

City of Ketchum

TRAFFIC AUTHORITY MEETING AGENDA MEMO

Meeting Date:	August 19, 2025	Staff Member/Dept:	Jade Riley – Administration
Agenda Item:	Public parking on Stirrup Lane		

Recommended Motion:

Public feedback is requested on existing and potential future public parking areas within the neighborhood.

Reasons for Recommendation:

- Over the last several years, the city has received feedback about the need for additional public parking near the golf course and health club facility.
- In late June 2025, the city started to receive complaints regarding public parking on Stirrup Lane. City staff reviewed the situation and installed temporary signage to ensure public access standards were being met. Community Service Officers have added the area to their patrol route to ensure compliance.
- Staff engaged Jacobs Engineering to review the general area to identify potential future public parking areas adjacent to the public streets.
- The public is encouraged to give feedback on the following:
 - 1. Alterations to existing on-street parking on Stirrup Lane
 - 2. Potential future public parking areas in the neighborhood

Sustainability Impact: No direct impact. Financial Impact: None OR Adequate funds exist in account: No immediate impact; future public parking projects will need to compete for funding with other Capital Improvement Projects.

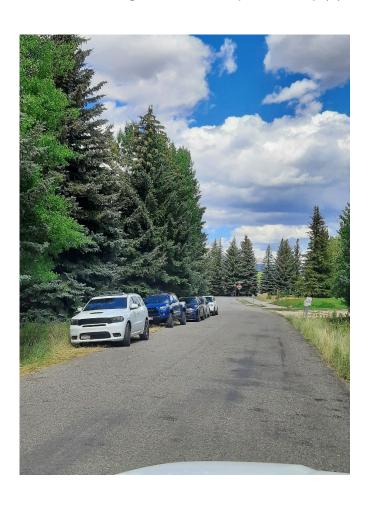
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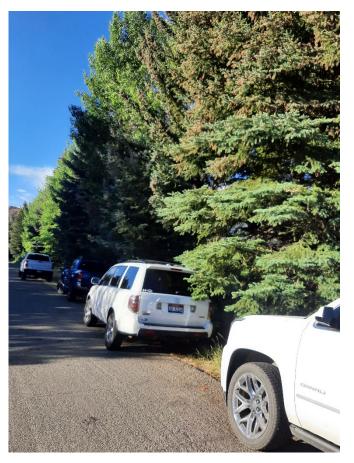
Photos & counts of existing on-street parking – Stirrup Lane & Saddle Road
 DRAFT_potential public parking areas map_Saddle Road & Stirrup Lane
 DRAFT_potential public parking areas map_Saddle Road & Valleywood Drive
 Benjamin W. Worst, P.C. – attorney letter

Stirrup Lane | CSO patrol intel | Summer 2025

Max = 8 cars on Stirrup; Avg = 5 on Stirrup, 2 on Saddle

- July 25 @ ~ 9:45 am Stirrup (6), Saddle (3)
- July 28 @ ~11:15am Stirrup (8), Saddle (2)
- July 29 @ ~8:15am Stirrup (4), Saddle (2)
- July 30 @ ~8:40am Stirrup (5), Saddle (3)
- August 5 @ ~8:30am Stirrup (4), Saddle (2)
- August 5 @ ~10am Stirrup (6), Saddle (2)
- August 7 @ ~12:30pm Stirrup (5), Saddle (2)

