

CITY OF KETCHUM, IDAHO

CITY COUNCIL Monday, March 04, 2024, 4:00 PM 191 5th Street West, Ketchum, Idaho 83340

AGENDA

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CALL TO ORDER: By Mayor Neil Bradshaw

ROLL CALL: Pursuant to Idaho Code Section 74-204(4), all agenda items are action items, and a vote may be taken on these items.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCILORS:

1. Public comments submitted

CONSENT AGENDA:

ALL ACTION ITEMS - The Council is asked to approve the following listed items by a single vote, except for any items that a Councilmember asks to be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

- 2. Recommendation to approve minutes of *Special Joint Meeting* of the Ketchum City Council and Ketchum Urban Renewal Agency February 20, 2024 City Clerk Trent Donat
- 3. Recommendation to approve minutes of February 20, 2024 City Clerk Trent Donat
- 4. Authorization and approval of the payroll register Treasurer Shellie Gallagher
- 5. Authorization and approval of the disbursement of funds from the City's treasury for the payment of bills Treasurer Shellie Gallagher
- <u>6.</u> Recommendation to approve 180 Leadville, LLC, Administrative Appeal of Historic Preservation Commission Determination Scheduling Order and Notice City Attorney Matt Johnson

- 7. Recommendation to approve road closure for special event US Alpine Nationals Opening Ceremony - Events Manager Eryn Alvey
- 8. Recommendation to allow City Administrator to approve Main Street Construction Access Agreements City Administrator Jade Riley
- 9. Recommendation to approve Resolution 24-005, reappointing Wendolyn Holland and Jakub Galczynski to the Ketchum Historic Preservation Commission for a term expiring on March 4, 2027 Planning Technician & Office Administrator Heather Nicolai

PUBLIC HEARING:

NEW BUSINESS:

- 10. Review and make a determination of Administrative Appeal P22-056B of the Planning and Zoning Commission and Planning Director's Determination Special Project City Attorney Abbey Germaine, City Attorney Matt Johnson, and Director of Planning and Building Morgan Landers
- 11. Review and approval of Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Development Calendar City Administrator Jade Riley

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

12. Pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206(1)(c) - To acquire an interest in real property not owned by a public agency.

ADJOURNMENT:

From: HP Boyle <boylehp@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 21, 2024 7:22 AM

To: Participate Cc: Andrew Guckes

Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT re: Housing Update at 2/20 Council meeting

As I have previously commented, Lease for Locals has been a great bang for the buck, and I am supportive of Ms Connoelly's proposal to extend it to existing renters to local workers.

However, from the rest of the Housing Update, I urge the Council to be skeptical of the information being presented.

Yesterday, the City Attorney told the Council why the City cannot prioritize Ketchum employees for Ketchum taxpayer-subsidized housing. The answer provided was, to my understanding, misleading. Yes, the FHA can be a constraint on who can live in housing. However, there are significant classes of the workforce that are exempt from the FHA. That would include what the mayor has called the "lifeblood" of the community: the City can indeed prioritize teachers, first responders, health care workers, and city employees. You might want to consult with an attorney who is an expert in this area, as the WRHT has done. The fact that the City Attorney said that he was not asked that specific question is, in my analysis, evidence of how you are being "managed" by City staff.

Why is this important? Because the path we are on will not address our workforce shortage other than help to depress wages for the tourism industry. This path has not been successful at addressing the workforce housing shortage in any resort city.

The conflict of interest answer from the City Attorney also dodged an ethical conflict of interest. Even if it is technically "legal," as representatives of the people, I hope the Council does not condone its ethics. Ms. Conelley works for both the City and BCHA. On the last page of the HUD grant request, she said the money that would be received, despite being awarded to the City, would be transferred immediately to BCHA. The reason stated is to get it out of the oversight of the City Council. She works for you, yet, wearing her BCHA hat. she does not want you to tell her how to spend the money that HUD grants to the City. Is that not a breach of the checks and balances that both Mr. Hutchinson and Mr. Cordovano expounded to the school kids in the room and a pillar of good government? I urge the Council to retain the funds in a City account and to allocate the money in the best interests of Ketchum taxpayers.

Also, is the Council aware of how Ms. Connelly intends to deploy the \$5mm? Does the Council believe that the community is aware of this? It does not seem to live up to the standard of transparency that the Mayor cited in the first Council meeting of 2024.

Another example of incomplete information provided to the Council is the Drew condo. No one asked if the identified local buyer came from the BCHA waitlist for housing or any housing waitlist. BCHA engaged a Hailey real estate agent to market the unit. Why? Why would BCHA have the City of Ketchum purchase a unit of housing for which there was no demand on the BCHA housing waitlist? Should BCHA be creating demand for housing in Ketchum? Additionally, this particular unit was examined by a licensed housing inspector. His view is that \$40k is just the starting point of what this unit requires for rehabilitation. There are deficiencies with the siding that will need to be addressed and that have not been disclosed to potential buyers. It is, in my view, a good thing for housing to be preserved for the Ketchum workforce. However, it should be done with integrity and full transparency. At the very least, the Council should want City staff to be fully forthcoming with the Council on the facts of how Ketchum taxpayer monies are being spent. With that full disclosure, you may be still behind this transaction—but the disclosure should be there.

Finally, the external housing speaker series has been carefully managed to present only one side of the workforce housing issue. Ms. Connelly has only brought in speakers who agree with her positions. She has brought in no one who could highlight the problems with her approach to housing, and how and why many aspects of the Housing Action Plan have failed to address the workforce housing shortage in other resort communities. Handing this series over to BCHA likely means that we will hear no other viewpoints.

To my observation, the tail of the staff is wagging the dog of the Council. That is not checks and balances.

Thank you,

Perry Boyle Ketchum ID

From: Neil Bradshaw

Sent: Sunday, February 25, 2024 8:18 AM

To: danhawley@icloud.com

Cc: Participate

Subject:Re: Project Main StreetAttachments:PastedGraphic-1.tiff

Thanks for your email Dan
I have placed in the public record for council and staff consideration
I am happy to meet up to discuss
Cheers
Neil

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On Feb 25, 2024, at 7:39 AM, danhawley@icloud.com wrote:

Neil,

I have serious concerns about Project Main Street being pushed through without addressing major design flaws.

The stated principal goals of Project Main Street are to address the issue "of no left turns" in Ketchum and to improve travel efficiency during morning and evening rush hours.

Today the intersections of First and Main and Fifth and Main do not facilitate left hand turns for Main Street traffic which severely impedes traffic flow. This is completely ignored and unchanged in the proposed plan.

Furthermore creating signalized left hand turn lanes on First and Fifth streets will add another signal phase which will exacerbate the flow of traffic on Main.

Additionally this will reduce the parking on both streets which is not counted as project parking loss.

The proposed plan completely fails to meet the stated design goals and therefore is fundamentally flawed.

The realignment of Main at Sun Valley Road to create five lanes will make it nearly impossible for large trucks and busses to turn right off Main onto Sun Valley Road. I have raised this issue at multiple meetings and it has gone unanswered.

Increasing the complexity of an intersection by adding additional lanes is detrimental to pedestrian safety. Main and Sun Valley Road currently is the most difficult location to be a pedestrian in Ketchum.

The \$7 Million cost of the project should cause the City to evaluate whether the design goals of the project will be achieved. With the glaring failure to address the left turning issues on Main it is time to step back and do the job correctly.

While I appreciate the need to repair the deterioration of the pavement in a timely manner it is fiscally irresponsible to accept a flawed design.

I feel that your consultants are more concerned about streetscape design than addressing the fundamental flaws in this plan.

A three lane Main Street would address the left turn issue and improve traffic flow and would certainly improve the pedestrian experience on Main Street. The wider sidewalks would benefit all downtown businesses by encouraging more pedestrian usage.

There is a valuable free online planing tool called Street Plan.

Using this tool for 30 minutes provided the following image of a 3 lane Main Street which addresses the Main Street left turn issue.

80' right of way one travel lane in each direction with a central left turn lane

parking on both sides of the street sidewalks and gutter 16.5' pedestrians only cross 32' of vehicle lanes which is far safer improved radius allows trucks and busses to turn right onto Sun Valley road

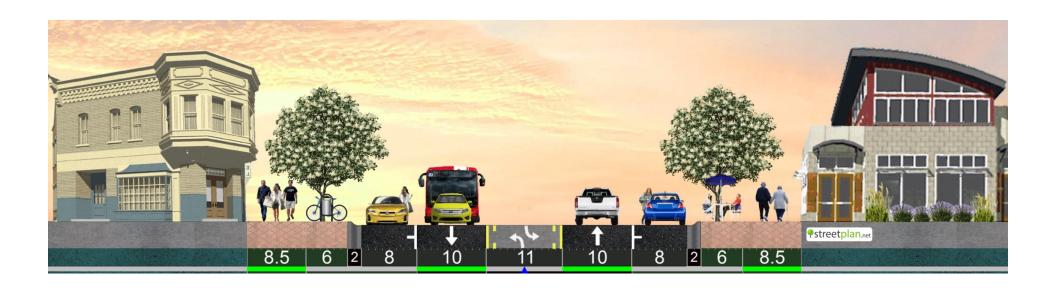
I would be glad to speak with you at your convenience.

Sincerely.

Dan

Daniel Hawley Box 49 Ketchum, ID 83340

208-726-4962



From: City of Ketchum Idaho <participate@ketchumidaho.org>

Sent: Monday, February 26, 2024 12:34 PM

To: Participate

Subject: Form submission from: Contact Us

Submitted on Monday, February 26, 2024 - 12:33pm

Submitted by anonymous user: 68.105.209.109

Submitted values are:

First Name Pat Last Name Higgins Email pathiggins@cox.net Question/Comment

What happened to all the in lieu parking money go when previous business builders had to pay? Reading the February 2022 results from parking survey, majority stated "if they had a magic wand to change anything in Ketchum, they wanted a parking garage" why isn't the City Of Ketchum providing this?

I really feel that the current city leadership is not listening to the citizens and business owners of Ketchum. Every person I have had conversations with regarding the redo on Main Street are very upset that majority of parking is being taken away. I understand we need to have compromise, but where is the compromise of parking?

The Washington parking lot will be turned into Low income housing, the Lift tower lodge work force housing, the Memory Park lot Afforadable housing.... The diagonal parking across from Kneadery removed among other locations ??? Why?

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

https://www.ketchumidaho.org/node/7/submission/12003

From: Aly Swindley

Sent: Monday, March 4, 2024 1:16 PM

To: Participate

Subject: FW: Ketchum Post Office

ALY SWINDLEY | CITY OF KETCHUM

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From: Amanda Breen < ABreen@ketchumidaho.org>

Sent: Monday, March 4, 2024 1:05 PM

To: Daniel Hansen < DHansen@ketchumidaho.org>; Aly Swindley < aswindley@ketchumidaho.org>

Subject: Fw: Ketchum Post Office

Public comment.

Regards,

Amanda Breen Ketchum City Council P.O. Box 2315 480 East Avenue North Ketchum, Idaho 83340-2315 Mobile: (208) 721-1760

Email: ABreen@ketchumidaho.org

From: Bill Glenn < idahobill@gmail.com > Sent: Monday, March 4, 2024 11:05 AM

To: Amanda Breen < ABreen@ketchumidaho.org >

Subject: Ketchum Post Office

Amanda,

I noted in a recent Mountain Express article your interest in the difficulties we experience with the Ketchum post office. You likely have numerous examples, but here are two more.

On a Saturday last month the circulation pump on my outdoor hot tub stopped working. Without circulation of the water, the heating elements are inoperable. Without heat in winter, the system is at risk of freezing, with the consequent risk of damage to piping and components.

First thing Monday morning I ordered a replacement pump from a company in Texas. The pump shipped the same day and arrived at the Ketchum post office Wednesday morning. Based on past experience I knew the post office needed time to process the packages so I did not expect a yellow card to be placed in my PO box until Thursday. No card on Thursday, no card on Friday, and finally card on Saturday, when I was able to get the motor after visiting the post office on three successive days. So, two days for

shipping, and three days to get the package out of the post office. Had it not been for the fact that Ketchum was experiencing near-record high temperatures at the time, the delay in getting this pump could have resulted in possibly irreparable damage to the hot tub.

A similar example occurred about a week later when I ordered a car part. Two days for the part to arrive at the Ketchum PO, three days before I could retrieve the part from the post office. My car was unnecessarily disabled for the additional three days due to the unsatisfactory performance at the post office.

I recently signed up for informed delivery so I would know when a package was actually available for pick-up, only to learn that at the Ketchum post office this service does not in fact work for packages. Once again, second-class service.

The burden of packages being experienced by the post office has dictated that the parcel lockers at the post office are not regularly being used, if at all, so we are now obligated to visit the post office during business hours and wait in line to get our packages.

Though not a problem with the local post office, I recently mailed some insurance documents to Pittsburg, PA, certified return receipt; the return receipt documented a thirteen-day delivery time!

You are no doubt aware that problems with the postal service are not limited to Ketchum. Following is a link for me to share with you an article from the Washington Post from last December that you may find interesting, if you did not already see it:

https://wapo.st/49YCLO2

Lastly, I would like to confirm, that as a fifty-plus year, full-time resident of Ketchum, I have no recollection of ever having been asked about my preference for post office box delivery as opposed to home delivery of mail, nor of any public meeting at which such a preference was discussed. It is less expensive for the post office to deliver to post office boxes than to street addresses, yet we are being charged ever-increasing fees for the post office boxes. In reality, since the post office is saving money in this regard, the post office boxes should be provided at a nominal charge, or free of charge.

Thanks for your shared concerns about the post office and good luck pursuing whatever remedies are possible.

William Glenn Ketchum, Idaho 208-720-4444

From: Neil Bradshaw

Sent: Sunday, March 3, 2024 12:20 PM

To: Pat Higgins
Cc: Participate

Subject: Re: My thoughts on Washington parking lot

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Flagged

Thanks for your email Pat

I will put in the public record and share with council for their consideration.

Thanks for participating!

There are always trade offs to be made - those trade offs reflect the values and priorities of our town.

Thanks again for your email

Cheers Neil

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On Mar 3, 2024, at 10:52 AM, Pat Higgins <pathiggins@cox.net> wrote:

Dear Neil,

I agree we are in need of affordable housingBut, we also need parking! Go to the Washington Lot on any weekday and it is packed with construction workers trucks. These people and journeymen cannot take the bus into town as they need their tools.

It looks like the building will continue for some time in the future.

What happened to the in lieu parking monies collected when Ketchum enforced that? As for Mr. Lipton on the KURA, he is wrong about parking, not everyone who shops or dines in Ketchum can walk 2 blocks especially on icy streets and sidewalks, which is very much the situation the majority of of the year.

I looked at the February 2022 results from the city's parking survey, majority of residents want a multi storied garage for parking. There is no place for overnight parking in town for folks who may have partied too much or who have missed the last bus.

People want parking where they are going to shop and dine. The business' on main street will suffer if people can't find parking a block away. Without the merchants our town will suffer greatly.... Handicap parking is also very important and those spots are very few and far between. I saw one handicapped parking spot on the east side on Main Street in front of Memory Park, this is more than 2 blocks away from any restaurant on Main St.

In my opinion, The most centralized location close proximity to downtown that the city owns would be the Washington parking lot. I saw the article in Fridays paper... That proposed building doesn't look like Ketchum. Where is the compromise for parking Jade stated at the meetings for Main St. Redo?

Why wouldn't 2-3 stories parking and 1-2 stories housing on Washington lot? What about the hole at the southern entrance to town, that has been an eyesore for over 10 years, that would be great for parking and housing? Pat Higgins





City of Ketchum and KURA Special Joint Meeting Minutes

Monday February 20, 2024	4:00pm	Ketchum City Hall
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CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Neil Bradshaw called the meeting to order at 4:00pm. (00:00:10 in video)

ROLL CALL CITY COUNCIL: ROLL CALL KURA:

Spencer CordovanoBoard Chair Susan ScovellTripp HutchinsonBoard Member Gary LiptonAmanda BreenBoard Member Casey BurkeCourtney HamiltonBoard Member Tyler Davis-Jeffers

Board Member Mason Frederickson (via teleconference)

Other attendees:

Suzanne Frick—KURA Executive Director
Jade Riley—City Administrator
Trent Donat—City Clerk & Business Manager, KURA Secretary
Ben Whipple—City of Ketchum Senior Project Manager
Matt Johnson—City Attorney
Betsy Roberts—Jacobs Engineering (via teleconference)
Mateo Franzoia—Jacobs Engineering (via teleconference)

COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR, CITY COUNSEL AND BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

None

PUBLIC HEARING:

- 2. Joint meeting between City Council and the KURA to review and discuss 90% Design Review for Main Street Rehabilitation Project.
 - Introduced by: Mayor Neil Bradshaw (00:01:01 in video)
 - Presented by: Jade Riley (00:02:05 in video)
 - Joined by Betsy Roberts and Mateo Franzoia

Questions, comments, and discussion on the 90% drawings. (00:31:18 in video)

Questions, comments, and discussion regarding any recommendations on the scope for bidding. (00:36:46 in video)





Questions, comments, and discussion as to whether council and board members are comfortable with the next steps and direction. (00:43:37 in video)

Public Hearing Opened (00:52:52 in video)

- Warren Bejamin—City of Ketchum (00:53:14 in video)
- Pat Higgins—City of Ketchum (0:54:32 in video)

Public Hearing Closed (00:56:26 in video)

Final questions, comments, and discussion by council and board members (00:57:12 in video)

ADJOURNMENT:	
Motion to adjourn: (01:03:48 in video)	
Motion made by Gary Lipton; seconded by Susa	an Scovell
Ayes: Gary Lipton, Amanda Breen, Susan Scov	rell, Courtney Hamilton, Tripp Hutchinson, Spencer
Cordovano, Tyler Davis-Jeffers, Casey Burk, N	
Nays: None	
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	Neil Bradshaw, Mayor
ATTEST:	
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Trent Donat, City Clerk and Business Manager	
	Susan Scovell, KURA Chair
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Trent Donat, KURA Secretary	



CITY OF KETCHUM MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Monday, February 20, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: (00:00:20 in video)

Mayor Bradshaw called the meeting of the Ketchum City Council to order at 5:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Neil Bradshaw Spencer Cordovano Tripp Hutchinson Amanda Breen Courtney Hamilton

ALSO PRESENT:

Jade Riley—City Administrator
Trent Donat—City Clerk & Business Manager
Ben Whipple—Senior Project Manager
Morgan Landers—Planning and Building Director
Paige Nied—Associate Planner
Carissa Connelly—Housing Director
Matt Johnson—City Attorney
Rian Rooney—Housing Fellow (via teleconference)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

- Tripp Hutchinson read a piece from Dwight D. Eisenhower's "A Chance for Peace," address. (00:00:33 in video)
- Neil Bradshaw handed out a draft calendar for the 2025 fiscal year budget for council members to review. He thanked the Wood River School for attending the meeting. (00:02:28 in video)
- Courtney Hamilton reminded everyone to shovel their sidewalks. (00:03:17 in video)

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Bradshaw pulled item #10. He pulled item #6 for discussion at the end of the meeting. (00:03:54 in video) Courtney Hamilton addressed item #8 and that she would be making an amended motion. (00:04:37 in video)

Motion to approve Easement Agreement 24898 for public snow storage and drainage at 201 Garnet Street subject to the conditions that staff correct the typos found in the easement agreement this afternoon and that a map delineating the subject property and easement area be prepared by a professional land surveyor and attached to the agreement as an exhibit prior to the mayor's signature and execution of the agreement. (00:04:55 in video)

MOVER: Courtney Hamilton

SECONDER: Amanda Breen

AYES: Amanda Breen, Tripp Hutchinson, Courtney Hamilton, Spencer Cordovano

RESULT: ADOPTED UNANIMOUS

Motion to approve consent agenda items #2, #3, #4, #5, #7, #9 #11 and #12. (00:05:49 in video)

MOVER: Amanda Breen

SECONDER: Courtney Hamilton

AYES: Spencer Cordovano, Amanda Breen, Tripp Hutchinson, Courtney Hamilton

RESULT: ADOPTED UNANIMOUS

PUBLIC HEARING:

13. Recommendation to hold a public hearing and conduct the third reading of Ordinance 1253, amendments to Title 15 of the Ketchum Municipal Code, and adoption of Ordinance 1253. (00:06:00 in video)

Presented by: Paige Nied

Public Comment Open: (00:06:30 in video)

none

Public Comment Closed: (00:06:40 in video)

Questions, comments, and discussion by council. (00:06:57 in video)

Motion to approve the third reading of Ordinance 1253 by title only. (00:11:09 in video)

MOVER: Amanda Breen

SECONDER: Courtney Hamilton

AYES: Amanda Breen, Courtney Hamilton, Spencer Cordovano,

NAYS: Tripp Hutchinson RESULT: ADOPTED

Third reading of Ordinance 1253 by Trent Donat by title only. (00:11:35 in video)

Motion to adopt Ordinance 1253 as just read by city clerk Trent Donat. (00:12:21 in video)

MOVER: Courtney Hamilton **SECONDER:** Amanda Breen

AYES: Amanda Breen, Courtney Hamilton, Spencer Cordovano, Tripp Hutchinson

RESULT: ADOPTED UNANIMOUS

NEW BUSINESS:

14. Housing Plan Update

Presented by: Carissa Connelly (00:13:20 in video)

- Carissa Connelly asked for BCHA transfer from the City of Ketchum to the Housing Authority for the implementation and partner meetings and speaker series. Neil Bradshaw and Spencer Cordovano thought it would be beneficial to do that. (00:19:01 in video)
- Matt Johnson read and addressed two questions. (00:21:19 in video)
 - 1. Why don't we limit housing access to Ketchum Workers?
 - 2. Is there a conflict of interest for Ketchum to provide services to Blaine County Housing Authority?

Questions, comments, and discussion by Council (00:22:58 in video)

- Perry Boyle made a public comment (00:32:03 in video)
- 15. Recommendation to authorize the Housing Department to purchase a condominium via a charitable sale.
- 16. Recommendation to authorize the Housing Department to release ownership and preservation program funds for Category Local, appreciation capped deed restriction condominium sale.

 Presented by: Rian Rooney (00:35:06 in video)
 - Neil Bradshaw thanked Dr. Buck Drew for his generosity, charity and vision pertaining to the Ownership and Preservation Program. (00:57:17 in video)
 - Dr. Buck Drew addressed the council. (00:54:58 in video)

Questions, comments, and discussion by Council (00:59:36 in video)

Motion to approve authorization of an amount not to exceed \$430,000.00 for purchase of 225 Pinewood Lane, C16, authorization of up to \$1,000.00 for associated closing costs, the associated reservation agreement and the two Purchase and Sales Agreements. (01:17:56 in video)

MOVER: Amanda Breene

SECONDER: Spencer Cordovano

AYES: Amanda Breen, Courtney Hamilton, Spencer Cordovano, Tripp Hutchinson

RESULT: ADOPTED UNANIMOUS

Motion to approve authorization of \$180,000.00 for the Ownership and Preservation Program to purchase a Category Local, appreciation-capped deed restriction on a condominium unit and \$125.00 for a title insurance

policy. (01:18:24 in video) **MOVER:** Tripp Hutchinson **SECONDER:** Spencer Cordovano

AYES: Amanda Breen, Courtney Hamilton, Spencer Cordovano,

RESULT: ADOPTED UNANIMOUS

17. Discussion to appoint a Council Representative to the Fire Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) committee. Presented by: Bill McLaughlin (01:19:14 in video)

Questions, comments, and discussion by Council (01:20:06 in video)

Motion to appoint Amanda Breen as the Ketchum City Council representative to the Fire JPA Committee.

(01:21:29 in video)

MOVER: Courtney Hamilton **SECONDER:** Tripp Hutchinson

AYES: Amanda Breen, Courtney Hamilton, Spencer Cordovano, Tripp Hutchinson

RESULT: ADOPTED UNANIMOUS

CONSENT AGENDA ITEM MOVED TO NEW BUSINESS:

- 6. Recommendation to receive and file monthly Treasurer's Financial Report. (01:21:47 in video)
 - Tripp Hutchinson addressed why he wanted to see a presentation and discuss the item. (01:22:42 in video)
 - Jade Riley joined the discussion. (01:24:24 in video)

Questions, comments, and discussion by Council (01:25:46 in video)

Motion to receive and file the treasurer's financial report. (01:43:02 in video)

MOVER: Courtney Hamilton **SECONDER:** Tripp Hutchinson

AYES: Spencer Cordovano, Amanda Breen, Tripp Hutchinson, Courtney Hamilton

RESULT: ADOPTED UNANIMOUS

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

18. Pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206(1)(d) To consider records that are exempt from disclosure.

Motion to move into Executive Session. (01:43:13 in video)

MOVER: Amanda Breen

SECONDER: Spencer Cordovano

AYES: Amanda Breen, Courtney Hamilton, Tripp Hutchinson, Spencer Cordovano

RESULT: ADOPTED UNANIMOUS

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn. (01:43:36 in video)

MOVER: Courtney Hamilton **SECONDER:** Amanda Breen

AYES: Spencer Cordovano, Tripp Hutchinson, Amanda Breen, Courtney Hamilton

RESULT: UNANIMOUS

	 Neil Bradshaw, Mayor
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ATTEST:	
Trent Donat, City Clerk	

Report Criteria:

Invoices with totals above \$0 included.

Paid and unpaid invoices included.

[Report].GL Account Number = "0110000000"-"9700000000","9910000000"-"9911810000"

Invoice Detail.Voided = No, Yes

Vendor Name	Invoice Number	Description	Net Invoice Amount	Purchase Order Number	GL Activity Number
GENERAL FUND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES					
01-4150-3100 OFFICE SUPPLIES	S & POSTAGE				
GEM STATE PAPER & SUPPLY	1113442-01	FOAM SOAP & LIQUID COFFEE CREAMER	46.51		0
GEM STATE PAPER & SUPPLY	1113442-02	LIQUID COFFEE CREAMER	61.77		0
01-4150-4200 PROFESSIONAL S	ERVICES				
CINTAS	4171184504	SHOP TOWELS SCRAPER MAT & BLACK MATS	56.69		0
CINTAS	9259785711	SHOP TOWLS & INSURANCE CREDIT	15.70-		0
CINTAS	9259785722	INSURANCE & SHOP TOWEL CREDIT	15.70-		0
CLEARMINDGRAPHICS	6267	WEBSITE DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT - SECURITY UPDATES	225.00		0
JAQUET, WENDY	021724	RESORT CITIES COALITION JAN - FEB 2024	980.00		0
BD CONSULTING LLC	KET 2024-05	GENERAL DISCUSSION/MEETINGS	233.75	23048.1	0
BD CONSULTING LLC	KET 2024-05	CIP TEMPLATE	85.00	23048.1	0
ALVEY, ERYN	005	MARCH 2024 EVENT SERVICES	2,600.00		0
01-4150-5100 TELEPHONE & CO	OMMUNICATIONS				
CENTURY LINK	2087265574 24	2087265574 240B 021324	71.32		0
COX BUSINESS	0012401050589	0012401050589901 020624	172.99		0
01-4150-5110 COMPUTER NETV	VORK				
CIVICPLUS LLC	293726	MUNICODE CONTRACT - FEBRUARY 2024	3,196.41		0
01-4150-5200 UTILITIES					
CITY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	208	422.40		0
CITY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	360	59.21		0
CITY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	9994	253.33		0
CITY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	772	70.22		0
IDAHO POWER	2203990334 02	2203990334 021024	80.63		0
IDAHO POWER	2206570869 02	2206570869 021024	19.03		0
IDAHO POWER	2260077785 02	2260077785 021024	280.38		0
Total ADMINISTRATIVE SEI	RVICES:		8,883.24		

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LEGAL					
01-4160-4200 PROFESSIONAL SE	RVICES				
WHITE PETERSON LAW FIRM	24892R 013124	GENERAL CITY ADMIN	16,500.00		(
Total LEGAL:			16,500.00		
PLANNING & BUILDING					
01-4170-3100 OFFICE SUPPLIES &	& POSTAGE				
WORTH PRINTING	3721	CARDS	236.41		(
01-4170-4210 PROFESSIONAL SE	RVICES - IDBS				
SAFEBUILT LLC	207563	BUILDING INSPECTION SERVICES	6,000.00		(
SAFEBUILT LLC	214629	BUILDING SOFTWARE SERVICES	18,835.89		(
01-4170-4220 PROF SVCS-FLOOD	PLAIN PROG RE	M			
HARMONY DESIGN & ENGINEE	23755	18018 KETCHUM SAP REVIEW THROUGH 01312024	1,932.50		(
01-4170-6910 OTHER PURCHASE	D SERVICES				
ATKINSONS' MARKET	04799721	DONUTS BAKERY ITEMS	22.40		(
ATKINSONS' MARKET	04802587	LA CROIX	18.04		(
Total PLANNING & BUILDING	G:		27,045.24		
NON-DEPARTMENTAL					
01-4193-4500 1ST/WASHINGTON	RENT				
URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY	7624	FEBRUARY 2024 - URA RENT	3,000.00		(
01-4193-9930 GENERAL FUND OF	P. CONTINGENCY				
ALPINE ENTERPRISES, INC	5256	ORE WAGON MUSUM WORK & UPDATE	2,000.00		(
Total NON-DEPARTMENTAL:			5,000.00		
FACILITY MAINTENANCE					
01-4194-4200 PROFESSIONAL SE	RVICES				
BIG WOOD LANDSCAPE, INC.	29498	SNOW REMOVAL JAN 24 - 2ND ST PARKING	867.75	24046	(
		SIDEWALKS			
BIG WOOD LANDSCAPE, INC.	29499	SNOW REMOVAL JAN 24 - 4TH ST SPRUCE TO	1,170.00	24046	(

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BIG WOOD LANDSCAPE, INC.	29500	SNOW REMOVAL JAN 24 - 4TH ST PUSHING	1,500.00	24046	0
BIG WOOD LANDSCAPE, INC.	29501	SNOW REMOVAL JAN 24 - TOWN SQUARE	500.00	24046	0
BIG WOOD LANDSCAPE, INC.	29503	SNOW REMOVAL JAN 24 - 6TH ST & LEADVILLE	1,001.25	24046	0
BIG WOOD LANDSCAPE, INC.	29504	SNOW REMOVAL JAN 24 - CIMINO PARK	882.00		0
BIG WOOD LANDSCAPE, INC.	29505	SNOW REMOVAL JAN 24 - CITY MAINTENANCE YARD	600.00		0
BIG WOOD LANDSCAPE, INC.	29506	SNOW REMOVAL JAN 24 - FOREST SERVICE PARK	880.50	24046	0
BIG WOOD LANDSCAPE, INC.	29507	SNOW REMOVAL JAN 24 - KTS EXTERIOR SIDEWALKS	1,236.75	24046	0
BIG WOOD LANDSCAPE, INC.	29508	SNOW REMOVAL JAN 24 - RTS INTERIOR	1,236.75	24046	0
BIG WOOD LANDSCAPE, INC.	29510	SNOW REMOVAL JAN 24 - ORE WAGON MUSEUM	866.25	24046	0
BIG WOOD LANDSCAPE, INC.	29512	SNOW REMOVAL JAN 24 - STARBUCKS	1,323.75	24046	0
1-4194-5200 UTILITIES					
CITY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	456	15.28		0
CITY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	532	64.46		0
CITY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	9991	60.53		0
CITY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	9995	45.84		0
CITY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	9996	59.22		0
CITY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	536	45.84		0
CITY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	560	15.28		0
CITY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	1127	15.28		0
CITY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	1245	28.66		0
CITY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	1650	103.16-		0
1-4194-5900 REPAIR & MAINTE	NANCE-BUILDING	GS			
A.C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO.	2402-699971	COMPRESSION UNION & R-PACK	16.98		0
A.C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO.	2402-699983	FASTENERS & TOGGLER EZ ANCHOR	12.31		0
A.C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO.	2402-700322	P-TRAP PLASTIC & EXT TUBE POLY	11.98		0
A.C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO.	2402-701135	YELLOW EXTENSION CORD	12.99		0
A.C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO.	2402-702541	FASTENERS & TOGGLER EZ ANCHORS RETURNS FROM 2402-699983	22.25-		0
A.C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO.	2402-702545	FASTENERS & TOGGLER EZ ANCHOR	22.25		0
A.C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO.	2402-702547	FASTENERS & TOGGLER EZ ANCHOR RETURNS FROM 2402-702545	12.31-		0
A.C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO.	2402-702552	FASTENERS & TOGGLER EZ ANCHOR	11.40		0
CHATEAU DRUG CENTER	2823864	CNTR T&TAILPIECE EXT TUBE SJ & WASHER AST	12.32		0
L.L. GREEN'S HARDWARE	A728213	WHI FLANGED TP 90D ELBOW SJ COUPLING P-TRAP CONNECTOR ETC	64.74		0
L.L. GREEN'S HARDWARE	D76973	RETURNED FLANGED TP 90D ELBOW P-TRAP FROM INV A728213	22.47-		0
L.L. GREEN'S HARDWARE	D76973	DBL SJ EXT COUPLING & EXT T	26.77		0

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1-4194-5910 REPAIR & MAINT-49	I SV ROAD				
CINTAS	4183431415	XTRAC MAT ONYX & SCRAPER MAT	28.53		0
CINTAS	4184065683	XTRAC MAT ONYX & SCRAPER MAT	47.66		0
CITY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	192	361.35		0
1-4194-5950 REPAIR & MAINT-WA	ARM SPRINGS PI	₹			
PETERSON EQUIPMENT MANAG	92679	HOSES FOR DOG PARK CAT	328.54		0
1-4194-6000 REPAIR & MAINT-AU	TOMOTIVE EQU	JI.			
NAPA AUTO PARTS	178066	COOLANT TEMP SENSOR FOR FACILITIES RANGER	25.10		0
1-4194-6950 MAINTENANCE A.C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO.	2402-702989	SANDING SPONGE DRYWALL SCREEN & SWIVEL POLE DRYWALL SANDER	45.81		0
Total FACILITY MAINTENANC	E:		13,283.93		
OLICE					
1-4210-5100 TELEPHONE & COM	MUNICATIONS				
CENTURY LINK	2087267848 10	2087267848 105B 021324	164.06		0
Total POLICE:			164.06		
IRE & RESCUE					
1-4230-3200 OPERATING SUPPLI	ES FIRE				
A.C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO.	2402-700642	SMOKE DETECTOR FOR E1	15.98		0
ATKINSONS' MARKET	01715743	Coffee	7.12		0
CHATEAU DRUG CENTER	2824294	FOB BATTERIES P1	4.27		0
INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGIES	235076	FIRE	33.24		0
1-4230-3210 OPERATING SUPPLIE					
ATKINSONS' MARKET	01715743	Coffee	7.12		0
BOUNDTREE MEDICAL	85211883	C COLLARS	274.90		0
BOUNDTREE MEDICAL	85216491	C COLLARS	137.45		0
BOUNDTREE MEDICAL	85223457	LARYNGOSCOPE BLADES	82.09		0
BOUNDTREE MEDICAL	85230862	GIUCAGON	683.98		0
BOUNDTREE MEDICAL	85237349	HEAT PACKS	56.43		0
CHATEAU DRUG CENTER	2824294	FOB BATTERIES P1	4.27		0
INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGIES	235076	FIRE	33.23		0

