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Dear Ketchum City Council,

Having grown up here, I've always been proud of Ketchum's environmentally-conscious community and our recent commitment to renewable energy and sustainability. Lately, I've observed a rising trend of electric vehicles (EVs) among residents and visitors, reflecting our city's green initiatives. However, our current EV charging infrastructure, limited to a single Level 2 charger at the Ore Wagon Museum, doesn't adequately support this growing demand. This one charger enables a single vehicle to charge from empty to full in about 6 hours, as opposed to fast chargers which would be able to charge an EV the same amount in 20-30 minutes.

Given our city's goal to be a leader in clean energy, I believe the installation of EV charging stations would be a valuable addition to our community, serving not only the current residents but also attracting additional eco-conscious visitors. Tourism is, undoubtedly, a large part of our local economy. With the installation of EV chargers, we can enhance our city's appeal to a broader audience, ensuring that EV owners feel welcomed and accommodated.

To improve the accessibility of our city and boost our tourism appeal, I propose the addition of more EV charging stations. An efficient solution could be Tesla's "Host a Supercharger" program, where they pay for and manage construction and operation, needing only an installation location from the city. Although there are other charger providers like ChargePoint, Tesla's program mitigates most construction and operational costs for the city. Moreover, starting in 2024, Tesla's Superchargers will enable access for all EV brands, ensuring we would be able to support a diverse range of EV owners.

Pursuing this initiative aligns with our city's sustainable vision and addresses a primary concern for EV owners—enough charging locations. I am happy to participate in discussions or meetings to explore this further and to collaborate in any way to see this idea come to fruition.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,
Oliver Guy