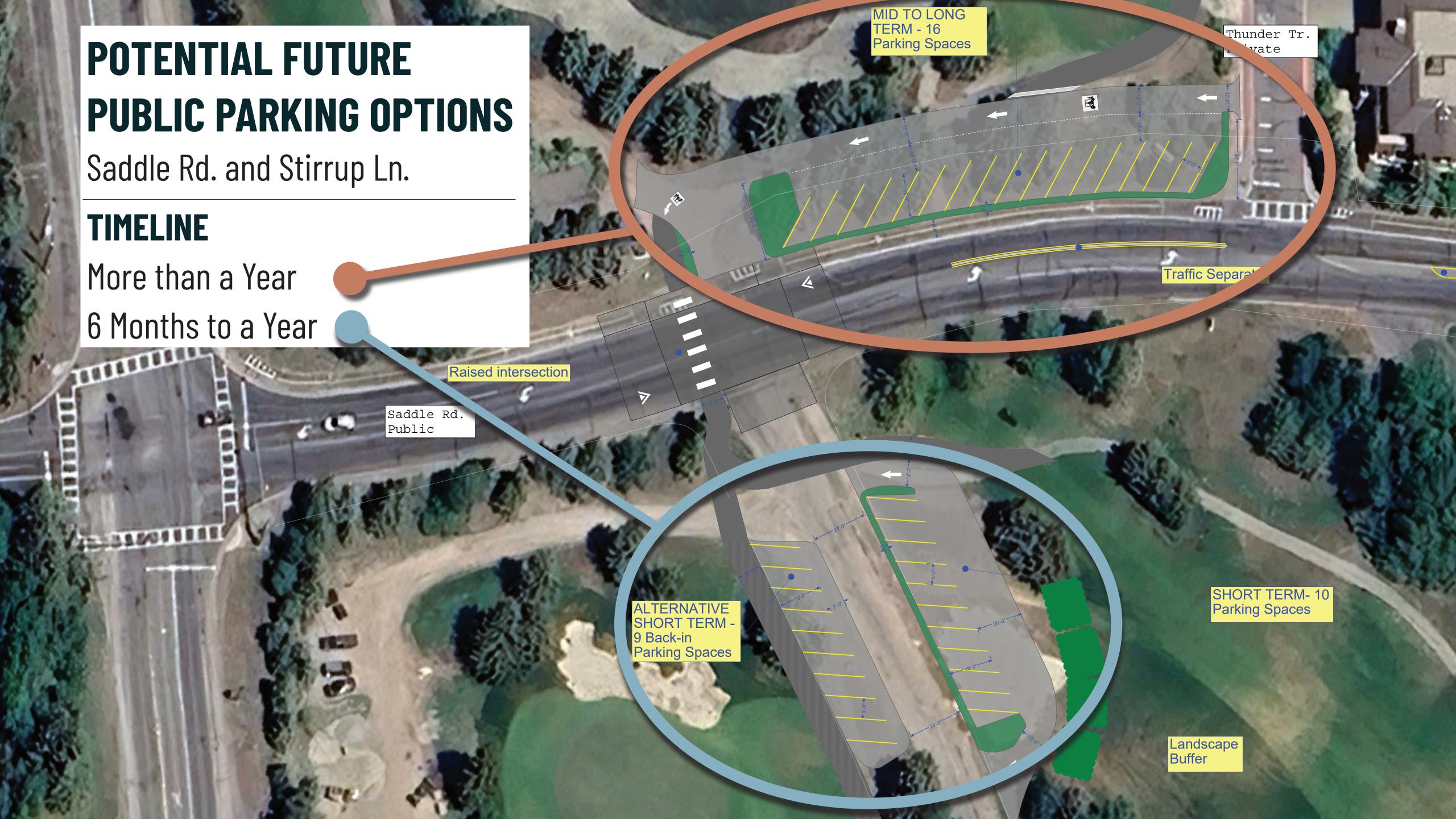


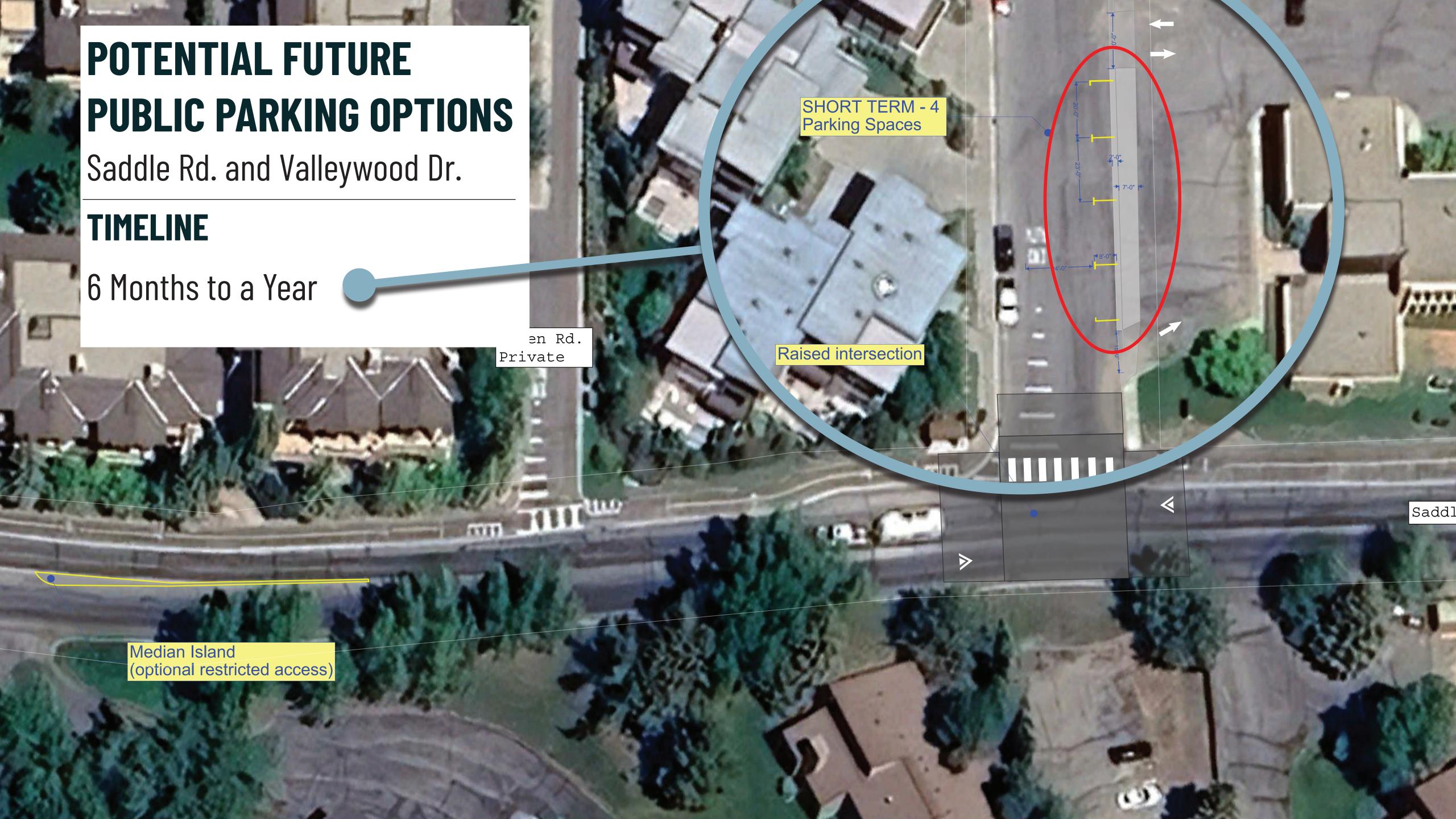












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Mayor Bradshaw and City Council Members City of Ketchum P.O. Box 235 Ketchum, Idaho 83340

RE: Parking on Stirrup Lane

Dear Mayor Bradshaw and Council Members,

This law firm represents the residential property owners on Stirrup Lane, a quiet, residential cul de sac. As you know, my clients object to any parking lot adjacent to Stirrup Lane and to any increase in parking on Stirrup Lane. Several months ago, I filed a successful appeal on behalf of my clients challenging an administrative approval of such a parking lot for the owners of the Bigwood Golf Course. The parking lot was deleted from the administrative approval because it requires an amendment to the CUP; however, now it appears that the owners of the Bigwood Golf Course are once again imposing their parking issues (caused the restaurant construction) onto Stirrup Lane—again without any attempt to meet with and make mutually acceptable arrangements with the Stirrup Lane residents.

Since late June, multiple cars--at times as many as 25--have been parking on both sides of the north end of Stirrup Lane. Drivers are routinely entering my clients' private driveways to turn around. My clients do appreciate the City's putting in "No Parking" signs on the east side of the street and a part of the west side to alleviate the congestion at the Stirrup Lane/Saddle Road/cart path intersections. This was a small step; however, it is a temporary and inadequate response to a much larger problem.

