

Dawn Hofheimer

From: Casey Burke <casey.r.burke@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2026 6:12 AM
To: Participate
Cc: Brenda Moczygemba; Tim Carter
Subject: SVMoA - 101 Lewis Street

Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commissioners,

CC: Brenda and Tim

I am reaching out in support of the proposed text amendment regarding the Sun Valley Museum of Art's proposed new building at 101 Lewis Street.

A cultural facility in the Light Industrial 2 (LI2) District enhances the vibrancy of Ketchum and the positive evolution of the District and our greater community. For over 50 years, SVMoA (formerly the Sun Valley Center for the Arts) has served the Wood River Valley through contemporary art, education and cultural programs. This organization caters to locals and visitors of all ages and interests.

The 101 Lewis Street building will enhance SVMoA's mission along with providing more exhibition space, educational programs / classrooms and community growth.

As a community member and friend of SVMoA, I am happy to be a part of its history and future - thus fully supporting the text amendment.

Thanks for considering.

Casey Burke

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From: Katherine Rixon <krixon@rixonandcronin.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 17, 2026 1:52 PM
To: Participate
Subject: Support for Sun Valley Museum of Art and 101 Lewis Street

Dear Members of the Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission,
I am writing to express my support for the proposed text amendment to allow a cultural facility as a conditional use within the Light Industrial 2 (LI2) District. I was on the Board of Directors for the Museum for many years and president of the board for two. During my tenure we sold back the land the museum had purchased from the Simplot family because building there was deemed not to be fiscally responsible for the organization. It was at that time that we started to look for an existing building that could repurposed to give the Museum the extra space it has needed for many years. As you can imagine, it has been extraordinarily difficult to find a building that has the extra space the museum needs in a location that is easily accessible.

This particular location works well because it is walking distance from downtown Ketchum and Hemingway School, on the bus route (with a stop out front) and on the bike path. There is plenty of parking in the area for after hours programming and it will be very synergistic with the YMCA.

I cannot think of a better use of an existing building then something to benefit the community.

I am in full support of this amendment.

Sincerely,
Katherine Rixon

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From: Christine Davis-Jeffers <cdavisjeffers@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 16, 2026 11:54 AM
To: Participate
Subject: Support for Sun Valley Museum of Art and 101 Lewis Street

Dear Members of the Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed text amendment to allow a cultural facility as a conditional use within the Light Industrial 2 (LI2) District.

As the former executive director of SVMOA, I am keenly aware of the benefits a new building would bring to this community. Sun Valley Museum of Art is a valued and longstanding organization in the Wood River Valley. It provides residents and visitors alike with access to contemporary art, education, and cultural programming.

The proposed use of the building at 101 Lewis Street represents a thoughtful expansion of this work. It will create additional space for exhibitions, educational programs, and community gatherings, contributing to the cultural vitality of Ketchum.

I support this amendment and the opportunity for The Museum to serve the community more robustly with a larger space that better accommodates its high-caliber education programs and exhibitions.

Sincerely,
Christine Davis-Jeffers

115 Sage Road, Ketchum, Idaho

Dawn Hofheimer

From: Barbara Lehman <barbara@barbaralehman.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 16, 2026 10:51 AM
To: Participate
Subject: Support for Sun Valley Museum of Art and 101 Lewis Street

Dear Members of the Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission,

The Sun Valley Museum of Art is a valued and longstanding organization in the Wood River Valley, providing access to contemporary art, education, and cultural programming. Its founding was in the early days for the city and before the recent growth. For more than 50 years, it has played an essential role that is nowhere duplicated in the Valley's cultural landscape. I believe it is imperative for this community's future that we support the growth of this incredible asset.

Many other mountain communities have museums that have excellent facilities supported by their residents and visitors.

I am writing to you as a longtime part time resident and a former board member for the Sun Valley Museum of Art for many years beginning in 2010 until two years ago. This letter is in support for the proposed text amendment to allow a cultural facility as a conditional use within the Light Industrial 2 (LI2) District.

Since I first joined the board, the museum has been seeking a home commensurate with its stature as a nationally recognized institution and highly respected resource for the community.

