

Cyndy King

From: Andrew Parnes <aparnes@mindspring.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 14, 2024 5:41 PM
To: Participate
Subject: Forest service park

Courtney-

I read a quote from you in the MtExpress of June 24 regarding renting part of the forest service park. As always, I am not sure you are quoted accurately but the gist was that you were concerned about the city getting involved in commercial real estate. I agree, but the city has been involved in real estate with Starbucks for a long period of time since Randy Hall and the then-council made a deal with Starbucks. At the time, I felt that arrangement was very unfair to a number of people who ran other local coffee shops.

If you are concerned about opening the forest service park to private entities, you must vote against the renewal of any lease to Starbucks, especially one where the city pays for improvements and repairs without recouping those expenses in a new lease.

I am not opposed to Starbucks because of its out of area footprint (I patronize them around the country), but the city cannot continue to subsidize them here to the detriment of other coffee shop enterprises as the prior council did years ago.

Thanks for your attention to this and the work you do for all of us.

Andy Parnes
208-720-1348
Sent from my iPhone

Cyndy King

From: Annie Nelson <nemson@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, July 13, 2024 7:36 AM
To: Participate
Subject: Stop the madness

Mayor & City Council Members:

Please stop new building in the core of Ketchum. **Please listen to the residents.** Please take a moment to look at what has happened to Ketchum in a very short time. The insanely fast growth and development (disguised as '*for the public good*' but **actually for developer profit**) is sickening.

The town is becoming less and less "live-able".

To be quite frank, all the new buildings and projects are awful. They are bland, unsightly, corporate-looking, overwhelmingly huge, and simply **not in line with Ketchum's history or character.**

As a city council, your power is going un-checked. Any sort of democratic process is not happening on your council. I watch the meetings and repeatedly see the mayor and two council members "barrel over" the people who live and work here.

You are negatively impacting people's quality of life. As time passes, you are continually making it more and more difficult to function, to park, to run a small business, and to enjoy a small town lifestyle. It's just honestly a very sad situation. This is not good growth. This is bad growth.

It is sad and exhausting to repeatedly see and hear from **ALL the longtime residents** whose voices you are continually ignoring.

Please stop.

-Annie Nelson

Cyndy King

From: Amanda Breen
Sent: Monday, July 15, 2024 10:37 AM
To: Cyndy King
Cc: Daniel Hansen
Subject: Fw: Postal office

Public comment

From: Alice Miranda <enialuschaef@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, July 13, 2024 7:02 AM
To: Amanda Breen <ABreen@ketchumidaho.org>
Subject: Postal office

Good morning Amanda Breen

I am following up on the progress of our request to change the postal office's home delivery policy.

I have been experiencing frustration with the current system, as 20% of my packages are returned to sender due to missing delivery information, despite my inclusion of address and zip code details.

I believe that implementing home delivery like Hailey's would greatly improve our lives. Please expedite the request for home delivery, as it has been discussed for many years without action.

Thank you,
Alice Schaefer.

Please have whoever is in charge
of the riparian zone & ~~soil~~
take a look behind the clear
cutting that just happened behind
the Trail Creek Hollow project.

It is stripped down to the dirt
to the edge of the water.

Cyndy King

From: Perry Boyle <Boylehp@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, July 15, 2024 9:27 PM
To: Participate
Subject: Public Comment for KURA And Ketchum City Council

To our officials:

Please see the attached pics.

You guys really are putting the “city” in City of Ketchum. How could you possibly think the Comp Plan condones this?

Spencer and Tripp, we know the Trioka wants to make this place the next Aspen to serve their developer interests, but you guys are going to get tarred with being complicit if you don’t start doing something.

KURA members: is this what you think we want in the commercial core? Is it what you want? Or is it what the Ketchum exploiters want?

Perry Boyle
Ketchum

Begin forwarded message:

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> You cannot believe the wires just put up to serve only Bluebird.
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> Intersection of 6th & Spruce
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> View from front of Community Library
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> Spruce Street view
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- >
- > Library parking lot on your left. Looking down 6th Street
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- > 6th Street with no take-off of power until it reaches Bluebird.
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- > Last pole stops at the back of Bluebird and goes into the ground
- >



> Last pole. Sky marred for BlueBird.

Cyndy King

From: Neil Bradshaw
Sent: Friday, July 19, 2024 1:02 PM
To: cindy beck
Cc: Participate; Jade Riley; Lisa Enourato
Subject: Re:  SOS

Hi Cindy

Thanks for your email - it will be placed in the public record for council consideration

I am happy to meet at your convenience to discuss your concerns and explore how best to address them

Would you like to meet up? I am happy to come to your business if that is more convenient for you

Cheers

Neil

NEIL BRADSHAW | CITY OF KETCHUM

Mayor

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On Jul 19, 2024, at 10:58 AM, cindy beck <cindybeck12345@gmail.com> wrote:

Neil

This town is over Capacity!!

