use, at its option, the name of such Assured for this purpose. Whenever requested by the Company, an Assured, at the Company's expense, shall give the Company all reasonable aid in any action or proceeding, securing evidence, obtaining witnesses, prosecuting or defending the action or lawful act which in the opinion of the Company may be necessary or desirable to establish the title to the estate or interest as stated herein, or to establish the lien rights of the Assured. If the Company is prejudiced by the failure of the Assured to furnish the required cooperation, the Company's obligations to the Assured under the Guarantee shall terminate.
- 6. Proof of Loss or Damage In addition to and after the notices required under Section 3 of these Conditions and Stipulations have been provided to the Company, a proof of loss or damage signed and sworn to by the Assured shall be furnished to the Company within ninety (90) days after the Assured shall ascertain the facts giving rise to the loss or damage. The proof of loss or damage shall describe the matters covered by this Guarantee which constitute the basis of loss or damage and shall state, to the extent possible, the basis of calculating the amount of the loss or damage. If the Company is prejudiced by the failure of the Assured to provide the required proof of loss or damage, the Company's obligation to such Assured under the Guarantee shall terminate. In addition, the Assured may reasonably be required to submit to examination under oath by an authorized representative of the Company and shall produce for examination, inspection and copying, at such reasonable times and places as may be designated by any authorized representative of the Company, in writing, for any authorized representative of the Company to examine, inspect and copy all records, books, ledgers, checks, correspondence and memoranda, whether bearing a date before or after Date of Guarantee, which reasonably pertain to the loss or damage. Further, if requested by any authorized representative of the Company, in writing, for any authorized representative of the Company to examine, inspect and copy all records, books, ledgers, checks, correspondence and memoranda in the custody or control of a third party, which reasonably pertain to the loss or damage. All information designated as confidential by the Assured provided to the Company pursuant to this Section shall not be disclosed to others unless, in the reasonable judgment of the Company, it is necessary in the administration of the claim. Failure of the Assured to submit for examination under oath, produce other reasonably requested information or grant permission to secure reasona
- 7. Options to Pay or Otherwise Settle Claims: Termination of Liability In case of a claim under this Guarantee, the Company shall have the following additional options:

(a) To Pay or Tender Payment of the Amount of Liability or to Purchase the Indebtedness.

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The Company shall have the option to pay or settle or compromise for or in the name of the Assured any claim which could result in loss to the Assured within the coverage of this Guarantee, or to pay the full amount of this Guarantee or, if this Guarantee is issued for the benefit of a holder of a mortgage or a lienholder, the Company shall have the option to purchase the indebtedness secured by said mortgage or said lien for the amount owing thereon, together with any costs, reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by the Assured claimant which were authorized by the Company up to the time of purchase.

Such purchase, payment or tender of payment of the full amount of the Guarantee shall terminate all liability of the Company hereunder. In the event after notice of claim has been given to the Company by the Assured the Company offers to purchase said indebtedness, the owner of such indebtedness shall transfer and assign said indebtedness, together with any collateral security, to the Company upon payment of the purchase price. Upon the exercise by the Company of the option provided for in Paragraph (a) the Company's obligation to the Assured under this Guarantee for the claimed loss or damage, other than to make the payment required in that paragraph, shall terminate, including any obligation to continue the defense or prosecution of any litigation for which the Company has exercised its options under Paragraph 5, and the Guarantee shall be surrendered to the Company of cancellation.

(b) To Pay or Otherwise Settle With Parties Other Than the Assured or With the Assured Claimant.

To pay or otherwise settle with other parties for or in the name of an Assured claimant any claim assured against under this Guarantee, together with any costs, attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by the Assured claimant which were authorized by the Company up to the time of payment and which the Company is obligated to pay.

Upon the exercise by the Company of the option provided for in Paragraph (b) the Company's obligation to the Assured under this Guarantee for the claimed loss or damage, other than to make the payment required in that paragraph, shall terminate, including any obligation to continue the defense or prosecution of any litigation for which the Company has exercised its options under Paragraph 5.

- B. Determination and Extent of Liability This Guarantee is a contract of Indemnity against actual monetary loss or damage sustained or incurred by the Assured claimant who has suffered loss or damage by reason of reliance upon the assurances set forth in this Guarantee and only to the extent herein described, and subject to the exclusions stated in Paragraph 2.
 - The liability of the Company under this Guarantee to the Assured shall not exceed the least of:
 - (a) the amount of liability stated in Schedule A;
 - (b) the amount of the unpaid principal indebtedness secured by the mortgage of an Assured mortgagee, as limited or provided under Section 7 of these Conditions and Stipulations or as reduced under Section 10 of these Conditions and Stipulations, at the time the loss or damage assured against by this Guarantee occurs, together with interest thereon; or
 - (c) the difference between the value of the estate or interest covered hereby as stated herein and the value of the estate or interest subject to any defect, lien or encumbrance assured against by this Guarantee.

9. Limitation of Liability

- (a) If the Company establishes the title, or removes the alleged defect, lien or encumbrance, or cures any other matter assured against by this Guarantee in a reasonably diligent manner by any method, including litigation and the completion of any appeals therefrom, it shall have fully performed its obligations with respect to that matter and shall not be liable for any loss or damage caused thereby.
- (b) In the event of any litigation by the Company or with the Company's consent, the Company shall have no liability for loss or damage until there has been a final determination by a court of competent jurisdiction, and disposition of all appeals therefrom, adverse to the title, as stated herein.
- (c) The Company shall not be liable for loss or damage to any Assured for liability voluntarily assumed by the Assured in settling any claim or suit without the prior written consent of the Company.
- 10. Reduction of Liability or Termination of Liability All payments under this Guarantee, except payments made for costs, attorneys' fees and expenses pursuant to Paragraph 5 shall reduce the amount of liability pro tanto.
- 11. Payment Loss
 - (a) No payment shall be made without producing this Guarantee for endorsement of the payment unless the Guarantee has been lost or destroyed, in which case proof of loss or destruction shall be furnished to the satisfaction of the Company.
 - (b) When liability and the extent of loss or damage has been definitely fixed in accordance with these Conditions and Stipulations, the loss or damage shall be payable within thirty (30) days thereafter.
- 12. Subrogation Upon Payment or Settlement Whenever the Company shall have settled and paid a claim under this Guarantee, all right of subrogation shall vest in the Company unaffected by any act of the Assured claimant.

The Company shall be subrogated to and be entitled to all rights and remedies which the Assured would have had against any person or property in respect to the claim had this Guarantee not been issued. If requested by the Company, the Assured shall transfer to the Company all rights and remedies against any person or property necessary in order to perfect this right of subrogation. The Assured shall permit the Company to sue, compromise or settle in the name of the Assured and to use the name of the Assured in any transaction or litigation involving these rights or remedies.

If a payment on account of a claim does not fully cover the loss of the Assured the Company shall be subrogated to all rights and remedies of the Assured after the Assured shall have recovered its principal, interest, and costs of collection.