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NORCO	38828630	CYLINDER RENTAL 093023	75.60		0	
HENRY SCHEIN	61228748	MEGA MOVER, CATHETER, DEFIB PADS	407.90		0	
HENRY SCHEIN	62405913	CARPUJECT INJECTOR, SODIUM CHLORIDE	66.16		0	
HENRY SCHEIN	62933957	EPI SYR, ADRENALIN, GLUCAGON	337.94		0	
HENRY SCHEIN	63136841	ATHLETIC TAPE	62.35		0	
HENRY SCHEIN	63136843	ATHLETIC TAPE	62.35		0	
HENRY SCHEIN	63279726	RESUSCITATOR W MASK, ASPRIN, L GLOVES	251.42		0	
HENRY SCHEIN	72267281	SODIUM CHLORIDE, INSTYLE AUTOGUARD, CATHETER, TEST STRIPS	395.33		0	
HENRY SCHEIN	72392627	EAR SENSOR	554.90		0	
HENRY SCHEIN	72775881	TRANEXAMIC ACID, TETRACAINE	39.86		0	
HENRY SCHEIN	74044358	MEGA MOVERs	441.50		0	
HENRY SCHEIN	74555840	EXTENTION SETS, ADMIN PRIM GRAVITY 104", IV START KITS, NASAL ATOMIZERS, C COLLARS	1,549.66		0	
PRIMARY PHARMACEUTICALS	50747	EPI	1,091.30		0	
01-4230-4200 PROFESSIONAL SERV	ICES FIRE					
WOOD RIVER FIRE & RESCUE	22024	EMILY WHITE- BOULDER MOUNTAIN TOUR 2024	280.00		0	
FIRST DUE	1067	FIRST DUE CONTRACT FEB 2024	5,276.25		0	
01-4230-4210 PROFESSIONAL SERV	ICES EMS					
AIARE	186732	MOTORIZED AVY 1 CLASS	140.00		0	
FIRST DUE	1067	FIRST DUE CONTRACT FEB 2024	5,276.25		0	
01-4230-4920 TRAINING-FACILITY						
CLEAR CREEK DISPOSAL	1697906	219 LEWIS ST - TRAINING FACILITY	74.34		0	
01-4230-5200 UTILITIES						
CITY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	2307	157.58		0	
01-4230-5900 REPAIR & MAINTENA	ANCE-BUILDING	GS				
CONSOLIDATED ELECTRICAL DI	3755-1060292	LOW VOLTAGE MOUNTING BRACKET	21.58		0	
01-4230-6000 REPAIR & MAINT-AU	-					
A.C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO.	2402-701346	COUPLER+ NIPPLE E101	17.92		0	
HUGHES FIRE EQUIPMENT, INC.	603050	SEAT BELTS E1	487.69		0	
HUGHES FIRE EQUIPMENT, INC.	C14650	SEAT BELTS E1	842.26-		0	
KARL MALONE FORD HAILEY	14263	GASKET PAN - SQUAD	26.34		0	
WARM SPRINGS AUTO PARTS LL	198115	WASH/WAX	13.49		0	
01-4230-6010 REPAIR & MAINT-AU	TO EQUIP EMS					
KARL MALONE FORD HAILEY	14263	GASKET PAN- SQUAD	26.33		0	

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ARM SPRINGS AUTO PARTS LL	198115	WASH/WAX	13.49	_	0
Total FIRE & RESCUE:			17,645.35		
REET					
4310-3200 OPERATING SUPPLI	ES				
.C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO.	2402-699632	FIRE CODE DRYWALL	15.30		4310044
.C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO.	2402-700725	DRYWALL NAILS SNAP-OFF KNIFE	9.59		4310044
C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO.	2402-702530	PLOW SHED BATHROOM ITEMS TO FIX UP	49.98		0
HATEAU DRUG CENTER	2824042	SUPER GLUE	17.08		4310044
EM STATE PAPER & SUPPLY	1113021-01	ODOR ELIMINATOR	60.98		4310047
APA AUTO PARTS	177930	BLUE SHOP TOWELS FOR SHOP	67.96		4310044
APA AUTO PARTS	177979	OZZY JUICE AND MAT FOR PARTS WASHER	126.98		4310044
4310-3500 MOTOR FUELS & LU	JBRICANTS				
HRISTENSEN INC.	0534769-IN	DEF FLUID	247.17		4310044
4310-4200 PROFESSIONAL SER	VICES				
IG WOOD LANDSCAPE, INC.	29509	SNOW REMOVAL - NEIL'S WAY JANUARY 2024	900.00		4310037
ERWIN EXCAVATION INC	24-092	FEB 2024 SNOW HAULING SERVICE	5,900.00	24023	4310037
ATT TRUCKING, INC.	4944	Snow Hauling Service 2023-2024	3,800.00	24021	4310037
JNCEFORD EXCAVATION, INC.	15811	Snow Hauling Service 2023-2024	11,800.00	24022	4310037
ESTERN STATES CAT	IN002695083	WINTER 23-24 DOZER RENTAL	6,191.50	24012	4310037
310-4900 PERSONNEL TRAINI	NG/TRAVEL/MT	${f G}$			
HTAC	T211223-WZS-	T2 Center Classes	20.00		4310047
4310-5200 UTILITIES					
ITY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	9999	63.15		0
TY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	9993	107.06		0
AHO POWER	2204882910 02	2204882910 021324	604.31		4310047
4310-6000 REPAIR & MAINTA	UTOMOTIVE EQ	U			
APA AUTO PARTS	176886	WINDOW SWITCH FOR EXPEDITION	46.79		4310044
APA AUTO PARTS	176961	MASTER CYLINDER FOR RANGER	94.85		4310044
APA AUTO PARTS	177329	BRAKE FLUID FOR RANGER	16.98		4310044
4310-6100 REPAIR & MAINTM	IACHINERY & E()			
			722.2 0		4210044
LEARWATER POWER EQUIPME	56341	EDGES FOR F550 SNOW PLOW	723.29		4310044

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CLEARWATER POWER EQUIPME	56521	PARTS FOR F550 PLOW	88.99		4310044
NAPA AUTO PARTS	177877	AIR FILTER FOR PELICAN	102.69		4310044
NAPA AUTO PARTS	177931	FILTERS FOR PELICAN	18.19		4310044
NAPA AUTO PARTS	178058	BEACON FOR TOOL CAT	76.49		4310044
NAPA AUTO PARTS	178062	AIR FILTER FOR PELICAN	34.42		4310044
1-4310-6910 OTHER PURCHASED	SERVICES				
CINTAS	4183431401	BLACK MATS	21.60		4310047
CINTAS	4184065726	BLACK MATS	22.31		4310047
MOUNTAIN FIRE SPRINKLER	3941	ANNUAL INSPECTION ON WET FIRE SPRINKLER STREET DEPARTMENT	355.00		4310047
MOUNTAIN FIRE SPRINKLER	3942	ANNUAL INSPECTION ON WET FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM STREET DEPARTMENT	275.00		4310047
TREASURE VALLEY COFFEE INC	2160:10221641	COFFEE & HOT CHOCOLATE	72.04		0
1-4310-6930 STREET LIGHTING					
DAHO POWER	2200506786 02	2200506786 020924	33.37		4310050
DAHO POWER	2201174667 02	2201174667 020924	15.66		4310050
DAHO POWER	2202627564 02	2202627564 020924	40.06		4310050
DAHO POWER	2204882910 02	2204882910 021324	612.21		4310050
DAHO POWER	2205963446 02	2205963446 020924	91.20		4310050
DAHO POWER	2224304721 02	2224304721 020924	26.34		4310050
1-4310-6950 MAINTENANCE & IM					
LUTZ RENTALS	151042-1	PROPANE FOR POTHOLE REPAIR	23.85		4310044
SAGE SUPPLY INC	24-43355	ASPHALT PATCH FOR POTHOLE REPAIR ON STREETS	1,260.00		4310036
Total STREET:			34,056.21		
ECREATION					
1-4510-3250 RECREATION SUPPL	IFS				
BUSINESS AS USUAL INC.	165272	LAMINATING POUCH ACRYLIC PAINT PENCILS TAPE DISPENSER PENCIL ERASERS	60.40		0
CASH	032824	AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM	150.00		0
1-4510-3300 RESALE ITEMS-CON	CESSION SUPPL	Y			
ATKINSONS' MARKET	02774782	ORANGES SUGAR SYRUP	29.16		0
ATKINSONS' MARKET	02783648	MANDARINS & BANANAS	15.88		0
ATKINSONS' MARKET	02783670	LITE BROWN SUGAR	2.56		0
	06741285	MUFFINS BATTERIES LYSOL WIPES MILK	52.52		0

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ATKINSONS' MARKET	06743551	MANDARINS	19.92		0
01-4510-4200 PROFESSIONAL SER	VICE				
ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE C	202402	SCIENCE AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM	231.00		0
01-4510-5200 UTILITIES					
IDAHO POWER	2203313446 02	2203313446 020924	26.34		0
SENTINEL FIRE & SECURITY, IN	96689	AES FIRE ALARM MONITORING MAR 2024 - MAY 2024	104.85		0
Total RECREATION:			692.63		
Total GENERAL FUND:			123,270.66		
GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEME GENERAL CIP EXPENDITURES	ENT FD				
03-4193-7135 MAIN STREET REHA	ΔB				
WORTH PRINTING	3708	POSTERS	149.70		713503
03-4193-7145 5th STREET SIDEWA	LK REPLACE				
IRISH ELECTRIC	20124	LEWIS ST RECYCLING EQUIPMENT FOR IMPROVEMENT	4,774.50		0
03-4193-7200 TECHNOLOGY UPG	RADES				
CDW GOVERNMENT, INC.	PD00143	LVO PREM F7 NBD SR630 V3	1,360.00		0
CDW GOVERNMENT, INC.	PP06401	NETWORK CABLES FOR CUBICLES	52.00		0
CDW GOVERNMENT, INC.	PQ20571	NETWORK CABLES FOR CUBICLES	52.00		0
Total GENERAL CIP EXPENDIT	TURES:		6,388.20		
FACILITY MAINT CIP EXPENDIT	URE				
3-4194-7000 WARM SPRINGS PRI	ESERVE PHASE I				
STUDIO SUPERBLOOM, LLC	WSP-024-REV	DECEMBER 2023 - WARM SPRINGS PRESERVE	5,743.75	24028	0
03-4194-7610 TOOL CAT					
HIGH DESERT BOBCAT	4C03D040474	SNOW BLOWER 32X68 MOTOR PACKAGE 160CC	7,074.00		0
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FIRE & RESCUE CIP EXPENDITU	RES					
03-4230-7130 PPE (TURNOUT GEA	R)					
DAVIS EMBROIDERY INC.	44073	POLOS + EMBRIODERY- SUNDQUIST	183.08		0	
Total FIRE & RESCUE CIP EXP	ENDITURES:		183.08			
Total GENERAL CAPITAL IMP	ROVEMENT FD:		19,389.03			
FIRE BOND FUND FIRE BOND FUND EXP/TRNFRS						
41-4800-8200 DEBT SRVC ACCT II	NTEREST-FIRE					
ZIONS BANK	4899911 03012	BOND SERIES 2020 4899911 INTEREST	154,693.92		0	
Total FIRE BOND FUND EXP/T	RNFRS:		154,693.92			
Total FIRE BOND FUND:			154,693.92			
COMMUNITY HOUSING COMMUNITY HOUSING EXPENSE	E					
54-4410-3200 LIFT TOWER LODG	E OPERATIONS					
A.C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO.	2402-703452	POWER STRIP OUTLET PLATE WIRE CONN DUPLEX OUTLET ETC	100.52		0	
IDAHO LUMBER & HARDWARE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO.	979309 6044-1	SCREW WOOD STAR GLD & SHELVING BULLNOSE PAINT FOR LIFT TOWER LODGE MANAGER APARTMENT	96.99 186.89		0	
54-4410-4200 PROFESSIONAL SER	VICES					
BLAINE COUNTY CHARITABLE WORTH PRINTING	1085 3606	RENTAL ASSISTANCE - GRANT REVENUE RACK CARDS & FLYERS	50,000.00 385.61	24064	0 0	
54-4410-4225 DEED RESTRICTION	IS					
BLAINE COUNTY TITLE TRUST BLAINE COUNTY TITLE TRUST	2425400 2425425	RPK086000200A0 214 PINEWOOD LN A2, KETCHUM RPK086001600C0 225 PINEWOOD LN C16, KETCHUM	180,075.00 430,516.51		0 0	
54-4410-5200 LIFT TOWER LODG	E UTILITIES					
CITY OF KETCHUM	JAN 24	59	669.32		0	
IDAHO POWER		2208260063 021024	501.65		0	
IDAHO POWER COX BUSINESS		2226910376 021024 0012401037719502 021724	540.88 245.97		0	

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54-4410-5900 LIFT TOWER LDG REPAIR	& MAINT				
A.C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO. 2402		AL SPIRITS SILICONE PLUS CLEAR TACK RETURNS FROM 2401-694763	42.28-		0
A.C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO. 2402	-702548 MINER	AL SPIRITS ODORLESS SILICONE PLUS & TACK CLOTH	39.15		0
A.C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO. 2402	-703361 BLK OX	KIDE DRIL BIT	16.99		0
L.L. GREEN'S HARDWARE A728		OCKET WALL PLATE SAW BLADE CLOSET S SEAL ETC	104.94		0
Total COMMUNITY HOUSING EXPEN	ISE:		663,438.14		
Total COMMUNITY HOUSING:			663,438.14		
WATER FUND WATER EXPENDITURES					
63-4340-3200 OPERATING SUPPLIES					
TREASURE VALLEY COFFEE INC USA BLUEBOOK INVO	00284201 LENS C	CHER STIX LEANING WIPES / CASE for HACH POCKET IMETER II	93.75 81.42		0
63-4340-3800 CHEMICALS					
GEM STATE WELDERS SUPPLY,I 8534.	39 Hypoch	orite Solution	316.00		0
63-4340-4200 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CLEAR SOLUTIONS ENGINEERI 364		EACH ITY DI ANI ADDENDUM	5 210 00	22112	0
CLEAR SOLUTIONS ENGINEERI 364	WAIER	FACILITY PLAN ADDENDUM	5,310.00	23112	U
63-4340-4300 STATE & WA DISTRICT FEI		10000 1/ 1 D	2.004.70		
WATER DISTRICT 37 & 37M 1233		10290 - Yearly Payment	3,004.70		0
WATER DISTRICT 37 & 37M 1234	Account	1240 - Yearly Payment	485.75		0
63-4340-5200 UTILITIES					
		3903 - 110 RIVER RANCH RD OPTC	872.61		0
IDAHO POWER 2206	786259 02 2206786	6259 - 110 RIVER RANCH RD ADMIN - WATE	ER 44.47		435001
63-4340-6100 REPAIR & MAINT-MACH &	EQUIP				
A.C. HOUSTON LUMBER CO. 2402	-703790 FASTE	NERS	11.04		0

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Total WATER FUND:			10,219.74		
ASTEWATER FUND ASTEWATER EXPENDITURES					
3-4350-3200 OPERATING SUPPLIES	s				
JPS STORE #2444	MMN7FR5F0T	WATER SAMPLES	15.11		435001
PS STORE #2444	MMN7FR5GS	WATER SAMPLES	15.11		435001
PS STORE #2444	MMN7FR5K37	WATER SAMPLES	15.11		435001
4350-5100 TELEPHONE & COMM	MUNICATIONS				
ENTURY LINK	2087268953 40	2087268953 402B - Wastwater	64.77		435001
4350-5200 UTILITIES					
DAHO POWER		2202703357 1001 CHIEF JOSEPH CT WY EQU CTR	67.44		435001
OAHO POWER	2206786259 02	2206786259 - 110 RIVER RANCH RD ADMIN - WASTEWATER	44.47		435001
4350-6000 REPAIR & MAINT-AUT	ГО EQUIP				
ES SCHWAB	11700860091	TIRE SENSOR MAINTENANCE	171.93		435002
ORTHWEST EQUIP SALES MAC	189640TP	THERMOSTAT KIT	150.12		435002
ARM SPRINGS AUTO PARTS LL	198063	RADIATOR HOSE	8.80		435002
4350-6900 COLLECTION SYSTEM					
APA AUTO PARTS	178072	OIL & FILTER	24.32		435002
SA BLUEBOOK	INV00283945	FLAGS GREEN / PAINT GREEN	221.36		435001
Total WASTEWATER EXPENDIT	URES:		798.54		
Total WASTEWATER FUND:		798.54			
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City of Ketchum	Payment Approval Report - by GL Council	Page: 12		
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Vendor Name	Invoice Number	Description	Net Invoice Amount	Purchase Order Number	GL Activity Number
Grand Totals:			974,234.03		

Report Criteria:

Invoices with totals above \$0 included.

Paid and unpaid invoices included.

[Report].GL Account Number = "0110000000"-"9700000000","9910000000"-"9911810000"

Invoice Detail.Voided = No,Yes

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To: City Council, City of Ketchum

From: Matthew Johnson, City Attorney

Re: 180 Leadville, LLC, Administrative Appeal of HPC Determination – Scheduling Order

Recommended Motion: I move to approve the Scheduling Order and Notice as presented.

Background:

This is a procedural step for the City to process an administrative appeal filed with respect to a demolition/alteration permit determination of the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC).

Under Ketchum Municipal Code § 17.20.030(F), an HPC decision on a demolition or alteration permit may be appealed to the City Council in the same manner as a Planning and Zoning Commission decision under KMC §17.144. Under Ketchum Municipal Code §17.144.020, the Council orders a hearing date for the administrative appeal and also accepts certain procedural steps, all of which are specified in the attached Order.

This is an administrative appeal hearing where the Council will sit in a quasi-judicial role in review of the HPC decision below. There will be oral arguments by the parties, but there is no public hearing and public comments will not be taken. Council will have full discretion to ask questions of the parties, staff, and/or city attorney as we needed.

The Council will be provided the briefs/memos of the parties, as well as the record including transcripts if applicable.

I will be available at the March 4, 2024 Council meeting to answer any additional questions on procedure that may arise in connection with the Scheduling Order. Questions or concerns on the substance of the administrative appeal should be reserved for the April 1, 2024 hearing.



SCHEDULING ORDER AND NOTICE Administrative Appeal: H23-084

Appellant: 180 Leadville, LLC

An administrative appeal was filed by 180 Leadville, LLC, (Applicant/Appellant), with respect to the above-referenced application and associated Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) Determination, dated November 7, 2023. The administrative appeal of the HPC Determination to the City Council was timely filed. The administrative appeal was filed pursuant to Ketchum Municipal Code 17.20.030(F) and 17.144.020.

The City Council hereby finds and orders that:

- 1. The Planning and Zoning Director has certified and reported that the procedural requirements have been met. KMC 17.144.020(A).
- 2. A record of the proceeding has been prepared and is accepted by the Council. KMC 17.144.020(A).
- 3. Verbatim transcripts of the proceedings have been prepared at the Appellant's expense and transmitted to the Council, which accepts and incorporates such into the record of proceedings. KMC 17.144.020(A).
- 4. Hearing Date: This matter is set for hearing before the City Council at its regular meeting and location on *April 1, 2024*. KMC 17.144.020(B).
- 5. Briefing Schedule: Appellant is to submit any brief or memorandum in support of the appeal by 5:00 p.m. on *March 11, 2024*. A response brief or memorandum, if desired, is to be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on *March 20, 2024*. A reply brief, if desired by Appellant, is to be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on *March 27. 2024*. All briefs/memos are to be sent to the parties to the administrative appeal, Planning Director, and the City Attorney. Electronic delivery of documents will be sufficient.
- 6. Council Review Authority: "Upon hearing the appeal, the Council shall consider only matters which were previously considered by the Commission as evidenced by the record, the order, requirement, decision or determination of the Commission and the notice of appeal, together with oral presentation and written legal arguments by the appellant, the applicant, if different than the appellant, and the Commission and/or staff representing the Commission. The council shall not consider any new facts or evidence at this point. The council may affirm, reverse or modify, in whole or in part, the order, requirement, decision or determination of the Commission. Furthermore, the council may remand the application to the Commission for further consideration with regard to specific criteria stated by the council." KMC 17.144.020(C).

hearing. All parties, the HPC, and any affected party of record have a right to request and/or will be provided a copy of the decision. KMC 17.144.020(B)&(D).
Date of Order: March 4, 2024.
Neil Bradshaw, Mayor
ATTEST
Trent Donat, City Clerk

7. Decision: A written decision will be entered within 30 days of conclusion of the appeal

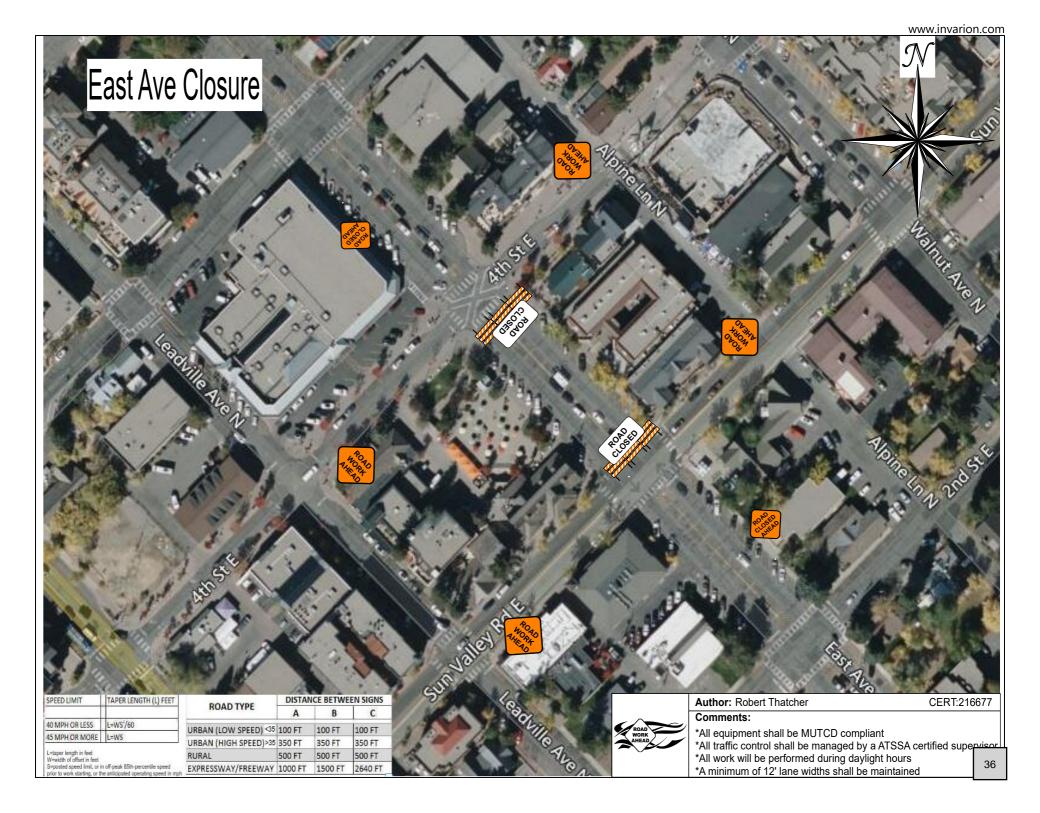


City of Ketchum

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA MEMO

Meeting Date:	March 4, 2021	Staff Member/Dept:	Eryn Alvey/Administration			
Agenda Item:	da Item: Recommendation to Approve Road Closure for Special Event					
Recommended	Motion:					
"I move to approve the street closure for the US Alpine Nationals Opening Ceremony."						
Reasons for Rec	ommendation:					
The City of Ketchum supports special events.						
	21st, 2024; 12pm-9pm;		•			
and 4 th Ave for the US Alpine Championships Opening Ceremony.						
 Non-designated street closures require approval by the City Council. 						
Policy Analysis and Background (non-consent items only):						
N/A						
Sustainability Im	npact:					
None						
Financial Impact	t:					
None						
Attachments:						

1. Ketchum East Ave Closure Illustration





City of Ketchum

2. Main Street Private Properties

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA MEMO

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Meeting Date:	March 4, 2024	Staff Memb	er/Dept:	Jade Riley/Administration
Agenda Item:	Recommendation to a Agreements	llow City Adm	inistrator	to approve Main Street Construction Access
Recommended	Motion:			
I move to allow	City Administrator to ap	prove Main S	treet Cons	struction Access Agreements.
Reasons for Rec	ommendation:			
The Main Str		work to be p	erformed	on portions of 18 private properties along
 Construction Access Agreements will be entered into with each property and are expected to be submitted back to the city at varying times. 				
Enabling the City Administrator to approve the agreements would streamline the process, saving				
		individual agr	reement to	o the Council for approval as they are
received	•			
Policy Analysis a	and Background (non-cor	nsent items o	nly):	
The purpose of	entering into Construction	on Access Agr	eements i	is to allow the city to place pavers onto
portions of private property for consistency in the sidewalk application. Attached is the Construction Access				
Agreement between the city and the Limelight Hotel. A similar agreement will be prepared for the				
remaining properties on Main Street.				
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Sustainability Im	npact:			
Financial Impact	t:			
None OR Adequ	ate funds exist in accour	nt: N	Main Stree	et Project CIP
Attachments:				
1. Construc	ction Access Agreement	24904 with A	spen Skiin	g Company, LLC (Limelight Hotel)

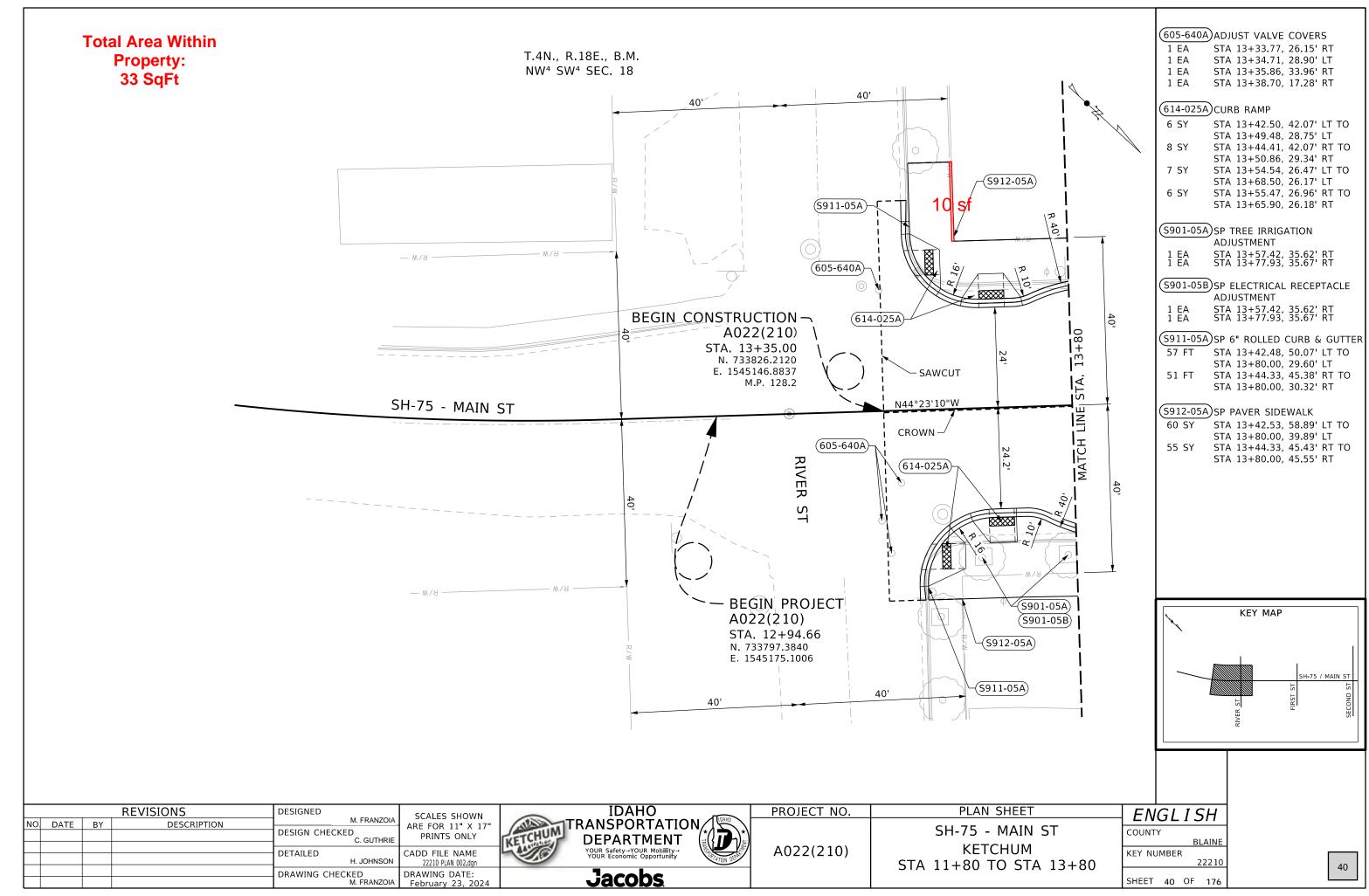
CITY OF KETCHUM CONSTRUCTION ACCESS AGREEMENT 24904

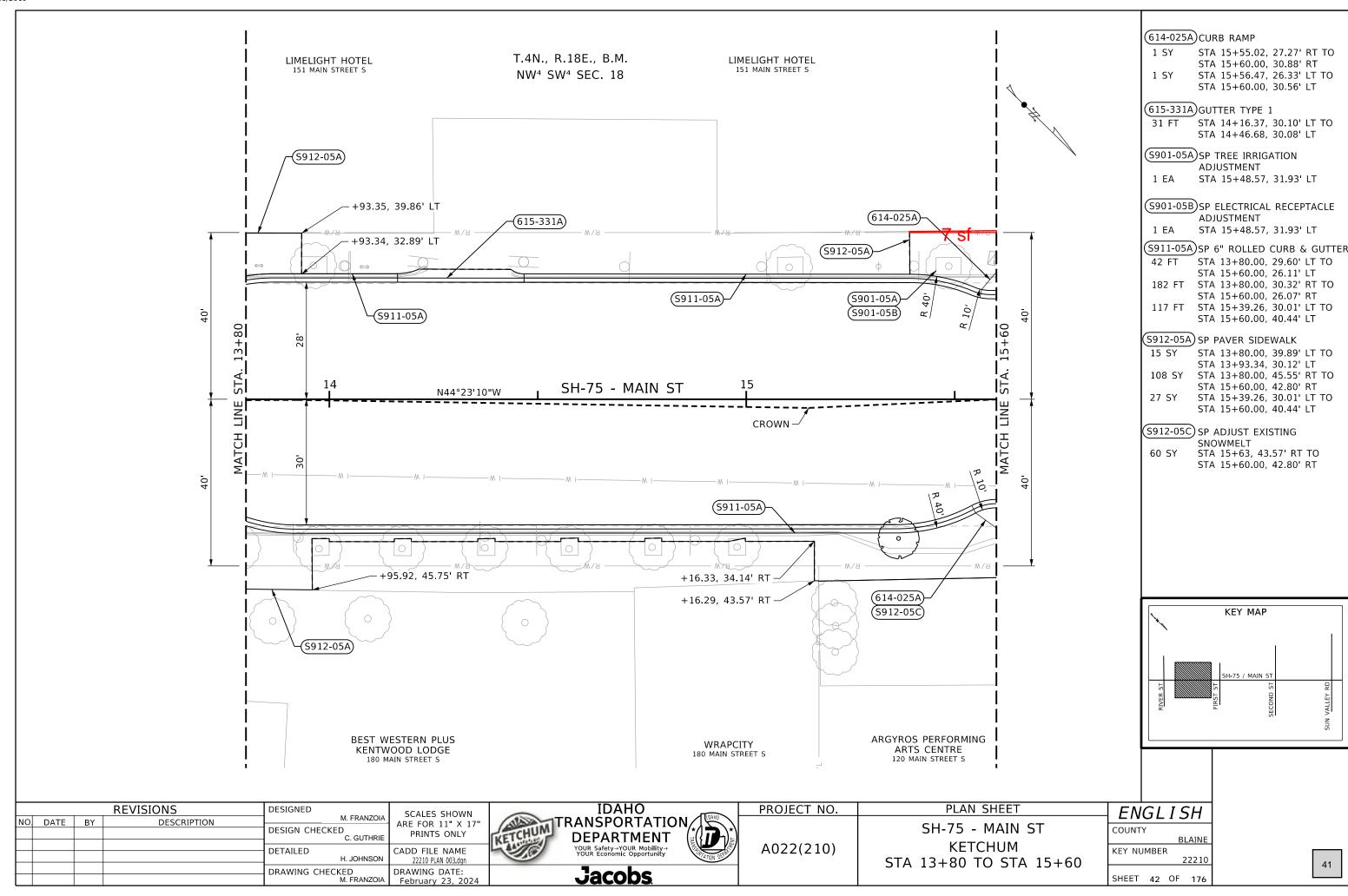
	Construction Access Agreement (Agreement) is entered into as of, by and
betwe	
V at ala	(Property) and the City of
Ketch	um, an Idaho municipal corporation (City).
_	Purpose: Property Owner grants to City the limited use and access to portions of the rty as reasonably needed for the purpose of performing construction activities as described nibit A attached hereto (Construction Activities).
Reaso	Access Period: The access and use period shall commence on and nate on or before, unless extended by mutual agreement of the parties. In able extensions shall be granted by Property Owner as reasonably necessary to itently complete the Construction Activities so long as not due to unreasonable delays by
3. seeks regula	Minimize Disruption: City agrees to conduct Construction Activities in a manner that to minimize disruption to the Property and complies with all applicable laws and ations.
	Insurance: City will maintain adequate and appropriate insurance coverage, including of limited to liability insurance, to cover any damages or injuries that may occur during the ruction activities. City will provide proof of insurance upon request of Property Owner.
5. associ	Responsibility: City will maintain sole responsibility for the construction activities and lated use by City and its agents, except to the extent caused by the Property Owner's gence.
6. the Pr	Restoration: Upon completion of the construction activities, City will reasonably restorated to a similar pre-construction condition or better, reasonable wear and tear excepted.
7.	Compliance with Laws: City shall comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and ts in connection with the Construction Activities.
a cure	Termination: If Property Owner believes City to be in breach of this Agreement, rty Owner will notify City and City will have fourteen days to dispute or reasonably pursue of the alleged breach. Either party may terminate this Agreement with written notice if the party breaches and fails to cure any material term of this Agreement.
IN W	Governing Law: This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance he laws of Idaho. Venue for any dispute shall be in Blaine County, Idaho. ITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Construction Access Agreement the effective date above.
Prope	erty Owner City of Ketchum