The effort to find a better home has always been a priority for SVMoA. The Tom Kundig design for a museum, conceived in 2007, was a beautiful one. Our lot on Second Avenue, (known as the Simplot lot), was a good location but ultimately building on it became impossible because of requirements beyond our control. The owners ultimately repurchased it from us. It is still standing empty.

No other idea or location became a practical solution in all these years.

The Lewis Street lot is a perfect location and has the potential to be adapted relatively easily to the museum needs.

The proposed use of the building on the lot at 101 Lewis Street represents a thoughtful expansion of its work. It will create additional space for exhibitions, educational programs, and community gatherings, contributing to the cultural vitality of Ketchum.

I support this amendment wholeheartedly and hope that Ketchum P & Z commission will have the wisdom to help make this happen.

Sincerely,
Barbara, (Mrs. John F. Lehman)
105 Fox Creek Road, Ketchum

Dawn Hofheimer

From: Lisa Ryan-Boyle <lryanboyle@me.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 16, 2026 6:25 AM
To: Participate
Subject: Support for SVMoA and 101 Lewis Street Purchase

Dear Members of the Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission,

I write in support of the proposed text amendment to allow a cultural facility as a conditional use within the Light Industrial 2 (LI2) District. For 55 years, Sun Valley Museum of Art has provided free access to contemporary art, education, and cultural programming for Wood River Valley residents and visitors alike. This Ketchum gem has outgrown the space it occupied in 1994 and has searched for a larger facility since earning accreditation from the American Alliance of Museums two decades ago.

The proposed use of the building at 101 Lewis Street represents a thoughtful expansion of this work. It will create additional space for exhibitions, educational programs, and community gatherings, contributing to the cultural vitality of Ketchum.

I enthusiastically support this amendment and the opportunity for the SVMoA to continue serving the community to its fullest capacity.

Sincerely,
Lisa Ryan-Boyle
206 Fox Fun Road
Ketchum, ID 83340

Dawn Hofheimer

From: Sarah WOODWARD <drawdoow5@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, May 15, 2026 8:49 PM
To: Participate
Subject: SVMOA

Hello,

I'm writing in support of the museums effort to buy 101 Lewis Street. This is long time in coming and will serve many residents and visitors to Blaine County.

I have been a board member for 11 years and have seen and experienced everything the museum has to offer. It's a perfect location - on the bike path, very close to the YMCA, next door to Pauli OCHI gallery and The Spot.

Thank you

Sarah Woodward

Sent from my iPhone

Dawn Hofheimer

From: Trina Peters <trinapeters@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2026 1:02 PM
To: Participate
Subject: SVMoA's application for 101 Lewis Street

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Members of P&Z Commission:

I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed text amendment to allow a cultural facility as a conditional use within the Light Industrial 2 (LI2) District.

As a 20+ year supporter and current Board member of the Sun Valley Museum of Art, I know firsthand how valuable the institution has been to the cultural life of this Valley. For 55 years, the institution founded by Glenn Janss has solidified the Wood River Valley as a vibrant home for the arts. Residents and visitors have access to world class contemporary art, educational opportunities and other cultural programming that enhances our quality of life.

The proposed use of the building at 101 Lewis will allow for expansion of all of SVMoA's programs, thus offering cultural opportunities for the entire community that are on par with the abundance of outdoor recreational opportunities. The location is an ideal fit - close to the YMCA, bike path, Mtn Rides bus stops, and Hemingway Elementary. I urge you to support SVMoA's proposed use of the building site and this amendment.

Sincerely,
Trina Peters, SVMoA Board member and 25-year resident of Ketchum

Trina Peters
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From: Holbrook Newman <holbrooknewman@me.com>
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2026 1:41 PM
To: Participate
Subject: Support for Sun Valley Museum of Art and 101 Lewis Street

Dear Members of the Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed text amendment to allow a cultural facility as a conditional use within the Light Industrial 2 (LI2) District.

Sun Valley Museum of Art is a valued and longstanding organization in the Wood River Valley. It provides access to contemporary art, education, and cultural programming for residents and visitors alike.

The proposed use of the building at 101 Lewis Street represents a thoughtful expansion of this work. It will create additional space for exhibitions, educational programs, and community gatherings, contributing to the cultural vitality of Ketchum.

I support this amendment and the opportunity for the museum to continue serving the community.