13. Arbitration - Unless prohibited by applicable law, either the Company or the Assured may demand arbitration pursuant to the Title Insurance Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association. Arbitrable matters may include, but are not limited to, any controversy or claim between the Company and the Assured arising out of or relating to this Guarantee, any service of the Company in connection with its issuance or the breach of a Guarantee provision or other obligation. All arbitrable matters when the Amount of Liability is \$1,000,000 or less shall be arbitrated at the option of either the Company or the Assured. All arbitrable matters when the amount of liability is in excess of \$1,000,000 shall be arbitrated only when agreed to by both the Company and the Assured. The Rules in effect at Date of Guarantee shall be binding upon the parties. The award may include attorneys' fees only if the laws of the state in which the land is located permits a court to award attorneys' fees to a prevailing party. Judgment upon the award rendered by the Arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

The law of the situs of the land shall apply to an arbitration under the Title Insurance Arbitration Rules. A copy of the Rules may be obtained from the Company upon request.

14. Liability Limited to This Guarantee; Guarantee Entire Contract

- (a) This Guarantee together with all endorsements, if any, attached hereto by the Company is the entire Guarantee and contract between the Assured and the Company. In interpreting any provision of this Guarantee, this Guarantee shall be construed as a whole.
- (b) Any claim of loss or damage, whether or not based on negligence, or any action asserting such claim, shall be restricted to this Guarantee.
- (c) No amendment of or endorsement to this Guarantee can be made except by a writing endorsed hereon or attached hereto signed by either the President, a Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, or validating officer or authorized signatory of the Company.
- 15. Notices, Where Sent All notices required to be given the Company and any statement in writing required to be furnished the Company shall include the number of this Guarantee and shall be addressed to the Company at P. O. Box 2029, Houston, TX 77252-2029.

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LOT BOOK GUARANTEE Issued By Stewart Title Guaranty Company

SCHEDULE A

File No. 22455152 State: ID County: Blaine

<u>Guarantee No.</u> G-0000367463638 <u>Liability</u> \$1,000.00 Date of Guarantee June 2, 2022 at 7:30 a.m.

<u>Fee</u> \$140.00

Name of Assured: Benchmark Associates

The assurances referred to on the face page hereof are:

1. That, according to the Company's property records relative to the following described land (but without examination of those Company records maintained and indexed by name):

Lots 3 and 4, Block 91 of the VILLAGE OF KETCHUM, BLAINE COUNTY, IDAHO, according to the official plat thereof, recorded as Instrument No. 302967, records of Blaine County, Idaho.

2. The last recorded instrument purporting to transfer title to said land is:

Deed Type: Warranty Deed Grantors: Columbia Holdings, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company Grantees: Breyman Properties, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company Recorded Date: September 13, 2019 Instrument: 663129 <u>Click here to view</u>

- 3. There are no mortgages or deeds of trust which purport to affect title to said land, other than those shown below under Exceptions.
- 4. There are no (homesteads, agreements to convey, attachments, notices of non-responsibility, notices of completion, tax deeds) which purport to affect title to said land, other than shown below under Exceptions.
- 5. No guarantee is made regarding (a) matters affecting the beneficial interest of any mortgage or deed of trust which may be shown herein as an exception, or (b) other matters which may affect any such mortgage or deed of trust.
- 6. No guarantee is made regarding any liens, claims of liens, defects or encumbrances other than those specifically provided for above, and, if information was requested by reference to a street address, no guarantee is made that said land is the same as said address.

EXCEPTIONS:

1. NOTE: According to the available records, the purported address of the land referenced herein is:

None at this time, Ketchum, ID 83340

 Taxes, including any assessments collected therewith, for the year 2021 for which the first installment is paid, and the second installment is due and payable on or before June 20, 2022.
 Parcel Number: <u>RPK00000910030</u> Original Amount: \$7,488.56 3. Taxes, including any assessments collected therewith, for the year 2021 for which the first installment is paid, and the second installment is due and payable on or before June 20, 2022. Parcel Number: <u>RPK0000091004A</u> Original Amount: \$7,488.56

4. Taxes, including any assessments collected therewith, for the year 2022 which are a lien not yet due and payable.

5. The land described herein is located within the boundaries of the City of Ketchum and is subject to any assessments levied thereby.

6. Easements, reservations, restrictions, and dedications as shown on the official plat of Ketchum Townsite.

7. Reservations and exceptions in a United States Patent, and in the act authorizing the issuance thereof, recorded May 13, 1942 as Instrument No. <u>84202</u>, records of Blaine County, Idaho.

8. Right of way for ditches, tunnels, telephone, and distribution lines constructed by authority of the United States, as granted to the United States under the provisions of Section 58-604 Idaho Code.

9. Exceptions and Reservations as contained in a/an Ordinance No. 173.
Executed by: City of Ketchum
Purpose: Allows owners adjacent to alley to landscape within alley, but no permanent structures allowed
Recorded: October 12, 1979
Instrument No.: <u>197670</u>, records of Blaine County, Idaho.

 Terms and conditions contained in a/an Right-of-way Encroachment Agreement by and between Barry Traub, representing M&B Traub Trust and the City of Ketchum, Idaho, a municipal corporation.
 Recorded: September 25, 2018
 Instrument No.: <u>655196</u>, records of Blaine County, Idaho.

11. Terms and conditions contained in a/an Reciprocal View Corridor and Landscape Easement Agreement by and between Columbia Holdings, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company and Breyman Properties LLC, an Oregon limited liability company. Recorded: September 13, 2019 Instrument No.: <u>663131</u>, records of Blaine County, Idaho.

12. A Deed of Trust to secure an indebtedness in the amount shown below and any other obligations secured thereby: Amount: \$2,600,000.00
Trustor/Grantor: Columbia Holdings, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company
Trustee: Blaine County Title
Beneficiary: Barry Traub and Marjorie Traub, Trustees of the M and B Traub Trust
Dated: September 25, 2018
Recorded: September 25, 2018
Instrument No.: 655198, records of Blaine County, Idaho.

An Assumption Agreement. Recorded: September 13, 2019 Instrument No.: <u>663130</u>, records of Blaine County, Idaho.

Sun Valley Title By:



Nick Busdon, Authorized Signatory

JUDGMENT AND TAX LIEN GUARANTEE Issued By Stewart Title Guaranty Company

SCHEDULE A

Amount of Liability: \$1,000.00

Fee Amount: \$0.00

Guarantee No.: G-0000367463638

Name of Assured: Benchmark Associates

Date of Guarantee: June 1, 2022

That, according to the indices of the County Recorder of Blaine County, State of ID, for a period of 10 years immediately prior to the date hereof, there are no

* Federal Tax Liens

* Abstracts of Judgment, or

* Certificates of State Tax Liens

filed, or recorded against the herein named parties, other than those for which a release appears in said indices and other than those shown under Exceptions.