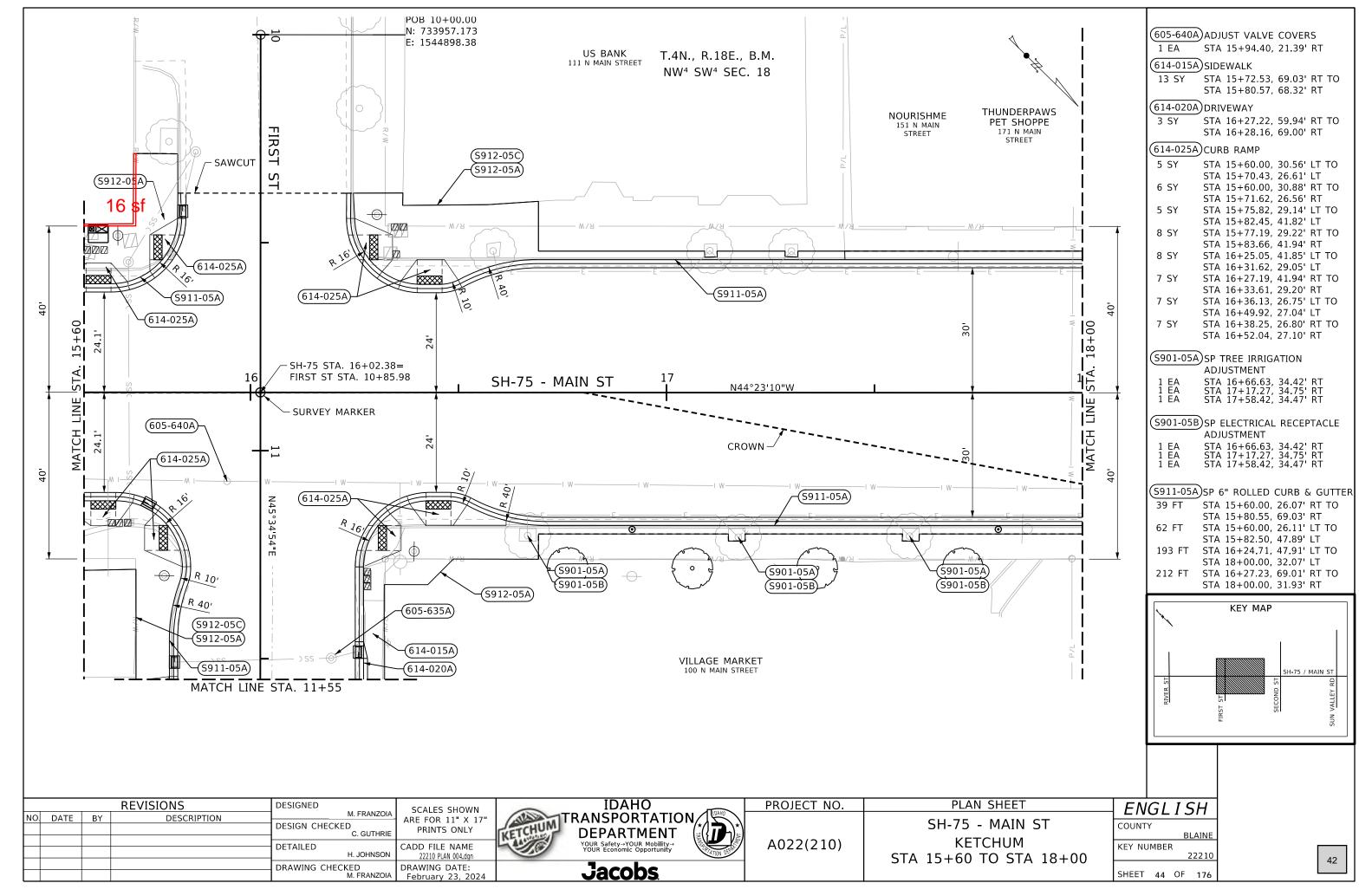
Exhibit A: Description of Construction Activities

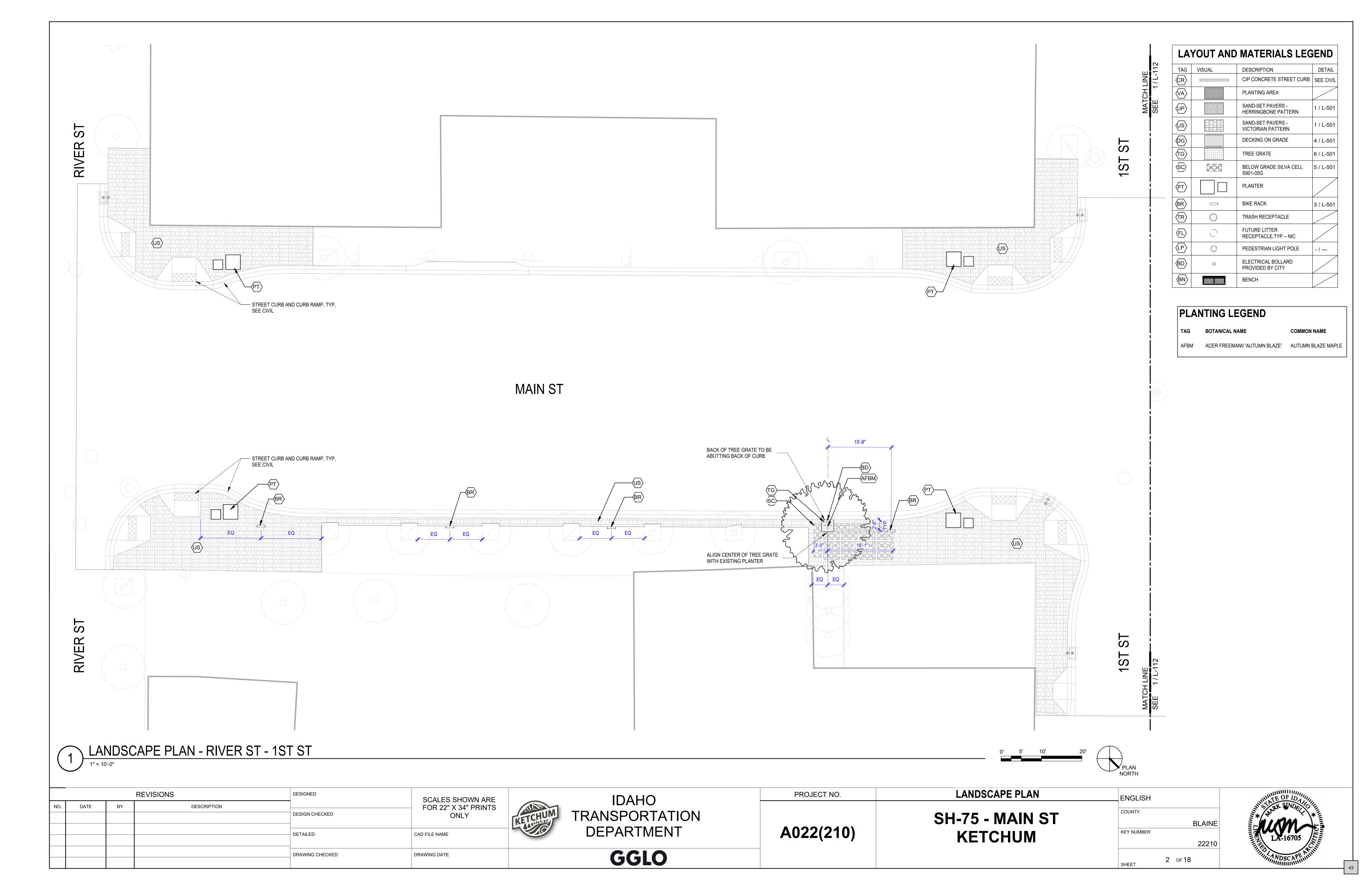
[Detailed description of the access area and construction activities on the Property.]

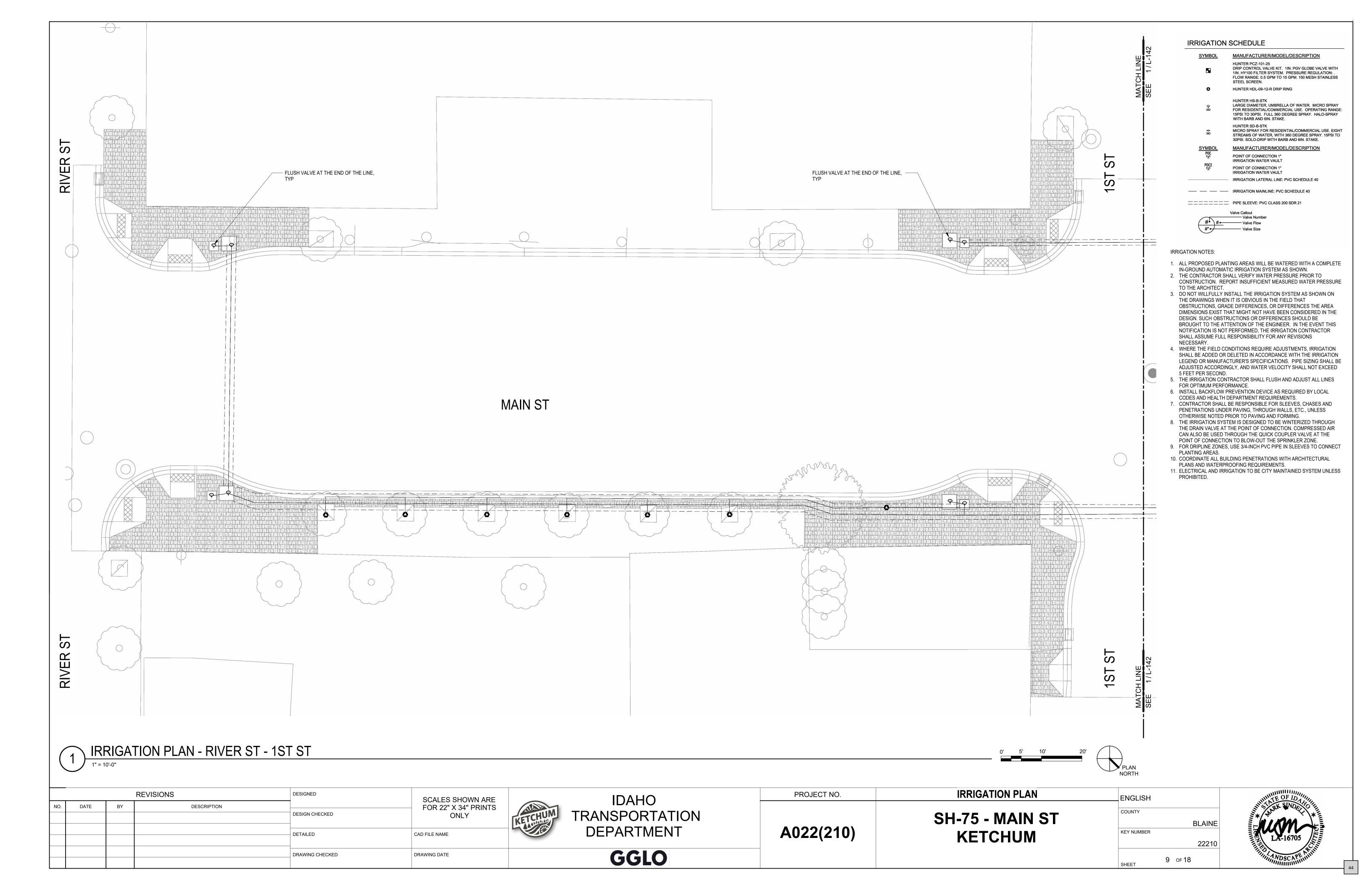
The City of Ketchum will extend the pavers being installed on Main Street between River and 1st streets totaling 33 square feet onto the private property of Aspen Skiing Company's Limelight Hotel as shown in attached drawings.

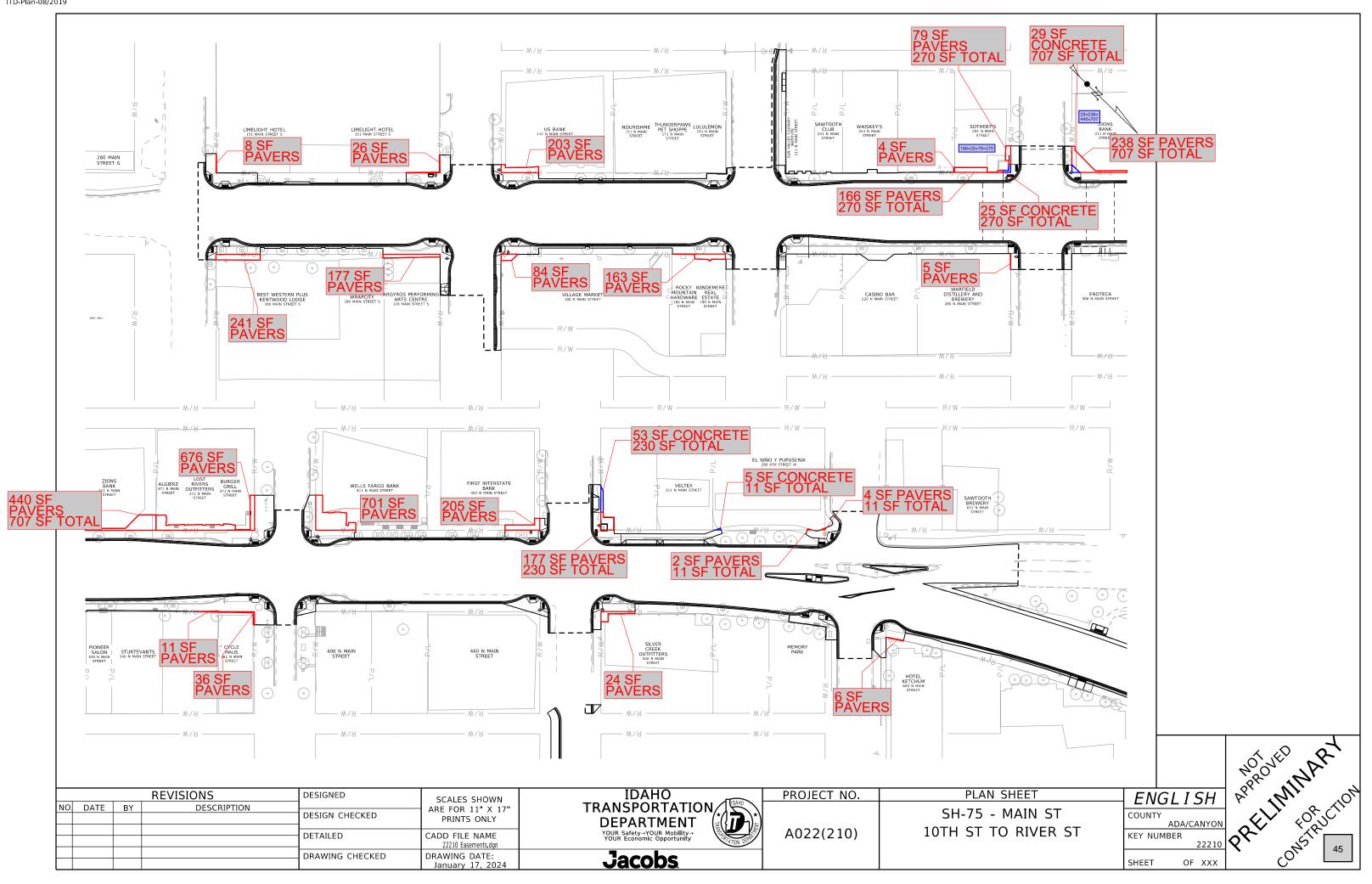














City of Ketchum

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA MEMO

Meeting Date: March 4, 2024 Staff Member/Dept: Heather Nicolai – Office Administrator,

Planning and Building

Agenda Item: Recommendation to approve Resolution Number 24-005, reappointing Wendolyn

Holland and Jakub Galczynski to the Ketchum Historic Preservation Commission for a Term

expiring on March 4, 2027.

Recommended Motion:

I move to approve re-appointing Wendolyn Holland and Jakub Galczynski to the Ketchum Historic Preservation Commission for a Term expiring on March 4, 2027.

Reasons for Recommendation:

- Wendolyn Holland and Jakub Galczynski have served Ketchum Historic Preservation Commission since March 15, 2021.
- Wendolyn Holland and Jakub Galczynski have expressed an interest in being reappointed to the Historic Preservation Commission

Policy Analysis and Background (non-consent items only):

Sustainability Impact:

None OR state impact here: Having fully appointed commissions allows for comprehensive dialogue on how the city can meet the goals and policies of the comprehensive plan, including current and future historic preservation goals.

Financial Impact:

None OR Adequate funds exist in account:	Currently, the HPC is a volunteer commission with no
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	compensation.

Attachments:

1. RESOLUTION NUMBER 24-005

RESOLUTION NUMBER 24-005 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KETCHUM CITY COUNCIL REAPPOINTING WENDOLYN HOLLAND AND JAKUB GALCZYNSKI TO THE KETCHUM HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION FOR A TERM EXPIRING ON MARCH 4, 2027

WHEREAS, Wendolyn Holland and Jakub Galczynski have served Ketchum Historic Preservation Commission since March 15, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Wendolyn Holland and Jakub Galczynski have served Ketchum Historic Preservation Commission since March 2021 have expressed interest in being reappointed to the Historic Preservation Commission; and

WHEREAS, Wendolyn Holland and Jakub Galczynski have resided in Blaine County for at least three (3) years prior to this reappointment to the Historic Preservation Commission; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Bradshaw recommends Wendolyn Holland and Jakub Galczynski be confirmed by the City Council to continue serving on the Historic Preservation Commission for a term ending March 4, 2027;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Ketchum, that Brenda Moczygemba is re-appointed to the Ketchum Planning and Zoning Commission.

This Resolution will be in full force and effect upon its adoption this fourth day of March 2024.

	Neil Bradshaw, Mayor
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City of Ketchum

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA MEMO

Meeting Date. March 4, 2024 Stan Member/Dept. Flaming and building Department	Meeting Date: March 4, 2024	Staff Member/Dept:	Planning and Building Department	
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Agenda Item: Review and make a determination of Administrative Appeal P22-056B of the Planning and Zoning

Commission and Planning Director's Determination.

Policy Analysis and Background (non-consent items only):

Background

This is an administrative appeal to the City Council of a determination by the Planning and Zoning Commission. The appeal was filed by the Applicant, Scott and Julie Lynch & Yah Bernier and Elizabeth McCaw, & Distrustful Ernest Revocable Trust, represented by Jim Laski of Lawson Laski Clark.

The matter generally concerns the design review process, in particular the interplay between the preliminary design review and the full/final design review as relate to timing and applicability of City ordinances, in particular Ordinance 1234. The details of these issues are presented in the attachments to this report as listed below.

Procedural Status

This is an administrative appeal of decisions or determinations of the Planning and Zoning Commission, as is provided for in Ketchum Municipal Code §17.144.020. This matter was scheduled by the City Attorney, along with approving deadlines for submission of memorandum, by agreement of the parties involved and approval of the Council. The three memoranda have been timely submitted and are provided for the Council's review as attachments to this report.

From a process perspective, the Council can focus its review primarily on those memoranda and their arguments. The Council is reviewing these arguments and addressing interpretation questions in a quasijudicial role. The remainder of any accompanying documents are the Record, which may include application documents, minutes, staff reports, etc., and are available primarily as resources or for purposes of reference within arguments to evaluate the factual background. The full Record, including meeting transcripts, is available on the city's website and can be viewed by clicking the link below: https://www.ketchumidaho.org/planning-building/project/sawtooth-serenade-260-n-1st-ave

This is an administrative appeal hearing. Oral arguments will be presented by the involved parties only: Mr. Laski for Appellant/Applicant and City Attorney Matt Johnson for the Planning and Zoning Commission. The presenting parties and supporting staff will be available for questions. This is not a public hearing and there is no public comment as part of the process. Comments or input to Council members outside the appeal hearing are discouraged, and if any is received should be disclosed by that Council member at the start of the hearing.

During the hearing, the Council, at its discretion, is welcome to ask questions of staff or the parties as may be helpful to deliberation. It is encouraged to handle most questions for a party during their portion of the hearing. The order of presentation will be Appellant/Applicant, Director/Respondent, and then an Appellant rebuttal if desired. Any further presentation or answers to questions will be at the discretion of the Council.

Standard of Review:

Since the Council does not hear administrative appeals frequently, a common question when they do arise is as to the applicable standard of review. Standard of review is a legal term guiding the discretion (or not) of the review and decision with respect to use of the Record and, in particular, whether or not to consider new additional information. In this situation, it is important for the Council to understand the standard of review as defined in KMC §17.144.010(C):

Authority of council. Upon hearing the appeal, the council shall consider only matters which were previously considered by the Commission as evidenced by the record, the order, requirement, decision or determination of the Commission and the notice of appeal, together with oral presentation and written legal arguments by the appellant, the applicant, if different than the appellant, and the Commission and/or staff representing the Commission. The council shall not consider any new facts or evidence at this point. The council may affirm, reverse or modify, in whole or in part, the order, requirement, decision or determination of the Commission. Furthermore, the council may remand the application to the Commission for further consideration with regard to specific criteria stated by the council.

While arguments, per the memoranda of the parties, are considered, there should not be new factual information considered or weighed that was not part of the Record.

Decision Options:

As indicated in the last sentences of KMC §17.144.020(C) – see above – upon review and deliberation, the Council may decide from the following on the underlying Planning and Zoning Commission decisions: affirm, reverse, modify in whole or in part, and/or remand the application back to the Planning and Zoning Commission with direction. Per KMC §17.144.020(D), the Council must issue a written decision within 30 days of this hearing. Typically, the Council will indicate a decision, or at least direction, for legal counsel to prepare a full draft written decision for final approval and decision at a future meeting within that 30-day time period.

Sustainability Impact:

Not applicable

Financial Impact:

None OR Adequate funds exist in account: None

Attachments:

- 1. Application to Appeal Planning and Zoning Commission Determination
- 2. Appellant Brief with exhibits February 20, 2024
- 3. Response Brief with exhibits February 26, 2024
- 4. Appellant Response Brief February 29, 2024
- 5. Full Record https://www.ketchumidaho.org/planning-building/project/sawtooth-serenade-260-n-1st-ave



ATTACHMENT 1:

Application to Appeal Planning and Zoning Commission Determination



City of Ketchum Planning & Building

OFFICIAL U	JSE ONLY
File Number:	P22-056B
Date Received	12/11/23
Ву:	HLN
Fee Paid:	\$5615
Approved Date	e:
Denied Date:	
Ву:	

Notice of Appeal

Submit completed application and documentation to planningandzoning@ketchumidaho.org Or hand deliver to Ketchum City Hall, 191 5th St. W. Ketchum, ID If you have questions, please contact the Planning and Building Department at (208) 726-7801. To view the Development Standards, visit the City website at: www.ketchumidaho.org and click on Municipal Code. You will be contacted and invoiced once your application package is complete.

Note: The Appellant shall submit an amount to cover the cost of giving notice, as applicable in the Fee Schedule, and provide a transcript within two (2) days after the Planning and Building Department provides the Appellant with an estimate for the expense of the same. In the event the fee is not paid as required, the appeal shall not be considered filed.

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Date Appeal Received:	Date Notice Published:			
Appeal Fee:	Transcript Fee:			
Date Paid:	Date Paid:			
Date Appellant Notified of Estimated Transcript Costs and Notice:	Mailing Fee:			
Date of Appeal Hearing:	Date Paid:			
Action(s) Taken/Findings:				
APPEALLANT				
Name of Appellant: Scott and Julie Lynch & Yahn Berniel and Elizabeth McCaw & Distrustful Ernest Revocable Trust	Phone Number: 425-828-0333			
Address: Lynch - 409 5 th Ave W, Kirkland, WA 98033	Fax Number or Email: scott@lynchclan.com ;			
Bernier – 321 82 nd Ave NE, Medina, WA 98039	yahnbernier@valvesoftware.com			
REPRESENTATIVE				
Name of Representative: Thielsen Architects – Dave	Thielsen Phone Number: 425-828-0333			
Thielsen. Rep. for appeal James R. Laski. Laski Phone Number: 208-725-0055				
Thielsen Address: 720 Market St, Suite C, Kirkland, WA	Fax Number or Email: davet@thielsen.com ;			
98033	jrl@lawsonlaski.com			
Laski Address: 675 Sun Valley Rd A, Ketchum, ID 83340 APPLICATION				
Application Being Appealed: Appeal Denial of Applicant'				
Explain How You Are an Affected Party: Owners of the Project and their Representatives				
Date of Decision or Date Findings of Fact Were Adopted: P & Z Commission Determination made on 11/30/23.				
SUBMITTAL INFORMATION This Associate Based on The Following Festive (set foutball basis for appeal including the posticulars regarding				
This Appeal is Based on The Following Factors (set forth all basis for appeal including the particulars regarding any claimed error or abuse of discretion):				
The Applicant appeals the P & Z Commissioners' Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision on the grounds that it:				
1. violates the law regarding vesting of applications;				
2. is contrary to the express provisions of Ordinance 1234;				
3. is contrary to the prior written and stated actions of the City and the record as a whole;				
3. is contrary to the prior written and stated actions of the City	and the record as a whole;			
4. is made based on unlawful procedure;	and the record as a whole;			
	and the record as a whole;			

If you have attached additional pages, please indicate the number of pages attached

12.11.2023

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ATTACHMENT 2:

Appellant Brief with Exhibits February 20, 2024

BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KETCHUM

In the Matter of the Administrative Appeal of:)	
Scott and Julie Lynch, Yahn Bernier and Elizabeth McCaw, and the Distrustful Ernest Revocable Trust, for the Sawtooth Serenade (Applicant / Appellant)))))	APPLICANT/APPELLANT APPEAL BRIEF
Of the Decision of the Planning and Zoning Commission		

On behalf of Scott and Julie Lynch, and Yahn Bernier and Beth McCaw and Distrustful Ernest Revocable Trust (collectively, "Appellants" or "Applicants"), this Memorandum is made in Support of their Notice of Appeal of the City of Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission's ("Planning Commission") Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision dated November 30, 2023 (the "Decision") regarding the Sawtooth Serenade Development (the "Project") in which the Planning Commission affirmed the Staff Determination dated August 24, 2023 ("Determination Letter") finding that Ketchum's Interim Ordinance 1234 ("Ordinance 1234") applies to Applicants' Application for Design Review under Ketchum Municipal Code ("KMC") §17.96, which was deemed complete prior to Ordinance 1234, and such application is null and void pursuant to Section 3 of Ordinance 1234.

This is a case about the legal issue of vesting – and the processing of a Project through the Design Review process that, by all accounts, vested prior to the adoption of Ordinance 1234 by the City. Vesting simply establishes the zoning and regulatory framework under which a project will be evaluated. Vested rights are established at the time an application is deemed substantially complete by the Municipality. When the zoning or regulatory frameworks change, vested rights are sometimes referred to as "grandfathered" under the framework applicable at the time the application was filed.

This is also a case about the lengths, both subtle and bold, the City's planning staff has taken to prevent a project that it does not like from proceeding, despite the fact that the Project meets all objective requirements of the law in effect at the time of application. In fact, the record shows the City repeatedly delayed implementing vesting language consistent with Idaho law in drafting the ordinance, in the hopes that Applicants' Project would not vest. As that became less feasible, City staff focused on manipulating the interpretation of prospective sunset or expiration language incorporated into the ordinance as a means to limit the "grandfathering" of vested applications and misled the Planning Commission with respect to other pending applications, all to the detriment of the Project.

Based on the arguments set forth herein, as well as those set forth in Applicants' Letter of Appeal to the Planning Commission dated September 7, 2023 and Applicants' Response Memorandum to the Planning Commission dated November 9, 2023, both of which are submitted as exhibits hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, the City Council should reverse the Decision of the Planning Commission and allow Applicants' Project to proceed through the KMC Chapter 17.96 Design Review Process.

Relevant History

In order to better put the matter in context, below is a timeline of events:

- March 2019: Applicants purchase the unimproved property located at 260
 1st St.
- January 2020: Applicants engage design team to start work on the Project.
- February 2020: Applicant's design team has initial discussions with the City of Ketchum Planning Department (the "Planning Department").
- August 11, 2022: Applicants submit their first Preapplication Design Review submittal to the Planning Staff under KMC Chapter 17.96
- August 16, 2022: the Planning Commission holds its ONLY hearing on draft
 Ordinance 1234 and refers it to Ketchum City Council ("City Council") for
 review, with guidance for staff to revise Section 1 so "current Pre-Application"

Design Review applications deemed complete would not be subject to the interim ordinance" See Minutes of August 16, 2022 P&Z Meeting attached as Exhibit 1; Transcript of August 16, 2022 P&Z Meeting attached as Exhibit 2.

- September 16, 2022: 36 days after filing, Planning Department issues a Completeness Letter for Applicants' first Preapplication Design Review submittal deeming it incomplete. See September 16, 2022 Completeness Letter attached as Exhibit 3.
- September 19, 2022: City Council holds its first hearing on draft Ordinance 1234 and makes first reading of the Ordinance. See Minutes of September 19, 2022 Council Meeting attached as Exhibit 4; Transcript of September 19, 2022 Council Meeting attached as Exhibit 5.
- September 30, 2022: Applicants resubmit their Preapplication Design Review application addressing 14 issues raised in the September 16 Completeness Letter.
- October 3, 2022: City Council holds its second hearing on draft Ordinance
 1234 and makes second reading of the proposed Ordinance. Revisions to
 vesting provisions are suggested by the City Attorney and approved by the
 Council. See Minutes of October 3, 2022 Council Meeting attached as
 Exhibit 6; Transcript of October 3, 2022 Council Meeting attached as Exhibit
 7.
- October 11, 2022: In email, the City Attorney assures Applicants' attorney
 the revisions to draft Ordinance 1234 will provide for vesting based on
 Preapplication being "substantially complete." See October 11, 2022 Email
 Correspondence with the City Attorney attached as Exhibit 8.
- October 17, 2022: 18 days after resubmission, the Planning Department issues a Completeness Letter for Applicants' Preapplication Design Review resubmittal deeming it complete. See October 17, 2022 Completeness Letter attached as Exhibit 9.
- October 17, 2022: City Council approves revised Ordinance 1234 and makes final reading.

- October 18, 2022: Planning Staff sends emails to two OTHER applicants, but not the Applicants, advising of City position that preapplication design review previously vested under 17.96 required filing of design review application within 180 calendar days of last Planning Commission review meeting. See October 18, 2022 City Correspondence with the Perry Building Development attached as Exhibit 10; October 18, 2022 City Correspondence with the 4th and Main Development attached as Exhibit 11.
- January 9, 2023: Public notice published by Planning Staff for Applicants' Preapplication Design Review meeting with the Planning Commission.
- January 24, 2023: Applicants' Preapplication Design Review Meeting held with the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission votes to allow Applicants' Project to proceed to Final Design Review. See Minutes of January 24, 2023 P&Z Meeting attached as Exhibit 12; January 24, 2023 Staff Report attached as Exhibit 13.
- August 7, 2023: After diligently working to incorporate Planning Commission comments from Preapplication Design Review and meet other requirements of the Planning Staff, Applicants submit their Final Design Review application.
- August 24, 2023: Planning Department issues Determination Letter to Applicants, declaring Applicants' Preapplication Design Review to be null and void pursuant to Ordinance 1234. See Determination Letter attached as Exhibit 14.
- September 7, 2023, Applicants appeal the Determination Letter to the Planning Commission. See Letter of Appeal attached as Exhibit 15.
- November 3, 2023: Planning Department submits an Administrator Reply Brief in response to Applicants' Appeal Letter. See Administrator Reply Brief attached as Exhibit 16.
- November 9, 2023: Applicants file Response Memorandum to the Administrator's Reply Brief. See Response Memorandum attached as Exhibit 17.

- November 14, 2023: the Planning Commission holds Appeal Hearing (the "Appeal Hearing") for the Applicants' Project. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Planning Commission votes 4-1 to affirm the Determination Letter. See Transcript of November 14, 2023 Appeal Hearing attached as Exhibit 18.
- November 28, 2023: Planning Commission finalizes and adopts their Decision. See Transcript of November 28, 2023 P&Z Decision Hearing attached as Exhibit 19.
- November 30, 2023: Decision is signed and issued. See Decision attached as Exhibit 20.
- December 11, 2023: Applicants timely file their notice of appeal of the Commission's Decision to the City Council.

SUMMARY OF FACTS

The Applicants purchased the unimproved property located at 260 1st St in Ketchum in March 2019. They began working on the Project in January 2020 with the ultimate goal of building a future home for their two families in downtown Ketchum. Preliminary discussions with the Ketchum Planning Department began as early as February 2020. Since beginning work, the Applicants have invested over 2500-man hours of professional time over more than three years to develop a project conforming to all the requirements of the Ketchum Municipal Code. Indeed, work on the Project began long before discussions of an interim ordinance, Ordinance 1234, started taking place in March 2022, which, among other things, would preclude the Applicants' Project as planned.

After years of work, in a race to beat the adoption of Ordinance 1234, Applicants submitted a complete Preapplication Design Review application to the Planning Department on August 11, 2022. However, that Preapplication was deemed incomplete more than a month later, on September 16, 2022. After addressing 14 comments and required actions from the Planning Department, Applicant's resubmitted their application on September 30, 2022. Over two weeks later, the Planning Department found that the

additional work Applicants completed met the requirements needed for the Project application to be deemed "complete" on October 17, 2022.

Because Applicants understood the new ordinance would prohibit the Project they had designed, and due to the significant time and work that Applicants had already committed to the Project, they made sure to stay involved with the public process and participated in hearings, to the extent allowed, related to the proposed ordinance. In hearings on Ordinance 1234 held by both the Planning Commission and Council, Applicants specifically raised legal issues related to language included in the draft of the ordinance regarding vesting, specifically as it related to vesting of projects subject to mandatory preapplication design review under Chapter 17.96 of the Ketchum Municipal Code ("KMC").

As a direct result of their participation, Applicants received assurances on and off the record from the Planning Commission, the City Attorney, the Planning Department, the Mayor, and the Council that any project deemed complete at the mandatory preapplication phase prior to the adoption of Ordinance 1234 would not be subject to the new ordinance. At the August 16, 2022 P&Z Meeting, the Commissioners directed staff to change Section 1 of draft Ordinance 1234 stating "Current Pre-Application Design Review applications deemed complete would not be subject to the interim ordinance" See Minutes of August 16, 2022 P&Z Meeting. However, in an effort clearly directed to preclude the Project from vesting prior to the adoption of Ordinance 1234, Staff declined to incorporate that directive into the draft of the Ordinance, instead retaining language that a Preapplication Design Review Meeting with the Planning Commission would be required for vesting.²

At the September 19 City Council Meeting, both Applicant's counsel and Planning Commissioner Moczygemba objected to the new language regarding vesting proposed

¹ Despite being one of only two members of the public to comment on draft Ordinance 1234 at the Planning Commission's August 16, 2022 Hearing, Chair Murrow cut off Applicants' attorney's comments at exactly 3 minutes.

² It was evident at this time that while Applicants might be able to get a substantially complete Pre-Application submittal into Planning Staff, they would not be able to schedule a meeting prior to the adoption of the Ordinance.

by staff as not consistent with Idaho law or the direction of the Planning Commission. Two weeks later, on October 3, 2022, after staff still refused to incorporate the vesting language directed by the Planning Commission, City Attorney Matt Johnson, after researching caselaw raised by Applicants' attorney, advised the Council to delete language requiring a preapplication meeting prior to vesting a project, so that vesting under the new ordinance would ONLY apply to those applications deemed substantially complete AFTER the adoption of the new Ordinance. In his concluding remarks, the Mayor noted that the legal clarification "does shift, you know, what is grandfathered and what is not a little bit." Transcript of October 3, 2022 Council Meeting at 1:56:30 –40.

Following that meeting, by email correspondence dated October 11, 2022, the City Attorney confirmed to the Applicants' attorney that the final revision will make clear that vesting is based on the application being "substantially complete." ³ See October 11 Email Correspondence with the City Attorney. Ordinance 1234 was then passed on October 17, 2022 by City Council with new language regarding vesting and without further discussion.

