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Sure hope it passes!  
Carol

Sent from my iPad

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Cheers,  
Aly

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Hello Aly

Thank you for the update.

Just a couple of thoughts.

First, I'm happy to hear you are going to try speed bumps in lieu of the tubular markers. That seems like a simpler approach and one that absolutely *\*requires\** drivers to slow down, or at least be driving just at the speed limit.

Next, I don't see the value of a roundabout, but clearly it became a community hub, of sorts, so in that way I guess it's nice to have. Anecdotally, I have not noticed any difficulties at that intersection over the winter, traffic-wise, after last year's roundabout was removed.

And finally, I'm still unclear as to the purpose of crosswalks at the intersections of Bird and Wood River Drive. No pedestrian has ever used those, based on the thousand times I've walked my dog past there in the last months. From what I can tell, the folks who live in the condos/townhomes at that intersection would love a way to get cars to slow down when they go around the bend on WRD heading north/northwest or south/east. There have often been homemade sandwich boards there that beg drivers to slow down and, as a frequent walker, I can concur that vehicles take that corner (especially when heading north) way too fast, probably due in part to the slight downhill there.

As I've mentioned to you in the past, I don't see that upright tubes do much to slow down drivers who are keen to hurry through these streets that have no sidewalks, despite the constant presences of walkers, dogs, etc. *To my mind, placing several speed humps throughout the busier "speedier" streets would be the most effective and economical way of dealing with speeding.* Why not do the least expensive option for a year or two, to see how that works? For those of us who actually drive the speed limit, the speed

humps would barely slow us down, while for those who insist on zooming through the neighbourhood, these would become a real pain and hopefully a deterrent.

And I know there will never be sidewalks, but as a constant year-round walker, it sure would be nice to have more of those... though I realize those are not a minor expense.

Thanks for your updates!

Beverley Robertson

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## Cyndy King

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**From:** Amanda Breen  
**Sent:** Monday, April 15, 2024 9:19 AM  
**To:** Cyndy King  
**Cc:** Daniel Hansen  
**Subject:** Fw: Character Of Ketchum

Public comment.

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**From:** Pat Higgins <pathiggins@cox.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 15, 2024 7:45 AM  
**To:** Amanda Breen <ABreen@ketchumidaho.org>  
**Subject:** Character Of Ketchum

Dear Ms. Breen,

What is the direction for the Character of Ketchum ?

Since Covid 19 , many things have changed in the world and especially here in our beloved Ketchum Idaho. Many of the newcomers are trying to impose their set of standards of what they think Ketchum should be.I am writing to express my concerns regarding the issue of overdevelopment in our community. As a resident who deeply cares about the well-being and sustainability of our community, I have observed with growing apprehension the rapid pace of development and its impact on our neighborhoods. The building used to be seasonal , now it is 365 days of the year, with developers building lot line to lot line taking sidewalks and precious parking spaces. This has especially struck a nerve with me over the last few years .

We are now observing that overdevelopment not only strains our infrastructure and resources but also threatens the character and livability of our town. The relentless construction of high-rise buildings, commercial complexes, and housing developments has led to increased traffic congestion, overcrowded schools, and diminished green spaces.

While I understand the importance of urban growth and economic development, it is imperative that we prioritize responsible and sustainable practices that preserve the quality of life for current and future generations. We need to respect those who came before us and helped create what we come to love about Ketchum. We must strike a balance between meeting the

demands of a growing population and preserving the unique identity and charm of our little town.

I urge the city council to consider implementing measures to address the issue of overdevelopment, such as stricter zoning regulations and allowing parking on streets or a central parking structure. I am hopeful as residents in the decision-making process, we can all work together to create a vision for our town that respects its heritage, fosters equitable growth, and enhances the overall well-being of all of us.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my concerns. I hope that together, we can find sustainable solutions to the challenges posed by overdevelopment and ensure a vibrant and prosperous future for our beloved Ketchum.

Let's slow down and take a deep breath, get this right instead of being reactionary and rushed.