The parties referred to in this guarantee are as follows:

Breyman Properties, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company

Sun Valley Title By:



Nick Busdon, Authorized Signatory

File No. 22455152

SCHEDULE B

Exceptions:

NONE



WARRANTY DEED

FOR VALUE RECEIVED

Columbia Holdings, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company,

the Grantor, hereby grants, bargains, sells, conveys and warrants unto

Breyman Properties, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company

the Grantee, whose current address is: 12045 Breyman Avenue, Portland, OR 97219

the following described premises, to-wit:

Lots 3 and 4 in Block 91, of the VILLAGE OF KETCHUM, as shown on the certified copy of the official map thereof, recorded as Instrument No. 302967, records of Blaine County, Idaho.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said premises, with their appurtenances unto the said Grantee, its heirs and assigns forever. And the said Grantor does hereby covenant to and with the said Grantee, that Grantor is the owner in fee simple of said premises; that they are free from all encumbrances except those to which this conveyance is expressly made subject to and those made, suffered or done by the Grantee; and subject to all existing patent reservations; restrictions in railroad deeds of record; easements and rights of way established and of record; protective covenants of record; zoning ordinances and applicable building codes, use restrictions, ordinances, laws and regulations of any governmental unit; general taxes and assessments, including irrigation and utility assessments (if any) for the current year, which are not due and payable; and that Grantor will warrant and defend the same from all lawful claims whatsoever. Whenever the context so requires, the singular number includes the plural.

Dated this 10 day of September, 2019.

COLUMBIA HOLDINGS, LLC

State Peter W. Stott Manager

Blaine County Title, Inc. File Number: 1921775 Warranty Deed - LLC Page 1 of 2

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This record was acknowledged before me on 10^{-1} day of September, 2019, by Peter W. Stott, as Manager of Columbia Holdings, LLC.

Notary Public <u>Lea M. Pfa</u> My Commission Expires: <u>3/30/2026</u>

(STAMP)



Blaine County Title, Inc. **File Number:** 1921775 Warranty Deed - LLC Page 2 of 2 Attachment B: Draft Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, & Decision



City of Ketchum Planning & Building

IN RE:)
Ketchum Townsite: Block 91: Lo Lot Consolidation Preliminary P File Number: P23-052A	t 3A Preliminary Plat) KETCHUM CITY COUNCIL at) FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND) DECISION
Date: January 2, 2024)
PROJECT:	Ketchum Townsite: Block 91: Lot 3A Preliminary Plat
APPLICATION TYPE:	Lot Consolidation Preliminary Plat
FILE NUMBER:	P23-052A
ASSOCIATED APPLICATIONS:	Mountain Overlay Design Review (File No. P23-052)
PROPERTY OWNER:	Breyman Properties LLC
REPRESENTATIVE:	Lucas Winter, Jarvis Group Architects (Architect)
LOCATION:	Ketchum Townsite: Block 91, Lot 3 & 4
ZONING:	Limited Residential (GR-L) & Mountain Overlay (MO)

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The City of Ketchum received the application for a lot consolidation on June 5th, 2023 in conjunction with a Mountain Overlay Design Review application. Following receipt of the complete application, staff routed the application materials to all city departments for review. As of the date of this letter, all department comments have been resolved or addressed through conditions of approval recommended below. The Planning and Zoning Commission considered the Ketchum Townsite: Block 91: Lot 3A Preliminary Plat Application File No. P23-052A during their meeting on September 26, 2023 and recommended approval to City Council.

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Ketchum City Council having reviewed the entire project record, provided notice, and conducted the required public hearing does hereby make and set forth these Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision as follows:

The project proposes to consolidate Lots 3 & 4, requiring a preliminary plat following procedures outlined in KMC 16.04.030 as per section 5.C of Ordinance 1234. Preliminary plats require a public hearing in front of the Planning & Zoning Commission where the Commission recommends approval, approval with conditions, or denial of the preliminary plat on to City Council.

Pursuant to KMC 16.04.080.C.2, the applicant submitted this lot consolidation preliminary plat with the Design Review application. If approved by the Council, a final plat for the lot consolidation must be submitted and approved by the City Council. This must occur prior to a building permit submittal for the project.

The Council reviewed the lot consolidation preliminary plat application for conformance with KMC 16.04.030 – Procedures for subdivision approval, KMC 16.04.040 – Development and Design, as well as three additional criteria and a waiver as required by Interim Ordinance 1234.

Per Interim Ordinance 1234, lot consolidations are now required to undergo a preliminary plat procedure and must meet three additional criteria and submit a waiver. The additional criteria include:

- 1. The preliminary plat application is in conformance with all applicable building permit and land use development approvals.
- 2. The preliminary plat application is in conformance with all applicable Zoning Regulations contained within Title 17 Zoning Regulations.
- 3. The preliminary plat application is found to be in general conformance with the comprehensive plan in effect at the time the application was deemed complete.

Criteria 3: General conformance with Comprehensive Plan

The 2014 Comprehensive Plan contains the community's vision for Ketchum and sets goals and policies to guide future development. The vision is shaped by 10 core values identified by Ketchum residents as important to consider for all future land uses decisions. The community's core values include protecting the community character of Ketchum and preserving its environmental quality and scenic beauty. Ketchum's undeveloped hillsides are visual assets that define the character of our community. Protecting and preserving Ketchum's natural resources is critical to maintaining our economy, quality of life, and community identity. The comprehensive plan states:

Community Character: You know when you have entered Ketchum; this is a place centered on the "town" and identifiable from the "country" by distinct edges. Residents and visitors desire this clear division that has been lost in so many American cities through strip commercial development and sprawling residential subdivisions. Protecting and enhancing the visual character of our community gateways, the undeveloped hillsides, and night skies is a priority (page 9).

Environmental Quality and Scenic Beauty: Ketchum's citizens place great value on the exceptional natural setting and resources of the Wood River Valley. The community is surrounded by rugged alpine peaks, forested and sage-covered open spaces, pristine wildlife habitat, and beautiful rivers and riparian areas. Key open spaces create visual buffers between the built and natural environment. Unobstructed views exist in every direction in large part due to Ketchum's wide streets and lack of hillside development. These environmental features and resources sustain our economy and are why many people choose to live in Ketchum. We will be excellent stewards of these resources in order to preserve them for the future (page 10).

The comprehensive plan sets policies to guide land-use decisions and identifies the following goals regarding hillside development:

- Policy OS-3.2: Establish and maintain open space buffers in important scenic areas to maintain the community's separate identity from surrounding communities and to protect views and open space.
- Goal CD-2: Protect and enhance views of the surrounding mountains and natural features.
- Policy CD-2.2: Continue to protect hillsides within the City and the Area of City Impact from further development. Enforce and encourage strengthening of the Mountain Overlay standards of the City and County, by using a variety of techniques; such as clustering at lower elevations, creating conservation easements, or purchasing private property on hillsides.
- Policy CD-2.4: Protect and incorporate natural features into newly developing areas. Conserve the natural patterns of streams, ridgelines, topography, riparian areas, and wildlife habitat areas.

