



CITY OF KETCHUM
***SPECIAL* MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL**
Thursday, April 21, 2026
191 5th Street West, Ketchum, ID

CALL TO ORDER: *(00:00:16 in video)*

Mayor Pete Prekeges called the Ketchum City Council meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL CITY COUNCIL:

Matthew McGraw
Tripp Hutchinson
Spencer Cordovano
Randy Hall

ALSO PRESENT:

Ben Whipple—Director of Public Works
Brent Davis—Director of Finance
Jade Riley—City Administrator
Matt Johnson—City Legal Counsel (remote)
Mel Jackson—Sun Valley Economic Development
Trent Donat—City Clerk and Business Manager

COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCILORS:

3. Sexual Assault Awareness Month Proclamation *(00:01:14 in video)*

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment opened *(00:02:54 in video)*
Public comment closed *(00:03:17 in video)*

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Prekeges deferred item #12 to the next Council meeting *(00:03:43 in video)*
Tripp Hutchinson pulled item #13 for discussion *(00:04:02 in video)*

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items #4-#16, excluding #13 and #12 *(00:04:25 in video)*

MOVER: Tripp Hutchinson

SECONDER: Matthew McGraw

AYES: Spencer Cordovano, Matthew McGraw, Tripp Hutchinson

RESULT: Motion Passes

13. Recommendation to approve Amended Purchase Order 25171 for the Hyperborean Condos Revitalization

Presented by: Ben Whipple *(00:04:48 in video)*

Discussion by the Council and staff *(00:04:55 in video)*

Randy Hall joined the meeting *(00:10:39 in video)*

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Item #13 (00:12:38 in video)

MOVER: Tripp Hutchinson

SECONDER: Spencer Cordovano

AYES: Tripp Hutchinson, Spencer Cordovano, Matthew McGraw, Randy Hall

RESULT: Motion Passes

PUBLIC HEARING:

17. Third reading by title only and approval of Ordinance 1271 (City Code-Title1-General Provisions)

Presented by: Jade Riley (00:12:51 in video)

Public comment opened (00:15:48 in video)

- Carter Hedberg (00:16:00 in video)
- Annie Corrock (00:16:35 in video)

Public comment closed (00:22:10 in video)

Discussion by the Council and staff (00:22:23 in video)

Motion to approve the third reading by title only of Ordinance 1271, Title One of the Municipal Code (00:23:13 in video)

MOVER: Tripp Hutchinson

SECONDER: Matthew McGraw

AYES: Tripp Hutchinson, Matthew McGraw, Spencer Cordovano, Randy Hall

RESULT: Motion Passes

Trent Donat read ordinance 1271 by title only (00:23:32 in video)

Motion to adopt Ordinance 1271, Title 1 of Ketchum Municipal Code (00:24:01 in video)

MOVER: Tripp Hutchinson

SECONDER: Matthew McGraw

AYES: Tripp Hutchinson, Matthew McGraw, Spencer Cordovano, Randy Hall

RESULT: Motion Passes

18. Third reading by title only and approval of Ordinance 1272 (City Code-Title 2- Administration and Personnel)

Presented by: Jade Riley (00:24:15 in video)

Discussion by the Council and staff (00:24:29 in video)

Motion to approve the third reading by title only of Ordinance 1272, Title 2 of Ketchum Municipal Code (00:32:28 in video)

MOVER: Tripp Hutchinson

SECONDER: Matthew McGraw

AYES: Tripp Hutchinson, Matthew McGraw, Spencer Cordovano

NAY: Randy Hall

RESULT: Motion Passes

Trent Donat read ordinance 1272, Title 2 by title only (00:32:48 in video)

Motion to adopt Ordinance 1272, Title 2 of Ketchum Municipal Code (00:33:31 in video)

MOVER: Tripp Hutchinson

SECONDER: Matthew McGraw

AYES: Tripp Hutchinson, Matthew McGraw, Spencer Cordovano

NAYS: Randy Hall

RESULT: Motion Passes

19. Third reading by title only and approval of Ordinance 1274 (City Code-Title 4- Commissions and Boards)

Presented by: Jade Riley (00:33:55 in video)

Public comment opened (00:34:08 in video)

Public comment closed (00:34:19 in video)

Motion to approve the third reading by title only of Ordinance 1274, Title 4 of Ketchum Municipal Code (00:34:31 in video)

MOVER: Tripp Hutchinson

SECONDER: Matthew McGraw

AYES: Tripp Hutchinson, Matthew McGraw, Spencer Cordovano, Randy Hall

RESULT: Motion Passes

Trent Donat read Ordinance 1274 by title only (00:35:00 in video)

Motion to adopt Ordinance 1274, Title 4 of Ketchum Municipal Code (00:35:033 in video)

MOVER: Tripp Hutchinson

SECONDER: Matthew McGraw

AYES: Tripp Hutchinson, Matthew McGraw, Spencer Cordovano, Randy Hall

RESULT: Motion Passes

Discussion by the Council and staff (00:35:54 in video)

NEW BUSINESS:

20. Sun Valley Economic Development (SVED) Quarterly Check-In

Presented by: Mel Jackson (00:39:54 in video)

Comments and discussion by the Council (00:52:40 in video)

21. Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Development- General Fund Departments, Other/Enterprise Fund, Proposed Fee Changes

Presented by: Brent Davis (01:07:10 in video)

Comments and discussion by the Council and staff (01:38:14 in video)

Public comment opened (02:19:03 in video)

- Andy Ross (02:19:28 in video)
- Gwendolyn Holland—remote (02:25:51 in video)

Public comment closed (02:29:15 in video)

Other/Enterprise Fund Budget Development /Proposed Fee Changes presentation (02:30:00 in video)

Comments and discussion by the Council and staff (03:18:19 in video)

22. Update on North of Ketchum/Highway 75 Construction

Presented by: Ben Whipple (03:19:05 in video)

Comments and discussion by the Council and staff (03:27:13 in video)

Public comment opened (03:35:34 in video)

- Amy Weyler (03:35:44 in video)
- Larissa DeHaas—remote (03:38:34 in video)

Public comment closed (03:42:53 in video)

Motion to approve city staff to manage the rehabilitation of Highway 75, 6th Street to Saddle Road

(03:42:59 in video)

MOVER: Matthew McGraw

SECONDER: Tripp Hutchinson

AYES: Matthew McGraw, Tripp Hutchinson, Spencer Cordovano, Randy Hall

RESULT: Motion Passes

23. Update on planned bicycle/pedestrian City improvements

Presented by: Ben Whipple (03:43:23 in video)

Comments and discussion by the Council and staff (03:46:07 in video)

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Idaho Code 72-206(1)(f) To communicate with legal counsel or the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated, likely to be litigated

Motion to move the Council into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 72-206(1)(f) to communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation or controversies not yet being litigated, but eminently likely to be litigated (03:55:16 in video)

MOVER: Spencer Cordovano

SECONDER: Matthew McGraw

AYES: Spencer Cordovano, Matthew McGraw, Tripp Hutchinson, Randy Hall

RESULT: Motion Passes

No action was taken in Executive Session (03:56:01 in video)

Motion to adjourn. (03:56:13 in video)

MOVER: Tripp Hutchinson

SECONDER: Spencer Cordovano

AYES: Matthew McGraw, Tripp Hutchinson, Spencer Cordovano, Randy Hall

RESULT: Adjourned

Pete Prekeges, Mayor

ATTEST:

Trent Donat, City Clerk