Pat Higgins

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**To:** Aly Swindley <[aswindley@ketchumidaho.org](mailto:aswindley@ketchumidaho.org)>  
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Aly-  
Don't know if you recall my concern about placing a yield sign, as opposed to keeping the stop sign, at the bike path. I almost got hit today by a car that was not paying any attention. I strongly encourage you to recommend replacing the stop signs on either side of the bike path. At least when there was a stop sign, people somewhat stopped but at definitely slowed. Now that there is only a yield sign, cars drive over the path with little regards to bicycles. If no change is made, there will be an incident.  
Thanks  
Tony Buoncristiani  
204 Bird Drive

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Hi Aly,

Thank you for sharing the Traffic Calming Pilot 2.0 update materials. I appreciate the work the City is doing to address speeding and pedestrian/bike safety in West Ketchum.

One change I'd like the City to consider is replacing the Yield sign at the intersection of the Bike Path and Wood River Drive with a Stop sign that was there for many years. I, along with other West Ketchum residents, advised the City years ago to put a stop sign there. This came about for me as I had witnessed a little girl on a bike cross the Wood River Drive, trying to catch up with her parents who were riding north in front of her. She didn't stop or look both ways to see if there was oncoming traffic. Had a vehicle been there she could have been hit. I think it's worked well in the past and I was surprised to see a change to a Yield sign. There's a 10,000 square foot home with a five car garage that will be constructed on Wood River Drive with many additional vehicles traveling across that intersection so I think we should seriously look at installing a Stop sign there. The bike path is used by tourists who don't know the area, and the West Ketchum neighborhood has many short-term rentals with guests who are also unfamiliar with the roads. It makes sense from a public safety standpoint to install the Stop sign to provide a greater degree of safety for visitors and residents alike.

Thanks again for all your work on the traffic calming initiatives.

Best,

Gina

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**From:** Geoff Isles <islesglass@aol.com>  
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**To:** Participate  
**Subject:** Recycling

Dear Mayor:

As President of my association, the Board was asked at a recent meeting as to why we are recycling and separating materials since the city doesn't really recycle the garbage, and when Clearcreek picks it up, they seem to throw it all together? We had no answer for them, but we spend extra money for the recycling pick ups and will stop them if what we are told is true.

Sooo, what is the deal with recycling in Ketchum?

Do we need to separate all material?

If the city is just throwing it into the general garbage, why should we police our garbage any longer?

Thanks

Geoff

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**From:** James Hungelmann <jim.hungelmann@gmail.com>  
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**Cc:** Greg Foley; Eric Valentine  
**Subject:** GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Ketchum City Council

Meeting April 15, 2024

### ***General Public Comment: OUT and RUN FASCISM***

Dear Mayor and Councilors:

1

In the interest of sanity and survival, one is compelled to call out reported reprehensible developments of late; first, Councilor Breen's stunning comments in the Council's last meeting that emergency powers must be reserved for "real threats" like *COVID-19*, and second, this Council's ready Proclamation of *The Week of the Young Child* (trademarked) despite warnings about the suspicious agenda of that organization.

2

Both developments wrongfully seek to embed in the mind of the masses the horse-laughably ludicrous notion of a swirling, lethal virus in an era that is increasingly being recognized as nothing but covidScam with ruinous consequences for all of society, the product of organized criminal racketeering of the highest order, perpetrated on the masses through "emergency orders" of sycophantic collaborators at every level of government.

As many forensic experts have maintained from the start, every component of the "covid narrative" is a great fabrication aka lie, completely lacking evidentiary support. Further, all covid "health measures" especially masking and vaccination are the exact opposite of what a sane people should do, providing absolutely no protection but instead ruining health and gravely endangering life.

This attempt to embed as our reality what are immensely false and destructive narrations must be seen as a desperate and surely fruitless attempt to bury the high crimes and horrifically exploding casualties, to just "move on", let's pretend it is 'all good' - what we have learned to be standard operating procedure of The Blaine Pretender.

3

Beginning in March 2020 and continuing for over two years, and against immense ongoing public opposition expressed in writing on the record, this Council claimed emergency powers to justify its horrifically punishing Measures of isolation, distancing, and masking, while also pushing vaccination for all, while ignoring the fact that the Measures constituted savage blows to our health and safety and amounted to immense deprivations of Inalienable Rights and civil liberties, imposed without any hint of constitutionally mandated due process.