The MOD ensures the preservation of Ketchum's surrounding hillsides and ridgelines and minimizes impacts on natural topography, geology, soils, drainage, wildlife, and native vegetation. The MOD review standards reduce visual impact by directing building sites away from higher elevations and keeping hillsides open and unobstructed. Additionally, Mountain Overlay standards protect public health, safety, and welfare by ensuring the adequate provision of emergency services, fire protection, and utilities.

The comprehensive plan's future land use map identifies the subject property as low-density residential. Desired primary uses within this future land use category include single-family and duplex residences as well as accessory units. The single-family residence falls within the primary uses of the low-density residential land use category.

Relationship between Comprehensive Plan & Interim Ordinance 1234

As seen in the policies and goals listed above, the comprehensive plan emphasizes mountain overlay, preserving hillsides, and neighborhood character. As stated above, Interim Ordinance 1234 requires lot consolidation request to now go through a different process and meet additional criteria as compared to lot consolidation requests prior to the effect of the ordinance. The intent behind this change was due to seeing an increase in consolidation of lots occurring over the past few years. In most areas, this resulted in larger lots with larger single-family homes, reducing the ability to construct a larger number of smaller homes, more reflective of the originally platted subdivisions.

Policy CD-2.2 of the 2014 Comprehensive Plan speaks to the Mountain Overlays purpose in protecting and enhancing the surrounding mountains and natural features. The Council finds the proposed lot consolidation helps to meet this policy as can be seen in the two-lot development diagram as part of the project plans. This diagram helps to compare the estimated amount of disturbance and lot coverage of potential developments on single lots as compared to the proposed residence. The amount of disturbance for two developments would be significantly greater (1,432 sq ft more disturbed area) and the lot coverage would also be greater. With the other Comprehensive Plan policies listed above also speaking on reducing the amount of hillside development, the Council believes the proposed lot consolidation and residence helps to meet the policies as it reduces the potential disturbance and curb cuts made along Walnut Ave.

The Council supported the proposed lot consolidation as they believed the preservation of hillsides and maintaining neighborhood character outweighs the opportunity for one additional dwelling unit if the lots remained as is. Speaking to neighborhood character, many of the lots along Walnut Avenue have consolidated two Ketchum townsite lots so the current proposal would not be out of scale or context when discussing lot size. Lot consolidations in the Mountain Overlay District also provide opportunity to better meet the MOD criteria with driveway approaches and tucking of structures into the hillside.

Various public vantage points including Town Square, Bike path from 6th St & 3rd Ave, and the intersection of East Ave & E 1st St were visited by planning staff during review of the project. From all the vantage points listed, planning staff was not able to view the story poles for the project. The proposed residence sits towards the rear of the property line, allowing the residence to be sited within the hillside allowing for minimal visual impact. The residence also follows the cross slope seen on the subject property by stepping up the hillside, again working with the topography of the site. Due to the design of the residence and siting of the building on the hillside the Council believed that the goals and policies of the comprehensive plan related to hillside development are met.

Waiver for building envelope sited within 25% slope

The Council deliberated regarding criteria described in KMC 16.04.040.F.2 pertaining to building envelope requirements on lots with 25% or greater slopes. This criteria states:

"Whenever a proposed subdivision contains lot(s), in whole or in part, within the floodplain, or which contains land with a slope in excess of 25 percent, based upon natural contours, or creates corner lots at the intersection of two or more streets, building envelopes shall be shown for the lot(s) so affected on the preliminary and final plats. The building envelopes shall be located in a manner designed to promote harmonious development of structures, minimize congestion of structures, and provide open space and solar access for each lot and structure. Also, building envelopes shall be located to promote access to the lots and maintenance of public utilities, to minimize cut and fill for roads and building foundations, and minimize adverse impact upon environment, watercourses and topographical features. Structures may only be built on buildable lots. Lots shall only be created that meet the definition of "lot, buildable" in section 16.04.020 of this chapter. Building envelopes shall be established outside of hillsides of 25 percent and greater and outside of the floodway. A waiver to this standard may only be considered for the following:

a. For lot line shifts of parcels that are entirely within slopes of 25 percent or greater to create a reasonable building envelope, and mountain overlay design review standards and all other City requirements are met.

b. For small, isolated pockets of 25 percent or greater that are found to be in compliance with the purposes and standards of the mountain overlay district and this section."

Almost the entirety of the subject property contains 25% slope or greater, leading the Council to determine the project meets the waiver criteria pertaining to lots entirely within 25% or greater slope. The proposed building envelope closely follows the building footprint of the proposed residence, providing greater protection from future disturbance to the hillside. This building envelope falls in line with previous subdivision applications in the Mountain Overlay where building envelopes closely follow the outline of proposed residences.

Waiver required by Interim Ordinance 1234

Per Interim Ordinance 1234, consolidation of lots are permitted subject to a waiver. As stated in KMC 16.04.130, waivers, "must show that there are special physical characteristics or conditions affecting the property in question where literal enforcement of this chapter would result in undue hardship not the result of actions by the subdivider, and that the waiver would not be detrimental to the public welfare, health and safety, nor injurious to property owners in the immediate area."

The Councils review of how the proposed lot consolidation interacts with the public welfare, health and safety has been discussed in the Preliminary Plats general conformance with the comprehensive plan above. As seen in that section, the Council believed the project would not be detrimental to the public welfare, health and safety.

				Preliminary Plat Requirements
С	omplia	ant		
Yes	No	N/A	City Code	City Standards
\boxtimes			16.04.030.C.1	The subdivider shall file with the administrator copies of the completed subdivision application form and preliminary plat data as required by this chapter.
			Council Findings	The City of Ketchum Planning and Building Department received the subdivision application and all applicable application materials on June 5, 2023.
\boxtimes			16.04.030.I	Contents Of Preliminary Plat: The preliminary plat, together with all application forms, title insurance report, deeds, maps, and other documents reasonably required, shall constitute a complete subdivision application.
			Council Findings	The subdivision application was deemed complete on August 18, 2023.
\boxtimes			16.04.030.1 .1	The preliminary plat shall be drawn to a scale of not less than one inch equals one hundred feet (1" = 100') and shall show the following:
				The scale, north point and date.
			Council Findings	This standard is met as shown on Sheet 1 of the preliminary plat.
\boxtimes			16.04.030.I .2	The name of the proposed subdivision, which shall not be the same or confused with the name of any other subdivision in Blaine County, Idaho.
			Council Findings	As shown on Sheet 1 of the preliminary plat, the subdivision is named "Ketchum Townsite: Block 91, Lot 3A" which is not the same as any other subdivision in Blaine County, Idaho.
\boxtimes			16.04.030.I .3	The name and address of the owner of record, the subdivider, and the engineer, surveyor, or other person preparing the plat.
			Council	As shown on Sheet 1, the owner and subdivider is Breyman Properties LLC. The
			Findings	plat was prepared by Robert Breier of Galena-Benchmark Engineering.
\boxtimes			16.04.030.1.4	Legal description of the area platted.
			Council Findings	The legal description of the area platted is shown on the preliminary plat.
\boxtimes			16.04.030.I .5	The names and the intersecting boundary lines of adjoining subdivisions and
				parcels of property.