On January 24, 2023, Applicants participated in the required Preapplication Design Review meeting with the Planning Commission. The Staff Report for that meeting made it abundantly clear that the Project was not subject to Ordinance 1234 "as the application was deemed complete prior to the effective date of the new ordinance." See January 24, 2023 Staff Report at pg. 2. After almost two hours of review and comment by the Planning Commission, they voted to allow the Project to proceed to Design Review.

Then, after working diligently to address comments of the Planning Commission and obtain required information from city contractors and franchise holders, Applicants submitted their Application for Design Review on August 7, 2023, only to receive the Determination Letter, concluding that the Preapplication Design Review was null and void pursuant to the Ordinance which the City repeatedly assured did not apply.

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³ Despite clear direction from the Mayor, Council and City Attorney to make vesting at substantial completion, consistent with Idaho law, Ms. Landers declined to use the word "substantial" in the final version of the Ordinance.

Notably, at no point between the adoption of Ordinance 1234 on October 17, 2022 and the August 7, 2023 Design Review Application did ANYONE from the City suggest to ANY member of the Applicant team that the City's position was that their preapplication design review would only be effective for 180 days as a result of Ordinance 1234.⁴ This despite the fact that Senior Planner Abby Rivin, apparently without solicitation, advised two other applicants with projects pending between Preapplication Design Review and Design Review, of the City's view that Section 3 of Ordinance 1234 limited vesting of grandfathered preapplication submittals to 180 calendar days from the last review meeting on the preapplication with the Commission, the day after Ordinance 1234 was adopted. See October 18, 2022 City Correspondence with the Perry Building Development; October 18, 2022 City Correspondence with the 4th and Main Development.

LEGAL STANDARD

Pursuant to Title 17 of City of Ketchum Zoning Code, the authority of the Council in this hearing on appeal is to consider the record, the order, requirement, decision or determination of the Planning Commission and the notice of appeal, as well as the oral and written legal arguments of the Appellant and the Planning Commission and/or staff representing the Planning Commission. The Council may then affirm, reverse or modify, in whole or in part, the decision or determination of the Planning Commission. Furthermore, the Council may remand the application to the Planning Commission for further consideration with regard to specific criteria stated by the Council. See KMC § 17.144.020.

In considering this appeal, it should be noted that the enabling legislation for the Commission, and Ketchum's Zoning Ordinance itself, is the Local Land Use Planning Act,

⁴ The Applicant team first learned if the Planning Department's position by email from Planning Director Morgan Landers on August 8, 2023, within 7 minutes of downloading Applicants' Final Design Review application package. That email notice was later formalized in the August 24, 2023 Determination Letter.

I.C. § 67-6501 et seq. ("LLUPA"). The first listed purpose of the LLUPA is to "protect property rights while making accommodation for other necessary types of development. . . ." I.C. § 67-6502(a). Among the statutory duties of the Planning Commission is to insure that "land use policies, restrictions, conditions and fees do not violate private property rights, adversely impact property values, or create unnecessary technical limitations on the use of property" I.C. § 67-6508(a).

ARGUMENT

Applicants now appeal to the Council to reverse the Planning Commission's Decision issued on November 30, 2023 because it is not based on the applicable facts or the law. The Decision ultimately affirmed the Determination Letter issued by the Planning Department based upon the following findings: 1) that Preapplication Design Review and Design Review are separate and distinct steps in the application process (Decision, pg. 3); 2) that the Administrator appropriately interpreted and applied the 180 day requirement of Ordinance 1234 (Id.); and 3) that the 180 day requirement of Ordinance 1234 was equitably applied and that there was no evidence of delay by staff. (Id.). Notably, the record is clear that the Planning Commission made these findings without the benefit of any legal analysis with respect to the concept of "vesting" nor the interpretation of the City's Design Review Ordinance from the City Attorney, but rather only after hearing the Planning Director's argument to justify her Determination Letter. Moreover, a review of the transcripts demonstrates that the Planning Commissioners had drastically differing impressions and understandings of how these important legal concepts should be interpreted, few of which appear to be incorporated into the Decision, nor support the ultimate Decision made. Accordingly, the Decision must be reversed.

1) The Decision is Not Founded in the Deliberation of the Planning Commissioners

a. November 14, 2023 Deliberation

At the November 14, 2023 Planning Commission Hearing on Applicants' appeal of the Determination Letter, there was no legal analysis presented by the City Attorney

with respect to vesting or the design review application process. Rather, the Commissioners were left to weigh the arguments presented by staff and the Applicants. Not surprisingly, the Commissioners sided with staff. However, their deliberations at the November 2023 Appeal Hearing exposed a surprising lack of certainty about the issue of vesting and the design review process in general and do not support, or even address, a majority of the findings included in the Decision.

For example, during oral argument, **Commissioner Passovoy** inquired:

I guess the question I have for the City Attorney, and for Mr. Laskey [sic] is if Ordinance 1234 does not apply to an approved pre-application, predesign review application that was completed, deemed complete prior to the adoption of 1234, what is the point of the grandfather period, or whatever you choose to call it. (Transcript of November 14, 2023 Appeal Hearing at pg. 36, Ins. 7-14).

The City attorney declined to answer, stating that he was serving only as "process attorney." *Id.*, at Ins. 21-25.

Then, during deliberation, **Commission Chair Morrow** directly contradicted the vesting language contained in Ordinance 1234⁵ and staff's argument regarding grandfathering by proclaiming:

"In my opinion, it's always been its own thing. It's always been a charette to give advice on things. It didn't ever have any real power to it, in a way . . . [t]here was no vesting of their project at pre-app. It was a design charette for us to give them ideas . . . You know, it's voluntary. They were like, why do we have to come in and do this, we're going to bring our project in. So, I've always been under the impression that it was its own thing, that it was more of a curtesy to developers and designers . . . that's always been in my head, that pre-app is, it's just a charette. It doesn't vest anything. **Vesting happens at design review**. (Id., at pg. 48, ln. 14 to pg. 50, ln. 1).

He then went on to say: "So, just because they're linked doesn't mean they've vested, or they're grandfathered. Again, these may be legal determinations that I'm not making."

⁵ As well as various statements of the Mayor, City Attorney, and Planning Department on Preapplication Design and vesting as set forth in Section 3, below.

(*Id.*, at pg. 50, lns. 11-14). Then: "I'm not, I'm a little confused. Either the 180 days doesn't apply, or it does apply, and they missed it." (*Id.*, at pg. 51, lns. 16-18).

While it is straightforward to apply the language of Ordinance 1234 to applications received after Ordinance 1234 was passed, the Commissioners were clearly confused on how to address the Project as its application had been deemed completed before the adoption of Ordinance 1234. Without legal guidance, the Planning Commission incorrectly interpreted and applied the new ordinance. Later in deliberations, Commissioner Passovoy, states:

If I really look at the language of Section 1, it says that anything that has vested is subject to the ordinance. And the vesting, in terms of vesting, a pre-application only means that you don't have to go through a pre-application process. But its not vested for all purposes." (Id., at pg. 54, ln. 24 to pg. 55, ln. 6).

She then equivocates: "So I am coming down on the side of staff's conclusion on this. But it is a very, very, as Brenda said, a very tricky situation. And it's difficult to parse your way through these various words that have loaded meanings. (Id., at pg. 55, lns. 18-22).

Commissioner Carter expressed his confusion:

You know there is a question of, you know . . . if you're – if it's deemed that were not, that the Applicant isn't subject to the Interim Ordinance 1234, but then they are subject to a part of Interim Ordinance 34 [sic], that seems to be a conflict. . . . It seems like the, you know, the decision of whether or not the Applicant is subject to Section 3 of 1234 to our intent you know, is a – ultimately comes down to some legal principles, you know, whether or not, you know, it's vested or its not vested, other complex, sort of legal principles that you know, I don't – I'm not a trained attorney. I don't want to make that – I feel like I don't want to make that determination. I want to give the Applicant the opportunity to make this argument in front of somebody who is more, you know, a body that's more trained (Id., at pg. 56, In. 16 to pg. 57, In. 13).

Chair Murrow summarized Commissioner Carter's comments as follows:

. . . you're saying, because none of us really know what vesting is. And I guarantee in the new code, we'll have better

this vest here, this vest there, whatever it is. But because of that, you're more comfortable allowing experts on how to parse that term out do it than have us make that decision." (Id, at pg. 58, ln. 23 to pg. 59, ln. 5).

Commissioner Cordovano's comments dealt primarily with his feeling that the "project doesn't meet the development standards for an exceedance in Ketchum and has no place in Ketchum" and that he felt there was discussion of intent to limit the timeframes of vested applications. (*Id.*, at pg. 59, ln. 9 to pg. 61,. ln. 15).

Commissioner Moczygemba, on the other hand, stated:

I think, in relistening to the meeting we had regarding 1234, it was clear out of fairness that we wanted to include this grandfathering provision out of fairness for preapps that came through before 1234 was put in place. . . . I think there was a concern by staff that there would be . . . this glut of applications just trying to get this pre-application deemed complete⁶ and then they'd sit for, you know, a long period of time, until they were ready to proceed. . . I have some sympathy for the Applicant team that the way that that was captured between section 1 and section 3 just completely misses the mark of that particular conversation and how it was worded. . .

And so you know there was arguments being made by both sides about, okay, is a preapplication design review actually a vestment, I guess, of the process or not. So, again, that's just arguing what the terms versus what the intent was. **But the most important part to me is Section 1, clearly is the applicability of the entirety of this 1234.** So, I think I would agree with the applicant, that the application of 1234 and pieces and parts is not necessarily appropriate. I think it's an all or nothing thing. Either we're under 1234, or we're under the 17.96. (Id., at pg. 46, ln. 5 to pg. 47, ln. 17).

⁶ At the August 16, 2022 hearing on Ordinance 1234 before the Planning Commission, Commissioner Moczygemba acknowledged that projects in Preapplication Design Review "[W]ere started six, seven, eight months ago." Transcript of August 16, 2022 P&Z Meeting at 1:06:32-51. With that understanding, she projected that there would not be a rush of applications trying to get in before the adoption of Ordinance 1234 because, "I think it's been said before the requirements for preapplications are essentially the requirements for design review. And so, you're still needing civil landscape on and on." *Id.*, at 1:15:48-1:16:10.

She later expanded on her analysis, reasoning:

[if] it's only pre-application vested then you do design review, and you're vested – you know, the other part of this Section 1 is building permit. So, to me, if that's the take, then there's probably several projects that were approved under design review that were preparing their plans. And now, they should also be subject to 1234, because they were not vested under that." (Id., at pg. 64, lns. 9-18).

After discussing the process, but not the law, with the City Attorney, he advised: "So you'll give direction tonight. I'll prep, draft a written decision for you that will come back within those 30 days" (*Id.*, pg. 67, ln. 25 to pg. 68, ln. 3), the Planning Commission voted 4-1, with Commissioner Moczygemba against, to affirm the Determination Letter.

b. November 28, 2023 Deliberation

The Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision presently before you were adopted by the Planning Commission at their November 28, 2023 Meeting. Although approved by a 4-1 vote, the Findings incorporate little of the deliberations articulated at the Appeal Hearing, where all Commissioners with the exception Commissioner Moczygemba lacked any certainty or understanding of the legal issue at hand. However, to make matters worse, at that meeting, Commissioner Passovoy recommended revisions to the findings to add language, without any basis in reality, that the "Appellant in this situation actually urged for the 180-day grace period to be added." Transcript of November 28, 2023 Decision Hearing, pg. 4, lns. 1-3). The Commissioners then went on to discuss Applicants role in the inclusion of Section 3 at the City Council level, and Applicants purported support of that language. (*Id.*, at pgs. 4-8).⁷ This resulting finding, fully unsupported as discussed in more detail below, was incorporated into the Decision. The fact is, based on the applicable Idaho law and discussions focused on Section 1 of

⁷ It should be noted that (1) Susan Passovoy was not a member of the Planning Commission for the single meeting on August 16, 2022 when draft Ordinance 1234 was reviewed and advanced for City Council review; and (2) that paragraph 3 was never discussed directly by any member of the City Council, the Applicant or the public in the City Council Hearings on Ordinance 1234.

Ordinance 1234, there were no legal grounds to support a finding that Section 3 could be applied to the Project.

Commissioner Passovoy also disclosed that she had a conversation with the City Attorney regarding vesting. "But I, as he reminded me, everyone seemed to be a little confused about it. **And I don't think it's essential to our decision**." (Id., at pg. 6, Ins. 8-12).

Based on the foregoing, it is clear that the findings made by the Commissioners, and drafted by the City Attorney, are not supported by the record, the law or the deliberations. Indeed, in a matter entirely related to vesting, the Commission, on advice of legal counsel, admitted that everyone was confused about the issue, but that it isn't essential to the decision. They then adopted a decision contrary to the law and the record before them.

2) Preapplication Design Review and Design Review are Part and Parcel of the Same Design Review Approval Process.

The Design Review Chapter of the Zoning Code *requires* Preapplication Design Review on any lot or lots totaling 11,000 square feet or more as a condition precedent with Design Review. KMC §17.96.010.C.1. Design Review approval is then a condition precedent to make application for a building permit. KMC § 19.96.090. While each of these steps require separate applications and fees, they are both part and parcel of the same permitting process for the Project. When an application under KMC Chapter 17.96 is vested prior to Ordinance 1234, the entire process under that chapter is vested.

When Ordinance 1234 was initially proposed and presented to the Planning Commission on August 16, 2022, draft Section 1 regarding vesting stated:

Preapplication Design Review Applications deemed complete prior to the effective date of this ordinance, that do not have a subsequent Design Review application deemed complete, are subject to the provisions contained herein.

At that point in time, Applicants were struggling to get what was, compared to other preapplications deemed complete by staff, a complete Preapplication Design Review application accepted as complete by City staff. At the meeting, Applicants raised Idaho's legal standard regarding the vesting of new ordinances on land use applications and the fact that Ketchum's ordinance required Preapplication Design Review as a required step in the Design Review Process and a condition precedent to Design Review, that it charged a fee to have the Preapplication Design Review reviewed, and that Preapplication Design Review required submittal of the exact same information as Design Review (in fact they use the exact same application form). The Planning Commission and Planning staff discussed vesting, without any further participation from Applicants. Then Planning Director Suzanne Frick initially suggested that Preapplication Design Review was not a "formal process" and should not be treated as vesting a project, but noted that if it did vest a project, we should "build guardrails" so that a project wouldn't be vested for years. Staff then said it would work on the "mechanics" of vesting of a project with a substantially complete Preapplication Design Review submittal. Transcript of August 16, 2022 P&Z Meeting at 1:12:53 to 1:14:55.

The next version of draft Ordinance was never reviewed by the Planning Commission, but rather was reviewed directly by the City Council on September 19, 2022. This version included the following language:

Preapplication Design Review Applications that <u>have</u> been reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Commission at one review meeting prior with the Commission as of the effective date of this ordinance.

This version was also the first to add Section 3 which included a 180-day timeframe within which "Developments" that have completed Preapplication Design Review under Ordinance 1234 to file for Design review, presumably the so-called guardrails suggested by Ms. Frick for applications filed under the new ordinance. At that meeting, Applicants again presented the Idaho caselaw regarding vesting and argued that vesting of a development was triggered upon the determination of a substantially

complete, mandatory Preapplication Design Review Application, which is consistent with Idaho law.

The final draft of Ordinance 1234, which was adopted on October 17, 2022, included the following language regarding vesting:

The following interim regulations and standards apply to any ... Building Permit, **Preapplication Design Review**, **Design Review**, **Subdivision**, **or Conditional Use Permit application deemed complete for vesting purposes <u>after</u> the effective date of this Ordinance . . .**

Just before Ordinance 1234 was signed by the Mayor, Applicants received a Completeness Review Letter from the Planning Department indicating that "... the application has been deemed complete and will be scheduled for the next available hearing." October 17, 2022 Completeness Letter at pg. 1 (emphasis in original). At that point, as a matter of law, the application process for the Project was vested under the ordinance in effect PRIOR to the adoption of Ordinance 1234, that is KMC § 17.96.

Idaho law is clear that a land use applicants rights are "measured under the law in effect at the time of the application." Citizens Against Linscott/Interstate Asphalt Plant v. Bonner County, 168 Idaho 705, 717(2021) quoting S. Fork Coal. v. Bd. of Comm'rs of Bonneville Cnty., 117 Idaho 857, 861, 792 P.2d 882, 886 (1990) (citations omitted); see also Taylor v. Canyon Cnty. Bd. of Comm'rs, 147 Idaho 424, 436, 210 P.3d 532, 544 (2009).

The policy undergirding this rule is "to prevent local authorities from delaying or withholding action on an application in order to change or enact a law to defeat the application." *Taylor, 147 Idaho at 436, 210 P.3d at 544* (citation omitted). Thus, the rule is an outgrowth of the well-established principle that legislation does not ordinarily have retroactive effect. *See Cooper v. Bd. of Cnty. Comm'rs of Ada Cnty., 101 Idaho 407, 412, 614 P.2d 947, 952 (1980); see also Ben Lomond, Inc. v. City of Idaho Falls, 92 Idaho 595, 601, 448 <i>P.2d 209, 215 (1968)* (reasoning that the rule to apply the ordinance in effect at the time of the application is "in accord with the general rule that legislation generally acts prospectively only"). *Id.*

As previously stated, under Ketchum Ordinance Chapter 17.96 – Design Review, Preapplication design review was a required step in the design review process. KMC §17.96.010.C.1. It is not a separate and distinct process as suggested in the Planning Commission's findings, but rather requires the applicant to submit all materials required under section 17.96.040, just as are required under the Design Review application. The purpose of preapplication review is to allow the Planning Commission to "exchange ideas" and give direction to the applicant on 'design concept.' KMC §17.96.040.C.2. In practice, an applicant cannot proceed to Design Review until the Planning Commission formally votes to allow the development application to proceed. The Planning Commission, after nearly two hours exchanging ideas and direction on the design concept, formally voted to allow the Project to "advance" to the Design Review stage of the Design Review Process on January 24, 2023. The motion carried on a 4-1 vote, with former Commissioner and current City Council member Spencer Cordovano opposing. See Minutes of January 24, 2023 P&Z Meeting.

As noted by Ms. Frick in the Planning Commission Hearing leading up to the adoption of Ordinance 1234, Chapter 17.96 (prior to the adoption of Ordinance 1234) does not include a timeframe within which an applicant must file its Design Review application after the Planning Commission advances it to that stage. However, from a legal perspective, the lack of the inclusion of a timeframe does not render the vesting of a project invalid. In fact, in a case with facts very similar to the present matter, *South Fork Coalition v. Board of Com'rs of Bonneville County*, the South Fork Coalition was created to oppose a proposed development and appealed the approval of a final development plan to the Idaho Supreme Court. The Court determined that the governing ordinance for an application for preliminary approval of a planned unit development ("PUD") is the ordinance in effect at the time the application was filed, and the preliminary plan was approved under that standard. 117 Idaho 857, 886, 792 P.2d

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⁸ Preapplication Design Review is a subsection of the Design Review Chapter of the Code, not a separate Chapter such as with Building Permits or Conditional Use Permits

⁹ Ms. Frick argued that this defect was a basis to not allow vesting of a Development Project until after Preapplication Design Review was completed and a design review application was deemed complete. On the advice of legal counsel, that was not the language ultimately adopted in the final version of Ordinance 1234.

882, 861 (1990). Similar to the present case, the applicable ordinance provided no deadline for PUD to apply for a final development plan. *Id.*, at 887. Therefore, the Board of Commissioners advised applicants to file their application for a final development plan within one year of the effective date for preliminary approval, and when applicants timely applied for their final development plan, the Court then upheld the Board of Commissioners' finding that the application was timely filed. *Id.* Likewise, in the present matter, the Preapplication Design Review Vested the Project under the Design Review Chapter of the Code, KMC § 17.96. At the time of vesting, § 17.96 had no timeframe within which an applicant needed to file for Design Review after being advanced from Preapplication Design Review. For a vested application under KMC § 17.96, this did NOT change when Ordinance 1234 was adopted.

Moreover, despite being one of only three applications pending in the Design Review Process when Ordinance 1234 was adopted, neither the Planning Staff nor the Planning Commission included a timeframe within which it expected a Design Review application to be filed with the City in order to maintain its vested status when the Planning Commission voted to recommend advancement to Design review, as is the standard practice in decisions where entitlements are subject to expiration.¹⁰

Based on the foregoing, it is clear the Project vested under KMC § 17.96 prior to the adoption of Ordinance 1234, and therefore the Project is not subject to the time limitation included in Section 3 of that Ordinance. As such, Applicants' Preapplication Design Review cannot, as a matter of law, be determined to be null and void, and the Planning Commission Decision must be reversed.

3) The 180-day Requirement of Ordinance 1234 was Not Appropriately Interpreted and Applied by the Administrator to the DR Application because the Project Vested Under the Applicable Ordinance Prior to the Adoption of Ordinance 1234

¹⁰ Interestingly, Planning staff did advise the two other pending applications of the date on which they needed to submit a complete Design Review Application to maintain their vested status under KMC § 17.96, although, improperly, and contrary to law, using the timeframe from Section 3 of Ordinance 1234.

The Planning Commission's Decision concluded that "Ordinance 1234 specifically considered and provided for situations where a preapplication design review had already been conducted and with an allowance of an additional 180-day timeframe for the next process: application for design review." Decision, pg. 3. However, the only legitimate reading of Section 3 of Ordinance 1234 states:

Developments subject to Design Review Approval pursuant to KMC 17.96 . . . that have conducted a preapplication design review meeting with the Commission, must file a complete Design Review Permit application and pay all fees within 180 calendar days of the preapplication with Commission, otherwise the preapplication review will be null and void.

There is nothing in this provision to suggest that it applies to Developments that have vested prior to the adoption of this provision (and Ordinance 1234 in general). Moreover, there was absolutely no discussion of this provision at the City Council level and it does not comport to "grandfather" language discussed at the August 16, 2022 Planning Commission meeting where Ms. Frick suggested adding proper guardrails on pre-app approvals to keep them moving and to identify specifically those projects "caught in limbo" and give them a timeframe. (See Transcript of August 16, 2022 P&Z Meeting, at 01:18:47 – 01:19:02). Rather, it is clearly "sunset" language designed to limit the time of entitlements for projects vested under the new ordinance. And, after Applicants' Preapplication Design Review was deemed complete as a "limbo" project, nobody from the City ever contacted Applicants to advise them of a deadline to file their Design Review Application.

Indeed, as stated by Mayor Bradshaw at the October 3 Council Meeting, the legal clarification and modification to the vesting language of Section 1 to Ordinance 1234 "shifts . . . what is grandfathered and what is not a little bit." (See Transcript of October 3, 2022 Council Meeting at 01:56:27 –40). Moreover, that language was adjusted in light of the City Attorney's review of Idaho law as cited in *Citizens Against Linscott/Interstate Asphalt Plant, supra*. The 180-day timeframe was written to apply to Projects that vested under Ordinance 1234, and, as a matter of law, simply cannot apply to prior projects.

The Decision goes on to state that "[T]he 180-day grace period was placed with the Applicant's knowledge and support, and therefore Applicant should have been aware the grace period applied" Decision, pgs. 3-4. In making this claim, the Decision cites to "Applicant's Memo." A review of Applicants' letters submitted to the Planning Commission on appeal plainly shows that at no time have Applicants ever endorsed or supported a "grace period" or noted such in any of their briefings. In fact, in discussing vesting on several occasions with the City Attorney, this concept, and Section 3 in general was never raised, nor discussed as a time limit that would apply to a previously vested Development Project. Moreover, there is absolutely no evidence in the record that Applicants knew the 180-day period included in Section 3 of Ordinance 1234 was intended to apply to them. As discussed below, Applicants had received confirmation from the City Attorney and Planning Director that Ordinance 1234 did not apply to their Project on several occasions.

To that end, it is enlightening that the Planning Commission asked the Planning Director at the Appeal Hearing whether any other projects had reached out to the Planning Department as to whether Ordinance 1234 would apply to them. At that time, Ms. Landers stated for the record that:

So, it was this project, of Sawtooth Serenade, it was the Perry Buildings, and it was Fourth and Main. . . . Both of those applications inquired to staff, following adoption of 1234, on whether that provision of Section 3 applied. And staff responded to both of those applications that it did. Transcript of Appeal Hearing, pg. 31, Ins. 11-21.

Emails obtained through FOIA requests disclose that the Planning Director's representation is patently false as neither the Perry Buildings nor the Fourth and Main Projects inquired staff as to the applicability of Section 3. Rather, the day after Ordinance 1234 was approved, Senior Planner Abby Rivin emailed representatives of both of the other pending projects advising them of the City's position with respect to timing for filing their final design review applications. See Exhibits 10 and 11.

Next, the Planning Commission's Decision goes on to affirm that "the intent of Section 3 was to provide a reasonable timeframe for an applicant that had conducted preapplication review to proceed to final design review under pre-Ordinance 1234 standards, while not allowing an applicant to delay and sit on the preapplication design review completion and pre-Ordinance 1234 standards without further timely action." Decision, pg. 4.

Notwithstanding well-established Idaho law on vesting, the record contradicts the Decision's representation of the intent of Section 3. At the August 16, 2022 Planning Commission Hearing on Ordinance 1234, then Administrator Suzanne Frick informed the Planning Commission that there is no timeframe for how long a preapplication approval is valid, unlike design review. Transcript of August P&Z Meeting at 1:10:26-58. With that in mind, Chair Morrow suggested, "Can we add a time limit to preapp?" *Id.*, at 1:11:33-39. Indeed, the Planning Commission and Planning Department didn't want projects sitting with Preapplication approval for years. *See generally* Transcript of August P&Z Meeting. Despite the Planning Commission's guidance to implement a grace period to apply to the three pending applications, Planning staff included a "sunset" clause in Ordinance 1234 so that new projects would now have 180-days to proceed to Design Review.

Therefore, the Decision improperly considered the record and the law as it concluded that, "[T]he Administrator appropriately found that the Final Design Review Application . . . was beyond the 180-day window to preserve the previously completed preapplication design review. Decision, pg. 4. The Decision further distorts the record when it claims Applicants could have reached out "just as other applicants did." *Id.* As previously shown, no other applicants reached out to the City. The Decision affirming the Determination Letter is neither consistent with the intent or language of Ordinance 1234, nor the record as a whole, and as such, must be reversed.

4) The 180-Day Requirement of Ordinance 1234 Was neither Equitably Applied, nor Was There No Evidence of Improper Delay by City Staff. Contrary to the Decision, the record shows that Ordinance 1234 was not equitably applied to the Applicants' Project. Despite Applicants receiving direct confirmation that Ordinance 1234 was not applicable to them, the Planning Department changed its position without warning. Furthermore, as outlined above, the finding that other applicants contacted the Planning Department as to the applicability of Ordinance 1234, the record shows to be untrue. Instead, the Planning Department reached out to them. Throughout the application process, Applicants and their Project have never been treated equitably and fairly by the Planning Staff, rather Staff had continuously refused to follow Planning Commission directives on language related to vesting and continuous delay in processing Applicants' application.

Further, the record before the Planning Commission included a list of delays the Applicants team experienced between Preapplication Design review and Design Review that was wholly discounted by the Planning Commission. (See Timeline of Delays attached as Exhibit 21). Indeed, the policy behind project vesting in Idaho is designed specifically to prevent the type of action on display here in of the processing of this Design Review Application.

The policy undergirding this rule is "to prevent local authorities from delaying or withholding action on an application in order to change or enact a law to defeat the application." *Taylor, Supra.*

Without being informed that there was a deadline for filing a vested Design Review Application, Applicants were left shooting in the dark. Even so, Applicants' Design Review application was submitted only 197 days after receiving the Planning Commission's recommendation to proceed to Design Review. On such a record, it's easy to be skeptical of the unexplained delays in scheduling meetings with staff due to staff unavailability, three weeks in April and May (April 24 to May 17), and in receiving required responses from City's contractors – four weeks with Michael Decker regarding street lighting and seven weeks with Clear Creek Disposal (June 16 to August 2) regarding garbage pickup location, despite diligent efforts by the Applicants' team. See Timeline of

Delays. Moreover, without a deadline, there was no reason to request any accommodation from staff.

Based on the foregoing, the record does not support the Planning Commission's findings related to equal application of Ordinance 1234 nor lack of evidence of improper delay by City staff and contractors. As such, the decision must be reversed.

5) The Commission's Decision Directly Contradicts the Bad Faith Ruling of the Recent *BRACKEN V. CITY OF KETCHUM* Case against the City of Ketchum.

The Decision of the Planning Commission is even more surprising given the recent Idaho Supreme Court ruling against the City in *Bracken v. City of Ketchum*, 537 P.3d 44 (Idaho 2023). Citing to the same case law on vesting that has been repeatedly cited by Applicants, the Idaho Supreme Court concluded that the developer's rights vested under the ordinance in effect at the time it filed its first application, which the City refused to accept, and that Bracken's "rights could not be taken away by Ketchum's enactment of a new ordinance [thereafter]" *Id.*, at 54.. The Court then, citing *Ben Lomond, Inc. v. City of Idaho Falls*, 92 Idaho 595, 602 (1968), pointed out the City of Ketchum's "bad faith conduct" stating:

[T]o hold for the City in the present case would mean that a city, merely by withholding action on an application for a permit, could change or enact a zoning law to defeat the application. It could, in substance, give immediate effect to a future or proposed zoning ordinance before that ordinance was enacted by proper procedure. (*Id.*, at 55).

The Determination Letter and the Planning Commission Decision, both apparently rendered without the benefit of legal advice from the City Attorney as to the intricacies of vesting, lead the City into a procedural decision eerily similar to that in *Bracken*. For this reason alone, it seems abundantly clear that the Decision should be reversed so that the vested Design Review Application can proceed on its merits.

6) The City is Estopped from Changing Its Position Regarding Vesting.

The Planning Commission never addressed the issue of estoppel at the Appeal Hearing or in their Decision. A simple review of the record shows that the only time it was mentioned was when Commissioner Carter asked James Laski to explain estoppel. Transcript of November 14 Appeal Hearing, pg. 40, ln. 14 to pg. 41, ln. 7.. The Planning Commission's omission is unsurprising to Applicants, as they have repeatedly faced pushback from the City at every step of the application process.

"Quasi-estoppel prevents a party from changing its legal position and, as a result, gaining an unconscionable advantage or imposing an unconscionable disadvantage over another." *Hollingsworth v. Thompson*, 168 Idaho 13, 22–23, 478 P.3d 312, 321–22 (2020); *Garner v. Bartschi*, 139 Idaho 430, 437, 80 P.3d 1031, 1038 (2003). "Unlike equitable estoppel, quasi-estoppel does not require an undiscoverable falsehood, and it requires neither misrepresentation by one party nor reliance by the other." *Hollingsworth*, 168 Idaho at 23, 478 P.3d at 322. Quasi-estoppel applies when:

(1) the offending party took a different position than his or her original position and (2) either (a) the offending party gained an advantage or caused a disadvantage to the other party; (b) the other party was induced to change positions; or (c) it would be unconscionable to permit the offending party to maintain an inconsistent position from one he or she has already derived a benefit or acquiesced in.

Id. (quoting *Trumble v. Farm Bureau Mut. Ins. Co. of Idaho*, 166 Idaho 132, 136, 456 P.3d 201, 215 (2019)).

The facts here are in line with *Hollingsworth*, where the Court found quasi-estoppel applied when a hospital changed its position by holding itself out as a private corporation in its business filings with the Idaho Secretary of State, but then later claimed it was a governmental entity when sued. The public filings led the plaintiffs to believe the hospital was a private corporation, causing them to disregard the ITCA notice deadline to the benefit of the hospital. 168 Idaho at 23, 478 P.3d at 322. Likewise, in the present

situation, the City cannot now change its position regarding vesting to preclude Applicants from proceeding under the under the prior Code provisions.

As outlined at length above, and in Applicants' prior briefing before the Planning Commission, the City confirmed, on numerous occasions, that the Project was not subject to Ordinance 1234. The issue of substantial completion and vesting was also confirmed through email correspondence between City Attorney and Applicants' attorney the days leading up to the adoption of Ordinance 1234:

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I checked in with Morgan. She said she's currently reviewing all the resubmitted items this week and will be issuing a completeness letter based on that submittal.

For the Council meeting next Monday there will be a clearer revised version of the interim ordinance that clarifies the distinction that was discussed at the last meeting in response to your comments. That revision will make clear vesting is based on an application being "substantially complete."

So I believe in combination those two items will address your request.

Matt

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From: Jim Laski < <u>irl@lawsonlaski.com</u>>
Sent: Tuesday, October 11, 2022 9:42 AM

To: Matthew A. Johnson < mjohnson@WHITEPETERSON.com >

Subject: RE: Ketchum Ordinance 1234

Hi Matt – would it be possible to get conformation that my client's application (at 260 N $1^{\rm st}$ Ave) is substantially complete and will be reviewed under the presently existing ordinance, rather than the proposed new ordinance 1234? I written statement to that effect would be much appreciated. Thank you

Jim



JAMES R. LASKI

Lawson Laski Clark, PLLC 675 Sun Valley Road, Suite A PO Box 3310 Ketchum, ID 83340 208-725-0055 Phone 208-725-0076 Fax (See October 11, 2022 Email Correspondence with the City Attorney.).

Even more clear and succinctly, the Staff Report for the Preapplication Design Review Meeting held January 24, 2023, issued on or about January 19, 2023, states that this application is not subject to Interim Ordinance 1234:

The application is not subject to Interim Ordinance 1234 as the application was deemed complete prior to the effective date of the ordinance.

(January 24, 2023 Staff Report at Pg. 2).

Finally, and to the point that required Preapplication Design Review vests the entire Design Review Application Process, 2 hours and 31 minutes into the Preapplication Design Review Meeting of January 24, 2023, Planning Administrator Morgan Landers states:

"... Staff also provided a review of the project's compliance with interim ordinance 1234. This <u>Project does not come under the purview of the interim ordinance because it was deemed substantially complete prior to the effective date ..."</u>

(Transcript of January 24, 2023 Planning Commission Meeting at 2:31:11 – 22).

Quite simply, given that the City has repeatedly advised the Applicants that Ordinance 1234 is not applicable to the Project as their application was deemed complete prior to its adoption, and because Applicants relied on the representations made by the City in proceeding through the Design Review Process, it cannot now change its stance regarding vesting to preclude Applicant from proceeding under the prior KMC § 17.96 provisions. Accordingly, on the basis of quasi-estoppel, the Decision must be reversed.

7) The Planning Commission Was Unable to Properly Consider and Follow the Law Because the City Attorney Failed to Provide Legal Insight or Analysis on the Issues Presented.

Finally, it must be noted that City Attorney Matthew Johnson, despite being involved in multiple hearings regarding the applicability of Ordinance 1234, failed to provide legal insight and analysis to the Planning Commission at the Appeal Hearing.

Additionally, the City Attorney failed to ensure the Planning Commission's Decision addressed all the issues presented. As the record demonstrates, the City Attorney was acutely familiar with Interim Ordinance 1234 as he had helped draft Ordinance 1234, he was present at every hearing before the Planning Commission and Council, and he had multiple communications with Applicants' team regarding Ordinance 1234.

In fact, the City Attorney had already agreed with Applicants position on vesting when he told the Council, "The key is based on some Idaho case law if an application has more or less submitted everything it needs to and its application fee that's what is termed substantially complete." Transcript of October 3, 2022 Council Meeting at 1:55:05-18. However, he then failed or refused to provide this same conclusion to the Planning Commission at the November Appeal Hearing.