4

Many find it especially vile that two of the three Ketchum councilors who insisted on emergency powers and the mangling measures actually graduated law school. Just two generations removed from that “Greatest Generation” who went through great depression and world war, who gave up their backs to for the cause of our freedoms of breath, belief, speech, those inalienable rights that this Gang of Three so gleefully breached. Is it not the primary responsibility of every member of the legal profession to protect the rule of law and the freedoms that come with it that are unique in the constitutional framework of this country? Instead, the Gang of Three immediately “white flag” surrendered on mere claim of threat and now is pretending like it was No Big Deal.

5

Some have scoffed at this concern, urging “Don’t talk constitution in face of such a grave health emergency!” The truth is, people don’t much talk about, nor do they like to talk about, the Constitution, as if it was some technicality irrelevant when it comes to protecting the citizenry from invisible toxicity supposedly swirling in from Wuhan, “Don’t get in any of it on you!” When in fact what that foundational document assures is that nobody gets Life, Liberty or Property deprived, unless the government can first come in and make the overwhelming case by hard evidence, one building block at a time, in court, by the rules, subject to challenge by all sought to be deprived. For, as it turns out, the Constitution is the only defense to the false narrative that would lock us down, for good as far as we know and if and when need be, as determined solely by a gang of deprivers. Importantly, it’s not up to the citizenry to desperately defend and contest. It is up to the government to make the overwhelming showing before any liberty depriving measures can be implemented. We have been stripped of that right, such as it goes in a state of abject fascism.

6

The victimization of covidScam has been immense, and many believe from the ludicrousness of the “evidence”, directly intended, against all youth, against those in need of care, against those in need of interaction, against us all. Virtually every single health care directive made by “the government” and pumped by a sickeningly stenchy press has been viciously toxic and the exact opposite of what we should be doing, as so many have insisted from the very start, on the record of this Council and elsewhere.

7

But a far greater victimization is suicidal acceptance of the notion that some government can call the shots and loosen and tighten restrictions on Inalienable Rights whenever and as it sees fit. That is where we are now. That’s brutally Nazi Germany, that’s venomously red China, that’s cold war Russia gone gulag. The important thing for us now, is for all of it to Get Off Our Lawn.

8

How is it possible that very few children in Idaho know anything about US constitutional protections of civil liberties that would cause them to question the covidScam mandates? What we must be insisting and what this council should be modeling as the most Essential learning for all children is never to blindly accept and adapt to any narrative coming from any governmental entity or person, especially those like covid filled with nothing but infantile comic book absurd impossibilities hiding the direst of consequences. Children must be taught that nowhere in the USA does any governmental entity at any level have the right to call the shots and impose restrictions on Inalienable Rights as it sees fit, like the right to breathe, gather and speak freely, or the right not to be coerced to inject suspiciously deadly experimental drugs.

9

All children must understand that Due Process of Law is the most treasured inheritance from Mother England, of Magna Carta magnificence, the distinguishing cornerstone of individual liberties and democracy of the United States of America, and the one mechanism that protects us from dictatorship. They also must understand that due process is also the protection of sanity: It is the vehicle by which an entire people assures that they are never going to be captivated by or subjugated to a false narrative that involves them losing their liberties or life

without any justification having been shown. In Idaho and everywhere in the USA, there is no more important learning for children – yet seemingly absent in our education systems and of no concern to government wrecking crews like our Gang of Three.

At this point in the deterioration of Reality pumped by government and press, it is incumbent on young and old alike to assume every news item is false – and believe nothing unless founded on competent evidence. After all, it was CIA Director Casey who assured way back in 1981, “We will know we are successful when *everything* the American people believe is a lie.” Now forty-three years later, with trillions spent on intel and Psyops, what “reality” can be trusted?

Benjamin Franklin insisted that the first responsibility of every citizen is to question authority. Now more than ever, at this most important time in our lives and the history of the Nation, his words must be heeded.