FINDINGS REGARDING PRELIMINARY PLAT SUBDIVISION REQUIREMENTS

			Council Findings	The preliminary plat indicates the boundary lines of the adjoining lots.	
			16.04.030.1.6	A contour map of the subdivision with contour lines and a maximum interval of five feet (5') to show the configuration of the land based upon the United States geodetic survey data, or other data approved by the city engineer.	
			Council Findings	The preliminary plat shows the contour lines for the subject property.	
\boxtimes			16.04.030.I 7	The scaled location of existing buildings, water bodies and courses and location of the adjoining or immediately adjacent dedicated streets, roadways and easements, public and private.	
			Council Findings	No existing buildings are present on the subject property. Easements and streets are shown on the plat.	
X			16.04.030.1.8	Boundary description and the area of the tract.	
_			Council	The preliminary plat provides the boundary description of the area and includes	
			Findings	square footage and acreage of the lot.	
X			16.04.030.1.9	Existing zoning of the tract.	
_			Council Findings	Plat note #7 of the preliminary plat lists the existing zoning of the subject property.	
\boxtimes			16.04.030.I .10	The proposed location of street rights of way, lots, and lot lines, easements, including all approximate dimensions, and including all proposed lot and block numbering and proposed street names.	
			Council Findings	The preliminary plat shows the locations and lot lines for the proposed lot. No new streets or blocks are being proposed with this application.	
		\boxtimes	16.04.030.1	The location, approximate size and proposed use of all land intended to be	
			.11	dedicated for public use or for common use of all future property owners within the proposed subdivision.	
			Council	This standard is not applicable as there is no requirement or proposal for land	
			Findings	dedicated for public or common use.	
\boxtimes			16.04.030.I .12	The location, size and type of sanitary and storm sewers, water mains, culverts and other surface or subsurface structures existing within or immediately	
				adjacent to the proposed sanitary or storm sewers, water mains, and storage facilities, street improvements, street lighting, curbs, and gutters and all proposed utilities.	
			Council Findings	Location, size and type of water/sewer service is shown on project plans.	
		\boxtimes		16.04.030.I .13	The direction of drainage, flow and approximate grade of all streets.
			Council Findings	This standard does not apply as no new streets are proposed.	
			16.04.030.I .14	The location of all drainage canals and structures, the proposed method of disposing of runoff water, and the location and size of all drainage easements, whether they are located within or outside of the proposed plat.	
			Council	This standard does not apply as no new drainage canals or structures are	
			Findings	proposed.	
		\boxtimes	16.04.030.I .15	All percolation tests and/or exploratory pit excavations required by state health authorities.	
			Council Findings	This standard does not apply as no addition tests are required.	
			16.04.030.I .16	A copy of the provisions of the articles of incorporation and bylaws of homeowners' association and/or condominium declarations to be filed with the final plat of the subdivision.	

		Council	This standard does not apply as there will not be a homeowner's association for
		Findings	the property.
\boxtimes		16.04.030.I .17	Vicinity map drawn to approximate scale showing the location of the proposed subdivision in reference to existing and/or proposed arterials and collector streets.
		Council Findings	The project plans includes a vicinity map that satisfies this requirement.
	\boxtimes	16.04.030.I .18	The boundaries of the floodplain, floodway and avalanche zoning district shall also be clearly delineated and marked on the preliminary plat.
		Council Findings	The subject property is not within a floodplain, floodway, or avalanche district.
\boxtimes		16.04.030.I .19	Building envelopes shall be shown on each lot, all or part of which is within a floodway, floodplain, or avalanche zone; or any lot that is adjacent to the Big Wood River, Trail Creek, or Warm Springs Creek; or any lot, a portion of which has a slope of twenty five percent (25%) or greater; or upon any lot which will be created adjacent to the intersection of two (2) or more streets.
		Council Findings	Building envelope is shown on preliminary plat as the lot contains 25% and greater slopes.
\boxtimes		16.04.030.I .20	Lot area of each lot.
		Council Findings	As shown on Sheet 1 of the preliminary plat, the lot area for Lot #A is 16,523 square feet.
\boxtimes		16.04.030.I .21	Existing mature trees and established shrub masses.
		Council Findings	As shown on the preliminary plat, there are a variety of trees and shrubs existing on the property.
\boxtimes		16.04.030.I .22	A current title report shall be provided at the time that the preliminary plat is filed with the administrator, together with a copy of the owner's recorded deed to such property.
		Council Findings	The applicant provided a title commitment issued by Pioneer Title Co. dated June 2, 2022 and a warranty deed recorded at Instrument Number 663129 with the initial application.
\boxtimes		16.04.030.I .23	Three (3) copies of the preliminary plat shall be filed with the administrator.
		Council Findings	The City of Ketchum received hard and digital copies of the preliminary plat at the time of application.
		16.04.040.A	Required Improvements: The improvements set forth in this section shall be shown on the preliminary plat and installed prior to approval of the final plat. Construction design plans shall be submitted and approved by the city engineer. All such improvements shall be in accordance with the comprehensive plan and constructed in compliance with construction standard specifications adopted by the city. Existing natural features which enhance the attractiveness of the subdivision and community, such as mature trees, watercourses, rock outcroppings, established shrub masses and historic areas, shall be preserved through design of the subdivision.
		Council	All proposed improvements to the public right-of-way are shown in the project
		Findings	plans. The applicant also submitted a set of preliminary construction design plans for review by the City Engineer. Final review and approval of the right-of-way