The Planning Commission sought legal insight multiple times throughout the Appeal Hearing. For example, Commissioner Moczygemba asked, "[A]re we deciding between intent versus I guess the legality of the language of how that was written. You know, can we say, well, it was written like this. But what we meant was?" Transcript of November 14, 2023 Appeal Hearing, pgs. 32-33, Ins 25-4. Additionally, Commissioner Carter sought legal insight for definitions and explanations of "Vesting" and "Estoppel." Then, when asked to provide legal insight by Commissioner Passovoy Mr. Johnson declined by saying, "Let me just clarify something for you, Susan. So, because I'm serving as the process attorney for this, not arguing a side. So, I think you would want to go to Morgan if you want kind of the City perspective." *Id.*, at pg. 36, Ins. 21-25. Although seemingly there to advise the Planning Commission on Idaho law, the City Attorney directed the Commissioners to the Administrator for legal insight. By abstaining, the Planning Commission was denied the opportunity to have their questions as to the law answered. Because of that deficiency, the Planning Commission and Applicants both were denied valuable legal insight and analysis.

As a direct result of the lack of legal insight and analysis from the City Attorney, the Planning Commission was left to deliberate on legal issues that the Planning Commission did not feel comfortable addressing. In fact, throughout the deliberations, the Planning Commission noted that they did not feel equipped to properly consider the issues before them. As previously discussed, Commissioner Carter simply put it, "[T]he decision of whether or not the Applicant is subject to Section 3 of 1234. . . ultimately comes down to some legal principles. . . whether or not, you know, it's vested or it's not vested, other complex, sort of legal principles that, you know, I don't – I'm not a trained attorney. I don't want to make that determination. I want to give the Applicant the opportunity to make this argument in front of somebody who is more, you know, a body that's more trained. . . . " Id., at pgs. 56-57, Ins. 25-12.

The City Attorney knew the Planning Commission struggled to understand the law presented. As Commissioner Passovoy noted while finalizing the Decision, "I will say I had talked with Matt about the discussion we had regarding vesting. But I, as he reminded me, everyone seemed to be a little confused about it. And I don't think its essential to our decision." Decision Hearing, pg. 6, Ins. 8-11. Clearly, the City Attorney allowed the Planning Commission to determine that vesting wasn't an essential issue, a fact he knew to be untrue. Had the City Attorney simply presented his own legal insight and analysis, presumably, he would have helped inform the Planning Commission where they struggled on legal decisions and confirmed to the Planning Commission that the Ordinance 1234 did not apply to Applicants Project. Instead, Applicants have been forced to proceed further in the Appeal Process, spending additional time and money to do so.

Conclusion

As presented above, it is clear the Planning Commission's Decision on the Administrative Determination violates Idaho law regarding the vesting of land use permits, is contrary the express provisions of Ordinance 1234 and the prior written and stated actions of the City with respect to this Project. Combined with the foregoing, the unexplained delays create an unlawful procedure in the processing of Permit Application. As such the Administrator's action in making the determination, and the Planning Commission's Decision to Affirm is arbitrary and capricious, contrary to the law and a

clear abuse of discretion – designed to stop the Project. As such, we respectfully urge the Council to reverse the Planning Commission's Decision and allow the Project to proceed with Design Review.

Respectfully Submitted this 20th day of February 2024.

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CITY OF KETCHUM MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: (00:00:25 in video)

Chairman Neil Morrow called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Roll Call:

Tim Carter
Spencer Cordovano
Brenda Moczygemba
Neil Morrow

COMMUNICATIONS FROM COMMISSIONERS:

None

PUBLIC HEARING: (00:02:55 in video)

1. ACTION ITEM: Recommendation to conduct a Public Hearing, review, and take action on a proposed interim ordinance to amend Titles 16 and 17 of the Ketchum Municipal Code. Senior Planner Morgan Landers gave a recap of the Emergency Ordinance.

Public Comment:

Perry Boyle (00:45:45 in video) Jim Laski (00:53:50 in video)

The Commission noted the following changes:

<u>Section 1</u>: Current Pre-Application Design Review applications deemed complete would not be subject to the interim ordinance with an expiration date to be determined. <u>Section 12</u>: Clarify language from "not exempt from " to "subject to".

Motion to advance the proposed interim ordinance to City Council for their consideration, with changes as noted.

Motion made by Tim Carter; Seconded by Spencer Cordovano

Ayes: Tim Carter, Spencer Cordovano, Neil Morrow

Nays: Brenda Moczygemba

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

Commissioner Cordovano requested a discussion of ADU's.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: (02:50:15 in video) Motion to adjourn at 7:17 pm.

Motion made by Neil Morrow; seconded by **Spencer Cordovano**. **Ayes:** Tim Carter, Spencer Cordovano, Brenda Moczygemba, Neil Morrow

Nays: None

Chair Neil Morrow

Lisa Enourato, Interim City Clerk

City of Ketchum

Below is a partial transcript of the August 16, 2022 P&Z Meeting. Applicants have highlighted the speaker when possible and removed text in the interest of brevity.

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Jim Laski Comments
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thing. The real issue I have today is in
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section one of the proposed ordinance
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and that talks about vesting of applications.
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And in that it says pre-application design
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review applications deemed complete prior
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to the effective date of the this ordinance that do
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not have a subsequent design review application deem complete
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our subject to the provisions contained here
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in
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and I would submit that that
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sentence or that provision is probably illegal under
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Idaho law the design
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review criteria in your code requires
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pre-application. It's not a optional process.
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You have to do the pre-application in
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order to do the design review
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application. So this city controls how
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that process goes forward controls the
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timing of that process despite the fact that you
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are request. It's the exact same submittal requirements
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00:55:22,500 --> 00:55:24,000
as a design review requirement.
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And also includes a
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fee, so I just want to read to you a couple of cases from Idaho
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Supreme Court that talk about
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00:55:34,100 --> 00:55:35,900
the vesting of applications.
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The first one will be citizens against Lynn
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00:55:39,500 --> 00:55:43,900
Scott Bonner to 2021
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case.
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from the Idaho Supreme Court
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Idaho is adopted the minority position that land use
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ever a land use applicants rights are measured under
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the lawn effect at the time of the application.
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is to prevent local authorities from delaying or
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withholding action on an application in order to change or
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enact a law to defeat the application.
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Thus the rule is an outgrowth of the
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well-established principle that legislation does not
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ordinarily have an retroactive effect.
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In 2009 and Taylor V Canyon County
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similar. They're similar
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language, Idaho laws. Well established applicants rights
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are determined by the ordinance and existence at the
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time of filing an application for a permit.
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The minority rule it goes on to say the same thing.
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But then goes on in other words the rule
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in. It ensures that local authorities do not engage in
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the arbitrary action before they render a decision
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00:56:47,200 --> 00:56:50,500
on an application policy behind this rule is
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00:56:50,500 --> 00:56:53,600
independent of whether or not the local authorities would ultimately
Grant
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00:56:53,600 --> 00:56:56,800
the underlying application. So my point
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is
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If you have a pre-application.
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That's in that has not then gone
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00:57:03,500 --> 00:57:06,500
through the pre-application process which
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00:57:06,500 --> 00:57:09,900
I've had clients where that has taken actually years
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00:57:09,900 --> 00:57:11,300
to get through.
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00:57:12,300 --> 00:57:12,800
then
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00:57:14,300 --> 00:57:17,100
you cannot say that they then have to
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00:57:17,100 --> 00:57:20,000
go through in conform with the new
Commissioner Morrow Comments
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ordinance. That's three minutes. Thank you.
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00:57:25,100 --> 00:57:28,600
You can submit if you have other stuff for
1102
00:57:28,600 --> 00:57:29,600
the accounts we could submit.
1103
00:57:30,700 --> 00:57:32,200
Do we have other public comment?
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00:57:37,300 \longrightarrow 00:57:37,900
in the back
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00:57:39,500 --> 00:57:40,500
no more not no one else online.
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okay, so in in can I ask that the
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00:57:45,500 --> 00:57:48,300
Um staff check that with
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the city attorney and make sure that we're not putting something in
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there. That would be a clear violation of Idaho law
Suzanne Frick Comments
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by all means we will check that
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as this moves forward. I would just mention also in
1112
00:58:00,600 --> 00:58:03,400
pre-application. There is no
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decision. The commission is making in a
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00:58:06,400 --> 00:58:09,800
pre-application really all you're doing is deciding whether
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or not something moves on to the design review.
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We don't have you adopt findings or a
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record of decision. So but
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nevertheless he brings up a good point. We
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will review that with the city attorney
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to make sure there is no vulnerability in
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what's being proposed. Yeah good and also so that we're just we're clear
1122
00:58:30,200 --> 00:58:33,200
that this is this is what you have to do and
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it's legal to do and the other thing I
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would make note as part of this budget
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process in the fiscal year 23 budget,
1126
00:58:42,800 --> 00:58:44,900
which starts October 1st.
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01:06:07,300 --> 01:06:10,300
If anyone feels strongly about sending a recommendation today, or
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01:06:10,300 --> 01:06:13,300
is there more discussion is there something else you
Commissioner Moczygemba Comments
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need to see or hear? I like to handle this
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01:06:16,500 --> 01:06:19,800
similarly to how we handle the emergency ordinance and
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kind of go Section by section. So there's a
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01:06:23,200 --> 01:06:26,700
lot to each piece and part and starting
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with section one. I completely agree
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with Mr. Lasky regarding I
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01:06:32,400 --> 01:06:37,400
guess it's this vesting
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of applications or what's you
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know what this applies to things that
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are coming through or maybe in for
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pre-application design review, you know,
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those projects were started six seven eight months ago.
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And so even though
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we're talking about a 12 month.
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Interim ordinance. I'm
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01:06:59,500 --> 01:07:01,200
I would prefer trying to limit.
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01:07:02,500 --> 01:07:05,300
the scope of that timeline and the amount
01:07:05,300 --> 01:07:08,600
of people and money and investment dollars that
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01:07:08,600 --> 01:07:11,200
have already gone into projects as we can, you know,
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01:07:11,200 --> 01:07:14,500
and maybe that's only one or
1299
01:07:14,500 --> 01:07:16,300
two projects in the pipeline, but
1300
01:07:17,300 --> 01:07:21,500
I think as much uncertainty as we can bake in
1301
01:07:21,500 --> 01:07:25,100
here the better anybody have any strong feelings,
1302
01:07:24,100 --> 01:07:27,500
you know, nobody would like to stop a lot of those projects
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01:07:27,500 --> 01:07:30,500
more than me, but I do feel like it's a little
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01:07:30,500 --> 01:07:31,600
bit unfair.
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01:07:32,600 --> 01:07:32,900
just
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01:07:33,900 --> 01:07:36,100
Morally, another thing I want to bring up is
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01:07:36,100 --> 01:07:39,200
today as of today. There's four baking lots for
1308
01:07:39,200 --> 01:07:42,900
sale in the city Ketchum and 17 closed
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01:07:42,900 --> 01:07:43,700
in 2020.
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01:07:45,700 --> 01:07:46,200
Tim
1311
01:07:49,100 --> 01:07:53,300
let's can we just talk about what that the details
1312
01:07:52,300 --> 01:07:55,300
of what section one are so let's see
1313
01:07:55,300 --> 01:07:58,100
the following them regulations and standards apply to building permits.
01:07:59,100 --> 01:08:01,500
Preapped and reviews subdivision. He's permit
1315
01:08:03,600 --> 01:08:07,400
so the permits are these out so these regulations apply
1316
01:08:06,400 --> 01:08:07,500
to
1317
01:08:09,700 --> 01:08:12,100
These two permits design review subdivision conditional use
1318
01:08:12,100 --> 01:08:15,500
permits that are deemed complete. The applications are deemed complete.
1319
01:08:16,100 --> 01:08:19,400
So it's at the point that the applications are deemed
1320
01:08:19,400 --> 01:08:19,800
complete.
1321
01:08:22,400 --> 01:08:25,100
This ordinance would then apply to them? Is that what
1322
01:08:25,100 --> 01:08:25,400
this says?
1323
01:08:28,400 --> 01:08:31,200
so if I can I can clarify to clarify so we
1324
01:08:31,200 --> 01:08:34,700
understand exactly what the
1325
01:08:35,800 --> 01:08:38,600
metric is that we are using to apply this
1326
01:08:38,600 --> 01:08:41,100
ordinance to if that's what we're discussing here. Let's make
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01:08:41,100 --> 01:08:44,100
sure we all understand what what it says. Yeah, and and I think
01:08:44,100 --> 01:08:47,300
we kind of chatted about this during the emergency ordinance as
01:08:47,300 --> 01:08:50,100
well. And the term deemed complete is a pretty
1330
01:08:50,100 --> 01:08:53,300
significant milestone for projects. It's also
1331
01:08:53,300 --> 01:08:55,900
the least objective Milestone that we have.
01:08:56,400 --> 01:08:59,600
You know when we get applications in the door, they go
1333
01:08:59,600 --> 01:09:02,400
through a couple of different steps, right? You submit an application and
1334
01:09:02,400 --> 01:09:05,500
we make sure we have the documents that we need and and
01:09:05,500 --> 01:09:08,200
they pay their application fees and then the planning staff
1336
01:09:08,200 --> 01:09:11,200
will review and make sure that all of those documents include all
1337
01:09:11,200 --> 01:09:14,500
of the necessary information. And so I think
1338
01:09:14,500 --> 01:09:17,400
that the reason why we recommend using
1339
01:09:17,400 --> 01:09:20,400
that Milestone as deemed complete is because that is an actual
1340
01:09:20,400 --> 01:09:23,800
Milestone that gets communicated to an applicant where they
01:09:23,800 --> 01:09:26,200
are formally in the process because we have everything that we
01:09:26,200 --> 01:09:29,700
need to do our full analysis. And so one of
1343
01:09:29,700 --> 01:09:33,000
the concerns about having a less
1344
01:09:32,400 --> 01:09:35,700
objective kind of Milestone is
1345
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01:09:35,700 --> 01:09:38,800
that we may get an onslaught of
1346
01:09:38,800 --> 01:09:41,200
incomplete applications because people are just trying to
01:09:41,200 --> 01:09:44,100
submit an application but it may be, you know,
1348
01:09:44,100 --> 01:09:47,400
a fraction of the information that we need, right? So because I
1349
01:09:47,400 --> 01:09:51,500
think we talked about that at the emergency ordinance as well. Sorry. I
01:09:51,500 --> 01:09:52,300
just want to know how many
1351
01:09:53,200 --> 01:09:56,300
Current projects. Let's say we send this to
1352
01:09:56,300 --> 01:09:58,900
City Council in the next meeting. They approve the annual mortgage.
01:09:59,500 --> 01:10:02,700
How many current projects would that Encompass that
1354
01:10:02,700 --> 01:10:05,400
would not have to worry about vesting because
1355
01:10:05,400 --> 01:10:06,700
they're already in the process?
1356
01:10:08,300 --> 01:10:12,900
So really the the vulnerability is projects
1357
01:10:11,900 --> 01:10:14,900
that have submitted but
1358
01:10:14,900 --> 01:10:17,600
haven't been deemed complete which probably by
01:10:17,600 --> 01:10:20,900
the time this ordinance goes into effect. They're
01:10:20,900 --> 01:10:23,600
going to be deemed complete. So I don't
1361
01:10:23,600 --> 01:10:27,000
think there's a big risk to that Universe the
1362
01:10:26,500 --> 01:10:29,300
the risk is those that
1363
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01:10:29,300 --> 01:10:32,600
are in pre-application and as Brenda indicated.
1364
01:10:32,600 --> 01:10:35,300
So what if that is a
1365
01:10:35,300 --> 01:10:39,100
concern if the commission will take that back because the
1366
01:10:38,100 --> 01:10:43,800
difficulty we have with pre-application applications
01:10:41,800 --> 01:10:45,100
is that
1368
01:10:44,100 --> 01:10:47,600
there is no determination and
1369
01:10:47,600 --> 01:10:51,000
there's no time frame for how long that
1370
01:10:50,200 --> 01:10:53,100
decision is valid.
1371
01:10:54,100 --> 01:10:57,400
So unlike design review permits. There is
1372
01:10:57,400 --> 01:11:00,500
a expiration date for how long that approval
1373
01:11:00,500 --> 01:11:05,200
is good for there is no expiration date
1374
01:11:04,200 --> 01:11:07,300
for a pre-application. So what we don't
1375
01:11:07,300 --> 01:11:10,400
want is a project has been
1376
01:11:10,400 --> 01:11:13,400
approved through pre-application and then it
1377
01:11:13,400 --> 01:11:17,200
sits for two years or three years before that design
01:11:16,200 --> 01:11:19,400
review application is actually submitted.
1379
01:11:20,300 --> 01:11:24,100
So we will need to work through this issue. If the
1380
01:11:23,100 --> 01:11:27,900
commission is looking to vest a
1381
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01:11:27,900 --> 01:11:30,700
project under old standards with
1382
01:11:30,700 --> 01:11:32,300
the filing of a pre-application.
Commissioner Morrow Comments
1383
01:11:33,800 --> 01:11:36,800
Can we add a time limit
1384
01:11:36,800 --> 01:11:39,400
to preamp exactly? So so that's if
1385
01:11:39,400 --> 01:11:42,400
that is your desire then what we'll do
1386
01:11:42,400 --> 01:11:46,000
is take back that information and figure
1387
01:11:45,300 --> 01:11:48,500
out how to fix the vulnerabilities that
01:11:48,500 --> 01:11:51,500
we know of in the process. I mean a reasonable
1389
01:11:51,500 --> 01:11:54,400
amount of time whatever it is, but we do get projects that
1390
01:11:54,400 --> 01:11:58,100
come back after a few years that we're pre design
01:11:57,100 --> 01:12:00,400
review approved and right then I've said
1392
01:12:00,400 --> 01:12:03,500
and we haven't seen them again and if the rules change in
1393
01:12:03,500 --> 01:12:06,500
between, I'd like to if they come back I'd like
01:12:06,500 --> 01:12:09,600
to make them apply the new rules exactly. It's recent
01:12:09,600 --> 01:12:13,300
Hotel projects. Come to mind. Yeah a
1396
01:12:12,300 --> 01:12:14,500
wall I mean
1397
01:12:16,300 --> 01:12:19,900
Can you reiterate that one more time for me in layman's terms
1398
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01:12:19,900 --> 01:12:22,600
you father so in for most
1399
01:12:22,600 --> 01:12:26,000
every permit that we Grant you
1400
01:12:25,300 --> 01:12:28,900
are making a finding or there
1401
01:12:28,900 --> 01:12:31,500
is an official action you're taking to approve
1402
01:12:31,500 --> 01:12:34,300
deny or approve with conditions of
1403
01:12:34,300 --> 01:12:37,900
approval. Right? There's a record of that determination and
1404
01:12:37,900 --> 01:12:40,800
then that approval is good for a
1405
01:12:40,800 --> 01:12:43,300
certain period of time a year. It can
1406
01:12:43,300 --> 01:12:46,800
be extended usually for another year. And so
1407
01:12:46,800 --> 01:12:49,600
there is a procedure for how long those approvals
1408
01:12:49,600 --> 01:12:52,200
are good for there's a shelf life to
1409
01:12:52,200 --> 01:12:52,300
them.
Suzanne Frick Comments
1410
01:12:53,200 --> 01:12:57,500
In the pre-application process, there
01:12:56,500 --> 01:12:59,500
is no determination. The
1412
01:12:59,500 --> 01:13:02,500
Planning and Zoning commission makes there is
1413
01:13:02,500 --> 01:13:05,400
no time frame for how
1414
01:13:05,400 --> 01:13:08,600
long that decision is good for. All
1415
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01:13:08,600 --> 01:13:12,100
you are doing in a pre-op is to say yep. We're
1416
01:13:11,100 --> 01:13:14,800
okay. You can now file your
1417
01:13:14,800 --> 01:13:16,500
design review application.
1418
01:13:17,500 --> 01:13:20,500
And so then that really starts the formal review
1419
01:13:20,500 --> 01:13:23,600
and approval process because remember in pre-app, there's
1420
01:13:23,600 --> 01:13:27,000
no public hearing. It is really an informal.
1421
01:13:26,700 --> 01:13:29,900
It's it's English
1422
01:13:29,900 --> 01:13:33,100
a red between us exactly. It is an informal discussion
01:13:32,100 --> 01:13:35,600
between the commission and the applicant no
1424
01:13:35,600 --> 01:13:38,400
public hearing no public input. It is
1425
01:13:38,400 --> 01:13:41,400
really just for you to say projects good
1426
01:13:41,400 --> 01:13:45,400
to go move it on to the next phase of review. And
1427
01:13:44,400 --> 01:13:48,200
so if we're now investing projects
1428
01:13:47,200 --> 01:13:50,800
under that procedure, we
1429
01:13:50,800 --> 01:13:54,000
need to kind of build quardrails around
1430
01:13:53,400 --> 01:13:57,100
it so that we aren't vesting a
1431
01:13:56,100 --> 01:14:00,600
project for years and years and years. Well things
1432
01:13:59,600 --> 01:14:02,500
have changed reasonable but limited
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Commissioner Morrow Comments
1433
01:14:02,500 --> 01:14:05,000
amount of time. So if you change or you
1434
01:14:05,500 --> 01:14:08,200
wait a year, you have to come back and redesign in the old one doesn't
1435
01:14:08,200 --> 01:14:11,200
work anymore. And that's I I'm a big
1436
01:14:11,200 --> 01:14:12,800
fan of putting that in so we don't get
01:14:13,700 --> 01:14:16,500
This kind of none of the developers want
1438
01:14:16,500 --> 01:14:19,200
us to have any say in what they do in their time frame and but
1439
01:14:19,200 --> 01:14:22,300
they're real happy to abuse the system if they can drag it
1440
01:14:22,300 --> 01:14:25,400
out for three years and it benefits them then they'll do that. Well, I'd
1441
01:14:25,400 --> 01:14:29,100
like to eliminate that because that's bull
City Staff Comments
1442
01:14:28,100 --> 01:14:32,100
so and and maybe it is that we
1443
01:14:31,100 --> 01:14:34,500
figure out what's the universe of projects.
1444
01:14:34,500 --> 01:14:37,700
They're in pre-app when this ordinance comes
1445
01:14:37,700 --> 01:14:40,500
forward and then those specific projects are the
01:14:40,500 --> 01:14:43,200
ones that get grandfather did and and then we
1447
01:14:43,200 --> 01:14:46,600
give them a period of time. So if this again
1448
01:14:46,600 --> 01:14:49,000
is a direction that commission wants us to
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01:14:49,100 --> 01:14:52,100
go in we'll figure out the mechanics of how to make it
Commissioner Morrow Comments
1450
01:14:52,100 --> 01:14:55,800
work. Yeah, and it gets us around saying hey, it's it's vested
01:14:55,800 --> 01:14:58,300
even though it's not approved right? We're saying look
1452
01:14:58,300 --> 01:15:02,900
you can do this, but you have to come to design approval and
1453
01:15:02,900 --> 01:15:05,200
you have to do that within a certain amount of time or you have to
1454
01:15:05,200 --> 01:15:08,100
start over and if they don't like it or it's uncertain
01:15:09,200 --> 01:15:10,000
Not too bad.
1456
01:15:10,900 --> 01:15:11,600
Okay, so we're
1457
01:15:12,900 --> 01:15:15,400
Oh, sorry, and I was just gonna clarify something the
1458
01:15:15,400 --> 01:15:19,000
Mr. Lasky stated not all projects require pre-application. So
1459
01:15:18,200 --> 01:15:21,100
we do have a good chunk of projects that are
1460
01:15:21,100 --> 01:15:24,300
on single Ketchum Town site Lots if you all recall
01:15:24,300 --> 01:15:27,900
you did make a change to the pre application process earlier on
1462
01:15:27,900 --> 01:15:30,300
this year with the final historic preservation
1463
01:15:30,300 --> 01:15:33,000
ordinance. So there are a good chunk of
1464
01:15:33,400 --> 01:15:36,600
projects that don't that aren't going to be subject to this because pre
application
1465
01:15:36,600 --> 01:15:37,000
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Commissioner Moczygemba Comments
1466
01:15:39,800 --> 01:15:42,500
At night I would agree and thanks for the clarification
01:15:42,500 --> 01:15:45,300
Susan on pre-application not
1468
01:15:45,300 --> 01:15:48,300
having a I guess expiration date so to
1469
01:15:48,300 --> 01:15:51,100
speak so I think that's a great idea. I don't
1470
01:15:51,100 --> 01:15:51,800
know that any.
1471
01:15:52,700 --> 01:15:56,000
Applications pre-applications are going to be rushed
1472
01:15:55,300 --> 01:15:58,500
in between now and then because it I
1473
01:15:58,500 --> 01:16:01,800
think well, I think it's been said before the requirements
1474
01:16:01,800 --> 01:16:04,900
for pre-application are essentially the requirements
1475
01:16:04,900 --> 01:16:07,400
for design review. And so you're
1476
01:16:07,400 --> 01:16:10,100
still needing civil landscape on and on.
01:16:10,100 --> 01:16:13,500
So anyways, I guess I'm not too worried about a glut
1478
01:16:13,500 --> 01:16:15,200
of applications trying to squeeze in.
1479
01:16:17,800 --> 01:16:20,000
So that we've we're kind of
1480
01:16:20,200 --> 01:16:21,200
okay with the first one then.
1481
01:16:21,700 --> 01:16:22,200
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1482
01:16:23,300 --> 01:16:26,700
Still not a hundred Brazil trying to get this out of bureaucracy
Commissioner Carter Comments
1483
01:16:26,700 --> 01:16:30,200
and the electric is that if you're
1484
01:16:30,200 --> 01:16:34,000
as soon as your application is deemed complete after if
1485
01:16:33,600 --> 01:16:36,400
you complete before the ordinance changes, then
1486
01:16:36,400 --> 01:16:40,500
you are you must meet the requirements of before
1487
01:16:39,500 --> 01:16:42,200
the ordinance. If you're deemed
01:16:42,200 --> 01:16:45,400
complete after the ordinance change and you have to meet the requirements
of the
1489
01:16:45,400 --> 01:16:48,400
new ordinance right of all of all applications the
1490
01:16:48,400 --> 01:16:53,200
tricky part is this pre app. So I
1491
01:16:51,200 --> 01:16:55,600
think we're saying that if you're
1492
01:16:55,600 --> 01:16:57,300
pre-app is deemed complete.
01:16:58,500 --> 01:17:01,500
And correct me if I'm wrong staff, but if
1494
01:17:01,500 --> 01:17:04,800
you're if you're pre-app is deemed complete that isn't
1495
01:17:04,800 --> 01:17:07,000
that isn't the same
01:17:07,500 --> 01:17:10,700
metric because pre app is different. So you actually
1497
01:17:10,700 --> 01:17:13,100
have to get through pre-app and then have your
1498
01:17:13,100 --> 01:17:16,200
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design review deemed complete. That's that's how
1499
01:17:16,200 --> 01:17:17,100
I understand it and
1500
01:17:18,800 --> 01:17:21,100
I think that but it's written so
01:17:21,100 --> 01:17:24,300
put it to put it straight. We have currently written. We're having
1502
01:17:24,300 --> 01:17:27,700
this option to apply this ordinance potentially to
01:17:28,900 --> 01:17:31,700
For the man Perry's building.
1504
01:17:33,200 --> 01:17:36,200
So if it's Etc if it passes, I think we're saying
1505
01:17:36,200 --> 01:17:40,800
let's make it let's move the metric to pre-app deemed
1506
01:17:40,800 --> 01:17:43,300
complete that will learn those aren't through
01:17:43,300 --> 01:17:43,900
the final.
1508
01:17:45,100 --> 01:17:48,400
No, I just know we're suggestions. We're just being complete but
1509
01:17:48,400 --> 01:17:51,800
make pre-app, uh limited limited
1510
01:17:51,800 --> 01:17:54,600
amount of time reason why it's written
01:17:54,600 --> 01:17:55,400
that.
1512
01:17:56,300 --> 01:17:59,700
The preappdeem complete metric isn't
1513
01:17:59,700 --> 01:18:03,100
adequate is because you what
1514
01:18:02,100 --> 01:18:05,400
we're saying is creep team complete is
1515
01:18:05,400 --> 01:18:08,300
inadequate you it must be designed review deemed complete
1516
01:18:08,300 --> 01:18:11,400
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right but we're saying what if
1517
01:18:11,400 --> 01:18:14,600
we move it to pre-app deemed complete but put a
1518
01:18:14,600 --> 01:18:17,700
limitation on how long that pre approval.
01:18:18,900 --> 01:18:21,800
Informal approval is right. So we're
1520
01:18:21,800 --> 01:18:23,300
moving the metric from
1521
01:18:24,400 --> 01:18:27,200
design it design design review deemed complete to
1522
01:18:27,200 --> 01:18:28,700
pre-app. Does that team complete?
1523
01:18:29,400 --> 01:18:32,100
Right. That's what we're talking. That's what we're seeing. This will
only
1524
01:18:32,100 --> 01:18:35,600
last until the ordinance is approved and then there will be the rule and
there
1525
01:18:35,600 --> 01:18:38,400
will be no more. So it only is those projects that are
01:18:38,400 --> 01:18:41,200
falling through the middle that that it will
1527
01:18:41,200 --> 01:18:45,300
happen and that has to find a way to put proper guard Wells on pre-app
approvals
1528
01:18:44,300 --> 01:18:47,800
and it is in an infinite. We'll vote
1529
01:18:47,800 --> 01:18:49,900
on a time frame for it in the next meeting but
1530
01:18:50,200 --> 01:18:53,200
Or we identify specifically what those projects are
1531
01:18:53,200 --> 01:18:56,200
and then you know, we give them a time
01:18:56,200 --> 01:18:59,800
frame but here you go, right? So right now
1533
01:18:59,800 --> 01:19:02,500
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there's yeah, there's probably one project that
1534
01:19:02,500 --> 01:19:06,400
is caught in this limbo right now. Okay, so
1535
01:19:05,400 --> 01:19:08,100
we'll we'll if this is the
1536
01:19:08,100 --> 01:19:10,300
desire we'll figure out how to make it happen.
1537
01:19:11,600 --> 01:19:14,100
I mean, like I said, I wish
01:19:14,100 --> 01:19:17,500
it was applying to all those but it doesn't seem totally fair and
1539
01:19:17,500 --> 01:19:20,000
I want to make it apply because these are some of
1540
01:19:20,100 --> 01:19:23,300
our last Lots it's a super transitional time.
1541
01:19:23,300 --> 01:19:24,800
I'm just trying to cut through.
01:19:25,500 --> 01:19:26,900
To the straight answers here.
1543
01:19:31,600 --> 01:19:34,600
Thanks. Yeah, you want to go to the next one? Yeah, sure
1544
01:19:34,600 --> 01:19:37,600
section two I think is just a definition. So
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September 16, 2022

Thielsen Architects

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Galena Engineering

Attn: Matt Smithman - Civil Engineer

[Sent via email]

Re: 260 N 1st Ave – Preapplication Design Review - Completeness Review

Dear Mr. Thielsen and Mr. Smithman,

The City of Ketchum Departments have completed their review of the Preapplication Design Review for the project at 260 N 1st Ave. Please see below for all comments. At this time, the application has been deemed incomplete. Additionally, it appears that some elements of the project are not compliant with applicable sections of the Ketchum Municipal Code (KMC). While you provided many of the required materials, the following items must be corrected, and revised information must be provided to certify the application as complete. Where applicable, references to the KMC have been provided for clarity. Please provide a written response to each comment upon resubmittal of your application materials.

Planning Department

General Zoning Comments

- 1. Comment: Based on the slope of the lot, it is correct to apply the term "basement" to the project and remove that square footage from the building. However, staff will need to verify that the methodology used for establishing what area falls under the definition of "basement" is correct.
 - a. Required Action: Please provide a diagram in schematic or plan and section views showing how the invisible plane was delineated and what square footage is included in the "basement" definition and what constitutes the 954.16 SF of gross floor area remaining.
- 2. Comment: The Gross Floor Area (GFA) and Net Floor Area (NFA) calculations on Sheet A1.1 don't appear to match the net and gross SF outlined on Sheets A1.2-A1.4. For the ground level, the gross floor area on Sheet A 1.1 and A1.2 indicate a net floor area of 5,680 SF, however it is unclear what that square footage includes. Also, for Sheets A1.3 and A1.4, the GFA outlined is consistent with Sheet A1.1 but it is unclear what constitutes the NFA for these levels and what has been removed since the stair tower and elevator have already been removed.
 - a. Required Action: Please provide Floor Area diagrams for each floor that outlines what is included in the GFA and what is not. The best way to show this is by using shading or coloring to color code each area. In the diagrams, please also include square footages.
- 3. Comment: Sheet A1.1 shows GFA of the building, however, specific square footage of each unit and each space on the ground floor is necessary to verify parking requirements for all uses.
 - a. Required Action: Please revised Sheet A1.1 to include a summary of square footages by use that outlines each residential unit, parking, storage, The Commons, and the Commons Court and Event Space

4. Comment: The cover letter submitted as part of the project outlines that the intent of the ground floor Commons and Commons Court and Event Center is to be a "gathering place....which would be used for fundraising and philanthropic events". The letter does not address the use of the space when those events are not happening. Staff presumes this space would be for the benefit of the residents, family and guests but not the public, however, this is a deduction based on the cover letter and clarification is necessary. Staff is also unclear whether the fundraising and event space is only the Commons Court and Event Space, or if it includes the Commons as well. Additionally, Sheet A1.1 outlines under "Required Parking" that the space is classified as "Food Service". Staff does not believe the proposed use meets the definition of food service, but rather an "Assembly, place of". The floor plans do not show a location within the space where food is being prepared. This is a key element of a "Food Service" use. The definitions of referenced uses are noted below:

Food service: An establishment where food and drink are prepared, served and consumed on site with associated outdoor dining, or distributed to customers through take out, delivery or catering. Typical uses include, but are not limited to restaurants, cafes, delis, catering services and brewpubs that do not distribute beer produced for off-site consumption.

Assembly, place of: The use of land for a meeting place where persons gather together for purposes of attending civic, social, religious functions, recreational events or entertainment performances on a regular or recurring basis including, but not limited to, religious institutions, banquet facilities, funeral homes, theaters, conference centers, stadiums, or indoor or outdoor recreational facilities, but excludes a "cultural facility" as defined by this chapter. A gathering of less than 25 persons shall not be considered a place of assembly provided the gathering is accessory and incidental to the principal use.

Assembly uses require the approval of a Conditional Use Permit in the CC-2 zone district to ensure any impacts from events held in the space are mitigated through certain conditions.