10

With regard to the issue of emergency powers: Ketchum City Council never had ever had any legal basis for emergency orders of its two years reign of domestic terror. Municipalities have no express or inherent power to overrule the Constitution as this Gang has done. All “evidence” relied upon for the wildly depriving covid Measures was completely incompetent hearsay on hearsay and wrongly deferential to the assessments and “guidelines” of fouled creatures and creations like Mr. Fauci, the CDC and WHO, none of whom have any authority in Idaho.

11

Under Idaho law, the top official in the executive branch, the governor, has the legislatively delegated power to declare an emergency and to dictate “safety measures”, but only for a period not to exceed 60 days (original 30 days plus a single extension of 30 days). *Idaho Code 46-1008(2)*. Governor Little chose to ignore this clear time limitation and to impose his dictatorship for two years with only token resistance from the Idaho legislature. Especially fouled and gravely felonious was his push for universal vaccination, even threatening that if necessary he had the authority of US Supreme Court precedent to mandate and compel vaccination. This was a fabulous lie that many experts claim has had murderous consequences for the masses who relied on such false assurances in submitting themselves and their children to the filthy needle, and for many, over and over again. Now so many of our vaccinated family, friends and neighbors are fearful for their lives and that of their children and would give anything to be able to undo. We must come to their aid, now. (See 16 below.)

12

To be clear, the total absence of any due process connected with the covid Measures of this Council means that all of the Measures mandated by her mangling majesty were *null and void*, without any legal effect whatsoever, to be freely ignored by all without any adverse legal repercussion. And yet the thrust of the gang Predator has been most destructive as intended to those least capable of understanding and rejecting the falsity and defending - youth, mothers, the disabled, immigrants, and the working class, all of which are scoffed at by the real Blaine Pretender.

13

And while our good mayor didn’t sign on to the Measures, he had the opportunity to use his bully pulpit to door-to-door urge the public and businesses to absolutely ignore the lurching lunatics, “It is all of no legal consequence, I will stand by your side”, encouraging to Just Say No. Instead, he chose to ‘Pontiusly pilot’ his way through it all, while remaining dead silent to the screams.

14

In regard to emergency declarations, this mayor and council were strongly cautioned never to adopt willy-nilly anything *trademarked* that comes with a sketchy agenda, in this case “The Week of the Young Child”, from an organization that even very recently required covid vaccinate as a condition to entry to its events.

In any event, who would ever trust the “education” of the young child to anyone here or anywhere connected to the ‘choke out, poison, and shoot up’ predation of covidScam? Proclaimed by the very people who effectuated the mental and physical bashing and bludgeoning of innocent tots. No chance.

15

This excerpt from *Children’s Mental Health Manifesto* (2024) is particularly instructive on the ravaging psychological beating on youth being effectuated by covidScam and other false and destructive reality depictions:

The essence of the human spirit deeply rooted in the instincts of all children is to blossom freely based on truthful reality. Children instinctively know when things are out of sync with truth and the natural order. At least at a deeply subconscious level, they can detect falsity, in families, in schools, and throughout society. For children to be compelled in some fashion to adapt to depictions of reality that are blatantly contrary to truth so runs against human grain, contravening instinct, common sense, and logic, as to create subconsciously a poisonous discord and resentment that eats at body, mind, psyche, and soul. In their depths the discord dwells, largely misunderstood and perhaps denied, but it works on children, tearing and twisting them apart, and breaking down physical and mental health.

The more blatant is the falsity, and the eviler what is being hidden, the more crazed is the child’s forced adaptation to it. The sickness festers and eats away, compromising powers of detection of danger and causing leakage and breakdown into this or that illness or disorder, and often producing thoughts and behavior deemed ‘aberrant’ as not fitting the “normalcy” which in truth is nothing but severe psychological confinement. When the deception involves hiding a hideous nature or consequence, a deep, dark secret, the extent of twisting and inevitable leaking, ripping apart and breaking down in children becomes extreme.

Children locked into such a prison of deception are thwarted from becoming, stripped of their pursuit of the human potential tied to truth. The natural spontaneity and joy of youthful exploration are choked out and overtaken by a rotting and ruination of the human body, mind and spirit collapsing into despair and hopelessness.