			incompany and the conducted during building permit review per the conditions
			improvements will be conducted during building permit review per the conditions
			of approval. The subject property does not include any watercourses, rock
_		10.04.040.0	outcroppings, shrub masses or historic areas.
	\boxtimes	16.04.040.B	Improvement Plans: Prior to approval of final plat by the commission, the
			subdivider shall file two (2) copies with the city engineer, and the city engineer
			shall approve construction plans for all improvements required in the proposed
			subdivision. Such plans shall be prepared by a civil engineer licensed in the state.
		Council	This standard does not apply as this is a preliminary plat application, not a final
 		Findings	plat application.
	\boxtimes	16.04.040.C	Prior to final plat approval, the subdivider shall have previously constructed all
			required improvements and secured a certificate of completion from the city
			engineer. However, in cases where the required improvements cannot be
			constructed due to weather conditions or other factors beyond the control of the
			subdivider, the city council may accept, in lieu of any or all of the required
			improvements, a performance bond filed with the city clerk to ensure actual
			construction of the required improvements as submitted and approved. Such
			performance bond shall be issued in an amount not less than one hundred fifty
			percent (150%) of the estimated costs of improvements as determined by the city
			engineer. In the event the improvements are not constructed within the time
			allowed by the city council (which shall be one year or less, depending upon the
			individual circumstances), the council may order the improvements installed at
			the expense of the subdivider and the surety. In the event the cost of installing
			the required improvements exceeds the amount of the bond, the subdivider shall
			be liable to the city for additional costs. The amount that the cost of installing the
			required improvements exceeds the amount of the performance bond shall
			automatically become a lien upon any and all property within the subdivision
			owned by the owner and/or subdivider.
		Council	This standard does not apply as this is a preliminary plat application, not a final
		Findings	plat application.
	\boxtimes	16.04.040.D	As Built Drawing: Prior to acceptance by the city council of any improvements
			installed by the subdivider, two (2) sets of as built plans and specifications,
			certified by the subdivider's engineer, shall be filed with the city engineer. Within
			ten (10) days after completion of improvements and submission of as built
			drawings, the city engineer shall certify the completion of the improvements and
			the acceptance of the improvements, and shall submit a copy of such certification
			to the administrator and the subdivider. If a performance bond has been filed,
			the administrator shall forward a copy of the certification to the city clerk.
			Thereafter, the city clerk shall release the performance bond upon application by
			the subdivider.
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			5. The point of beginning of the subdivision plat description.
		Council	This standard does not apply as this is a preliminary plat application, not a final
		Findings	plat application.
		<i>Findings</i> 16.04.040.F	 plat application. Lot Requirements: 1. Lot size, width, depth, shape and orientation and minimum building setback lines shall be in compliance with the zoning district in which the property is located and compatible with the location of the subdivision and the type of development, and preserve solar access to adjacent properties and buildings. 2. Whenever a proposed subdivision contains lot(s), in whole or in part, within the floodplain, or which contains land with a slope in excess of twenty five percent (25%), based upon natural contours, or creates corner lots at the intersection of two (2) or more streets, building envelopes shall be shown for the lot(s) so affected on the preliminary and final plats. The building envelopes shall be located in a manner designed to promote harmonious development of structures, minimize congestion of structures, and provide open space and solar access for each lot and structure. Also, building envelopes shall be located to promote access to the lots and maintenance of public utilities, to minimize cut and fill for roads and building foundations, and minimize adverse impact upon environment, watercourses and topographical features. Structures may only be built on buildable lots. Lots shall only be created that meet the definition of "lot, buildable" in section 16.04.020 of this chapter. Building envelopes shall be established outside of hillsides of twenty five percent (25%) and greater and outside of the floodway. A waiver to this standard may only be considered for the following: a. For lot line shifts of parcels that are entirely within slopes of twenty five percent (25%) or greater to create a reasonable building envelope, and mountain overlay design review standards and all other city requirements are met. b. For small, isolated pockets of twenty five percent (25%) or greater that are found to be in compliance with the purposes and standards of the mountain overlay district and this section. 3. Cor
			6. Every lot in a subdivision shall have a minimum of twenty feet (20') of frontage on a dedicated public street or legal access via an easement of twenty feet (20')
1			or greater in width. Easement shall be recorded in the office of the Blaine County
		Council	recorder prior to or in conjunction with recordation of the final plat.1. The proposed lot consolidation meets all dimensional standards as
		Findings	1. The proposed for consolidation meets all dimensional standards as outlined in the LR zone district. The minimum lot size is 9,000 square feet and the lot is 16,523 square feet. The new single family residence meets minimum setback requirements in the LR district for the front, side, and rear.
			 A building envelope is required as the lot contains areas greater than A waiver has been granted for the building envelope to encroach into the 25% slope area as almost the entirety is at or above that slope.

		 The Council found the siting of the structure to meet the Mountain Overlay standards and therefor were willing to allow the development to encroach further into the 25% slope. 3. The subject property is not a corner lot. 4. The parent lot of the townhouse subdivision and the newly created sublot lot line is within 20 degrees to a right angle to the street lot line along Walnut Avenue. 5. The subject property is not a double frontage lot. 6. The lot has 110 feet of frontage on Walnut Avenue.
	16.04.040.G	 G. Block Requirements: The length, width and shape of blocks within a proposed subdivision shall conform to the following requirements: No block shall be longer than one thousand two hundred feet (1,200'), nor less than four hundred feet (400') between the street intersections, and shall have sufficient depth to provide for two (2) tiers of lots. Blocks shall be laid out in such a manner as to comply with the lot requirements. The layout of blocks shall take into consideration the natural topography of the land to promote access within the subdivision and minimize cuts and fills for roads and minimize adverse impact on environment, watercourses and topographical features. Corner lots shall contain a building envelope outside of a seventy five foot (75') radius from the intersection of the streets.
	Council Findings	This standard does not apply as no new blocks are being created.
	16.04.040.H	 Street Improvement Requirements: 1. The arrangement, character, extent, width, grade and location of all streets put in the proposed subdivision shall conform to the comprehensive plan and shall be considered in their relation to existing and planned streets, topography, public convenience and safety, and the proposed uses of the land; 2. All streets shall be constructed to meet or exceed the criteria and standards set forth in chapter 12.04 of this code, and all other applicable ordinances, resolutions or regulations of the city or any other governmental entity having jurisdiction, now existing or adopted, amended or codified; 3. Where a subdivision abuts or contains an existing or proposed arterial street, railroad or limited access highway right of way, the council may require a frontage street, planting strip, or similar design features; 4. Streets may be required to provide access to adjoining lands and provide proper traffic circulation through existing or future neighborhoods; 5. Street grades shall not be less than three-tenths percent (0.3%) and not more than seven percent (7%) so as to provide safe movement of traffic and emergency vehicles in all weather and to provide for adequate drainage and snow plowing; 6. In general, partial dedications shall not be permitted, however, the council may accept a partial street dedication when such a street forms a boundary of the proposed subdivision and is deemed necessary for the orderly development of the neighborhood, and provide the council finds it practical to require the dedication of the right of way when the adjoining property is subdivided. When a partial street exists adjoining the proposed subdivision, the remainder of the right of way shall be dedicated; 7. Dead end streets may be permitted only when such street terminates at the boundary of a subdivision and is necessary for the development of the subdivision

