From: Aimée Christensen
To: Participate
Cc: Lisa Horowitz
Subject: EV Charging

**Date:** Tuesday, January 16, 2024 8:11:38 AM

## Dear Ketchum City Council and KURA,

I participated in the learning session about the plans for Main Street and did not see mention of EV charging, so wanted to send this note, as I mentioned to Lisa, copied, that I would send.

I write to encourage readiness for the accelerating transformation of transportation, specifically requesting a site planning process for a multi charger site, as Hailey is considering on Main Street, entrance from the block parallel to Main Street. I also encourage adoption of a policy that requires at least one EV charger at each new project on City / KURA properties, and the addition of at least one more public charger now that the Ore Wagon charger is moving to charge city fleet vehicles. I understand that a charger has been ordered for the public to replace that single charger, and request at least one additional one be ordered. It is my hope that the location, east of access, signage and online visibility will be optimized. In addition, I'd like to request that the City consider developing a policy that at a minimum encourages, if not requires, that developers of Ketchum-based commercial projects to provide at least one EV charger for customers and/or employees.

As the vehicle fleet shifts to electric for a significant portion of fueling, the City and commercial property owners located therein may find themselves competing for charger availability for installations, potentially continuing inadequacy for what visitors, employees and residents need. (EV sales in Q4 2023 increased by 40% year over year, with overall 2023 increasing to 8% of new car sales).

Here are few resources that may be helpful:

- The National League of Cities: "EV Primer for Municipal Officials"
- The International Council on Clean Transportation: "<u>Electric Vehicle Charging Guide</u> for Cities"
- Electrification Coalition: "Federal Funding Guidance for Cities"
- US Department of Energy: "Blueprint 4B: EV Charging Infrastructure for the Community"

Please let me know if you have any questions or if I can otherwise be helpful.

Thank you for your consideration, Aimée Christensen, Sun Valley resident, City of Ketchum business owner

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I acknowledge the indigenous stewards of the land on which I work and live, and recognize their continuing connection to land, water and culture. I pay respect to Elders past, present and emerging.

## **Participate**

From: susan neaman <susancneaman@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Monday, January 15, 2024 11:45 AM

**To:** Participate

**Subject:** Main Street Project KURA

I am writing to give a view on the Welcome Sign at the South and North entrance to Ketchum.

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When I was speaking to one of the gentlemen about the Entrance signs to Ketchum at the project meeting I expressed that there really wasn't a need for a sign at the North entrance to Ketchum. Since that conversation I have learned there are quite a few visitors that do come to Ketchum from the north. I am not sure how a north entrance sign would work near the 6th street area because of the congestion (maybe just a City of Ketchum sign) BUT...............

The sign at the south entrance would be great to have prior or around the Trail Creek bridge. But the bridge project won't happen until the IT begins their project. Maybe money could be set aside to build the Entrance Sigh after 2025 project is done or incorporate it in while the project is being built.

What ever happens possibly a sign using metal for longevity, could be built representing what our town is about....Railroad, skiing, Fishing, Mining, Sheep, Wagon Days (which is part of mining). There is not really history in Ketchum of the Native American Indians they were in the Salmon area for fish and big game and in the Camus Valley and Shoshone also in Eastern Idaho. They were nomads moving to various areas in search of food and medicinal. I could be corrected on this but from the books and people I have spoken with it seems to be so.

The North entrance sign for Directions to Sun Valley, YMCA, National Forest out WarmSprings and into Ketchum needs to be Prior or at the Saddle road light. Thanks for you're time!

Susan Neaman