This adaptation to falsity is a graduated, ratcheting process. You start with the mild lie and step up the degree and obviousness of deception, the evil being hidden, and the forfeiture of the opportunity to realize true human potential. Very important to the process of indoctrination or conditioning, as it is with every “PSYOP”, is to step up the improbability and obvious falsity of the reality depictions. Children are taught to disbelieve their senses. They learn not to look, not to mentally engage, until their cognitive functioning and consciousness become overwhelmed and erode. *Doo dooby doo* goes the dumb down process, fake after fake getting more obvious. Young people somehow understand that it is not OK to ask, and that no adult will be there to help or console them.

At some point overcoming cognition and instincts requires an almost conscious, affirmative buy-in, even for children. The more blatant the deception, the more the conscious mind processes and takes ownership of the adaptation to it and of the deception itself; the more synched in and irretrievably entrenched the adapter becomes, and the more deeply embedded the deception thereby gets. The more children get ratcheted to Irreality and the more massive the deceptions become, the more poisoned and twisted apart they and the entire society become, accepting the confinement of the human soul to deception, coverup, and no questions asked.

For sanity and survival, at some point the obviousness of the deception does require asking questions. By staying silent, we not so subconsciously decide to adapt and to force adaptation of youth with us. For an adult, failure to question becomes complicity in the crimes and cover up. Adapting to false reality constructs becomes part of our identity as we become complicit in the next deception ever more outrageous.

16

Of grave immediate concern today is that the class of covid vaccine victims including thousands of children is exploding in number, as is the number of rapid onset and ruination diseases and disorders - what a surprise. In

terms of coming to the aid, we must believe that it is not too late for vaccinated Idahoans. We must dedicate our best resources to understand the nature of the illnesses being inflicted, to shut down the killing fields, and to help the vaccine impaired recover good health. *Formal Call* had been made on the record for this mayor and council to come to the aid, but again, the answer from this perpetrating crew still remains, *deadly silent*. But one cry from a song from the 60's rings today louder and clearer than ever: "GD the Pusher Man [and Madams]!"

Further, for the fouled and fondling fascist: Put that Needle Down!

17

Councilor Breen and colleagues would have us simply move on, 'We did the best we could, based on what we knew at the time,' sort of horseshit palabra. But be assured, any hint of repetition and every attempt to embed false and punishing reality depictions will be met with robust Rule of Law that will rout and run the ruinous moral lepers. Professional and general public opposition will not end, in fact will continue to accelerate, until the Council's illegal shenanigans and resulting suffering of the citizenry end, for good.

Blaine Pretender, we are on to you. Every step of your stench, we are on to you.

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Moreover, this cowering Council has turned a blind eye to very real and very serious threats to health and safety, specifically 5G radiation and toxic aerial aerosol spraying.

In early 2020, when responsible and diverse members of this community sought to organize a symposium on wireless radiation in early 2020, this mayor and council did everything possible to obstruct and then, coincidentally, declared a lockdown emergency "covid covid covid!" - and that was the end of that. At the same time, while they isolated and trapped everyone inside and shut down businesses, they gave *carte blanche* preferred treatment to the telecoms to expand and finish installations now in place beaming 5G EMF hell everywhere. Independent experts assure that all folks of all ages in this valley are now effectively locked inside a microwave oven turned on high - for good, no escape. 'Have a nice day, kids.' How many years before their total system failure? No concern of The Blaine Pretender.

And what about the so-called "cloud seeding" programs that have been going on in this valley for many years, as indicated in state public records, which this mayor and council feel helpless to object or even inquire, even by polite letter to the governor, to the effect of 'Chief, what the hell is going on?' The toxicity in snow and rainwater has been independently tested in this valley and shown to be far more dangerous than represented and far beyond the scope of the state "cloud seeding" program in this valley - and yet continues to be resolutely ignored by The Blaine Pretender and savagely soiled stench sisters everywhere.

