

# MEMORANDUM

**To:** Historic Preservation Commission  
**From:** Adam Crutcher, Associate Planner  
**Subject:** Historic Preservation Commission 2022 Goals  
**Date:** February 1, 2022



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On 1/04/2022 the Historic Preservation Commission discussed its goals for the 2022 year. These goals included expanding the commissions sights to other areas within Ketchum, how historic preservation relates to the 2014 Comprehensive Plan, and a walking tour for existing historical sites/buildings.

## **Neighborhood and Historic Site Maps:**

Staff created maps outlining neighborhoods within Ketchum that were described in the 2005 Walsworth & Flowers Study (Attachments A). The 2014 Comprehensive Plan includes a neighborhood map (Attachment B) which has been attached for comparison. These maps are for the purposes of HPC deliberation as to whether the boundaries correctly identify neighborhoods within the city as well as if the maps will be used in any future projects (neighborhood historic surveys, city website, historic handbook, walking tour, etc.). Staff hopes to discuss certain points including:

- Are boundaries of neighborhoods correct
- What medium will maps be viewed upon (physical vs. digital)
- Does the Community Core Historic Sites map meet the expectations of the HPC (issues of clutter on map and in legend?)
- Any other features which need to be included in maps (Staff will look to add bike path and name of rivers/creeks)

With the HPC wanting to move out to other neighborhoods, staff has provided data from the 2005 Walsworth & Flowers study showing the number of historical properties located within each neighborhood. This was a snapshot of properties in 2005. If the Commission decides to conduct a survey of conditions today, these maps will be used to identify the survey area. In 2005 the Survey identified the following potentially historic properties:

- Mortgage Row: 18 Properties
- Gem Street: 16 Properties
- Gopher Gulch: 10 Properties

- Tourist: 9 properties
- Knob Hill: 10 properties
- Bigwood: 4 properties
- Community Core: 80
- West Ketchum: 24 properties
- Agriculture & Forestry: 2 properties
- Warm Springs: 42 properties
- Light Industrial: 1 property
- Northwood/Adams Gulch: 1 property
- River Run: 4 properties

### **Comprehensive Plan**

The HPC wished to know how historic preservation fits in with the 2014 Comprehensive Plan. Staff has listed sections of the Comprehensive Plan (found [here](#)) which include mentions of historic preservation below:

- Chapter 4: Community Design and Neighborhoods
  - Vision: Protect and support our architectural heritage through appropriate historic preservation standards and guidelines. (Page 23)
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  - Policy CD-1.2 Preservation of Historic Buildings and Sites: Individual buildings and sites of historical, architectural, archaeological, or cultural significance should be identified and considered for protection. The City should encourage the private sector to preserve and rehabilitate buildings and sites through local landmark designation, public improvements, guidelines, and other tools. (Page 26)
- Chapter 7: Mobility
  - Policy M-5.4 Walkability and Sit-ability Improvements: Promote walkability and sit-ability through connected pathways, sidewalks and public seating; art, historical and cultural exhibits and other items of visual interest; and good wayfinding that encourages walking and dwell time in the downtown. (page 43-44)
- Priority Implementation Plan: Create Historic Preservation Guidelines & Handbook (Page 75)
- Walkable Ketchum Wayfinding Key Elements: The 2013 Walkable Ketchum project includes improvements to Downtown and signage (e.g., identify, historic, directional and locational), infrastructure of sidewalks, solar streetlights and street furniture. (Appendix A-42)

## **Walking Tour**

The HPC wished to view existing walking tours in order for the commission to know what's been done and what aspects they would like to add/remove. Staff was able to find one walking tour pamphlet (Attachment C) at the Visitor's Center inside Starbuck's. The HPC hoped to identify in the existing walking tour the selection of buildings, pathways, and other features in order to select areas that worked/needed improvement.

### Attachments:

- A. Neighborhood Maps
- B. 2014 Comprehensive Plan
- C. Community Library Historic Walking Tour