- a. Required Action: Please provide an expanded narrative as to the function of the ground floor space and justification for its classification as Food Service. Please provide clarity on the function of the space when not being used for events. Please also provide clarity on what portion of the space will be used for events. Once additional information is provided, staff will make a determination on the use proposed.
- 5. Comment: It generally appears that the project is in conformance with setback requirements, however, the methodology used appears that there may be area where square footage is calculated toward both facades' setback square footage, which is not the correct methodology. In general, square footage should be counted toward one side other the other using reasonable extensions of the building façade to delineate space. Please see the attached example from another project for reference. The front façade along 1st Ave had a portion of the building on the south end significantly set back from the street. In this instance, the main edge of the building façade was carried to the property line to delineated what was included in the setback square footage (area in black). As you can see, the two setback calculations do not overlap (black and red areas).
 - a. Required Action: Please revise Sheets A1.2-1.4 delineate the square footage calculation with independent calculations for each façade. Staff has provided an attached draft of how the calculations should be delineated for the ground floor.
- 6. Comment: Sheet A7 outlines the proposed building height at the front and the rear of the building and the guardrail that extends above the 42-foot height maximum. Although the code reference in Note 10 is correct in relation to height, the city categorizes "perimeter walls that enclose roof top decks that exceed the maximum building height limit as a "fixed amenity" that must be set back 10 feet from the building façade per KMC 17.12.040. Built-in hot tubs are also considered "fixed

amenities" that must be set back. It is unclear from Sheet A6 what the setback is to the hot tub from the building façade at that location.

- a. Required Action: Please revise the plans to reflect the required setback for all roof top decks. Please also revise Sheet A6 to provide a dimension from the building façade to the hot tub location.
- 7. Comment: The 3-foot setback along the alley shows wood fencing to screen the transformer and condensers, electric meters/CT panel, and raised landscape bed. The 3-foot setback is intended to be a clear zone to assist in snow management operations in the winter, therefore these items need to be relocated from within the 3 feet setback along the alley.
 - a. Required Action: Please revise the site plans to reflect revisions as noted above to avoid future unintended damage of property due to snow management operations. Please also provide a letter from Idaho Power approving the location of the transformer with associated clearances and proposed electric meters.
- 8. Comment: Depending on final use determination for the ground floor space, the dumpster and one recycling bin will not likely be adequate for the proposed use when special events occur. Once a use determination is made for the ground floor space, a letter of approval of the garbage service based on the use will be required from Clear Creek Disposal.
 - a. Required Action: This comment is for information only; no action is required at this time. Upon use determination, please provide a letter from Clear Creek Disposal approving the garbage configuration.
- 9. Comment: Sheet A2 shows the dimensions of the parking garage area including dimensions of the parking spaces and width of the drive aisle, however, the dimensions of the 5 spaces on the Sun Valley Rd side of the parking area are noted to not meet minimum requirements and the drive aisle width does not appear to meet the 24-foot minimum between the stair and bump out where the "Trolly" area is noted. Drive aisle between stairwell and trolley/bump out area needs to also be 24 feet. Compact spaces are only permitted with certain types of uses and only when the total number of required spaces is 10 or more. If parking is proposed, it must meet the minimum dimensional standards.
 - a. Required Action: Please revise the ground floor layout to demonstrate that all parking spaces meet the minimum dimensional standards and that the drive aisle width of 24 feet can be met for the full length of the drive aisle.
- 10. Comment: Construction Management Plans (CMP) are no longer required at the time of design review. Staff has not reviewed the submitted CMP. Comments on the CMP are provided at the time of building permit application for a project.
 - a. Required Action: No action required at this time, this comment is for information only.
- 11. Comment: Sheets EL5-8 show the foot candles at the property boundary, however, the sheets do not show foot candles outside the property line. Staff is concerned that there may be light trespass across the property boundary into the public right-of-way as there are numerous locations along the perimeter that have medium to high foot candle measures. For instance, foot candles measuring 1.0 and 2.8 adjacent to the north property boundary and alley measurements of 9.1 and 8.8. There may be no light trespass across the property boundary per KMC 17.132.030 stating "All existing and/or new exterior lighting shall not cause light trespass and shall protect adjacent properties from glare and excessive lighting." Figure 1 in the KMC only refers to light emitting from inside buildings, not exterior lighting.
 - a. Required Action: Please revise the photometric study to include foot candle measurements just outside the property boundary for verification there is no light trespass. Please note that all exterior lighting including planter, tree, and water feature lights should be included in the calculations.

- 12. Comment: Per KMC 17.132.030.F "Uplighting. Uplighting is prohibited in all zoning districts, except as where permitted in this chapter." Staff does not believe that the "Lip of Planter" lighting or the water feature lighting fully complies with the limitation on uplighting. As outlined in KMC 17.132.030.H.2 "All exterior lighting fixtures shall be full cutoff fixtures with the light source fully shielded, except as exempted in this chapter." As such, light fixtures must be fully shielded as to not cast light up or sideways, always casting light down as illustrated in Figure 2. For instance, the "Under Cap Lighting" is compliant as it is fully shielded based on the image.
 - a. *Required Action:* Please revised the lighting proposed to comply with the dark sky compliant requirements and fixture guidelines.
- 13. Comment: Stair tower lighting that must remain consistently illuminated 24 hours per day due to building code requirements must be mitigated with glazing or other treatments to windows that limit the amount of light emitting from the building overnight.
 - a. *Required Action:* Please provide clarity on whether any glazing is proposed for the central stair tower and whether consistent light will emit from this feature in all hours of the evening.
- 14. *Comment:* The street light illumination levels and placement of lights may not be in the correct location based on current discussions with the City Engineer and Planning departments.
 - a. Required Action: As this is a preapplication design review. No further action on street light location is required at this time, however, final street light location will be determined at the time of final design review if the project moves forward.

Design Review Comments

The following comments are provided for consideration by the applicant. Revisions to the plans are not required, but recommended, unless otherwise noted. If revisions are not made, the following comments will be provided to the Planning and Zoning Commission for their consideration and feedback.

- 1. Comment: Per KMC 17.96.060.B.2 and 3, "2. For nonresidential portions of buildings, front building facades and facades fronting a pedestrian walkway shall be designed with ground floor storefront windows and doors with clear transparent glass. Landscaping planters shall be incorporated into facades fronting pedestrian walkways." and "3. For nonresidential portions of buildings, front facades shall be designed to not obscure views into windows." These two standards serve to demonstrate the importance of creating an active and interesting pedestrian environment. Landscaping is encouraged, but not if it obscures views into windows. Staff has concerns that the ground floor façade of the building along Sun Valley Rd and the portion of N 1st Ave closest to Sun Valley Rd do not meet the intent of this standard as the architectural design of the project does not engage with pedestrians and serves more to privatize the space for residents and guests that create an environment that is active and interesting for pedestrians. More specifically, the landscape planter boxes that wrap the corner where the outdoor area is are 3-feet in height and the proposed plantings in the landscape boxes are shrubs and hedge like species that can grow quite tall over time. Additionally, the façade facing Sun Valley Rd has minimal storefront characteristics with transparent glass. Staff understands that the interior program of the building is driving the façade configurations, however, the proposed façade on the Sun Valley Rd side of the project does not meet the city's design review objectives. Sun Valley Rd is one of our more heavily traveled corridors by pedestrians. This intersection is the location of two new projects in recent years that intensely serve to engage pedestrians with the Maude's retail and coffee shop on one corner and a new office building on another that has well-articulated store front facades on both street frontages. The Commission will be keenly focused on continuing the design success of the other projects as this is such an important intersection within the downtown.
 - a. Required Action: Staff recommends the applicant consider revising the landscape planter and plantings proposed around the outdoor gathering area to create a more engaging, less

privatize program for the outdoor space. Additionally, staff recommends the applicant evaluate ways to integrate additional transparency onto the Sun Valley Rd side of the project. Staff recommends an evaluation of bringing the ground floor uses around to the Sun Valley Rd side of the building.

- 2. Comment: Per KMC 17.96.060.B.1 "Facades facing a street or alley or located more than five feet from an interior side property line shall be designed with both solid surfaces and window openings to avoid the creation of blank walls and employ similar architectural elements, materials, and colors as the front facade." The Commission has paid special attention to interior walls that are exposed due to adjacent buildings that are of smaller scale than the proposed project. This is especially important when adjacent buildings are one-story structures adjacent to a three-story structure. Although staff believes the setback nature of the project mitigates some of these concerns, staff does have concern about the lack of material variation on the east elevation shown on Sheet A8. Include the outline of the adjacent buildings on the elevations for context
 - a. Required Action: As part of the resubmittal materials, please revise the elevation on Sheet A8 to show the outlined of the adjacent building for reference. Staff recommends the applicant consider some material variations to break up the east elevation portions of the building that are exposed.

Interim Ordinance Conformance

As you may know, the Ketchum City Council is reviewing an interim ordinance on Monday, September 19, 2022, to revise permitted uses and development standards in portions of the downtown. The project, as proposed, does not conform to many of the requirements of the new regulations. Although the ordinance has not been adopted and is not effective at this time, the project may not be exempt from the pending regulations depending on adoption timeframes and applicability as approved by City Council. The following items are provided as a courtesy for your information.

- 1. The proposed project exceeds the base FAR of 1.0. For projects that exceed the base FAR and receive a density bonus, a minimum number of residential units will be required. For a lot of this size, a 100% residential project would be required to provide a minimum of 21 residential units. Depending on the amount of commercial space, this number may decrease. Final determination of number of units required will depend on final use determination of the proposed ground floor use.
- 2. Ground floor residential uses with street frontage will no longer be permitted on this property and the ground floor will be required to have at least 55% of the GFA of the ground floor be commercial uses
- 3. No individual residential unit may exceed 3,000 square feet. The proposed units would not comply with this requirement.
- 4. The code will no longer allow the number of parking spaces to be more than what is required by the municipal code, therefore, the additional parking proposed by the project will not be permitted.
- 5. Projects subject to design review must show general conformance with the goals, policies, and objectives of the comprehensive plan. The purpose of the interim ordinance is to increase the supply of housing in the downtown and ensure vibrant and active uses on the ground floor. As proposed, staff does not believe this project forwards the goals and objectives of the comprehensive plan as the proposed project is a significant underutilization of a key piece of property in the downtown along one of our busiest vehicular and pedestrian corridors.

For some of the standards outlined above, relief can be granted through the Conditional Use Permit process per the interim ordinance. A separate application form and justification of how the project meets the Conditional Use Permit criteria will be required. Staff will provide an update to the applicant following the September 19, 2022 hearing as to remain transparent about applicability of the proposed ordinance.

Fire Department

Please see the attached comments from the fire department. Additionally, our Fire Marshall is currently working remotely with limited download capabilities. He noted that a standpipe may be required for the project. These items can be addressed for final design review and building permit application, no revisions are required at this time.

Water and Sewer Departments

The comments below can be addressed at the time of building permit, no revisions are required at this time.

Comments from Water Department

1. Comments were not received as of the date of this letter. Comments will be sent under separate cover.

Comments from Sewer

1. No comments.

Streets and Engineering

Please see the attached memo with comments from the City Engineer. These comments are informational at this time and will need to be resolved for the final design review submittal if the project moves forward. No comments on the preapplication were received by the Streets department, however, additional comments from streets will be provided for final design review.

Please provide a revised plan set addressing all applicable comments as noted above. Please also provide a written response to each comment noting if and where changes on the plan set were made. Once revised application materials and a written response to questions above are received, staff will conduct another review to determine if the information provided is sufficient to deem the application complete.

Please do not hesitate to email or call should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Morgan Landers, AICP

Senior Planner

City of Ketchum Department of Planning and Building



CITY OF KETCHUM MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Monday, September 19, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: (00:00:09 in video)

Mayor Bradshaw called the meeting of the Ketchum City Council to order at 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call:

Mayor Neil Bradshaw Courtney Hamilton Michael David (via teleconference) Jim Slanetz Amanda Breen

Also Present:

Jade Riley - City Administrator Lisa Enourato – Interim City Clerk Shellie Gallagher – Treasurer Suzanne Frick – Director Planning and Building

COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCILORS:

Mayor Bradshaw noted that over \$300,000 in cash and gift cards have been received for the victims of the Limelight Condo Fire. He also noted the work done by the Bald Mountain Stewardship Project to remove dead trees from the mountain, creating some new ski runs, reduce fire hazard, and creating a healthier forest.

AMENDED AGENDA (00:02:30 in video)

Agenda amended to add item 16 to the Consent Agenda.

Motion to approve the Amended Agenda.

Motion made by Amanda Breen; Seconded by Courtney Hamilton. **Ayes:** Amanda Breen, Michael David, Courtney Hamilton, Jim Slanetz.

Nays: None

CONSENT AGENDA: (00:03:22 in video)

Council discussed heated driveways and energy usage.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items 9, 10, 16. (00:16:33 in video)

Motion made by Amanda Breen; Seconded by Michael David.

Ayes: Amanda Breen, Michael David, Neil Bradshaw

Nays: Courtney Hamilton, Jim Slanetz.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items 2 - 8 and 11 - 15. (00:35:05 in video)

Motion made by Courtney Hamilton; Seconded by Jim Slanetz.

Ayes: Amanda Breen, Michael David, Courtney Hamilton, Jim Slanetz.

Nays: None

PUBLIC HEARING

17. Second Reading of Ordinance 1242, amending Chapter 10.05.03 (Traffic Authority) of the Ketchum Municipal Code (00:35:30 in video)

Public Comment:

No Public Comments

Motion to waive Third Readings of Ordinance 1242 and read by title only.

Motion made by Jim Slanetz; Seconded by Amanda Breen.

Ayes: Amanda Breen, Michael David, Courtney Hamilton, Jim Slanetz.

Nays: None

Second Reading by Lisa Enourato. (00:38:12 in video)

Motion to approve Ordinance 1242 and read by title only.

Motion made by Courtney Hamilton; Seconded by Amanda Breen.

Ayes: Amanda Breen, Michael David, Courtney Hamilton, Jim Slanetz.

Nays: None

18. Recommendation to hold a public hearing, review, and conduct a first reading of Interim Ordinance 1234 amending certain sections of Title 16 and Title 17 of the Ketchum Municipal Code. (00:38:47 in video)

Public Comment:

Jim Laski (00:57:33 in video)

Brenda Moczygemba (01:01:20 in video)

Tom Drougas (01:04:22 in video)

Motion to approve the First Reading of Interim Ordinance 1234 as read by Title only and schedule for second reading. (01:49:40 in video)

Motion made by Courtney Hamilton; Seconded by Jim Slanetz.

Ayes: Amanda Breen, Michael David, Courtney Hamilton, Jim Slanetz.

Nays: None

First Reading by Lisa Enourato. (01:50:07 in video)

NEW BUSINESS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION (01:51:01 in video)

Motion to move to executive session pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206(1)(f) to communicate with legal counsel on pending, imminent, or threatened litigation.

Motion made by Amanda Breen; Seconded by Jim Slanetz.

Ayes: Amanda Breen, Michael David, Courtney Hamilton, Jim Slanetz.

Nays: None

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 6:00 p.m.

Motion made by Courtney Hamilton; Seconded by Amanda Breen. Ayes: Amanda Breen, Michael David, Courtney Hamilton, Jim Slanetz.

Nays: None

Mayor Neil Bradshaw

Interim City Clerk Lisa Enourato

Below is a partial transcript of the September 19, 2022 Council Meeting. Applicants have highlighted the speaker when possible and removed text in the interest of brevity.

Okay. Nothing else required. Thank you. Okay, let's 761 00:38:46,700 --> 00:38:50,100 go on to public hearing item number 18 762 00:38:49,100 --> 00:38:52,800 recommendation to hold 763 00:38:52,800 --> 00:38:55,200 a public hearing review and conduct a first reading of 00:38:55,200 --> 00:39:00,100 interim Ordinance. One, two, three, four amending certain 00:38:59,100 --> 00:39:02,200 sections of title 16 and title 17. 766 00:39:02,200 --> 00:39:05,500 I'm going to turn it now over to Morgan 767 00:39:05,500 --> 00:39:07,600 take it from here. Thank you more than **Morgan Landers Comments** 768 00:39:08,500 --> 00:39:11,400 Evening everyone. How are you Morgan Landers senior 769 00:39:11,400 --> 00:39:14,000 planner for the city of Ketchum. So we are back in front 770 00:39:14,100 --> 00:39:17,700 of you today with interim Ordinance. One, two, three four. I'm 771 00:39:17,700 --> 00:39:20,400

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council is on that. 1153 00:58:29,300 --> 00:58:32,400 The language. Well, first of all, the language is nothing 1154 00:58:32,400 --> 00:58:35,100 to do with teens what p and Z recommended so, I'm curious 1155 00:58:35,100 --> 00:58:38,900 why pn's even recommends if it's not going to be incorporated into 1156 00:58:38,900 --> 00:58:42,000 the proposal that you guys see but second 1157 00:58:41,100 --> 00:58:45,000 of all it's clearly violates Idaho 1158 00:58:44,500 --> 00:58:47,700 law citizens against Linscott 00:58:47,700 --> 00:58:49,000 the Bonner and 1160 00:58:50,400 --> 00:58:53,400 Taylor V. Canyon County of which say 1161 00:58:53,400 --> 00:58:56,900 that a new ordinance is set in 1162 00:58:56,900 --> 00:59:00,200 comes into place at the time of the application not 1163 00:58:59,200 --> 00:59:02,200 at the time an application is 1164 00:59:02,200 --> 00:59:05,400 deemed complete by subjective staff or not 1165 00:59:05,400 --> 00:59:08,300 when a staff decides to put it on a meeting schedule 1166 00:59:08,300 --> 00:59:09,500 so that it could be 1167 00:59:10,200 --> 00:59:12,200 so I think there's a real problem if 1168

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you adopt the language in here and our project 1169 00:59:16,600 --> 00:59:18,700 is not exempt from this. 1170 00:59:19,600 --> 00:59:21,300 new ordinance 1171 00:59:22,700 --> 00:59:25,500 I think there's some other problems in the ordinance 1172 00:59:25,500 --> 00:59:29,200 the comp plan stuff. I would say is problematic 1173 00:59:28,200 --> 00:59:31,200 too. Because first you're comp plan 1174 00:59:31,200 --> 00:59:34,400 is dated in second of all, it was not written to being 00:59:34,400 --> 00:59:37,400 incorporated as part of a coordinate. So if 1176 00:59:37,400 --> 00:59:40,600 you just take it general comp plan that wasn't designed to 1177 00:59:40,600 --> 00:59:43,600 be an ordinance and you say oh we can say this conforms 1178 00:59:43,600 --> 00:59:46,300 or doesn't form comp plan is written in ways that 1179 00:59:46,300 --> 00:59:49,600 has Alternatives and what have you so you can typically always 1180 00:59:49,600 --> 00:59:51,900 find something that conforms with the comp plan or doesn't 1181 00:59:52,600 --> 00:59:55,700 And I think that's a dangerous approach to 1182 00:59:55,700 --> 00:59:58,200 take in an ordinance and slipping in those 1183 00:59:58,200 --> 01:00:01,300 couple of words really gives a ton of authority to the planning and 1184

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zoning.
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As a final statement, I think it's it's
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sad that there's nobody really here commenting. I
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don't know how many comments we might have online or not. But I feel
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like the notice Provisions while I'm sure conform with law noticing
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this hearing on a Thursday for a Monday.
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So it misses the newspaper when you're considering an
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ordinance that impacts a large number of property
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owners and is going to make I don't
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know if staff has has calculator or not, but dozens.
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If not,
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It's more than dozens of properties non-conforming properties, which
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will make it impossible for them to get loans or difficult
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01:00:40,300 --> 01:00:43,400
for them to get loans and do all lots of problems. I think
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you need to make sure that people are impacted by this ordinance
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are aware of it.
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So that they can come out and comment so limit my 1201 01:00:51,900 --> 01:00:54,400 comments to that. I love the opportunity to talk 1202 01:00:54,400 --> 01:00:58,100 to Matt about illegality of the applicability 1203 01:00:57,100 --> 01:01:00,700 of the ordinance and I certainly hope that you 1204 01:01:00,700 --> 01:01:03,200 don't wave readings of this because I think this is a really 1205 01:01:03,200 --> 01:01:04,500 important ordinance. 1206 01:01:05,300 --> 01:01:08,100 Yeah, thank you. Jim any other 01:01:08,100 --> 01:01:09,500 comments people in the room? 1208 01:01:11,800 --> 01:01:14,200 Any other comments from people online? 1209 01:01:16,100 --> 01:01:18,900 We do we have one commenter Brenda. Go ahead. 1210 01:01:19,900 --> 01:01:22,300 Hi, can you hear me? Yeah, go ahead Brenda. **Commissioner Moczygemba Comments** 1211 01:01:23,200 --> 01:01:25,900 Hi Brenda mocks again, but planning commissioner. 1212 01:01:27,100 --> 01:01:30,700 I would have to second what Mr. Lasky 1213 01:01:30,700 --> 01:01:33,900 had to say. I'm glad that staff pointed out the differences 01:01:33,900 --> 01:01:37,300

between what staff how they

01:01:37,300 --> 01:01:40,500 are presenting this interim ordinance to city council 1216 01:01:40,500 --> 01:01:43,600 versus how the Planning and Zoning commission had 1217 01:01:43,600 --> 01:01:46,400 recommended or made the motion to recommend 01:01:46,400 --> 01:01:49,600 with revisions. I think we as Morgan 1219 01:01:49,600 --> 01:01:52,400 said we beat this up pretty good. We went down one 1220 01:01:52,400 --> 01:01:55,300 by one and had very thorough conversations on 01:01:55,300 --> 01:01:59,300 each of the sections and I the 1222 01:01:58,300 --> 01:02:02,500 main difference being in the applicability and 1223 01:02:03,800 --> 01:02:06,500 Again, we went round and round in this conversation, but 1224 01:02:06,500 --> 01:02:09,900 what it came down to was about 1225 01:02:09,900 --> 01:02:13,100 fairness and when 1226 01:02:12,100 --> 01:02:15,800 a project is submitted for pre-application 1227 01:02:15,800 --> 01:02:18,800 the city of Ketchum requirements for 1228 01:02:18,800 --> 01:02:20,600 pre-application designer review. 1229 01:02:21,300 --> 01:02:24,300 Are very much the exact same 1230 01:02:24,300 --> 01:02:27,800

as they are for a full-on design review. And

01:02:27,800 --> 01:02:30,300 so the what was discussed is that 1232 01:02:30,300 --> 01:02:33,300 the time and money has been just has been 1233 01:02:33,300 --> 01:02:36,700 spent by the developer the property owner. 01:02:36,700 --> 01:02:39,400 Whoever it may be for the 1235 01:02:39,400 --> 01:02:43,300 design team to develop architectural drawings. 1236 01:02:44,200 --> 01:02:46,400 civil drawings landscape drawings 01:02:47,300 --> 01:02:51,000 lighting locations photometric studies 1238 01:02:50,200 --> 01:02:53,400 on and on it goes so while it 1239 01:02:53,400 --> 01:02:56,700 may be not a while. It 1240 01:02:56,700 --> 01:03:00,800 may be an informal recommendation and there's no vesting I 1241 01:02:59,800 --> 01:03:02,900 think out of fairness these 1242 01:03:02,900 --> 01:03:04,100 projects that have been 1243 01:03:05,700 --> 01:03:08,300 on someone's plate and time and money 1244 01:03:08,300 --> 01:03:11,500 spent for six to nine to maybe even 12 months. 1245 01:03:13,500 --> 01:03:16,800 In my mind, it was only fair to say. Hey pre-application 1246 01:03:16,800 --> 01:03:19,900 design review

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applications that have been deemed complete should not

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be under.

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this interim ordinance

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and then I was the sole

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commissioner that was not entirely

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convinced of the section talking about.

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Being able to evaluate projects solely based on the comp

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plan. I believe that's where we need to head in

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restructuring our

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Our entire zoning code, which is essentially where

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where we're headed, but for the sake of this interim

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ordinance, I just didn't think that it was appropriate to be

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in this interim ordinance.

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Good for one year. Thank you.

Councilwoman Hamilton Comments

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is most important. So I like the idea of including

01:14:19,500 --> 01:14:22,800 that in this in this 1464 01:14:22,800 --> 01:14:25,200 ordinance in terms of 1465 01:14:25,200 --> 01:14:26,000 applicability. 1466 01:14:28,100 --> 01:14:32,600 I don't have a strong feeling when we are the other. I mean, I understand what 01:14:31,600 --> 01:14:34,400 Brenda is saying Mr. Lasky. I 1468 01:14:34,400 --> 01:14:38,400 think that a lot of work has gone into projects that 01:14:37,400 --> 01:14:39,100 being said. 1470 01:14:40,400 --> 01:14:43,100 This has been and this ordinance has been in the 1471 01:14:43,100 --> 01:14:46,400 public records since at least February. It's been 1472 01:14:46,400 --> 01:14:49,200 discussed since then. So I think that there is something to 1473 01:14:49,200 --> 01:14:52,200 be said about, you know projects who have been working. 1474 01:14:53,100 --> 01:14:53,400 in 1475 01:14:54,500 --> 01:14:58,300 potential conflict with this ordinance that 1476 01:14:57,300 --> 01:15:00,400 this this is been out 1477 01:15:00,400 --> 01:15:00,900 there for a while. 1478 01:15:02,600 --> 01:15:05,500 and that if they haven't had an opportunity to

01:15:06,600 --> 01:15:09,500 How to take public comment or have 1480 01:15:09,500 --> 01:15:13,100 public input via the pnz that 1481 01:15:12,100 --> 01:15:15,300 they should be subject to this so I 01:15:15,300 --> 01:15:18,500 don't know I'm curious what the rest of the council has to say on the 01:15:18,500 --> 01:15:20,100 applicability standard. Councilman Slanetz Comments 1561 01:19:24,400 --> 01:19:27,700 vision of the city is fresh. I think makes that 1562 01:19:28,500 --> 01:19:32,400 a much better way to to go about that as far 1563 01:19:32,400 --> 01:19:36,700 as Mr. Lasky's things. I 1564 01:19:35,700 --> 01:19:38,200 guess that was the question comes down to 1565 01:19:38,200 --> 01:19:41,400 whether you're doing it at the time of the pre-application or 1566 01:19:41,400 --> 01:19:42,500 later on. 1567 01:19:44,700 --> 01:19:47,100 I guess my thing on that is can we you know 1568 01:19:47,100 --> 01:19:51,200 set it up for future pre-application, but anyone that's been has, you 1569 01:19:50,200 --> 01:19:51,600 know at the point. 1570 01:19:52.700 --> 01:19:55.300 That they're this far into it and you know changing the

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changing the kind of the platform when they've

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01:19:59,400 --> 01:20:02,300

already gone through a lot of the legwork I think is a little tricky.

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I'm not sure if we can get to the point where we can say like

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in the future, you know, we're gonna look at it from at

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the pre-application level and make

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decisions based on

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that. But if the projects

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already in the works, I don't know how that works. Maybe Morgan

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has a

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Suzanne has an idea, you know.

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I guess it's kind of like a great. It's kind of a grandfather didn't think

Mayor Bradshaw Comments

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if they really don't depend all it is an incredibly

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if I'm wrong. It's or it depends whether they're in application or

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pre-application if then pre-application that

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is not considered a you know

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could be and again it's a policy call. It could

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be that they've not really applied and only

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have they deemed applied

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if they've gone a full application and

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Dean complete that's kind of

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would be our recommendation. But you

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know others who have projects in the work are arguing

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that the determination or policy core that makes

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it earlier and that'll be

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a council decision. Again, our

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recommendation is that once

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a project is only deemed applied

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for once. It's actually

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Put in full and formal application not

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pre-application, which tends to be losing? Yeah.

Morgan Landers Comments

01:21:29,600 --> 01:21:32,600 And pardon me for my Interruption council members, but 1602 01:21:32,600 --> 01:21:35,500 just to clarify mayor Bradshaw. We are 1603 01:21:35,500 --> 01:21:38,900 kind of trying to kind of split the baby a little bit with what 1604 01:21:38.900 --> 01:21:42.400 the Planning Commission recommended and what we initially proposed 01:21:41,400 --> 01:21:44,300 to the Planning Commission. And so 1606 01:21:44,300 --> 01:21:47,100 the initial ordinance took a much harder line that said 1607 01:21:47,100 --> 01:21:50,300 basically if you have a pre-application that doesn't count 1608 01:21:50,300 --> 01:21:53,400 at all and it really only final design review 1609 01:21:53,400 --> 01:21:53,900 count. 1610 01:21:54,200 --> 01:21:57,100 So what we're proposing here is that if you 1611 01:21:57,100 --> 01:22:00,400 have a pre-application that's in process and that you've had your 1612 01:22:00,400 --> 01:22:03,400 pre-application review with the commission meaning that they've 1613 01:22:03,400 --> 01:22:06,200 given substantial feedback. You've gotten your guidance. You've had that 1614 01:22:06,200 --> 01:22:09,700 informal review that that would be the Milestone by 1615 01:22:09,700 --> 01:22:12,300 which you get grandfathered and the new ordinance would not apply

to you. Does that help clarify kind of yeah, that's better.

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Councilwoman Breen Comments

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the
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the issue about when it's applicable.
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I see Brenda's point about all
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01:33:34,300 --> 01:33:37,800
of the work that's put in that you know, I think.
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You have to remember that it is there's a ton of work put in just to get there
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01:33:42,200 --> 01:33:45,500
on pre-app design review. And so that's
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I haven't come to a fast decision on that yet whether I
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agree with the staff's recommendation on.
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on waiting on saying it has to be that a
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meeting is actually
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happened
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so I just like to think about that a little more I you know,
Councilman David Comments
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1877 01:35:10,200 --> 01:35:12,000 specifically to the applicability 1878 1882 01:35:27,800 --> 01:35:30,000 As Courtney pointed out. This has been 1883 01:35:30,100 --> 01:35:33,500 in the works for quite a while and hopefully that people 01:35:33,500 --> 01:35:33,800 that were 1885 01:35:35,100 --> 01:35:38,500 Were had an application at that point 1886 01:35:38,500 --> 01:35:40,800 or talking to staff about it. 1887 01:35:43,200 --> 01:35:46,200 But maybe it's maybe there's a line that can be drawn. 1888 01:35:49,200 --> 01:35:50,500 I'm not sure. **Morgan Landers Comments** 2022 01:42:43,300 --> 01:42:47,200 well. So for instance if we had an application in process and 01:42:46,200 --> 01:42:49,300

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we determined that the

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milestone for pre-applications to be kind of

grandfathered in is that meeting with the Planning

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I think that.

I was kind of hoping that Amanda was

Maybe can chime in a little bit more. I

gonna have some more legal words of wisdom or Matt.

2026 01:42:55,300 --> 01:42:58,300 Commission and pre-application hasn't made 2027 01:42:58,300 --> 01:43:01,400 that Milestone yet. They could apply for a conditional use permit 2028 01:43:01,400 --> 01:43:05,100 if they're not meeting the the ordinance Provisions. So 2029 01:43:04,100 --> 01:43:07,600 maybe they don't want to meet the minimum density 2030 01:43:07,600 --> 01:43:10,200 requirements for whatever reason or the square 2031 01:43:10,200 --> 01:43:13,400 footage of the units. So that off-ramp is available for more 2032 01:43:13,400 --> 01:43:16,200 than just those new Provisions too. So and I think sometimes that 2033 01:43:16,200 --> 01:43:16,500 gets 2034 01:43:16,700 --> 01:43:19,400 A little bit and the other piece that 2035 01:43:19,400 --> 01:43:22,700 I would mention about the comprehensive plan is that we 2036 01:43:22,700 --> 01:43:25,600 already provide a comprehensive plan analysis 2037 01:43:25,600 --> 01:43:28,300 for most projects just as a courtesy for the Planning Commission. **Commissioner Hamilton Comments**

2142 01:49:03,300 --> 01:49:06,800 motion. So just to clarify just I'm kind of the topics of 2143 01:49:06,800 --> 01:49:09,400 consideration that we've discuss tonight the ordinance as it's 2144 01:49:09,400 --> 01:49:12,600 written and presented in our packet includes the

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applicability that staff recommends prior

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to or after pre-application

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review.

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But it prohibits basement.

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Deed restricted units and it includes a

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comprehensive plan. That's correct. Okay.

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yeah, good summary the

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Thanks, Courtney.

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I moved to approve the first reading of

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interim ordinance number one, two, three four as



CITY OF KETCHUM MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Monday, October 3, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: (00:00:10 in video)

Mayor Bradshaw called the meeting of the Ketchum City Council to order at 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call:

Mayor Neil Bradshaw Courtney Hamilton Michael David (via teleconference) Jim Slanetz Amanda Breen

Also Present:

Jade Riley - City Administrator
Lisa Enourato – Interim City Clerk
Suzanne Frick – Director Planning and Building

COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCILORS:

1. Domestic Violence Awareness Month Proclamation by Mayor Neil Bradshaw

Amanda Breen commented on the Idaho Mountain Express article on P.O. Box fees and mail delivery (or lack of) in the City of Ketchum. Proposes the KCC and Mayor draft a letter to Congressman Simpsons office asking for assistance on fee exemption or delivery and put on the next agenda. Mayor Bradshaw agreed to drafting the letter.

2. Public comment submitted to the City of Ketchum none

CONSENT AGENDA: (00:05:25 in video)

Courtney Hamilton is recusing herself from item # 17

Courtney Hamilton asked for clarification for item #12 Task Order #22107 with Superbloom (00.05.49 in video

Jim Slanitz asked for # 12 to be voted separately

Council -Comments

City Administrator Jade Riley (00:06:13 in video)
Courtney Hamilton (00:08:12 in video)

Jim Slanetz (00:08:59 in video) Mayor Neil Bradshaw (00:10:01 in video) Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items 3-11, 13-16 (00:14:33 in video)

Motion made by Amanda Breen; Seconded by Michael David.

Ayes: Amanda Breen, Michael David, Neil Bradshaw

Nays: Courtney Hamilton, Jim Slanetz.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items 12 (00:14:44 in video) Motion made by Courtney Hamilton; Seconded by Amanda Breen

Ayes: Amanda Breen, Michael David, Courtney Hamilton

Nays: Jim Slanetz

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items 17 (00:15:17 in video)

Motion made by Jim Slanetz; Seconded by Amada Breen

Ayes: Amanda Breen, Michael David, Jim Slanetz

Nays: None

Recused: Courtney Hamilton

NEW BUSINESS

18. Update on Highway 75 (Elkhorn Rd. to River Street) design and transportation improvements — City Administrator Jade Riley and Idaho Transportation Department Project Manager Nathan Jerke (00:15:40 in Video)

Mayor Neil Bradshaw expressed disappointment in direction the Deputy Director of transportation is going and will continue to push for a safe alternative and aesthetic option for our town's transportation. Council members commented and discussed the updated information. A reminder about the Public Feedback and Open house on October 11 at the Limelight was brought up. (00:23:08 in video)

19. Presentation and discussion regarding Warm Springs and Main Street transportation improvements — City Administrator Jade Riley, Brett Kohring (Cameron Waite HDR) (00:50:24 in video)

Council -Comments and discussion

(01:01:36 in video)

20. Recommendation to Approve Easement and Encroachment Agreement 22790 for the dedication of a 15-foot public access and utility easement and placement of driveway pavers with snowmelt in said easement at 203 Garnet Street. – Senior Planner Morgan Landers (2:16:29 in video)

Motion to approve made by: Amanda Breen: Seconded by: Courtney Hamilton

Ayes: Michael David, Jim Slanetz, Amanda Breen, Courtney Hamilton,

Nayes: none

21. Monthly Housing Update – Housing Strategist Carissa Connelly (02:29:53 in video)

PUBLIC HEARING

22. Recommendation to hold a public hearing, and approve the Warm Springs Ranch Lot 10A Lot Line Shift Final Plat & Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision – Associate Planner Adam Crutcher (02:27:40 in video)

Public Comment:

None

Motion to approve made by Courtney Hamilton; Seconded by Jim Slanetz

Ayes: Michael David, Courtney Hamilton, Jim Slanetz.

