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dear new ketchum city council,

i want to register once again my objection to the MASSIVE increase in the warmsprings area density that has been approved.

fundamentally, this is an evacuation danger and nightmare because there is only ONE road in and out of warmsprings, which also is dependent upon a bridge no less. the other end of warmsprings is a dirt road that goes through a box canyon. city officials, especially those leaders who voted for this before you current leaders, will have actual deaths upon their consciences if a forest fire invades this area and blocks evacuation. we have already seen these tragedies in lahina, pacific pallisades and paradise. the danger is real. this kind of disregard for the responsibilities of public office is unforgivable.

in almost equal regard, the dismissal of current residents' pleas for the consideration of how the new comp plan densities will change our neighborhood character and cohesion is sociopathic. in layman language the message is clear; YOU DON'T CARE. you don't care about the concerns of current residents who pay taxes to fund our city. you don't care about our pleas to keep traffic and pollution out of our neighborhoods. you don't care about international developers coming into warmsprings and turning it into a nightmare as they have done in all the other ski towns. you don't care about the degradation of the natural resources of water and wildlife that this increased population will impact.

so while i offer my condemnation of the city's actions in approving this horrific comp plan, i am afraid that it will once again fall on deaf ears. you are prioritizing your flawed concept of potential future residents over the people who have made the sacrifices and commitment to live here now.

finally, this is a special note to Randy Hall. you betrayed our community once before in pushing through the River Run Project density many years ago. few of the current residents of ketchum have a clue about the impact this will have in our future when it is developed as you and Sun Valley Co worked to get pre-approved. and here you are again. are you back to put the final nails in the coffin of our community? or have you learned something in the intervening years of your disastrous previous tenure? the ketchum city leaders who approved this current comp plan seem to have no understanding of how the pre-approved densities, building heights and natural resource allocations in the River Run Project need to be included in these decisions regarding warmsprings and west ketchum. the project basically creates a second city center. maybe you can explain it to them. you tried your best and succeeded in hiding these dire consequences from our community at the time. have you changed your ways? i suppose there is always HOPE, like a crack of light in the darkness.

our message is clear. we who live in warmsprings do not want to become what has already happened in west ketchum. that neighborhood has been destroyed by city hall approving condo-land

development and a mega mansion where wetlands crucial to river health, water fowl nesting grounds and moose migration corridors used to co-exist alongside friendly human neighbors. all that is gone forever. we mourn.

to end on a clear note;

YES to densities in the Warmsprings Base area.

NO to increased densities in the warmsprings neighborhoods that are currently single-family homes and duplexes.

see, it's not that hard.

sincerely,

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