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I want to again stress the importance of having parking available in Ketchum whether it is in the down town core or the surrounding city Limits. There is a continual disregard for the need of parking.

Having two down town grocery stores requires not only lot parking but also street parking especially with aging population and the ongoing public recovering from injuries and need close parking. This may seem silly but it is a reality. The retail stores need for their customers to have convenient available parking. People visitors or locals want and need to be able to drive through town and be able to find a parking spot. There is not a need to take away but to add or continue to have!!

We have lost and continue to loose parking to the construction workers. Employees who work in the grocery or retail stores need those parking places. I could voice reasons why taking away parking on Fourth Street or why the parking lot on First and Washington did not work but that would take a conversation. Maybe the First and Washington lot should be sold and use the money to buy and build an affordable living area that can offer more to the renter then a four wall city building to live in with no enjoyable outside living space. But I guess that is another subject.

The future building in our town, whatever is build, should have enough parking!!! There is a continual habit of the City to disregard this!! If you build a living space or retail and living the Apartment, Town Houses or Penthouse needs to have more then one parking space per unit unless its a studio or a one bedroom!! If this cannot be done then limit the amount of units! You cannot force people to give up their vehicle especially workers who need their vehicles for transportation to work or appointments.

There is a need, there has always been a need and there will continue to be a need for city and surrounding area parking.

Thank you,
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