Yet Greed, is allowing you to continue giving building permits! Under your administration.

Now let's talk about what your allowing happen, to all the businesses in this town..

My business is on the corner of forth and Washington ~ the new highway 75 it happens to be the busiest street and the most narrow , no one can back out. People are running stop signs. Business owners are getting irritated with each other. There's nowhere to park we're turning on each other. LOTS OF YELLING AND SCREAMING YESTERDAY I WITNESSED A TRUCK BLOW THROUGH TWO STOP SIGNS ON WASHINGTON GOING AT LEAST 50 MILES AN HOUR. I HAVE NOT SEEN A PARKING TICKET PERSON ONCE THIS SUMMER OR LAST winter 🤔 actually since Covid... never see a cop either... we are over capacity and understaffed!!

Everyone driving doesn't know what they're doing. They're short tempered. This is chaos!
Mayham !
yet nobody's doing anything you're the mayor help SOS!!!
Cindy Hinojosa

Sent from my iPhone

Cyndy King

From: Neil Bradshaw
Sent: Sunday, July 21, 2024 4:12 PM
To: Peter Koury
Cc: Participate
Subject: Re: Tour de Force

Thanks for your email Peter

I am interested in your perspective and I am going to see if your view is shared by others.

Certainly the awful crash may affect the future of the event.

I will put your letter in the public record for council consideration.

Thanks again

Neil

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On Jul 19, 2024, at 8:22 PM, Peter Koury <plkoury@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi—Tour de Force, by spending more money and expanding each year, has now become too big for Ketchum. It overwhelms the town to the point that all locals I know do not go out any more while it is here. So it has become purely an event for the commercial interests and out of towners. The noise and danger of the many hundreds of hopped up “racing cars” of the tourists and spectators speeding into and out of town all day and late into night after partying, are not my view of what Ketchum is. It was fun when it started some years ago, but it is too big and too “Daytona” now. I am aware of the desire on the part of some to expand our commercial economy, but I hope you will agree this event is no longer even close to appropriate for our little town and will push to move it to Bellevue or some other more open area that is more appropriate for the thousands of speed and racing aficionados it now draws. Thank you.

Peter Koury
110 Neils Way
Ketchum

Cyndy King

From: Participate
Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2024 8:46 AM
To: HP Boyle
Subject: RE: Question:

Our Fire Chief confirmed Engine 101 did go on fire assignment to the Shelly fire in The Siskyou National Forest. The crew has returned from that fire. In addition, we have personnel currently helping on the Bench Lake Fire at Redfish Lake and stationed in Oregon available for lightning fires.

The city is reimbursed for all personnel and equipment used to help other jurisdictions. These assignments are invaluable for getting our personnel the experience needed to protect our own community. In addition, the reimbursement will pay the entire cost of the purchase of the engine, making it essentially free to the taxpayers of Ketchum.

Most importantly, the national system of mutual assistance ensures that resources are available to any community when facing overwhelming fires. Ketchum benefited from this during the Beaver Creek and Castle Rock fires. Smiley Creek benefited two years ago when Ketchum, wood River, Idaho Falls and others helped fight the ross Fork fire.

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-----Original Message-----

From: HP Boyle <boylehp@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2024 8:08 AM
To: Participate <participate@ketchumidaho.org>
Subject: Question:

Is it true that Ketchum FD sent its wilderness fire vehicle to help in the CA fires? If so, when did it leave, and when is it slated to be returned? Thanks.

Thanks,

Perry Boyle
Ketchum

Cyndy King

From: Participate
Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2024 8:38 AM
To: Beverley Robertson
Subject: RE: City of Ketchum | Word on the Street

There were definitely some things we could have done better and a learning curve for the future. We felt there was a fine line with making an announcement and causing panic and confusion as it wasn't a panic situation at all.

Again, thank you for your comments and we are taking notes for future communication process!

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From: Beverley Robertson <beverley1@mac.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 23, 2024 1:44 PM
To: Participate <participate@ketchumidaho.org>
Subject: Re: City of Ketchum | Word on the Street

Hi and thanks for the explanation.

If you sent notice via landscapers and went through their billing system to alert all property owners, it sure didn't reach me. And I know my sprinklers went on as usual twice during the period you mentioned, so the landscaper did nothing about it, if he was supposed to turn off the system himself or tell me to...

Why not send a Word on the Street email blast?

And yes, glad it wasn't a huge issue. There are already enough of those!