Nays: None

Recused: Amanda Breen

23. Recommendation to hold a public hearing, review and conduct a second reading of Interim Ordinance 1234 amending certain Sections of Title 16 and Title 17 of the Ketchum Municipal Code -Senior Planner Morgan Landers (01:45:56 in video)

City Attorney Matt Johnson spoke on proposed amendment regarding ordinance 1234

(01:46:32in video)
Public Comment:

Janet (1:50:16 in video)

Jim Lasky (01:54:18 in video)

Council -Comments, Questions and Discussion

(01:56:42 in video)

Motion to approve the 2nd reading of Interim Ordinance 1234 by title only, and schedule the 3rd reading for October 17th, 2022 (2:14:44 in video)

Motion made by: Courtney Hamilton; Seconded by: Michael David Ayes: Jim Slanetz, Amanda Breen, Courtney Hamilton, Michael David

Nays: none

Second Reading by Lisa Enourato (02:15:07 in video)

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 7:09:55 PM

Motion made by Courtney Hamilton; Seconded by Amanda Breen. **Ayes:** Amanda Breen, Michael David, Courtney Hamilton, Jim Slanetz.

Nays: None

Mayor Neil Bradshaw

Interim City Clerk Lisa Enourato

Below is a partial transcript of the October 3, 2022 P&Z Meeting. Applicants have highlighted the speaker when possible and removed text in the interest of brevity.

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1996
01:45:55,200 --> 01:45:58,500
Okay, we're gonna go to public hearing
01:45:58,500 --> 01:46:01,300
item 23 recommendation to hold a public hearing
1998
01:46:01,300 --> 01:46:04,300
review and conduct second reading of interim Ordinance. One,
1999
01:46:04,300 --> 01:46:07,800
two, three, four amending certain sections of title
01:46:07,800 --> 01:46:10,400
16 and 17 of the kitchen municipal code.
2001
01:46:10,400 --> 01:46:13,300
Am I going to turn it over to Morgan and then you can
Morgan Landers Comments
2002
01:46:13,300 --> 01:46:16,600
take it from there. Thanks more than thank you mayor Morgan Landers
01:46:16,600 --> 01:46:19,200
city planner for the city of Ketchum. We don't
2004
01:46:19,200 --> 01:46:22,300
have new information to provide you today, but our City
2005
01:46:22,300 --> 01:46:25,200
attorney Matt Johnson does have something to speak with
01:46:25,200 --> 01:46:28,500
you all about on a proposed amendment to the draft that you all reviewed
2007
01:46:28,500 --> 01:46:31,200
at the last meeting. So I will now kick it over to
01:46:31,200 --> 01:46:31,500
Matt.
City Attorney Comments
2009
01:46:34,500 --> 01:46:37,300
Mayor council, thanks and thanks
2010
01:46:37,300 --> 01:46:42,200
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for accommodating. Sorry for the scheduling difficulty today. So Jim
2011
01:46:41,200 --> 01:46:44,200
Laskey made some comments at the
01:46:44,200 --> 01:46:48,400
last public hearing raised some legal cases. I did
2013
01:46:48,400 --> 01:46:51,200
some follow-up with him. We did some research on our
2014
01:46:51,200 --> 01:46:54,500
own based on that some of some of Jim's
2015
01:46:54,500 --> 01:46:58,300
comments were were well taken from the legal side regarding
01:46:57,300 --> 01:47:00,700
Wayne essentially
2017
01:47:00,700 --> 01:47:03,700
an application's consider vested. And
2018
01:47:03,700 --> 01:47:07,100
so the change I think is pretty simple in
2019
01:47:06,100 --> 01:47:09,600
section. One of the interim ordinance titled
01:47:09,600 --> 01:47:12,400
applicability. There was a second sentence that
2021
01:47:12,400 --> 01:47:15,700
it originally been added to clarify about when the
01:47:15,700 --> 01:47:18,800
inner or more than this should be applicable to applications that
2023
01:47:18,800 --> 01:47:22,300
had been submitted for for pre design
2024
01:47:21,300 --> 01:47:24,200
review, but did not
2025
01:47:24,200 --> 01:47:27,700
yet had a hearing before PNC and that they would fall under
01:47:27,700 --> 01:47:30,900
the intermittance not be considered as vested just
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01:47:30,900 --> 01:47:34,200
recommending the leading that sentence which
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01:47:34,500 --> 01:47:37,700
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Will leave the first sentence making clear that any application that's
2029
01:47:37,700 --> 01:47:41,000
been submitted across a variety carrier areas
01:47:40,700 --> 01:47:43,400
that steam substantially complete will be
2031
01:47:43,400 --> 01:47:46,200
considered under the ordinance applicable at that time
2032
01:47:46,200 --> 01:47:49,300
pretty simple change. I think it's one that
2033
01:47:49,300 \longrightarrow 01:47:53,100
we can make between the second and third readings
01:47:52,100 --> 01:47:55,400
and bring back to you but one to clarify for that
2035
01:47:55,400 --> 01:47:58,600
as it got directly to Jim's comments from last meeting
2036
01:47:58,600 --> 01:48:02,200
and I imagine he's there tonight to potentially comment
2037
01:48:01,200 --> 01:48:02,900
further as well.
Mayor Bradshaw Comments
2038
01:48:04,100 --> 01:48:08,200
Yes, thanks for that. Clarification Matt. Yeah, so
01:48:08,200 --> 01:48:13,800
the your recommending a change in applicability which
2040
01:48:12,800 --> 01:48:16,000
means that someone's basically wants
2041
01:48:15,100 --> 01:48:18,900
a deemed complete a substantially complete even
2042
01:48:18,900 --> 01:48:23,300
though they haven't necessarily had the pnz and meeting
01:48:22,300 --> 01:48:25,300
on that so Morgan, I'll
2044
01:48:25,300 --> 01:48:28,800
let you paraphrase that into English. So we're
2045
01:48:28,800 --> 01:48:31,700
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clear and in terms of what the
2046
01:48:31,700 --> 01:48:34,300
council's considering. I think it's also important to
01:48:34,300 --> 01:48:37,400
note that with that change or potential
2048
01:48:37,400 --> 01:48:40,400
change of adopted by the council that we should
2049
01:48:40,400 --> 01:48:44,000
then do a third. You know, we talked potentially about
2050
01:48:43,400 --> 01:48:46,600
wrapping at second and third reading together, but I
2051
01:48:46,600 --> 01:48:49,300
think we should have a third reading at a later date
2052
01:48:49,300 --> 01:48:51,600
more than over to you.
Morgan Landers Comments
2053
01:48:52,400 --> 01:48:55,400
Thank you mayor. I think that that was a good paraphrase of
2054
01:48:55,400 --> 01:48:58,300
use. So just more specific reference in section. One of the
2055
01:48:58,300 --> 01:49:01,700
ordinance the first sentence would remain which
01:49:01,700 --> 01:49:04,700
is the applicability Clause basically stating that building
01:49:04,700 --> 01:49:08,100
permits pre-application design review final design
2058
01:49:07,100 --> 01:49:11,100
review subdivision or cup application
2059
01:49:10,100 --> 01:49:13,200
deemed complete after the effective date
01:49:13,200 --> 01:49:16,200
would be subject to the interim ordinance and then
2061
01:49:16,200 --> 01:49:19,400
the following sentence pre-application design review and
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01:49:19,400 --> 01:49:22,800
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Mountain overlay pre-application design review applications that
2063
01:49:22,800 --> 01:49:25,100
have been reviewed by the Planning Commission Planning and
2064
01:49:25,100 --> 01:49:28,500
Zoning commission at one review meeting prior to the effective date are
not subject
2065
01:49:28,500 --> 01:49:31,200
that statement would be removed from
2066
01:49:31,200 --> 01:49:34,400
the ordinance for the third reading so as Matt
01:49:34,400 --> 01:49:37,400
mentioned a pretty simple change what that provides
2068
01:49:37,400 --> 01:49:40,600
is a clear delineation, that's defensible as far
2069
01:49:40,600 --> 01:49:43,200
as who falls under the interim ordinance and who does not
2070
01:49:43,200 --> 01:49:44,600
from an application standpoint.
2071
01:49:45,300 --> 01:49:48,300
Okay. So Morgan, is there
2072
01:49:48,300 --> 01:49:51,200
anything else you want to say before? I turn it over to the public
hearing portion?
2073
01:49:52,400 --> 01:49:55,300
We don't have any additional comments at this time. Okay, great. So
2074
01:49:55,300 --> 01:49:58,500
I'm gonna open it up for public hearing. So
2075
01:49:58,500 --> 01:50:01,300
if there's anyone from the public either online or
2076
01:50:01,300 --> 01:50:04,400
in this room who wants to make a comment at this time, feel free
2077
01:50:04,400 --> 01:50:05,500
to come up and
2078
01:50:06,900 --> 01:50:08,600
state your name and make your comment.
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01:50:09,600 --> 01:50:09,900
Thank you.
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Jim Laski Comments
01:54:17,100 --> 01:54:21,500
Hi, I'm Jim Lasky here again. Whoops. I just
2161
01:54:21,500 --> 01:54:24,800
want to point out that your attorney Matt
2162
01:54:24,800 --> 01:54:25,200
said.
2163
01:54:26,300 --> 01:54:29,900
That the second son just should say deemed
2164
01:54:29,900 --> 01:54:32,600
substantially complete as you pointed out Mr. Mayor not
2165
01:54:32,600 --> 01:54:35,400
just deemed complete which is the language in that sentence
2166
01:54:35,400 --> 01:54:38,800
and that deemed substantially complete is consistent
01:54:38,800 --> 01:54:41,700
with the Idaho case law deemed complete.
2168
01:54:42,600 --> 01:54:45,200
I think but let the different
2169
01:54:45,200 --> 01:54:49,200
meeting. Let's just clarify that because is it
2170
01:54:48,200 --> 01:54:51,400
deemed substantially complete or deemed complete?
City Attorney Comments
2171
01:54:54,400 --> 01:54:57,300
Is Matt still online? Yeah me mayor. Council
01:54:57,300 --> 01:55:00,300
Morgan. I can take this one mayor. So the the
2173
01:55:00,300 --> 01:55:03,200
term substantially complete would be what we
2174
01:55:03,200 --> 01:55:06,300
would use going forward. The key
2175
01:55:06,300 --> 01:55:09,800
is based on some Idaho case law if an
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01:55:09,800 --> 01:55:12,700
application has more or less submitted everything
2177
01:55:12,700 --> 01:55:15,700
it needs to and its application fee. That's what's
2178
01:55:15,700 --> 01:55:18,300
termed substantially complete at times.
2179
01:55:18,300 --> 01:55:21,200
It's about Matt. Just just be clear.
2180
01:55:21,200 --> 01:55:24,800
Are you saying we using the words substantially complete we
2181
01:55:24,800 --> 01:55:27,800
will use substantially complete for the
2182
01:55:27,800 --> 01:55:30,700
third reading. Yes. Yeah. So does
2183
01:55:30,700 --> 01:55:33,800
that help clarify it that does help clarify it perfect. Sorry
01:55:33,800 --> 01:55:36,600
for that misunderstanding that okay. So
2185
01:55:36,600 --> 01:55:39,400
substantially complete will be in there is anything
2186
01:55:39,400 --> 01:55:42,500
else? Sorry Jim you wanted to say that was
2187
01:55:42,500 --> 01:55:46,600
just okay anything else any
2188
01:55:45,600 --> 01:55:48,900
other comments in the room? Are they
2189
01:55:48,900 --> 01:55:50,500
any comments online? No?
2190
01:55:52,100 --> 01:55:55,300
Okay. All right, then I will
2191
01:55:55,300 --> 01:55:57,200
close public hearing and then
2192
01:55:59,700 --> 01:56:03,800
turn it over to council for
2193
01:56:03,800 --> 01:56:06,300
any comments you may have again this
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01:56:06,300 --> 01:56:07,200
process has.
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01:56:07,900 --> 01:56:10,800
Been quite exhaustive. We went initially
2196
01:56:10,800 --> 01:56:13,600
with an emergency ordinance a number of
2197
01:56:13,600 --> 01:56:16,200
months back which and now
2198
01:56:16,200 --> 01:56:19,800
we're at an interim or so, it's been in the public domain for quite
2199
01:56:19,800 --> 01:56:22,500
some time it and so had
2200
01:56:22,500 --> 01:56:25,600
a chance to to review many aspects
2201
01:56:25,600 --> 01:56:26,100
of this.
Mayor Bradshaw Comments
2202
01:56:27,500 --> 01:56:30,800
So with that clarification that legal clarification
01:56:30,800 --> 01:56:33,900
which does
2204
01:56:33,900 --> 01:56:37,200
shift, you know, the what is
2205
01:56:36,200 --> 01:56:39,800
grandfathered and what is not a little
2206
01:56:39,800 --> 01:56:40,000
bit.
2207
01:56:42,100 --> 01:56:46,100
I want to now turn it over to council for any other comments or thoughts
2208
01:56:45,100 --> 01:56:49,400
or questions. You may have of Morgan or Suzanne
2209
01:56:48,400 --> 01:56:51,200
or Jade or anyone else or the
2210
01:56:51,200 --> 01:56:51,300
team.
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From:

Matthew A. Johnson <mjohnson@WHITEPETERSON.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 11, 2022 11:07 AM

To:

Jim Laski

Subject:

RE: Ketchum Ordinance 1234

Jim -

I checked in with Morgan. She said she's currently reviewing all the resubmitted items this week and will be issuing a completeness letter based on that submittal.

For the Council meeting next Monday there will be a clearer revised version of the interim ordinance that clarifies the distinction that was discussed at the last meeting in response to your comments. That revision will make clear vesting is based on an application being "substantially complete."

So I believe in combination those two items will address your request.

Matt

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From: Jim Laski <jrl@lawsonlaski.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 11, 2022 9:42 AM

To: Matthew A. Johnson <mjohnson@WHITEPETERSON.com>

Subject: RE: Ketchum Ordinance 1234

Hi Matt – would it be possible to get conformation that my client's application (at 260 N 1st Ave) is substantially complete and will be reviewed under the presently existing ordinance, rather than the proposed new ordinance 1234? I written statement to that effect would be much appreciated.

Thank you

Jim



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From: Matthew A. Johnson <mjohnson@WHITEPETERSON.com>

Sent: Monday, October 03, 2022 11:06 AM

To: Jim Laski < <u>irl@lawsonlaski.com</u>>
Subject: RE: Ketchum Ordinance 1234

Jim -

We will be tweaking the applicability language; I'm still working on the specifics. With respect to your clients' project specifically, the practical effect is that your preliminary design review application (which it sounds like is substantially completed) would be vested under the current ordinance – not the interim.

Matt

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From: Jim Laski < jrl@lawsonlaski.com > Sent: Saturday, October 1, 2022 6:42 AM

To: Matthew A. Johnson <mjohnson@WHITEPETERSON.com>

Subject: RE: Ketchum Ordinance 1234

Hi Matt -

I was hoping I might get some feedback regarding your thoughts on the proposed language relating to the applicability of the new ordinance on pending applications before Monday's meeting as we discussed. Please let me know where you stand so I can prepare my comments for city council.

Thanks Jim



October 17, 2022

Thielsen Architects

Attn: Dave Thielsen - Architect

Galena Engineering

Attn: Matt Smithman - Civil Engineer

[Sent via email]

Re: 260 N 1st Ave – Preapplication Design Review - Completeness Review

Dear Mr. Thielsen and Mr. Smithman,

The City of Ketchum Planning and Building Department received your resubmittal of the preapplication Design Review application on October 10, 2022. The resubmittal was in response to comments issued by city staff on September 16, 2022. At this time, the application has been deemed <u>complete and will be scheduled for the next available hearing</u>. Please see below for comment resolution documentation and additional comments from the city's water department.

Planning Department

General Zoning Comments

- 1. Comment: Based on the slope of the lot, it is correct to apply the term "basement" to the project and remove that square footage from the building. However, staff will need to verify that the methodology used for establishing what area falls under the definition of "basement" is correct.
 - a. Required Action: Please provide a diagram in schematic or plan and section views showing how the invisible plane was delineated and what square footage is included in the "basement" definition and what constitutes the 954.16 SF of gross floor area remaining.
 - b. Staff Response: Comment resolved. Staff reviewed the overlap of the "Basement" definition with the "Underground Parking" definition and have determined that the calculation conducted by the applicant is correct.
- 2. Comment: The Gross Floor Area (GFA) and Net Floor Area (NFA) calculations on Sheet A1.1 don't appear to match the net and gross SF outlined on Sheets A1.2-A1.4. For the ground level, the gross floor area on Sheet A 1.1 and A1.2 indicate a net floor area of 5,680 SF, however it is unclear what that square footage includes. Also, for Sheets A1.3 and A1.4, the GFA outlined is consistent with Sheet A1.1 but it is unclear what constitutes the NFA for these levels and what has been removed since the stair tower and elevator have already been removed.
 - a. Required Action: Please provide Floor Area diagrams for each floor that outlines what is included in the GFA and what is not. The best way to show this is by using shading or coloring to color code each area. In the diagrams, please also include square footages.
 - b. Staff Response: Comment Resolved.
- 3. Comment: Sheet A1.1 shows GFA of the building, however, specific square footage of each unit and each space on the ground floor is necessary to verify parking requirements for all uses.
 - a. Required Action: Please revised Sheet A1.1 to include a summary of square footages by use that outlines each residential unit, parking, storage, The Commons, and the Commons Court and Event Space
 - b. Staff Response: Comment Resolved.

4. Comment: The cover letter submitted as part of the project outlines that the intent of the ground floor Commons and Commons Court and Event Center is to be a "gathering place....which would be used for fundraising and philanthropic events". The letter does not address the use of the space when those events are not happening. Staff presumes this space would be for the benefit of the residents, family and guests but not the public, however, this is a deduction based on the cover letter and clarification is necessary. Staff is also unclear whether the fundraising and event space is only the Commons Court and Event Space, or if it includes the Commons as well. Additionally, Sheet A1.1 outlines under "Required Parking" that the space is classified as "Food Service". Staff does not believe the proposed use meets the definition of food service, but rather an "Assembly, place of". The floor plans do not show a location within the space where food is being prepared. This is a key element of a "Food Service" use. The definitions of referenced uses are noted below:

Food service: An establishment where food and drink are prepared, served and consumed on site with associated outdoor dining, or distributed to customers through take out, delivery or catering. Typical uses include, but are not limited to restaurants, cafes, delis, catering services and brewpubs that do not distribute beer produced for off-site consumption.

Assembly, place of: The use of land for a meeting place where persons gather together for purposes of attending civic, social, religious functions, recreational events or entertainment performances on a regular or recurring basis including, but not limited to, religious institutions, banquet facilities, funeral homes, theaters, conference centers, stadiums, or indoor or outdoor recreational facilities, but excludes a "cultural facility" as defined by this chapter. A gathering of less than 25 persons shall not be considered a place of assembly provided the gathering is accessory and incidental to the principal use.

Assembly uses require the approval of a Conditional Use Permit in the CC-2 zone district to ensure any impacts from events held in the space are mitigated through certain conditions.

a. Required Action: Please provide an expanded narrative as to the function of the ground floor space and justification for its classification as Food Service. Please provide clarity on the function of the space when not being used for events. Please also provide clarity on what portion of the space will be used for events. Once additional information is provided, staff will make a determination on the use proposed.

b. Staff Response: Comment Resolved.

- 5. Comment: It generally appears that the project is in conformance with setback requirements, however, the methodology used appears that there may be area where square footage is calculated toward both facades' setback square footage, which is not the correct methodology. In general, square footage should be counted toward one side other the other using reasonable extensions of the building façade to delineate space. Please see the attached example from another project for reference. The front façade along 1st Ave had a portion of the building on the south end significantly set back from the street. In this instance, the main edge of the building façade was carried to the property line to delineated what was included in the setback square footage (area in black). As you can see, the two setback calculations do not overlap (black and red areas).
 - a. Required Action: Please revise Sheets A1.2-1.4 delineate the square footage calculation with independent calculations for each façade. Staff has provided an attached draft of how the calculations should be delineated for the ground floor.

b. Staff Response: Comment Resolved.

6. Comment: Sheet A7 outlines the proposed building height at the front and the rear of the building and the guardrail that extends above the 42-foot height maximum. Although the code reference in Note 10 is correct in relation to height, the city categorizes "perimeter walls that enclose roof top decks that exceed the maximum building height limit as a "fixed amenity" that must be set back 10 feet from the building façade per KMC 17.12.040. Built-in hot tubs are also considered "fixed amenities" that must be set back. It is unclear from Sheet A6 what the setback is to the hot tub from the building façade at that location.

a. Required Action: Please revise the plans to reflect the required setback for all roof top decks. Please also revise Sheet A6 to provide a dimension from the building façade to the hot tub location.

b. Staff Response: Comment Resolved.

- 7. Comment: The 3-foot setback along the alley shows wood fencing to screen the transformer and condensers, electric meters/CT panel, and raised landscape bed. The 3-foot setback is intended to be a clear zone to assist in snow management operations in the winter, therefore these items need to be relocated from within the 3 feet setback along the alley.
 - a. Required Action: Please revise the site plans to reflect revisions as noted above to avoid future unintended damage of property due to snow management operations. Please also provide a letter from Idaho Power approving the location of the transformer with associated clearances and proposed electric meters.

b. Staff Response: Comment Resolved.

- 8. Comment: Depending on final use determination for the ground floor space, the dumpster and one recycling bin will not likely be adequate for the proposed use when special events occur. Once a use determination is made for the ground floor space, a letter of approval of the garbage service based on the use will be required from Clear Creek Disposal.
 - a. Required Action: This comment is for information only; no action is required at this time. Upon use determination, please provide a letter from Clear Creek Disposal approving the garbage configuration.

b. Staff Response: Comment Resolved.

- 9. Comment: Sheet A2 shows the dimensions of the parking garage area including dimensions of the parking spaces and width of the drive aisle, however, the dimensions of the 5 spaces on the Sun Valley Rd side of the parking area are noted to not meet minimum requirements and the drive aisle width does not appear to meet the 24-foot minimum between the stair and bump out where the "Trolly" area is noted. Drive aisle between stairwell and trolley/bump out area needs to also be 24 feet. Compact spaces are only permitted with certain types of uses and only when the total number of required spaces is 10 or more. If parking is proposed, it must meet the minimum dimensional standards.
 - a. Required Action: Please revise the ground floor layout to demonstrate that all parking spaces meet the minimum dimensional standards and that the drive aisle width of 24 feet can be met for the full length of the drive aisle.

b. Staff Response: Comment Resolved.

- 10. Comment: Construction Management Plans (CMP) are no longer required at the time of design review. Staff has not reviewed the submitted CMP. Comments on the CMP are provided at the time of building permit application for a project.
 - a. Required Action: No action required at this time, this comment is for information only.
- 11. Comment: Sheets EL5-8 show the foot candles at the property boundary, however, the sheets do not show foot candles outside the property line. Staff is concerned that there may be light trespass across the property boundary into the public right-of-way as there are numerous locations along the perimeter that have medium to high foot candle measures. For instance, foot candles measuring 1.0 and 2.8 adjacent to the north property boundary and alley measurements of 9.1 and 8.8. There may be no light trespass across the property boundary per KMC 17.132.030 stating "All existing and/or new exterior lighting shall not cause light trespass and shall protect adjacent properties from glare and excessive lighting." Figure 1 in the KMC only refers to light emitting from inside buildings, not exterior lighting.
 - a. Required Action: Please revise the photometric study to include foot candle measurements just outside the property boundary for verification there is no light trespass. Please note that all exterior lighting including planter, tree, and water feature lights should be included in the calculations.

b. Staff Response: Comment Resolved.

12. Comment: Per KMC 17.132.030.F "Uplighting. Uplighting is prohibited in all zoning districts, except as where permitted in this chapter." Staff does not believe that the "Lip of Planter" lighting or the water

feature lighting fully complies with the limitation on uplighting. As outlined in KMC 17.132.030.H.2 "All exterior lighting fixtures shall be full cutoff fixtures with the light source fully shielded, except as exempted in this chapter." As such, light fixtures must be fully shielded as to not cast light up or sideways, always casting light down as illustrated in Figure 2. For instance, the "Under Cap Lighting" is compliant as it is fully shielded based on the image.

- a. *Required Action:* Please revised the lighting proposed to comply with the dark sky compliant requirements and fixture guidelines.
- b. Staff Response: Comment Resolved.
- 13. Comment: Stair tower lighting that must remain consistently illuminated 24 hours per day due to building code requirements must be mitigated with glazing or other treatments to windows that limit the amount of light emitting from the building overnight.
 - a. *Required Action:* Please provide clarity on whether any glazing is proposed for the central stair tower and whether consistent light will emit from this feature in all hours of the evening.
 - b. Staff Response: Comment Resolved.
- 14. *Comment:* The street light illumination levels and placement of lights may not be in the correct location based on current discussions with the City Engineer and Planning departments.
 - a. Required Action: As this is a preapplication design review. No further action on street light location is required at this time, however, final street light location will be determined at the time of final design review if the project moves forward.
 - b. Staff Response: Comment Resolved.

Design Review Comments

The following comments are provided for consideration by the applicant. Revisions to the plans are not required, but recommended, unless otherwise noted. If revisions are not made, the following comments will be provided to the Planning and Zoning Commission for their consideration and feedback.

- 1. Comment: Per KMC 17.96.060.B.2 and 3, "2. For nonresidential portions of buildings, front building facades and facades fronting a pedestrian walkway shall be designed with ground floor storefront windows and doors with clear transparent glass. Landscaping planters shall be incorporated into facades fronting pedestrian walkways." and "3. For nonresidential portions of buildings, front facades shall be designed to not obscure views into windows." These two standards serve to demonstrate the importance of creating an active and interesting pedestrian environment. Landscaping is encouraged, but not if it obscures views into windows. Staff has concerns that the ground floor façade of the building along Sun Valley Rd and the portion of N 1st Ave closest to Sun Valley Rd do not meet the intent of this standard as the architectural design of the project does not engage with pedestrians and serves more to privatize the space for residents and guests that create an environment that is active and interesting for pedestrians. More specifically, the landscape planter boxes that wrap the corner where the outdoor area is are 3-feet in height and the proposed plantings in the landscape boxes are shrubs and hedge like species that can grow quite tall over time. Additionally, the façade facing Sun Valley Rd has minimal storefront characteristics with transparent glass. Staff understands that the interior program of the building is driving the façade configurations, however, the proposed façade on the Sun Valley Rd side of the project does not meet the city's design review objectives. Sun Valley Rd is one of our more heavily traveled corridors by pedestrians. This intersection is the location of two new projects in recent years that intensely serve to engage pedestrians with the Maude's retail and coffee shop on one corner and a new office building on another that has well-articulated store front facades on both street frontages. The Commission will be keenly focused on continuing the design success of the other projects as this is such an important intersection within the downtown.
 - a. Required Action: Staff recommends the applicant consider revising the landscape planter and plantings proposed around the outdoor gathering area to create a more engaging, less privatize program for the outdoor space. Additionally, staff recommends the applicant evaluate ways to integrate additional transparency onto the Sun Valley Rd side of the project. Staff recommends an evaluation of bringing the ground floor uses around to the Sun Valley Rd side of the building.

- b. Staff Response: No further action at this time, staff will highlight the comment to the Planning and Zoning Commission for discussion.
- 2. Comment: Per KMC 17.96.060.B.1 "Facades facing a street or alley or located more than five feet from an interior side property line shall be designed with both solid surfaces and window openings to avoid the creation of blank walls and employ similar architectural elements, materials, and colors as the front facade." The Commission has paid special attention to interior walls that are exposed due to adjacent buildings that are of smaller scale than the proposed project. This is especially important when adjacent buildings are one-story structures adjacent to a three-story structure. Although staff believes the setback nature of the project mitigates some of these concerns, staff does have concern about the lack of material variation on the east elevation shown on Sheet A8. Include the outline of the adjacent buildings on the elevations for context
 - a. Required Action: As part of the resubmittal materials, please revise the elevation on Sheet A8 to show the outlined of the adjacent building for reference. Staff recommends the applicant consider some material variations to break up the east elevation portions of the building that are exposed.
 - b. Staff Response: No further action at this time, staff will highlight the comment to the Planning and Zoning Commission for discussion.

As a follow-up to the completeness letter issued on September 16, 2022, staff received confirmation from the water department reviewed the proposed plans and provides the following comments:

- A fire line and two separate services off the fire line with be required. The services must be engineered
 for sizing.
- The project is also required to abandon the existing service in the alley behind the Durance training building.

No action is required at this time, these comments are for informational purposes.

Please do not hesitate to email or call should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Morgan Landers, AICP

Senior Planner

City of Ketchum Department of Planning and Building

On Tue, Oct 18, 2022 at 4:08 PM Abby Rivin < ARivin@ketchumidaho.org > wrote:

Hey Carson and Broderick,

The City Council approved the third reading of Interim Ordinance 1234 during their meeting yesterday. The Perry Building project may be vested under the current zoning ordinance provided that you've filed the final Design Review application for the project and paid the required fees within 180 calendar days from the date the Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed the Pre-Application pursuant to section 3 of the interim ordinance.

Section 3. Developments subject to Design Review approval pursuant to KMC 17.96 – Design Review or 17.104 – Mountain Overlay Zoning District that have conducted a preapplication design review meeting with the Commission, as required or voluntary, must file a complete Design Review Permit application and pay all required fees within 180 calendar days of the last review meeting on the preapplication with the Commission, otherwise the preapplication review will become null and void.

The Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed the Pre-Application for the Perry Building project and moved to advance the project to final Design Review during their special meeting on August 23rd, 2022. You will need to file a complete Design Review application and pay all required fees within the 6-month window no later than February 17th, 2022 in order to be vested under the current zoning ordinance. If you file the complete Design Review application and pay the required fees within this 6-month window, then the Perry Building project would be vested under the current zoning ordinance and not subject to the interim ordinance standards.

Please don't hesitate to holler if you have any questions.

Have a wonderful rest of your week!

Best,

Abby

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From: Abby Rivin

Subject: RE: 4th & Main Mixed-Use Building Design Review, Lot Consolidation, & Condominium Subdivision Preliminary Plat

Date: Tuesday, October 18, 2022 3:53:08 PM

Attachments: image001.ong

Hey Chris,

I reviewed the revised project plans that were submitted on Saturday, October 15th.

The gross floor area calculation discrepancy on Sheet CD1.1 has been corrected. Sheet CD1.0 has been revised but the dimensions for the the proposed off-street parking spaces have been removed. The project plans must provide the stall dimensions for all parking spaces provided on site to satisfy the project's parking demand. Minimum dimensions for parking stalls are specified in Ketchum Municipal Code §17.125.030.A. 90-degree-angle spaces must be a minimum of 9 by 18 feet.

One other item to address is that the site photometric plan on Sheet E101A still includes both the streetlights in the public ROW and the exterior lighting fixtures proposed for the mixed-use building. You've submitted a photometric study prepared by MH companies for the streetlights. We'll continue to work through the streetlight placement and illuminance levels prior to the public hearing. The photometric study for the mixed-use building should only show the exterior lighting fixtures proposed for the mixed-use building without the streetlights. The photometric study on Sheet E101A shows significant light trespass over the rear property line (2.3 footcandles maximum), which is out of compliance with the City's Dark Skies Ordinance. The photometric study for the exterior lighting fixtures proposed for the 4th & Main Mixed-Use Development must show zero footcandles at all property boundaries to demonstrate that the proposed lighting complies with the City's standards prohibiting light trespass.

The City Council approved the third reading of Interim Ordinance 1234 during their meeting yesterday. You are vested under the current zoning ordinance pursuant to Sections 3 of the interim ordinance.

Section 3. Developments subject to Design Review approval pursuant to KMC 17.96 – Design Review or 17.104 – Mountain Overlay Zoning District that have conducted a preapplication design review meeting with the Commission, as required or voluntary, must file a complete Design Review Permit application and pay all required fees within 180 calendar days of the last review meeting on the preapplication with the Commission, otherwise the preapplication review will become null and void.

The Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed the Pre-Application Design Review for the 4th & Main Mixed-Use Building and moved to advance the project to final Design Review during their regular meeting on May 10th, 2022. You filed a complete Design Review application and paid the required fees within the 6-month window, a little over 3 months after the Commission reviewed the Pre-Application for the project. Since you filed your complete Design Review application and paid the required fees within the 6-month window, your project is vested under the current zoning ordinance and is not subject to the interim ordinance standards. Please don't hesitate to email or call if you have any further questions.

Best, Abby

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From: Abby Rivin

Sent: Wednesday, October 12, 2022 4:03 PM **To:** Chris Ensign <chris@solsticedev.com>

Subject: 4th & Main Mixed-Use Building Design Review, Lot Consolidation, & Condominium Subdivision Preliminary Plat

Hi Chris

Sorry for my delay in following up with you—it has been one of those weeks where I've been in a marathon of meetings. I reviewed your revised submittal and have just two minor clean-up items for you all address in order to certify your applications as complete.

It looks like a dimension note may have been added to Sheet CD1.0 of the project plans in response to Comment No. 3 of the completeness review letter, but it is challenging to read. Please clearly specify the dimensions of the off-street parking spaces so that it is easy to read.

The Summary Table on Sheet CD1.1 indicates that proposed FAR is 2.18 (24,003 gross square feet/11,000 square-foot-lot-area). The calculations noted above this Summary Table indicate that the proposed FAR is 2.07 (23,905 gross square feet/11,000 square-foot-lot-area). This discrepancy needs to be resolved.

Your applications will be certified as complete once you've resolved these two items, but before the public hearing for the project there are a couple of items I'd like to work with you and your design team to address—streetlights and meeting with Mountain Rides to discuss improvements for the bus stop along Main Street. I've also got some more comments and recommendations related to more subjective Design Review criteria that I'd like to review with you before the public hearing for the project. I'll give you a call to chat about all of this further.

Sorry again for my delay!

Best,

Abby

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CITY OF KETCHUM MEETING MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION Tuesday January 24, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: (00:00:45 in video)

Neil Morrow called to order at 4:30 p.m.