My clients have been told that Zenergy has an arrangement with the owners of the Bigwood Golf Course allowing golf course employees to park in the Zenergy parking lot while Zenergy employees must park their cars on Stirrup Lane and walk from there to work. Such an arrangement and the resulting parking chaos is unacceptable. It is unsafe and unreasonable.

Stirrup Lane is a quiet neighborhood on a cul de sac. There is no developed apron for parking and the entrance to Saddle Road from Stirrup Lane is already one of the most dangerous intersections in the City. Even if there is an actual need for parking, there are many better alternative locations, such the parking lot for the Bigwood Recreation Center and the YMCA parking lot which was acquired to be a park-and-ride lot which could be serviced by a shuttle from Zenergy.

My clients brought this matter to the attention of the City as soon as the problems arose and were planning to address the issue with the Ketchum Traffic Authority on July 17 when the

meeting was abruptly cancelled. My clients have now been told that Zenergy and the owners of the Bigwood Golf Course are working with the City to come up with a new plan which will be discussed at a special meeting of the Traffic Authority. This is also unacceptable. Any public airing of this problem could be delayed until almost the end of the golfing season, which will moot the move to an appropriate solution. My clients are stakeholders. They must be included in this process, and if they are to be excluded, then a public hearing before the Traffic Authority must be held immediately. My clients demand transparency, due process and best practices.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

BENJAMIN W. WORST, P.C. Attorney At Law

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Cc: Clients