Sincerely,

Holbrook Newman
235 Spur Lane
Larkspur 103
Ketchum, ID 83340

Dawn Hofheimer

From: J. Brittain Palmedo <brittsv@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2026 1:33 PM
To: Participate
Subject: Support for Sun Valley Museum of Art and 101 Lewis Street

Dear Members of the Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission,

We are writing to express our support for the proposed text amendment to allow a cultural facility as a conditional use within the Light Industrial 2 (LI2) District.

Sun Valley Museum of Art is a valued and longstanding organization in the Wood River Valley. It provides access to contemporary art, education, and cultural programming for residents and visitors alike.

The proposed use of the building at 101 Lewis Street represents a thoughtful expansion of this work. It will create additional space for exhibitions, educational programs, and community gatherings, contributing to the cultural vitality of Ketchum.

We support this amendment and the opportunity for the museum to continue serving the community.

Sincerely,
Britt and Peter Palmedo

Dawn Hofheimer

From: Michele Cannon Bessler <mcannonbessler@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2026 3:18 PM
To: Participate
Subject: Letter of Enthusiastic Support for SVMoA and Lewis Street

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Subject: Support for Sun Valley Museum of Art and 101 Lewis Street

Date : May 18, 2026

Dear Members of the Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed text amendment to allow a cultural facility as a conditional use within the Light Industrial 2 (LI2) District.

Sun Valley Museum of Art is an important, valued and longstanding organization in the Wood River Valley. It provides access to contemporary art, education, and cultural programming for residents and visitors alike.

The proposed use of the building at 101 Lewis Street represents a thoughtful expansion of this work. It will create additional space for exhibitions, educational programs, and community gatherings, contributing to the cultural vitality of Ketchum.

I support this amendment and the opportunity for the museum to continue serving the community.

Sincerely,

Michele M Bessler

134 Lake Creek Meadows Road
Ketchum Idaho 83340

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From: Greenspan, Ron <Ron.Greenspan@FTIConsulting.com>
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2026 3:07 PM
To: Participate
Subject: Support for Sun Valley Museum and Text Amendment--- 101 Lewis Street

Dear Members of the Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed text amendment to allow a cultural facility as a conditional use within the Light Industrial 2 (LI2) District.

We are so fortunate to have the Sun Valley Museum of Art in our community. It is a vital part of our cultural fabric, providing access to contemporary art, education, and cultural programming for residents and visitors alike.

The proposed use of the building at 101 Lewis Street represents a thoughtful expansion of this work. It will create additional space for exhibitions, educational programs, and community gatherings, contributing to the cultural vitality of Ketchum. The location, adjacent to the YMCA and bike path, and very close to Hemmingway School, is a perfect fit and excellent use of this highly visible building, which has otherwise sat vacant for a number of years.

I support this amendment and the opportunity for the museum to continue serving the community.

Sincerely,
Ron Greenspan
118 River Ranch Road, Ketchum

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From: jennifer case <jennifercase211@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2026 4:13 PM
To: Participate
Subject: Support for Sun Valley Museum of Art and 101 Lewis Street

Dear Members of the Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission,

I am writing to express my overwhelming support for the proposed Sun Valley Museum of Art text amendment to allow the cultural facility to operate within the Light Industrial 2 District.

I see nothing but huge benefits and community gains by allowing SVMoA to move into 101 Lewis Street and make this transition for the building's use.

I have been coming to Ketchum for 45 years. and a homeowner since 2006. Through the years I have seen the incredible value SVMoA has added to the Wood River Valley, and beyond, through not only its exhibits but its educational classes, lectures, special events and cultural programming. Their impact benefits people of all ages and across all demographics throughout Blaine County. SVMoA is a vibrant organization, that provides immeasurable value to the community and whose programs benefit both residents and visitors.

I believe the proposed use of the building at 101 Lewis Street represents a thoughtful expansion of this work and will enable the museum to expand its programming to meet the community's needs and to continue to contribute to the cultural vitality of Ketchum and the Wood River Valley.

I whole-heartedly support this amendment and the opportunity for the museum to continue to serve the community.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Case

670 Second Street East
Ketchum

Dawn Hofheimer

From: Stacey Winston-Levitan <stacey@winstonwachter.com>
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2026 4:12 PM
To: Participate
Subject: Subject: Support for Sun Valley Museum of Art and 101 Lewis Street

Dear Members of the Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed text amendment to allow a cultural facility as a conditional use within the Light Industrial 2 (LI2) District.