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Importantly, this Council's covid Mandates represent a great insult, sabotage and betrayal to the professional capabilities that so many Ketchum and Blaine County residents have dedicated a lifetime to develop. "*Brand Ketchum*" is the exact opposite of the Council's mandated twisted approach to health, to keep distance from each other, to choke out and poison every breath, and to line the inmates up for gene altering experimental injections.

A critically important learning from covidScam is always to scrutinize closely with high suspicion and never again to rely exclusively on medical-pharma solutions to any health problem. The fundamentals of sound nutrition, sleep, movement, and breathing must always be of primary importance. How could they have been so quickly ignored? Idahoans understand that our health, hope and future are tied to the great outdoors, the wrap of mother nature around us, the fresh air, the open spaces, the friendly people, the sports and recreation, and free dialogue, discourse and debate. In the assessment of illness and remedies in the era of covidScam, the natural



approach to health was shamefully scorned and ignored. We must fully engage these significant community resources, starting now.

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To conclude, Idaho is all done with 'All Things covid', which turns out to be, as insisted on the record by many from the start, the grandest of deceptions existing only in the minds of history's greatest of psychopaths and their stunned, terrorized and plundered prey. Back it down, now.

Mr. Mayor, Councilors, Idaho is too great to deceive, choke out, poison, and inject. The rule of law must and will prevail. Coming at you. Hoo-ah.

*Breathe free, Idaho, forever.*

I hope you understand.

Sincerely,

cc:

Governor Little

All Blaine County city councils and county commission

## Participate

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**From:** Pat Higgins <pathiggins@cox.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 14, 2024 6:39 PM  
**To:** Participate  
**Subject:** Public comment

Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

What is the direction for the Character of Ketchum ?

Since Covid 19 , many things have changed in the world and especially here in our beloved Ketchum Idaho. Many of the newcomers are trying to impose their set of standards of what they think Ketchum should be.I am writing to express my concerns regarding the issue of overdevelopment in our community. As a resident who deeply cares about the well-being and sustainability of our community, I have observed with growing apprehension the rapid pace of development and its impact on our neighborhoods. The building used to be seasonal , now it is 365 days of the year, with developers building lot line to lot line taking sidewalks and precious parking spaces. This has especially struck a nerve with me over the last few years .

We are now observing that overdevelopment not only strains our infrastructure and resources but also threatens the character and livability of our town. The relentless construction of high-rise buildings, commercial complexes, and housing developments has led to increased traffic congestion, overcrowded schools, and diminished green spaces.

While I understand the importance of urban growth and economic development, it is imperative that we prioritize responsible and sustainable practices that preserve the quality of life for current and future generations. We need to respect those who came before us and helped create what we come to love about Ketchum. We must strike a balance between meeting the demands of a growing population and preserving the unique identity and charm of our little town.

I urge the city council to consider implementing measures to address the issue of overdevelopment, such as stricter zoning regulations and allowing parking on streets or a central parking structure.I am hopeful as residents in the decision-making process , we can all work together to create a vision for our town that respects its heritage, fosters equitable growth, and enhances the overall well-being of all of us.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my concerns. I hope that together, we can find sustainable solutions to the challenges posed by overdevelopment and ensure a vibrant and prosperous future for our beloved Ketchum.

Let's slow down and take a deep breath, get this right instead of being reactionary and rushed.

Pat Higgins

Sent from my iPad

## Participate

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**From:** Brian Barsotti <barsotti1@mindspring.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 13, 2024 9:42 AM  
**To:** Participate  
**Subject:** RE: Weekly Main Street Updates

Is there an upgrade in internet service wiring in the main st plan?