Thanks
Beverley

Sent from my iPad

On Jul 23, 2024, at 12:41, Participate <participate@ketchumidaho.org> wrote:

Hi Beverly,
Thanks so much for commenting.
By law, we can not use the same "permission" you gave us when you signed up for the snow plowing alerts. It needs to be a separate permission. We are hoping to adjust this in the future.

The water situation happened with very short notice and we took the best opportunity to reach out to the public. The Water Dept. called all landscapers directly and sent a message through their billing system to alert all property owners.

We are also looking at ways to connect the Water Dept with a text messaging system for future communications.

Hope that clarifies some things and we so appreciate you reaching out.
Good news is we are back to normal!

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From: Beverley Robertson <beverley1@mac.com>
Sent: Monday, July 22, 2024 7:05 PM
To: Participate <participate@ketchumidaho.org>
Subject: Re: City of Ketchum | Word on the Street

Hello

Just FYI, I **never** heard about the irrigation pause that you refer to below. The first I heard of it was when my daughter, who doesn't even live here, asked me about it yesterday.

If you **really** wanted people to pause their irrigation, why didn't you send out a text and email notification like you do every time there is snow plowing happening?

I for one do not use social media, and if that is the way you think you can reach people, I can assure you that you are missing some folks—possibly even many of us...

Beverley Robertson

Sent from my iPad

On Jul 22, 2024, at 15:02, City of Ketchum <participate@ketchumidaho.org> wrote:

Word on the Street

July 22, 2024

Issue No. 155

THE MAYOR'S MISSIVE

CITY HALL FLIES THE FLAG

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has proven to be a big success, and I am truly thankful for all the hard work of our staff, the Arts Commission, and various contractors to make it a welcoming place for all. If you haven't made it to City Hall, I would encourage you to stop by and check out the art, the historic photos, the plat maps from the 1890's and the exquisite mural of the Pioneer Mountain range. This is your City Hall, and we have a "welcome mat", a dramatic photo of our night sky, and a beautifully painted artistic dog that will greet your arrival!

FIRST PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2025 BUDGET

After various workshops and public meetings, we will start the formal process of adopting the 2025 budget. On July 25 we have a public hearing on the proposed budget. After funding all core services, the proposed budget allocates the remaining discretionary funds to focus on capital improvements, housing and sustainability programs. Please [click here](#) to see the proposed budget.



IRRIGATION PAUSE ORDER LIFTED

I want to thank everyone who turned off their irrigation systems for a few days last week while we addressed a technical issue that reduced the availability of our water supply and reserves. There was no shortage of water, just a reduced ability to pump as much water as is usually required. Out of an abundance of caution, we wanted to ensure we had enough water for possible fire suppression needs so took the measure to effect a temporary ban on irrigation. The technical issue is now resolved however, for sustainability reasons, I would encourage everyone to be frugal in their water irrigation usage.

One more week of Jazz in the Park before we shift into symphony season!

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From: Participate
Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2024 9:01 AM
To: 'Amy Johnson'
Subject: RE: Communicating irrigation pause order

We don't have an app for the City of Ketchum but that's a great idea that I will forward to upper management.

Our current text messaging is through Text-em-all and we have subscriptions for Avalanche Warning, Main Street Construction and Snow Plow Alerts. Each one requires a permission from an individual to subscribe. Even though someone signed up for Snow Plow Alerts, we can't use their number for some other messaging.

When applicable, we will include a link to sign up for these in the Word on the Street eblast. Otherwise you can find them on our website. We are looking into solutions to streamline important messaging and taking notes for future communications.

Thanks, again, for your input! It's always appreciated.
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From: Amy Johnson <amycljohnson@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 23, 2024 1:05 PM
To: Participate <participate@ketchumidaho.org>
Subject: Re: Communicating irrigation pause order

Ok. Thanks for this. I am not on social media. No to Facebook or Instagram or anything like those. Didn't get the Main Street email blast either. I think I'm subscribed to everything from the city, but if you have multiple ways of subscribing maybe I'm not subscribed to that one. Ack. If you have implemented a text based messaging service through an app then let me know that because I'll do that.

I used to work for Twilio, a company that has built 90% of the apps on the market including personalized text-based messaging apps. So I understand this concept. Do you have a app for the City of Ketchum? Take whatever's on your website and turn it into an app. If you want one, you could hire me! Not kidding!

Amy
650-207-6265

On Tue, Jul 23, 2024, 12:49 PM Participate <participate@ketchumidaho.org> wrote:

Hi Amy,

Thanks so much for commenting.