Sun Valley Museum of Art is a valued and longstanding organization in the Wood River Valley. It provides access to contemporary art, education, and cultural programming for residents and visitors alike.

The proposed use of the building at 101 Lewis Street represents a thoughtful expansion of this work. It will create additional space for exhibitions, educational programs, and community gatherings, contributing to the cultural vitality of Ketchum. This is so important for our community and the people who it serves.

I support this amendment and the opportunity for the museum to continue serving the community.

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Stacey Winston Levitan

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From: Caroline Woodham <caroline@woodhamphoto.com>
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2026 5:01 PM
To: Participate
Subject: Support for SVMoA 101 Lewis St.

Dear Members of the Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission,

In regards to the proposed text amendment to allow a cultural facility as a conditional use within the Light Industrial 2 (LI2) District, we want to support this hopefully easy choice for allowed use.

Sun Valley Museum of Art is an extension of the valley's education picture. We have benefited over the many years plus witnessed broad reaching participation from our community and therefore we support their growth and the positive impact they have on the community. We are so fortunate to have this educational facility and it's hard-working staff to better serve all of us directly or indirectly.

The proposed use of the building at 101 Lewis Street represents positive expansion of this work. They need additional space for exhibitions, educational programs, and community gatherings, contributing to the cultural vitality of Ketchum. Please make a thoughtful decision.

We strongly support this amendment and the opportunity for the museum to continue serving the community.

Sun Valley Museum of Art is treasured by many. It is a longstanding organization in the Wood River Valley. There are probably statistics you can research to back up the enormous impact it has had valley wide so please take the time to thoughtfully engage. SVMoA provides access to contemporary art, education, and cultural programming for residents and visitors alike.

Thank you for your time and attention.

David and Caroline Woodham
P.O. Box 2886
Ketchum, ID 83340

Caroline Woodham

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From: Geoff Isles <islesglass@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2026 5:13 PM
To: Participate
Subject: SVMoA Conditional Use Permit

Dear P&Z Board Member:

I write to you today in support of granting the Sun Valley Museum of Art a conditional use permit so they can purchase the building on the corner of Lewis St and Sun Valley Rd as their future home. The building is ideally suited for the museum, allowing them to enlarge both their gallery space and education rooms, but also giving them on property parking, something that has made it difficult in the present space to draw tourists visiting from out of town.

The museum has been the center of Ketchum's art scene for decades now, and with the addition of the Argyros and the Spot theatre, will continue to expand Ketchum cultural sector, so it won't be just a ski resort town. This is vital, not for just tourism, but to give locals and children experiences from outside unmask area.

I'll note that there are two other cultural spots on Lewis St, Ochi Gallery which is a commercial space but obviously active in the arts, and the Spot Theatre, a gem for our town, that is expanding to accommodate additional patrons. Having the SVMoA in the neighborhood will add a vibrancy to the area.

Please grant their request.

Respectfully,

Geoff Isles

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Dawn Hofheimer

From: Sophie Sawyers <sophiesawyers@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2026 8:51 PM
To: Participate
Subject: Support for Sun Valley Museum of Art and 101 Lewis Street

Dear Members of the Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed text amendment to allow a cultural facility as a conditional use within the Light Industrial 2 (LI2) District.

As a teacher and former museum educator at SVMoA, I firmly believe in the value of the Sun Valley Museum of Art as a cultural institution in our community. It provides access to contemporary art, education, and cultural programming for residents and visitors alike.

The proposed use of the building at 101 Lewis Street represents a thoughtful expansion of this work. It will create additional space for exhibitions, educational programs, and community gatherings, contributing to the cultural vitality of Ketchum.

I support this amendment and the opportunity for the museum to continue serving the community.

Sincerely,

Sophie Sawyers
Ketchum Resident
Elementary School Teacher

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From: Nancy Watkins <nancywatkins1@me.com>
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2026 6:02 PM
To: Participate
Subject: Support for the SV museum of Art and 101 Lewis St.

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Subject: Support for Sun Valley Museum of Art and 101 Lewis Street

Dear Members of the Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed text amendment to allow a cultural facility as a conditional use within the Light Industrial 2 (LI2) District.