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	or the future development of the adjacent property. When such a dead end street serves more than two (2) lots, a temporary turnaround easement shall be provided, which easement shall revert to the adjacent lots when the street is
	extended;
	8. A cul-de-sac, court or similar type street shall be permitted only when
	necessary to the development of the subdivision, and provided, that no such
	street shall have a maximum length greater than four hundred feet (400') from
	entrance to center of turnaround, and all cul-de-sacs shall have a minimum
	turnaround radius of sixty feet (60') at the property line and not less than forty
	five feet (45') at the curb line;
	9. Streets shall be planned to intersect as nearly as possible at right angles, but in no event at less than seventy degrees (70°);
	10. Where any street deflects an angle of ten degrees (10°) or more, a connecting
	curve shall be required having a minimum centerline radius of three hundred feet
	(300') for arterial and collector streets, and one hundred twenty five feet (125')
	for minor streets;
	11. Streets with centerline offsets of less than one hundred twenty five feet (125')
	shall be prohibited;
	12. A tangent of at least one hundred feet (100') long shall be introduced
	between reverse curves on arterial and collector streets;
	13. Proposed streets which are a continuation of an existing street shall be given
	the same names as the existing street. All new street names shall not duplicate or
	be confused with the names of existing streets within Blaine County, Idaho. The
	subdivider shall obtain approval of all street names within the proposed
	subdivision from the commission before submitting same to council for
	preliminary plat approval;
	14. Street alignment design shall follow natural terrain contours to result in safe streets, usable lots, and minimum cuts and fills;
	15. Street patterns of residential areas shall be designed to create areas free of
	through traffic, but readily accessible to adjacent collector and arterial streets;
	16. Reserve planting strips controlling access to public streets shall be permitted
	under conditions specified and shown on the final plat, and all landscaping and
	irrigation systems shall be installed as required improvements by the subdivider;
	17. In general, the centerline of a street shall coincide with the centerline of the
	street right of way, and all crosswalk markings shall be installed by the subdivider
	as a required improvement;
	18. Street lighting may be required by the commission or council where
	appropriate and shall be installed by the subdivider as a requirement
	improvement;
	19. Private streets may be allowed upon recommendation by the commission and
	approval by the council. Private streets shall be constructed to meet the design
	standards specified in subsection H2 of this section;
	20. Street signs shall be installed by the subdivider as a required improvement of
	a type and design approved by the administrator and shall be consistent with the
	type and design of existing street signs elsewhere in the city;
	21. Whenever a proposed subdivision requires construction of a new bridge, or
	will create substantial additional traffic which will require construction of a new
	bridge or improvement of an existing bridge, such construction or improvement
	shall be a required improvement by the subdivider. Such construction or
	improvement shall be in accordance with adopted standard specifications;

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				22. Sidewalks, curbs and gutters may be a required improvement installed by the
				subdivider; and
				23. Gates are prohibited on private roads and parking access/entranceways,
				private driveways accessing more than one single-family dwelling unit and one
				accessory dwelling unit, and public rights of way unless approved by the city
				council.
				This standard does not apply as no new streets are proposed.
		\boxtimes	16.04.040.1	Alley Improvement Requirements: Alleys shall be provided in business,
				commercial and light industrial zoning districts. The width of an alley shall be not
				less than twenty feet (20'). Alley intersections and sharp changes in alignment
				shall be avoided, but where necessary, corners shall be provided to permit safe
				vehicular movement. Dead end alleys shall be prohibited. Improvement of alleys
				shall be done by the subdivider as required improvement and in conformance
				with design standards specified in subsection H2 of this section.
			Council	This standard does not apply as the alley adjacent to the subject property is
			Findings	closed to vehicular travel.
		\boxtimes	16.04.040.J	Required Easements: Easements, as set forth in this subsection, shall be required
				for location of utilities and other public services, to provide adequate pedestrian
				circulation and access to public waterways and lands.
				1. A public utility easement at least ten feet (10') in width shall be required within
				the street right of way boundaries of all private streets. A public utility easement
				at least five feet (5') in width shall be required within property boundaries
				adjacent to Warm Springs Road and within any other property boundary as
				determined by the city engineer to be necessary for the provision of adequate
				public utilities.
				2. Where a subdivision contains or borders on a watercourse, drainageway,
				channel or stream, an easement shall be required of sufficient width to contain
				such watercourse and provide access for private maintenance and/or
				reconstruction of such watercourse.
				3. All subdivisions which border the Big Wood River, Trail Creek and Warm Springs
				Creek shall dedicate a ten foot (10') fish and nature study easement along the
				riverbank. Furthermore, the council shall require, in appropriate areas, an
				easement providing access through the subdivision to the bank as a sportsman's
				access. These easement requirements are minimum standards, and in
				appropriate cases where a subdivision abuts a portion of the river adjacent to an
				existing pedestrian easement, the council may require an extension of that
				easement along the portion of the riverbank which runs through the proposed
				subdivision.
				4. All subdivisions which border on the Big Wood River, Trail Creek and Warm
				Springs Creek shall dedicate a twenty five foot (25') scenic easement upon which
				no permanent structure shall be built in order to protect the natural vegetation
				and wildlife along the riverbank and to protect structures from damage or loss
				due to riverbank erosion.
				5. No ditch, pipe or structure for irrigation water or irrigation wastewater shall be
				constructed, rerouted or changed in the course of planning for or constructing
				required improvements within a proposed subdivision unless same has first been
				approved in writing by the ditch company or property owner holding the water
				rights. A written copy of such approval shall be filed as part of required
				improvement construction plans.
				6. Nonvehicular transportation system easements including pedestrian walkways,
				bike paths, equestrian paths, and similar easements shall be dedicated by the
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		subdivider to provide an adequate nonvehicular transportation system
		throughout the city.
	Council	No new easements are required. However private landscaping & view easements
	Findings	are shown on the subject preliminary plat.
	16.04.040.K	Sanitary Sewage Disposal Improvements: Central sanitary sewer systems shall be installed in all subdivisions and connected to the Ketchum sewage treatment system as a required improvement by the subdivider. Construction plans and specifications for central sanitary sewer extension shall be prepared by the subdivider and approved by the city engineer, council and Idaho health department prior to final plat approval. In the event that the sanitary sewage system of a subdivision cannot connect to the existing public sewage system, alternative provisions for sewage disposal in accordance with the requirements of the Idaho department of health and the council may be constructed on a temporary basis until such time as connection to the public sewage system is possible. In considering such alternative provisions, the council may require an increase in the minimum lot size and may impose any other reasonable requirements which it deems necessary to protect public health, safety and welfare.
	Council Findings	This standard does not apply as this application does not create a new subdivision. The lot will directly connect to the City of Ketchum sewer system main found in Walnut Ave.
	16.04.040.L Council Findings	 Water System Improvements: A central domestic water distribution system shall be installed in all subdivisions by the subdivider as a required improvement. The subdivider shall also be required to locate and install an adequate number of fire hydrants within the proposed subdivision according to specifications and requirements of the city under the supervision of the Ketchum fire department and other regulatory agencies having jurisdiction. Furthermore, the central water system shall have sufficient flow for domestic use and adequate fire flow. All such water systems installed shall be looped extensions, and no dead end systems shall be permitted. All water systems shall be connected to the municipal water system and shall meet the standards of the following agencies: Idaho department of public health, Idaho survey and rating bureau, district sanitarian, Idaho state public utilities commission, Idaho department of reclamation, and all requirements of the city. This standard does not apply as this application does not create a new subdivision. The lot will directly connect to the City of Ketchum water main found in Walnut Ave.
	16.04.040.M Council Findings	 Planting Strip Improvements: Planting strips shall be required improvements. When a predominantly residential subdivision is proposed for land adjoining incompatible uses or features such as highways, railroads, commercial or light industrial districts or off street parking areas, the subdivider shall provide planting strips to screen the view of such incompatible features. The subdivider shall submit a landscaping plan for such planting strip with the preliminary plat application, and the landscaping shall be a required improvement. This standard does not apply as this application does not create a new subdivision. There are no incompatible uses adjacent to the proposed townhouse
	16.04.040.N	sublots. Cuts, Fills, And Grading Improvements: Proposed subdivisions shall be carefully planned to be compatible with natural topography, soil conditions, geology and hydrology of the site, as well as to minimize cuts, fills, alterations of topography,