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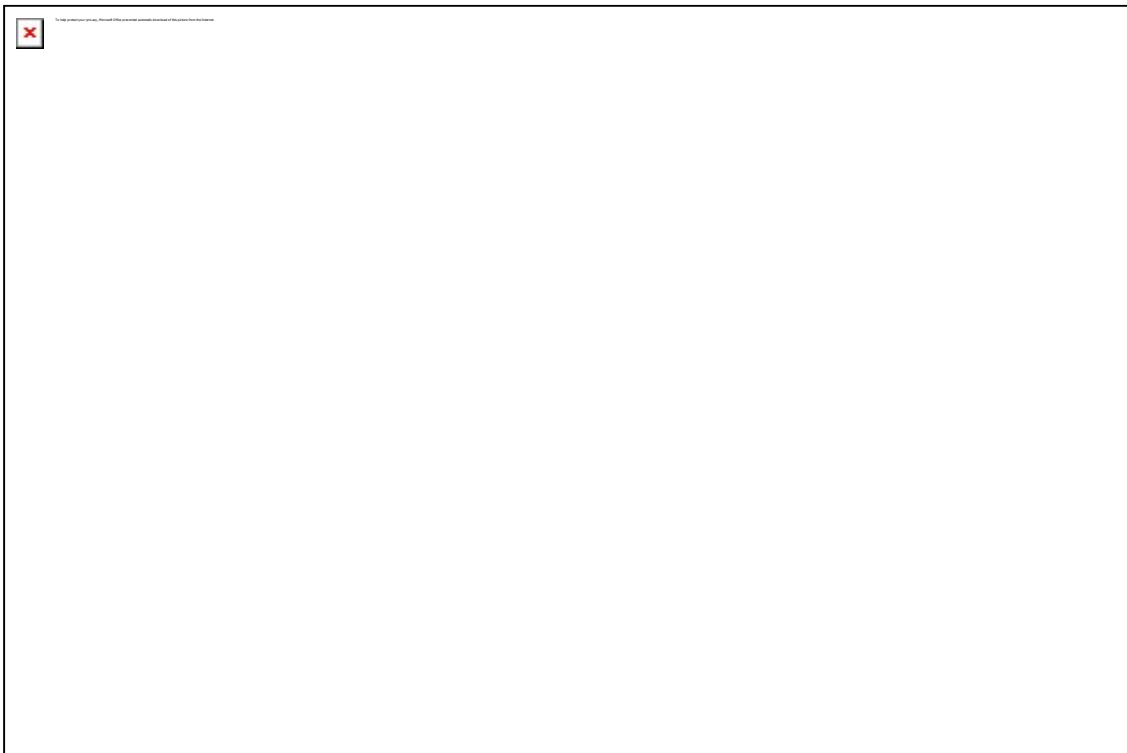
**From:** City of Ketchum  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 13, 2024 8:00 AM  
**To:** barsotti1@mindspring.com  
**Subject:** Weekly Main Street Updates

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WEEKLY MAIN STREET UPDATES

**WATERLINE WORK ON MAIN  
STREET FINISHING UP THIS WEEK**

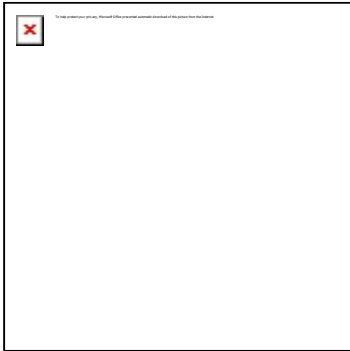
Main Street utility work between 2nd and 4th Streets and extending a half-block east up 4th is expected to continue through April 21. Expect full closures in the affected area. Water will be shut off to adjacent buildings intermittently between 3 AM and 6 AM Monday, April 15–Wednesday, April 17.



Pedestrian access is open around the construction area perimeter (see yellow arrows on the map). Vehicle detour signs will be placed at primary traffic areas throughout Ketchum’s roadway system. Through traffic **will not** need to use the

full detour route (Serenade through 2nd Ave.). Access to Main Street intersections, **except Sun Valley Road and 4th Street**, will remain open.

Parking is now free at the Washington Avenue lot and will remain so through the end of the Main Street project. All other lot rules remain in place. Buses are using the Second Avenue detour throughout construction ([click here for route information](#)).