The water situation happened with very short notice and we took the best opportunity to reach out to the public through social media and included it in the Main Street Updates eblast. If you are not subscribed to those outlets, you wouldn't have seen the message and by the time Word on the Street went out, the issue was resolved.

For their part, the Water Dept. called all landscapers directly and sent a message through their billing system to alert all property owners.

We are looking at ways to connect the Water Dept with a text messaging system for future communications that you would already be signed up for if you are hooked up to city water.

Hope that clarifies some things and we so appreciate you reaching out.

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From: Amy Johnson <amycljohnson@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 22, 2024 3:38 PM
To: Participate <participate@ketchumidaho.org>
Subject: Communicating irrigation pause order

Hi. I didn't know about this

IRRIGATION PAUSE ORDER LIFTED

Was there something in place somewhere, someone who asked us to pause? I didn't see anything. Did you send an email to your base? Maybe I just missed it.

Amy
650-207-6265

Cyndy King

From: Participate
Sent: Tuesday, July 23, 2024 12:31 PM
To: 'Jim Greer'
Subject: RE: City of Ketchum | Word on the Street

We thought it was important to let everyone know!
And thank you for your kind words.

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From: Jim Greer <jimgreer@live.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 23, 2024 10:23 AM
To: Participate <participate@ketchumidaho.org>
Subject: Re: City of Ketchum | Word on the Street

Thank you so much for highlighting that the Stars and Stripes are flying over City Hall again!

Jim

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 22, 2024, at 3:01 PM, City of Ketchum <participate@ketchumidaho.org> wrote:

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FIRST PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2025 BUDGET

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From: Sawtooth Club <sawtoothclubketchum@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2024 9:44 PM
To: Participate; Amanda Breen; Courtney Hamilton; Spencer Cordovano; Tripp Hutchinson; Neil Bradshaw; Jade Riley
Subject: Public Comment for 7-25 City Council Meeting
Attachments: Public Comment 7-24-24.pdf

Hello!

Attached please find public comment from the Ketchum Business Advisory Coalition for the City Council meeting on July 25th.

Thank you,
Bronwyn Nickel

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Ketchum Business Advisory Coalition (KBAC) Public Comment
Regarding Status of the Main Street Construction Project

Ketchum businesses, particularly those on Main Street, 2nd Street, and Sun Valley Road, have been severely impacted by the on-going Main Street renovation project. Businesses anticipate this impact will continue through Fall 2024, and pick up again in Spring 2025 with the completion of Phase 3. The loss of revenue and the inability to plan for Fall slack cannot be overstated. The Ketchum business cycle is that businesses hope to operate at a profit in the summer knowing that we'll lose money in the fall and hope to operate at a profit in the winter, knowing we'll lose money in the spring. The Main Street project has meant that many of us have lost our ability to generate enough revenue this summer to survive Fall slack. We will face this again in 2025 with Phase 3, with little time to rebound in between construction phases this winter.

Businesses have laid off employees, reduced hours, employees (particularly in the tipped wage industry) are making far-less than they historically have this time of year, and many business owners have stopped paying themselves so that they can continue to pay their staff. Downtown businesses are reporting losses of 30-60% when compared to 2023. All of this impacts the wider local economy, and the impacts of the Main Street project are now even affecting our service and product providers as well, as they are having more and more difficulty finding employees willing to navigate construction.

Having heard the City's proposal to move Phase 2 to River-2nd Street with a completion date of Fall 2024, and move Phase 3 to 4th-6th Street with an anticipated completion date of Spring 2025, KBAC is supportive of this plan, given that this change will allow both Wagon Days and Trailing of the Sheep to go as planned this fall. We would like a guarantee from the City that Trailing of The Sheep will be able to be held as scheduled, and, as is tradition, for the sheep to trail down Main Street, as opposed to having to be re-routed due to any construction delays. **Trailing of the Sheep is scheduled for October 2nd-6th, 2024, meaning this project would need to be done by October 1st** to accommodate the thousands of visitors expected for the event. Both Wagon Days and Trailing of The Sheep are huge economic boosts to the community, and particularly the downtown core, and businesses-literally-cannot afford disruption to these legacy events.

Lastly, and perhaps most importantly, several City and KURA officials have told KBAC over the past few months that there would not be construction on both Main Street and the Washington St. lot at the same time. Given that the renovation of Main Street will now not be complete until 2025, we would expect that any proposed construction at the Washington St. lot also be delayed until the final phase of the Main Street project is completed.

Thank you,
Ketchum Business Advisory Coalition Board of Directors
Bronwyn Nickel
Holly Mora
Pete Prekeges
Scott Curtis
Julie Johnson
Tom Nickel
Roger Roland
Jed Gray
Cindy Forgeon
Duffy Witmer
Trevor Thomas