streams, drainage channels, and disruption of soils and vegetation. The design criteria shall include the following:
1. A preliminary soil report prepared by a qualified engineer may be required by
the commission and/or council as part of the preliminary plat application.
2. Preliminary grading plan prepared by a civil engineer shall be submitted as part
of all preliminary plat applications. Such plan shall contain the following
information:
a. Proposed contours at a maximum of five foot (5') contour intervals.
b. Cut and fill banks in pad elevations.
c. Drainage patterns.
d. Areas where trees and/or natural vegetation will be preserved.
e. Location of all street and utility improvements including driveways to
building envelopes.
f. Any other information which may reasonably be required by the
administrator, commission or council to adequately review the affect of
the proposed improvements.
3. Grading shall be designed to blend with natural landforms and to minimize the
necessity of padding or terracing of building sites, excavation for foundations, and
minimize the necessity of cuts and fills for streets and driveways.
4. Areas within a subdivision which are not well suited for development because
of existing soil conditions, steepness of slope, geology or hydrology shall be
allocated for open space for the benefit of future property owners within the
subdivision.
5. Where existing soils and vegetation are disrupted by subdivision development,
provision shall be made by the subdivider for revegetation of disturbed areas with
perennial vegetation sufficient to stabilize the soil upon completion of the
construction. Until such times as such revegetation has been installed and
established, the subdivider shall maintain and protect all disturbed surfaces from
erosion.
6. Where cuts, fills, or other excavations are necessary, the following
development standards shall apply:
a. Fill areas shall be prepared by removing all organic material
detrimental to proper compaction for soil stability.
b. Fills shall be compacted to at least ninety five percent (95%) of
maximum density as determined by AASHO T99 (American Association of
State Highway Officials) and ASTM D698 (American standard testing
methods).
c. Cut slopes shall be no steeper than two horizontal to one vertical (2:1).
Subsurface drainage shall be provided as necessary for stability.
d. Fill slopes shall be no steeper than three horizontal to one vertical
(3:1). Neither cut nor fill slopes shall be located on natural slopes of three
to one (3:1) or steeper, or where fill slope toes out within twelve feet
(12') horizontally of the top and existing or planned cut slope.
e. Toes of cut and fill slopes shall be set back from property boundaries a
distance of three feet (3'), plus one-fifth (1/5) of the height of the cut or
the fill, but may not exceed a horizontal distance of ten feet (10'); tops
and toes of cut and fill slopes shall be set back from structures at a
distance of at least six feet (6'), plus one-fifth (1/5) of the height of the
cut or the fill. Additional setback distances shall be provided as necessary
to accommodate drainage features and drainage structures.
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	Council	This standard does not apply as this application is the subdivision of an existing
	Findings	lot. On-site grading for the new single family residence meets all grading
	1 mungs	requirements and all disturbance will be revegetated per the landscape plan
		included in the project plans.
	16.04.040.0	
	16.04.040.0	Drainage Improvements: The subdivider shall submit with the preliminary plat application such maps, profiles, and other data prepared by an engineer to indicate the proper drainage of the surface water to natural drainage courses or storm drains, existing or proposed. The location and width of the natural drainage courses shall be shown as an easement common to all owners within the subdivision and the city on the preliminary and final plat. All natural drainage courses shall be left undisturbed or be improved in a manner that will increase the operating efficiency of the channel without overloading its capacity. An adequate storm and surface drainage system shall be a required improvement in all subdivisions and shall be installed by the subdivider. Culverts shall be required where all water or drainage courses intersect with streets, driveways or improved public easements and shall extend across and under the entire improved width including chaulders.
	Council	including shoulders.
		The applicant submitted a site grading and drainage plan with the project plans
	Findings	for the proposed lot. No common drainage courses are utilized or disturbed. The
		grading and drainage plan meets all requirements and each sublot is managing
	1004040.0	stormwater runoff independently, not impacting adjacent properties.
	16.04.040.P	Utilities: In addition to the terms mentioned in this section, all utilities including, but not limited to, electricity, natural gas, telephone and cable services shall be installed underground as a required improvement by the subdivider. Adequate provision for expansion of such services within the subdivision or to adjacent lands including installation of conduit pipe across and underneath streets shall be installed by the subdivider prior to construction of street improvements.
	Council	All utilities are proposed underground per the KMC requirements.
	Findings	
	16.04.040. <i>Q</i>	Off Site Improvements: Where the offsite impact of a proposed subdivision is found by the commission or council to create substantial additional traffic, improvements to alleviate that impact may be required of the subdivider prior to final plat approval, including, but not limited to, bridges, intersections, roads, traffic control devices, water mains and facilities, and sewer mains and facilities.
	Council	The proposed lot consolidation does not create substantial additional traffic,
	Findings	therefore, no improvements are required.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The City of Ketchum is a municipal corporation established in accordance with Article XII of the Constitution of the State of Idaho and Title 50 Idaho Code and is required and has exercised its authority pursuant to the Local Land Use Planning Act codified at Chapter 65 of Title 67 Idaho Code and pursuant to Chapters 3, 9 and 13 of Title 50 Idaho Code to enact the ordinances and regulations, which ordinances are codified in the Ketchum Municipal Code ("KMC") and are identified in the Findings of Fact and which are herein restated as Conclusions of Law by this reference and which City Ordinances govern the applicant's Townhouse Preliminary Plat application for the development and use of the project site.

- 2. The Council has authority to review and recommend approval of the applicant's Lot Consolidation Preliminary Plat Application pursuant to Chapter 16.04 of Ketchum Code Title 16.
- 3. The City of Ketchum Planning Department provided notice for the review of this application in accordance with Ketchum Municipal Code §16.04.030.
- 4. The Lot Consolidation Subdivision Preliminary Plat application is governed under Chapter 16.04 of Ketchum Municipal Code.
- 5. The Ketchum Townsite: Block 91: Lot 3A Preliminary Plat application meets all applicable standards specified in Title 16 of Ketchum Municipal Code.

DECISION

THEREFORE, the Council **approves** this Lot Consolidation Preliminary Plat Application File No. P22-052A to City Council this Tuesday, January 2, 2024 subject to the following conditions of approval.

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

- 1. The preliminary plat is subject to all conditions of approval associated with Mountain Overlay Design Review Approval P23-052.
- 2. Failure to record a Final Plat within two (2) years of Council's approval of a Preliminary Plat shall cause the Preliminary Plat to be null and void.

Findings of Fact **adopted** this 2nd day of January 2024.

Neil Bradshaw, Mayor