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**To:** [Neil Bradshaw](#); [Amanda Breen](#); [Michael David](#); [Courtney Hamilton](#); [Jim Slanetz](#); [Participate](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment / KCC Mtg July 3 2023  
**Date:** Monday, July 3, 2023 9:58:47 PM

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Ketchum City Council  
Meeting July 3 2023

Public Comment

General – I second Megan Dawson comments re ebikes and scooters – Serious concern, disaster about to happen. Please get on it now, without hiring more consultants.  
I second the positions advanced by Mr P Boyle in his June 27th public comment and especially the need for this council to implement zero based budgeting.

Agenda Item 6 – OPPOSE proposed White Peterson extension, on grounds that the 2016 Agreement must be attached and published before this one year addendum can be considered.

Agenda Item 8 – COMMENT re Webb Landscape PO / finish SV road – Please make sure “green only” same as parks and schools – NO ROUNDUP and the like

Agenda Item 9 – OPPOSE PO with GGLO for the town square – This community can do this evaluation on our own, for much less money, using volunteer and local design pros.

Thank you,

Jim

City of Ketchum, Idaho

In regards to your plans to take over the resurfacing and alignment of Main Street (aka Idaho 75, a major North/South route) I hope you will consider the necessity to manage for the use.

I had hoped that your plans to stipe for one lane moving traffic in each direction were dead, but that is not the impression one gets from the options still on the table as per your simulations. Should space allow, turn lanes at Sun Valley Road would be welcomed, but not at the expense of no longer having two travel lanes in each direction

Please reconsider allowing the ITD to bring four lanes into the city by expanding the highway corridor north of Serenade Lane. The daily back ups morning and evening would be lessened. The horror of the impact of going from two lanes down to one is felt by most commuters daily at the East Fork/Greenhorn area as well as North of the Elkhorn light. It is time you manage for the use and not the pipe dream of the small town feel that has been lost with the four planned and existing Hotels at towns entrance and all the steel now being used to build homes in town.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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**From:** [Maya Blix](#)  
**To:** [Participate](#); [Lisa Enourato](#); [Jade Riley](#); [Neil Bradshaw](#)  
**Cc:** [Whitney Slade](#)  
**Subject:** Digital messaging board for SVTdF Event, July 22nd, for the record  
**Date:** Monday, July 10, 2023 8:32:39 AM

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Hi Council Members,

We are excited to host our 6th Annual Sun Valley Tour de Force on July 20-22nd, benefiting The Hunger Coalition and root causes of food insecurity in our valley. Our 2022 event raised \$600k - a record we hope to beat this year :)

We are hosting our No Speed Limit event at Phantom Hill on Saturday, July 22nd between 7am-3pm. The event is permitted by Idaho Transportation Department. We will be closing down the highway on/off for 20 mins at a time throughout this day, which will result in traffic delays of up to 20 minutes.

There are normally high volumes of people traveling in both directions on this day - travelers, visitors, residents of the Wood River valley. We would like to inform the public of the traffic delays and will be communicating on all available platforms ahead and prior to the event. In past years, we have communicated 'Special Event Ahead - 20 mins delays expected' on digital messaging boards owned by the City of Ketchum/street department.

For 2023, we have contacted Road Work Ahead (no messaging boards available), United Rentals (don't deliver to our area, they are based in Boise) as well as the City of Sun Valley (don't own messaging boards).

The City of Ketchum's response to our inquiry of renting digital messaging boards is: 'The City declined, they do not wish to make an exception to their policy'.

We are unaware of any policy that prevents the City of Ketchum to help inform the public of 20 minutes traffic delays on one of the busiest roads in our area in one of the busiest months through the year. We have seen other public messaging which benefits the public including the Farmers' Market, poisonous plants and wildlife alerts.

We respect the city's decision and wanted to get our attempt to inform visitors and travelers on public record. This is a service to the general public visiting our area.

All the best,  
Maya

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**From:** [Amy Johnson](#)  
**To:** [Participate](#)  
**Subject:** Potholes  
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Hi! I totally agree with the recent comments in the newspaper about the roads and gianormous need for road improvements. Potholes all over town are damaging my little Subaru suspension. Are they patching the holes? Honestly, it's a really rough ride through town and beyond. If IDOT is trying to push people to use the bike paths, their strategy is working. Bike paths are great! But come 'on, IDOT, the roads are in bad shape. How can we wait until 2025?

Amy  
Help us have a better ride!

Thank you.  
Amy Johnson  
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**From:** [Jodi Sanders](#)  
**To:** [Participate](#)  
**Subject:** Saddle Rd and Sun Valley Rd traffic Light  
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Good afternoon;

I swung by the Ketchum Police station today to alert the city to a situation at the blinking light on Saddle and Sun Valley roads. The gal I chatted with suggested I send a comment via this website. I realize that technically that blinking light is in Sun Valley but I think it affects all of our residents. I am a 30 year Ketchum resident but our post office box is in Sun Valley so we travel those roads frequently. I am also a biker, using that intersection 2-3 times per week. Just this week I witnessed a near collusion of car and bike. As I biker, it is nearly impossible to cross at that intersection because we no longer can push the “walk” button on the traffic signal. I also watched a couple of young children pedestrians trying to cross. The cars are so focused on who arrived in the intersection first that they are not paying attention to bikers or pedestrians. I realize bikers should dismount but I rarely see that happen. After the incident on Monday I am fearful that there will be an unfortunate collision due to inattentiveness. I understand that there is some discussion that that light will remain a blinking light. Until just recently I thought that sounded like a good idea, but now I’m just not sure.

Thanks for “listening”.

Jodi Sanders  
Blue Grouse  
Ketchum