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The proposed use of the building at 101 Lewis Street represents a thoughtful expansion of this work. It will create additional space for exhibitions, educational programs, and community gatherings, contributing to the cultural vitality of Ketchum.

I support this amendment and the opportunity for the museum to continue serving the community.

Sincerely

Nancy Watkins
101 Saddle lane, Sun Valley

Sent from my iPhone

Dawn Hofheimer

From: Claudia McCain <cvmccain@icloud.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 19, 2026 1:32 PM
To: Participate
Subject: Conditional Use Permit for SVMoA

Dear Members of the Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed text amendment to allow a cultural facility as a conditional use within the Light Industrial 2 (LI2) District.

The Sun Valley Museum of Art has been an integral part of our Arts community for over 50 years. Over those years, they have provided exceptional programming in entertainment, education, arts literacy, and cultural development for residents, visitors and youth. I cannot imagine where our valley would be today without the SVMoA.

The proposed use of the building at 101 Lewis Street will be a terrific addition to our cultural landscape and allow the Museum to continue, and even expand their offerings.

I support this amendment and the opportunity it will provide for our town and our valley.

Best Regards,

Claudia McCain

Ketchum Resident

Dawn Hofheimer

From: Jennifer Wells Green <jwgreen@svmoa.org>
Sent: Wednesday, May 20, 2026 11:33 AM
To: Participate
Subject: support for Zoning Text Amendment - LI-2 Cultural Facility

Dear City of Ketchum Planning and Zoning Commission Members,

As the Executive Director of a legacy organization that has been a cultural and educational asset to this community for 55 years, I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed text amendment to allow “Cultural Facility” as a Conditional Use in LI-2.

Ketchum is a community that has long valued the arts, culture, and civic life, and our zoning code should reflect that. Allowing a cultural facility as a conditional use in the LI-2 district is a reasonable, forward-thinking update that creates opportunity without compromising the integrity of the zone. The conditional use process itself provides exactly the right mechanism for case-by-case review, ensuring any proposed facility meets the standards the community expects.

Cultural institutions are proven contributors to the economic and social vitality of the communities they call home. They generate foot traffic, support local businesses, attract visitors, and strengthen the identity of a place. Ketchum deserves zoning that makes room for that kind of investment.

I urge the Commission to vote in support of this amendment and to recommend its approval to the Ketchum City Council. Thank you for your service to this community and for your thoughtful consideration.

Warm regards,

Jennifer Wells Green

Jennifer Wells Green
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From: Joan Swift <jgswift@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 19, 2026 9:46 PM
To: Participate
Subject: Support for Text Amendment to add Cultural Facility as a Conditional Use in LI-2

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Dear Members of the Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed Text Amendment to allow Cultural Facility as a conditional use within the Light Industrial 2 (LI2) District.

The growth of cultural and arts programming is a significant priority for Ketchum, as confirmed in the current Comp Plan, and there are limited opportunities to provide this programming under the existing zoning code in the Tourist and Community Core districts.

I support this amendment and the opportunity it provides for the expansion of the community's arts and cultural resources. I believe accommodating Cultural Facility uses, controlled by conditional use permits, would not disadvantage the current LI-2 uses.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Joan Swift
local resident

Joan Swift
208-720-9796

Dawn Hofheimer

From: Jessica Streib (Jess) <jessica.streib.id@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 19, 2026 7:51 PM
To: Participate
Subject: Support for Sun Valley Museum of Art and 101 Lewis Street

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Dear Members of the Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed text amendment to allow a cultural facility as a conditional use within the Light Industrial 2 (LI2) District. Sun Valley Museum of Art is a valued and longstanding organization in the Wood River Valley. It provides access to contemporary art, education, and cultural programming for residents and visitors alike.

The proposed use of the building at 101 Lewis Street represents a thoughtful expansion of this work. It will create additional space for exhibitions, educational programs, and community gatherings, contributing to the cultural vitality of Ketchum.

I support this amendment and the opportunity for the museum to continue serving the community.

Sincerely,

Jessica Streib
117 Timberline Road (East Fork)
Hailey, ID 83333

*But work off Lewis Street in Ketchum, on Bell Drive and think the museum would be AWESOME!