*All Ketchum businesses are open throughout the project—be sure to stop by and show your support!*

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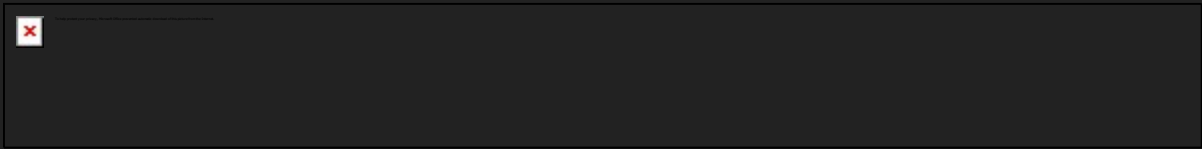
Text **JOIN MAIN** to 208-202-5642 to receive text alerts.

Find project updates and materials to support businesses, or provide feedback and sign up to receive project notifications, at [projectketchum.org/main-street](https://projectketchum.org/main-street).

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## UP NEXT

Electrical work will begin on April 22 between River and 2nd Street. Construction will be done one block at a time, starting at River Street and heading north. All lanes will be closed where work is taking place. Stay tuned for details.



*In partnership with Ketchum Urban Renewal Agency and Idaho Transportation Department*

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**From:** Neil Bradshaw  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 13, 2024 3:11 PM  
**To:** Barbi Reed  
**Cc:** Participate; Courtney Hamilton; Amanda Breen; Tripp Hutchinson  
**Subject:** Re: Comp plan

Thanks Barbi  
Great feedback  
Thank you for drawing attention to the importance of access for those with disabilities  
Much appreciated  
Cheers  
Neil

### **NEIL BRADSHAW | CITY OF KETCHUM**

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On Apr 13, 2024, at 11:58 AM, Barbi Reed <barbireed@gmail.com> wrote:

Very detailed Comp Plan...impressive. Although I hope I'm "preaching to the choir"...here are a few thoughts:

On the following pages:

#### **ENTRY Into Ketchum**

Page 26

North and South entries into Ketchum create an an initial and unforgettable impression about our town.

Careful consideration of buildings, businesses, etc. at both ends is as important as vistas

#### **DARK SKY**

Page 27

Policy CD-2.3 Night Sky Conservation Continue to protect the visibility of the stars in the night sky through the lighting code, education, and enforcement. THIS designation is HUGE...let's continue to mention it and protect it!  
Hopefully interior lighting will be included in Dark Sky Ordinance requirements. Light shedding from buildings, esp. stairwells has a big impact and should be minimized both in type of lighting as well as times lit...utilize motion dedectors, stair lights, etc....many creative ways to do this. Please add interior restrictions into existing dark sky ordinance.

## **CONSIDERATION OF THOSE WITH DIFFERING DISABILITIES**

I do suggest more time and space and consideration be given in a number of places to those who have a disability (17% people in Blaine County admit to having a disability). In a community with many able bodied residents, we must not forget those with permanent or temporary disabilities...this consideration should be part of Ketchum's "culture"...not an afterthought or add on!

NOTE: ADA requirements are not only outdated, but as considered today set at a low bar! Ketchum can do better! The community is enriched by Higher Ground, Paralympians, etc!

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Provide appropriate public access for those with disabilities ... NOT just mobility disabilities

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Parks, Recreation and Open Space

Mention should be given of access for those with VARIOUS disabilities...

This should not be an after-thought A

Policy M-2.8 Facilities for the Mobility Impaired Transportation services and facilities will be provided for mobilityimpaired persons, as well as youth and the elderly.  
Please consider ALL disabilities other than just mobility!

page 56..COMMUNITY LIBRARY deserves more recognition...as one of the few privately endowed public library, the City of Ketchum is enriched in so many ways without being responsible financially. MORE copy about this organization and building being one of the centers of Ketchum's COMMUNITY

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## Participate

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**From:** Deeder Petersen <deepowder8@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 13, 2024 7:57 PM  
**To:** Participate  
**Subject:** West Ketchum traffic calming

The proposal looks good except to many signs for speed humps. We discussed one sign at the start of speed humps in each direction , not at each hump.

The crosswalk at Bird and Wood River has way too many tubular markers glued to the street this is an eyesore for West Ketchum.

Couldn't we just add speed bumps like the ones in front of Hemingway school? Why there and not on other West Ketchum streets? Seems like it would be cheaper and less labor .

Sincerely yours,  
Deeder Petersen

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