Roll Call:

Neil Morrow Susan Passovoy Brenda Moczygemba Tim Carter Spencer Cordovano

Also Present:

Morgan Landers – Director of Planning and Zoning Dan Goodman – Legal Counsel or City of Ketchum Abby Rivin – Senior Planner Adam Crutcher – Associate Planner Paige Nied – Associate Planner Heather Nicolai – Planning Technician

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS:

None

CONSENT AGENDA: (00:01:20 in video)

1. **ACTION ITEM:** Approval of the January 10, 2023 Minutes (00:01:35 in video)

Motion: Motion made by Brenda Moczygemba to approve the January 10, 2023 Minutes;

Seconded by Spencer Cordovano. (video recording issues)

Ayes: Neil Morrow, Susan Passovoy, Brenda Moczygemba, Tim Carter, Spencer Cordovano

Nays: None

PUBLIC HEARING: (00:01:45 in video)

- 2. **ACTION ITEM:** Recommendation to conduct a public hearing, review, and provide feedback on the Design Review amendment and Development Agreement amendment for the Appellation Sun Valley hotel project at 300 E River Street.
- Staff Report: Morgan Landers Senior Planner (00:02:03 in video)
- Applicant Team

- Architect: John C. Davis, AIA Hornberger + Worstell, Inc. (00:23:45 in video)
- Landscape Architect: Rob King Landwork Studio (00:32:05 in video)
- Architect: John C. Davis, AIA Hornberger + Worstell, Inc. (00:37:18 in video)
- o Louis Kaufman Architect, de Reus Architects (00:47:10 in video)
- o Architect: John C. Davis, AIA Hornberger + Worstell, Inc. (00:55:40 in video)
- Commission Questions/Comments for Applicant: (00:56:20 in video)
- Public Comment (01:05:29 in video)
 - No public comment
- Commission Deliberations, feedback & direction for applicant: (01:06:00 in video)
- Applicant requested recess to determine next steps (01:50:15 in video)
- Meeting Resumed (01:50:23 in video)
- Morgan Landers Senior Planner (01:50:30 in video)
- Applicant/Managing Member: Jack E. Bariteau, Jr. (01:50:55 in video)
- Commission Responses to Applicant (02:02:05 in video)
- Legal Council for Applicant: Ed Lawson (02:05:03 in video)
- Applicant/Investor: Andy Blank (02:11:58 in video)

Commission recommended to continue the Appellation Sun Valley hotel project, located at 300 E River Street, design review and development agreement to a special hearing to Tuesday, 1/31/23. (02:20:40 in video)

Motion: Motion made by Susan Passovoy, requesting to continue this to a special hearing to Tuesday, 1/31/23. Second by Tim Carter (02:20:50 in video)

Ayes: Neil Morrow, Tim Carter, Spencer Cordovano, Brenda Moczygemba, Susan Passovoy Nays: None

- 3. **RECESS:** 15 Minute Break (02:21:18 in video)
- 4. **ACTION ITEM:** Recommendation to review and provide feedback on the Pre-Application Design Review application for the Sawtooth Serenade project at 260 N 1st Ave. (02:21:35 in video)
- Staff Report: Morgan Landers Senior Planner (02:21:58 in video)
- Applicant Team
 - Legal Council for Applicant: Jim Laski (02:21:58 in video)
 - o Architect: David Thielsen, AIA Thielsen Architects (02:44:35 in video)
- Commission Deliberations, feedback & direction for applicant: (03:31:20 in video)
- Architect: David Thielsen, AIA Thielsen Architects (03:56:45 in video)
- Morgan Landers Senior Planner (04:01:00 in video)
- Commission Comments (04:02:30 in video)

Commission recommended to advance the Sawtooth Serenade project at 260 N 1st Ave to Design Review. (04:05:15 in video)

Motion: Motion made by Susan Passovoy, to advance the Sawtooth Serenade project at 260 N

1st Ave to Design Review. Second by Tim Carter (04:05:47 in video)

Ayes: Neil Morrow, Tim Carter, Brenda Moczygemba, Susan Passovoy

Nays: Spencer Cordovano

NEW BUSINESS: (04:06:07 in video)

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 9 pm (04:06:15 in video)

Motion made by Neil Morrow to adjourn the meeting; Seconded by Spencer Cordovano

Ayes: Neil Morrow, Susan Passovoy, Tim Carter, Spencer Cordovano, Brenda Moczygemba

Nays: None

Commissioner Neil Morrow

Morgan Landers - Director of Planning & Building



STAFF REPORT KETCHUM PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 24, 2023

PROJECT: Sawtooth Serenade

FILE NUMBER: P22-056

APPLICATION: Pre-Application Design Review

PROPERTY OWNER: McCaw Nell Elizabeth Trustee, Distrustful Ernest Revocable Trust U/A/D

02/03/16

REPRESENTATIVE: Dave Thielsen, Thielsen Architects (Architect)

LOCATION: 260 N 1st Ave (KETCHUM TOWNSITE LOT 5A BLK 38)

ZONING: Community Core – Subdistrict 2 Mixed Use (CC-2)

OVERLAY: None

REVIEWER: Morgan Landers, AICP – Director of Planning and Building

NOTICE: As a courtesy, a public meeting notice for the project was mailed to all

owners of property within 300 feet of the project site and all political subdivisions on January 4, 2023. The notice was published in the Idaho Mountain Express on January 4, 2023. A notice was posted on the project site and the city's website on January 17, 2023. Story poles were

verified on the subject property on January 17, 2023.

INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

The applicant is proposing a 23,942 gross square foot multi-family development located at 260 N 1st Ave (the "subject property") in the Community Core Subdistrict 2 – Mixed Use (CC-2) zone district. The project includes two residential dwelling units, ground floor private recreation space, garage parking for five vehicles, and storage for the two units. The subject property is three vacant Ketchum Townsite

lots totaling 16,507 SF on the east corner of N 1st Ave and Sun Valley Rd (Figure 1) south of the new 1st and Sun Valley office building, diagonal from the mixed-use building where Maude's is located.

The project proposes to take advantage of the Floor Area Ratio (FAR) bonus in exchange for community housing, mitigating the additional floor area by making a community housing in-lieu payment of \$568,804. The total FAR for the project is 1.45, where 1.0 is permitted by right. The application is not subject to Interim Ordinance

Figure 1: Subject Property 260 N 1st Ave



1234 as the application was deemed complete prior to the effective date of the ordinance. Staff has provided an analysis (Attachment D) of how the project would conform to the interim ordinance for your reference and information only.

The subject property is 16,507 square feet, three Ketchum Townsite lots. Per Ketchum Municipal Code (KMC) 17.96.010.C.1, new developments on lots totaling 11,000 square feet require a pre-application design review with the Planning and Zoning Commission. The Preapplication review is an opportunity for the Commission to give the applicant feedback on the proposed project. This preliminary review allows the Commission to ask questions, identify code compliance issues or design concerns, and provide recommendations to the applicant.

ANALYSIS

Per KMC 17.96.050.A. *Criteria*. The Commission shall determine the following before approval is given for design review:

- 1. The project does not jeopardize the health, safety or welfare of the public.
- 2. The project conforms to all applicable standards and criteria as set forth in this chapter, this title, and any other standards as adopted or amended by the City of Ketchum from time to time.

Criteria 1 evaluates the project's impact on the community through its alignment with the goals and policies of the city's currently adopted plans as related to public health, safety, and welfare. Criteria 2 above relates to the project's conformance with the city's zoning ordinance such as permitted uses, dimensional limitations, parking, dark skies, and the design review improvements and standards listed in 17.96.060 and 17.96.070. During department review, city staff reviewed the project against the city's adopted plans (criteria 1) and for all applicable zoning requirements including conformance with all applicable design review standards outlined in KMC §17.96.060 – *Improvements and Standards* and KMC §17.96.070 – *Community Core (CC) Projects*.

In the staff report below, staff has provided an overview of items the Commission may want to provide feedback on regarding the project and its conformance with the criteria. Through the preapplication and final design review process, the Commission will need to answer the questions of 1) does the

project jeopardize the health, safety, or welfare of the public and does the project meet all of the applicable standards and criteria of the municipal code.

Criteria 1: Health, Safety, and Welfare of the Public

The 2014 Comprehensive Plan outlines 10 core values that drive our vision for the future including a strong and diverse economy, vibrant downtown, community character, and a variety of housing options. The built environment within the downtown plays a key role in materializing these values to achieve the city's vision. The 2014 Comprehensive Plan designates the future land use for the subject property as "mixed-use commercial" where, according to the plan, "New structures in existing mixed-use areas should be oriented to streets and sidewalks and contain a mix of activities. Mixed-use development should contain common public space features that provide relief to the density and contribute to the quality of the street." Primary uses include offices, medical facilities, health/wellness-related services, recreation, government, residential, and services.

These desired qualities of mixed-use commercial stated in the plan directly relate to how new developments interface with the street and enhance the health, safety, and welfare of the public by supporting a vibrant downtown and a strong economy. The comprehensive plan acknowledges that Ketchum has high-quality public spaces including streets and plazas that contribute to our current success and, as noted above, new mixed-use developments should contain public spaces that provide relief from the bulk and mass of structures that contain higher densities. Although this is a low-density development, the bulk and mass of the project is that of a higher density development and should seek to achieve the same design objectives. As outlined further below in this report, the design of the outdoor space seems to be closed off and privatized. Staff acknowledges the space provides value to the quality of the street due to the increased landscaping and setback of the building, however, the applicant should consider designing the space to be more open to the street or making the space available to the public as there is extensive private space on decks and patios throughout the project.

Policy CD-1.3 of Chapter 4 of the comprehensive plan states that "Infill and redevelopment projects should be contextually appropriate to the neighborhood and development in which they occur. Context refers to the natural and manmade features adjoining a development site; it does not imply a certain style." As noted below, staff has concerns about the project's southeast facing façade as the adjacent property has only one-story structures with a single material blank wall. The transition between buildings is a key design element and has the potential to impact the perceived cohesiveness of the downtown and can impact the way residents and visitors experience a place.

The 2022 Housing Action Plan (HAP) emphasizes the importance of increased housing supply for long-term residents in Ketchum. The comprehensive plan identifies the downtown as being an appropriate place for that density due to proximity of jobs and transportation options as a direct correlation to vibrancy of the downtown and support of a strong economy. Goal #1 of the HAP is to produce and preserve housing. Ketchum needs to build, preserve, or convert approximately 100 residential housing units a year to keep up with demand. That demand is for households in all income categories. The subject property is three Ketchum Townsite lots that are already consolidated. The siting of two residential dwelling units on the subject property is an underutilization of a key piece of property in Ketchum's downtown and has the potential to impact downtown vibrancy in this area as the subject property is located on a block that is currently redeveloping with many active spaces and uses. As noted below, the building is somewhat closed off to the public at the ground floor on the corner which

is out of context with the rest of the intersection. There are design opportunities that can be considered to encourage better interface between the building and the public realm and provide additional activation on a key corner.

Finally, if the community is not able to produce the amount of housing needed, the community's health, safety, and welfare is challenged. Not only is the vibrancy of our downtown and our economy in jeopardy, but we also face increased severity of substandard living conditions from overcrowding and we will continue to see the number of community members who are unhoused increase. Research shows the negative impacts of housing instability for families and individuals. Housing instability means that the family or individual is at risk of displacement or has experienced eviction, frequently moves in one year, and homelessness. One study by Boston Medical Center on 22,324 families confirms that housing instability has physical and mental health impacts on affected individuals. It increases the likelihood of depression and suicide in adults and disrupts development and immune system responses in children, increasing their likelihood of hospitalization. Overcrowding increases the risk of spreading infectious diseases. At a community level, those with long commutes are less able to actively participate in the community or be productive at work, and see physical health declines.

Criteria 2: Applicable Standards and Criteria

Zoning and Dimensional Standards

In general, the property appears to be in conformance with the zoning and dimensional standards. Final confirmation of all zoning and dimensional standards will be conducted at the time of final design review. Below are specific items of note that are uniquely applicable to this project.

Front Lot Line - Per KMC 17.08.020, the front lot line of corner lots is the shorter street frontage unless otherwise determined by the administrator based on the orientation and layout of the lot and surrounding neighborhoods. Based on staff review of the orientation of the lot and the surrounding neighborhood, staff determined that it be more appropriate for the front lot line to be along N 1st Ave rather than Sun Valley Rd. This is because most of the developed lots in the immediate vicinity are single or double Ketchum Townsite lots that orient to the Avenues rather than the Streets in the downtown.

Building Height - Building height in the Community Core is calculated differently than in the other zone districts within the city. Per KMC 17.08.020, building height in the CC is calculated based on the average grade of the front and rear lot lines. Side facades are permitted to step up or down to transition from the front to back provided that the transition happens more than 40 feet from the front and more than 35 feet from the back. As shown on the West Elevation on Sheet A7 of Attachment B, the average grade of the front lot line is approximately 5 feet lower than the average grade of the rear property line, therefore the side facades are required to step back as shown on the elevation.

¹ Megan Sandel, Richard Sheward, Stephanie Ettinger de Cuba, Sharon M. Coleman, Deborah A. Frank, Mariana Chilton, Maureen Black, Timothy Heeren, Justin Pasquariello, Patrick Casey, Eduardo Ochoa, Diana Cutts; Unstable Housing and Caregiver and Child Health in Renter Families. Pediatrics February 2018; 141 (2): e20172199. 10.1542/peds.2017-2199

Nkosi, V., Haman, T., Naicker, N. et al. Overcrowding and health in two impoverished suburbs of Johannesburg, South Africa. BMC Public Health 19, 1358 (2019). https://doi.org/10.1186/s12889-019-7665-5

³ Philips, S. (2014, February 14). Drive till you disqualify: Will businesses continue hiring super-commuters? Planetizen Blogs. Retrieved January 18, 2023, from https://www.planetizen.com/node/67379?fbclid=lwAR3vtggnmRVHfeaLWY7J4OqJqlWvqz010gN6wKTTCUofD52st99PFlald14; Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. County Health Rankings 2012. www.countyhealthrankings.org.

Gross Floor Area Calculation - As noted above, the subject property has a unique configuration as the lot slopes diagonally downward as you move north from the back corner of the property at the alley. Per KMC 17.08.020, the gross floor area of a project includes the horizontal area of a building "not including basements, underground parking areas or open unenclosed decks". The proposed project is unique as the ground floor includes habitable space that falls under the definition of basement and underground parking that counts toward gross floor area because of the ceiling height. Per KMC 17.04.040 – Interpretation in the instance of overlapping regulations covering the same subject matter, "the more restrictive or higher standards or requirements shall govern". As such, there is 954 SF of habitable square feet not exempt as a basement and 4,698 SF of underground parking that is not exempt. Sheet A1.2 of Attachment B shows the lower-level gross floor area calculation in plan view for explanation.

Design Review Standards

In general, the proposed project meets many of the design review standards as outlined in the two subsections. Staff has concerns related to a few of the standards, as outlined below.

Activation of Ground Floor - Per KMC 17.96.060.B.2 and 3, "2. For nonresidential portions of buildings, front building facades and facades fronting a pedestrian walkway shall be designed with ground floor storefront windows and doors with clear transparent glass. Landscaping planters shall be incorporated into facades fronting pedestrian walkways." and "3. For nonresidential portions of buildings, front facades shall be designed to not obscure views into windows." These two standards serve to demonstrate the importance of creating an active and interesting pedestrian environment. Staff has concerns that the ground floor façade of the building along Sun Valley Rd and the portion of N 1st Ave closest to Sun Valley Rd do not meet the intent of this standard as the architectural design of the project does not engage with pedestrians and serves more to privatize the space for residents and guests than create an environment that is active and interesting for pedestrians.

Staff understands that the interior program of the building is driving the façade configurations, however, the proposed façade on the Sun Valley Rd side of the project does not meet the city's design review objectives. The proposed façade does not include any significant fenestration, only small windows at the top of the ground floor which do not resemble storefront like windows. Sun Valley Rd is one of our more heavily traveled corridors by pedestrians. This intersection is the location of three new projects that intensely serve to engage pedestrians with the Maude's retail and coffee shop on one corner, a new office building on another that has well-articulated store front facades on both street frontages, and the relocation of GLOW café to a new building on Sun Valley Rd across from Maude's.

On the corner of the proposed development, the private patio has a solid stone veneer seat wall that is approximately 36 inches high at the tallest point and doubles as a planter. The proposed vegetation per Sheet L3.0 indicates flowering crab trees with a variety of shrub species in between. Staff has concerns related to the type of shrub species as some can grow to be very tall if unattended, specifically the Peking Cotoneaster and the Snowberry which can grow between 3-6 feet. The Flowering Crab trees, although very beautiful, are not very tall. These trees, combined with the height of the wall and recommended planting scheme could result in a tall hedge like row along the ground floor in this area which would obscure views in the windows of the ground floor. KMC 17.124.130 outlines that in the CC zone district "fences, hedges and walls shall not exceed four feet in height when located less than 30 feet from the front lot line and shall not exceed six feet in height when located more than 30 feet from the front lot line."

Staff believes additional consideration should be given to how the building and exterior spaces interfaces with the street. Staff believes the outdoor space on the corner is a huge asset, but would encourage the applicant consider a public plaza rather than private outdoor space. This would engage pedestrians and provide patrons of the surrounding businesses additional seating opportunities on a key intersection of the downtown.

Bulk and Flatness of the Building (N 1st Ave) - As the subject property is three Ketchum Townsite lots, and the building is maximizing the allowable north/south footprint, the resulting building is 165 feet long on the N 1st Ave side. KMC Criteria 17.96.050.F.5 states "Building walls shall provide undulation/relief, thus reducing the appearance of bulk and flatness". Staff acknowledges that the building steps back from N 1st Ave to the alley at each level in a wedding cake fashion, however, the N 1st Ave façade appears very large and flat due to the length of the building and the repetitive nature of the architectural design on the 2nd and 3rd levels. Additionally, the sides of the building do not step in which accentuates the bulk of the building. At the 3rd level specifically, the pattern of windows are identical and run from one end of the façade to the other with little separation or break except for the center staircase. Even with the center staircase and its architectural emphasis, the building still carries a significant amount of bulk because of the identical form of each side. Fenestration is generally encouraged in buildings, particularly on ground floors. However, the amount of fenestration in this building is significant which diminishes opportunities for undulation or relief.

The flat roof form is also identical on both sides with the only variation in the center where the roof drops slightly and there is a transparent railing along the rooftop deck. The roof design, coupled with the repetitive consistent windows, makes the building still feel large even with the step back of the façade. A standard Ketchum Townsite lot is about 55 feet wide, which when developed individually, creates a unique built environment as each building is a little different with changes in materials, architectural elements, style, and building height. The proposed building lacks some of this differentiation that is key to reducing the bulk and flatness of the upper floors. Staff believes further consideration of the undulation and relief of the building is important to reduce the bulk and flatness of the building.

Bulk and Flatness of the Building (East Elevation - Interior Lot Line) - The Commission has paid special attention to interior walls that are exposed due to adjacent buildings that are of smaller scale than the proposed project. This is especially important when adjacent buildings are one-story structures adjacent to a three-story structure. Although staff believes the step back nature of the project mitigates some of these concerns, staff does have concern about the lack of material variation on the east elevation shown on Sheet A8. The grey metal paneling proposed is an extension of the material on the front face of the 2nd floor deck and used as an accent on the some of the window projections on the Sun Valley Rd side of the building. Staff recommends more variation in materials or a step back of the third floor of the building on the east side to reduce the flatness of the façade at that location.

Materials Palette - KMC standard 17.96.060.E.1 states "The project's materials, colors and signing shall be complementary with the townscape, surrounding neighborhoods and adjoining structures". Staff acknowledges that many of the proposed materials such as stone veneer, wood siding, and metal paneling are represented in projects in adjoining structures that existing or are under construction. However, many of the surrounding buildings have a warmer color palette and/or accents of warm wood elements that soften the appearance of the building. As mentioned above, the N 1st Ave façade seems to have little variation due to the amount of fenestration and the building feels long and bulky. The project does propose a cedar wood siding on the underside of the 2nd floor balcony, however, this

element is understated and could be highlighted on other portions of the façades to lighten the size of the building. For instance, some of the more recent buildings have beam accents on balcony railings, under awnings, or vertical elements at corners. Staff recommends consideration of additional wood elements on the facades.

Staff Recommendation

After considering the application materials provided as attachments, the applicant's presentation, and any public comment received, staff recommends the Commission provide feedback to the applicant on the proposed Sawtooth Serenade project.

Attachments:

- A. Application Materials and Applicant Narrative
- B. Design Review Plan Set
- C. Story Pole and Staking Diagram
- D. Interim Ordinance 1234 Analysis
- E. Public Comment



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August 24, 2023

Planning Administrator Determination: Applicability of Section 3 of Interim Ordinance 1234 to the Sawtooth Serenade development located at 260 N 1st Ave.

Dear Mr. Connor-

The City of Ketchum received a Final Design Review application for the Sawtooth Serenade development located at 260 N 1st Ave, Ketchum, ID 83340, on August 7, 2023. Upon receipt, I notified the applicant via email that the application had not been received within the required 180 calendar day requirement for Final Design Review applications outlined in Section 3 of Interim Ordinance 1234. That email also outlined that the application could be processed as a new pre-application, if that was the desire of the applicant. Following that email, I received a response requesting further consideration of the determination. Per your request, I have further reviewed Interim Ordinance 1234, other applicable code provisions in the Ketchum Municipal Code, and consulted with the city attorney.

Based on my further review, I find that Section 3 of the interim ordinance does apply to the Sawtooth Serenade development as justified by the following:

1. Preapplication Design Review and Final Design Review applications are separate and distinct applications, each with their own application form, submittal requirements, fees, and processes. Section 1 of the interim ordinance states that the ordinance applies to "to any Building Permit, Pre-Application Design Review, Design Review, Subdivision, or Condition Use Permit application deemed complete for vesting purposes after the effective date of this Ordinance filed pursuant to Title 16 – Subdivision Regulations and Title 17 – Zoning Regulations". The ordinance clearly delineates between Pre-Application Design Review and Design Review as two separate applications. Although the preapplication was deemed complete prior to the effective date, the Final Design Review application has not been deemed complete as of the date of this letter which is after the effective date of the interim ordinance.

MAYOR Neil Bradshaw | COUNCIL Amanda Breen Michael David Courtney Hamilton Jim Slanetz

- 2. Initial drafts of the interim ordinance did not provide any grace period to preapplications as Preapplication Design Review does not provide for any vesting of development rights. Pursuant to KMC section17.96.010.C.2, the purpose of the preapplication is to exchange ideas and give direction to the applicant on the "design concept". The preapplication design review step is not designed to vest any specific rights or design. There is no vote of approval, approval with conditions, or denial and no Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law are issued. Based on feedback from the development community at the time of review and adoption of the interim ordinance, the City Council acknowledged that there are investments made during the preapplication process and in the interim those developments should be provided a grace period provided they continue to timely move through the process. This led to the addition of a 180-day grace period as described below.
- 3. Section 3 of the interim ordinance states "Design Review or 17.104 Mountain Overlay Zoning District that have conducted a preapplication design review meeting with the Commission, as required or voluntary, must file a complete Design Review Permit application and pay all required fees within 180 calendar days of the last review meeting on the preapplication with the Commission, otherwise the preapplication review will become null and void". The purpose of Section 3 of the interim ordinance was to provide a reasonable grace period for developments that began the multiple steps of the development approval process prior to adoption of the interim ordinance and to avoid a barrage of applications being submitted to the city prior to the effective date. This grace period was set by the interim ordinance and, upon expiration of the grace period, subject applications became "null and void." The Planning Department was not delegated any authority to extend or waive the grace period. The 180-calendar deadline has been applied to all applications with preapplications deemed complete prior to the effective date of the interim ordinance, including two others in addition to the Sawtooth Serenade development. Had the Final Design Review application been submitted within that grace period timeframe, staff would accept and process the application accordingly with Section 3 of the interim ordinance. It was not.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. As noted in my email dated August 8, 2023, the city can process this as a new application, starting with a new pre-application. This letter constitutes a final Administrator Determination with respect to this submission. This Determination may be administratively appealed under Ketchum Municipal Code 17.144. Please be advised, if desired, an appeal of this Determination must be filed within 15 days pursuant to KMC 17.144.030.

Please advise as to how you would like to proceed. You can reach me at mlanders@ketchumidaho.org or at 208-727-5085.

Sincerely,

Morgan Landers, AICP

Director of Planning and Building

CC: Matthew Johnson, City Attorney
Jim Laski, Lawson Laski Clark, PLLC

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City of Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission c/o Morgan Landers, Planning Director 191 5th Street West, Ketchum, ID 83340

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September 7, 2023

Re: Appeal of Administrative Determination

Sawtooth Serenade Project Our File No.: 12690-001

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We represent Scott and Julie Lynch, Yahn Bernier and Beth McCaw, and Distrustful Ernest Revocable Trust ("Applicants") with respect to the Design Review Application for the Sawtooth Serenade development located at 260 N First Avenue, in Ketchum, Idaho. This letter will serve as to supplement the Notice of Appeal filed on behalf of the Applicants with respect to the Planning Administrator Determination made August 24, 2023 ("Determination Letter") regarding the applicability of Interim Ordinance 1234 (in particular Section 3) to the Sawtooth Serenade Development ("Project").

As you are aware, the Project vested prior to the adoption of Ordinance 1234 and thus, Ordinance does not apply to the Project. However, the Planning Administrator determined that Ordinance 1234 does apply to the Project and that the Applicants' Design Review Application, submitted on behalf of the Applicants on August 7, 2023, was not timely filed. This determination came after Applicant's Preapplication Design Review was "deemed complete" and not within the purview of the interim ordinance on October 17, 2022. The determination concludes that the required step of preapplication design review does not vest any specific rights and that requires preapplication design review is a wholly separate and unrelated application for design review in Ketchum's permitting scheme. As such, she concluded that Applicants' Design Review application would not be considered by the City as it was not submitted to the City with 180

calendar days of the last Preapplication Design Review meeting of the Commission, which she calculated to be Friday July 21, 2023.¹

Applicant appeals the Administrative Determination on the grounds that it:

- violates the law regarding vesting of applications:
- is contrary to the express provisions of Ordinance 1234;
- is contrary to the prior written and stated actions of the City;
- is made based on unlawful procedure
- is arbitrary and capricious and an abuse of discretion; and
- is in excess of the authority of the Administrator.

The basis for the foregoing are set forth below.

A. Legal Standards

Pursuant to Title 17 of City of Ketchum Zoning Code (hereinafter referred to as the "Ordinance"), the authority of the Commission in this hearing on appeal is to consider the determination of the Administrator and the notice of appeal as well as the oral and written legal arguments of the Appellant and the Administrator. The Commission may then affirm, reverse or modify, in whole or in part, the decision of the Administrator. See Ketchum Code § 17.144.010.

In considering this appeal, it should be noted that the enabling legislation for the Commission, and Ketchum's Zoning Ordinance itself, is the Local Land Use Planning Act, I.C. § 67-6501 et seq. ("LLUPA"). The first listed purpose of the LLUPA is to "protect property rights while making accommodation for other necessary types of development" I.C. § 67-6502(a) (emphasis added). Among the statutory duties of the Commission is to insure that "land use policies, restrictions, conditions and fees do not violate private property rights, adversely impact property values, or create unnecessary technical limitations on the use of property" I.C. § 67-6508(a).

B. Applicant's Project Vested Prior to the Adoption of Ordinance 1234; therefore Ordinance 1234 Does Not Apply

In its Determination Letter, the City contends that Ordinance 1234 applies to the current Application because "Preapplication Design Review and Final Design Review applications are separate and distinct applications, each with their own application form, submittal requirements, fees and processes." However, the Design Review Chapter of the Zoning Code *requires* Preapplication Design Review on any lot or lots totaling 11,000 square feet or more. Code §17.96.10.C.1. Accordingly, for the Sawtooth Serenade Project, Preapplication Design Review was the first required step to achieving Design Review Approval and a subsequent Building Permit. While each of these steps

¹ The Administrator's determination was first emailed to the Development team on August 8, 2023. Following communication with the City Attorney, Matthew Johnson, it was agreed a more formal determination would be prepared, ultimately resulting in the August 24, 2023 determination letter which is the subject of this Appeal.

require separate applications² and fees, they are all a continuation of the same permitting process for the Project. As such, if Ordinance 1234 does not apply to one stage, it does not apply to any stage of the permitting process.

Idaho law is clear that a land use applicants rights are "measured under the law in effect at the time of the application." Citizens Against Linscott/Interstate Asphalt Plant v. Bonner County, 168 Idaho 705, 717(2021) quoting S. Fork Coal. v. Bd. of Comm'rs of Bonneville Cnty., 117 Idaho 857, 861, 792 P.2d 882, 886 (1990) (citations omitted); see also Taylor v. Canyon Cnty. Bd. of Comm'rs, 147 Idaho 424, 436, 210 P.3d 532, 544 (2009).

The policy undergirding this rule is "to prevent local authorities from delaying or withholding action on an application in order to change or enact a law to defeat the application." Taylor, 147 Idaho at 436, 210 P.3d at 544 (citation omitted). Thus, the rule is an outgrowth of the well-established principle that legislation does not ordinarily have retroactive effect. See Cooper v. Bd. of Cnty. Comm'rs of Ada Cnty., 101 Idaho 407, 412, 614 P.2d 947, 952 (1980); see also Ben Lomond, Inc. v. City of Idaho Falls, 92 Idaho 595, 601, 448 P.2d 209, 215 (1968) (reasoning that the rule to apply the ordinance in effect at the time of the application is "in accord with the general rule that legislation generally acts prospectively only"). *Id.*

Despite the fact of a separate application form, for a project like Sawtooth Serenade, Preapplication Design Review is a required, necessary part of the Design Review Approval Process, and as such, vests the Application. Indeed, the submittal requirements for Preapplication Design Review are identical to those of Design Review. Code §17.96.10.C.3. Acknowledging that the permitting process consists of a continuum of applications, the Administrator, in her presentation to the Commission on January 24, 2023, advised your Commission that "this project does not come under the purview of the interim ordinance because it was deemed substantially complete prior to the effective date." (Transcript of January 24, 2023 Commission Meeting at 2:31:11 – 22). Because Ordinance 1234 did not apply Applicant's Preapplication Design Review Application, it does not apply to the entire Design Review process, as they are both required steps in the same permit application process.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, and despite acknowledging on the record that the Project does not come under the purview of Ordinance 1234, in point 2 of the Determination Letter, the Administrator argues that "the preapplication design review step is not designed to vest any specific right or design." (Determination Letter at ¶2). This is purportedly because there is no vote for approval made by the Commission. While this may make some sense for an applicant who choses to proceed with voluntary preapplication design review, it is not only illogical, but contrary to the law where

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² It should be noted that the Preapplication Design Review application form and the Design Review application form are identical. For this Project, the City staff hand wrote "pre-app" on the printed Design Review application to make the distinction.

Preapplication Design Review is a required and necessary step in the Design Review Approval Process. Further, as the minutes for the January 24, 2023 Commission meeting show, the Commission did take action on the Application by voting to recommend that the Application proceed to Design Review.

In the Determination Letter, the Administrator characterizes the newly adopted 180 period to file a Design Review Application set forth in Section 3 of Ordinance 1234 as a "grace period", apparently applicable to previously recommended (but apparently not vested) Preapplication Design Review Applications (¶3 of the Determination Letter).

But, to the extent the 180 day "grace period" described in Section 3 of Ordinance 1234 applied to a Preapplication Design Review Application, it follows that the Preapplication Design Review Application did actually "vest" specific rights, at least for 180 days under the Interim Ordinance. Thus, the Administrator's argument supporting the application of Ordinance 1234 actually supports the conclusion, consistent with the City's prior statements, that the Project was vested under the law in effect prior to the Interim Ordinance.

Further, there is absolutely nothing in Section 3 of Ordinance 1234 that specifies or even implies that the 180-day period was meant to be a "grace period" applicable to "developments" deemed complete prior to the adoption of the Ordinance. Rather, the only logical (and legal) interpretation of Section 3 of the Interim Ordinance is that a development that (i) is deemed complete for vesting purposes after the effective date of Ordinance 123, and (ii) is required to (or choses to) go through the preapplication design review process must then submit their design review application within 180 days of the last Commission review meeting.

With respect to the present Project, the Project's (or development's) application was deemed complete prior to the effective date of Ordinance 1234. Accordingly, as a matter of law, the 180-day time limit for filing a Design Review Application following Preapplication Design Review does not apply.

C. The City has Confirmed Several Times on the Record that Ordinance 1234 Did Not Apply to the Project

As this Commission is well aware, Applicants tracked the adoption of Interim Ordinance 1234 as well as the Planning Department's confirmation of the "completeness" of their Preapplication Design Review application in advance of the City's adoption of the Interim Ordinance. It is fair to say that the vesting provisions of the new ordinance were drafted with this Project in mind.

Section 1 of Ordinance 1234 expressly states: "The following interim regulations and standards apply to any Pre-Application Design Review . . . deemed complete for vesting purposes after the effective date of this Ordinance . . . ". Ordinance 1234 § 1.

³ "Developments" is the term used in Section 3 of Ordinance 1234.

Applicant's Preapplication Design Review was "deemed complete" on October 17, 2022, prior to the effective date of Ordinance 1234.

At this time, the application has been deemed complete and will be scheduled for the next available hearing.

(See Completeness Review Letter attached as Exhibit 1).

The issue of substantial completion and vesting was also confirmed through email correspondence between City Attorney Matt Johnson and me in the days leading up to the adoption of Ordinance 1234:

Jim -

I checked in with Morgan. She said she's currently reviewing all the resubmitted items this week and will be issuing a completeness letter based on that submittal.

For the Council meeting next Monday there will be a clearer revised version of the interim ordinance that clarifies the distinction that was discussed at the last meeting in response to your comments. That revision will make clear vesting is based on an application being "substantially complete."

So I believe in combination those two items will address your request.

Matt

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From: Jim Laski < <u>irl@lawsonlaski.com</u>> Sent: Tuesday, October 11, 2022 9:42 AM

To: Matthew A. Johnson < mjohnson@WHITEPETERSON.com>

Subject: RE: Ketchum Ordinance 1234

Hi Matt — would it be possible to get conformation that my client's application (at 260 N 1^{st} Ave) is substantially complete and will be reviewed under the presently existing ordinance, rather than the proposed new ordinance 1234? I written statement to that effect would be much appreciated. Thank you

Jim



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(See email correspondence attached as Exhibit 2).

Even more clear and succinctly, the Staff Report for the Preapplication Design Review Meeting held January 24, 2023, issued on or about January 19, 2023, states that this application is not subject to Interim Ordinance 1234:

The application is not subject to Interim Ordinance 1234 as the application was deemed complete prior to the effective date of the ordinance.

(Staff Report for January 24, 2023 Meeting at Pg. 2, attached as Exhibit 3).

Finally, and to the point that required Preapplication Design Review vests the entire Design Review Application Process, 2 hours and 31 minutes into the Preapplication Design Review Meeting of January 24, 2023, Planning Administrator Morgan Landers states:

"... Staff also provided a review of the project's compliance with interim ordinance 1234. This <u>Project</u> does not come under the purview of the interim ordinance because it was deemed substantially complete prior to the effective date..."

(Transcript of January 24, 2023 Commission Meeting at 2:31:11 – 22).

Quite simply, if Ordinance 1234 does not apply to this Project, then the 180-day provision in Section 3 of the Ordinance also does not apply.

Based on the forgoing, it is abundantly clear that the Project (or Development) was vested under the Zoning Code in effect on October 17, 2022 (prior to the adoption of Ordinance 1234). Under the Design Review provisions in effect at the time Applicant's Preapplication Design Review was deemed complete, there was no time limitation for the filing of a Design Review Application following the Commission's recommendation to advance the Project to Design Review.

D. City is Estopped From Changing Its Position re Vesting

As outlined above, the Determination Letter is clearly at odds with the position taken by the City earlier in the Design Review Application Process with respect to the vesting of the Project to the detriment of the Applicants, which is contrary to law on the grounds of promissory estoppel.

"Quasi-estoppel prevents a party from changing its legal position and, as a result, gaining an unconscionable advantage or imposing an unconscionable disadvantage over another." *Hollingsworth v. Thompson*, 168 Idaho 13, 22–23, 478 P.3d 312, 321–22 (2020); *Garner v. Bartschi*, 139 Idaho 430, 437, 80 P.3d 1031, 1038 (2003). "Unlike equitable estoppel, quasi-estoppel does not require an undiscoverable falsehood, and it requires neither misrepresentation by one party nor reliance by the other." *Hollingsworth*, 168 Idaho at 23, 478 P.3d at 322. Quasi-estoppel applies when:

(1) the offending party took a different position than his or her original position and (2) either (a) the offending party gained an advantage or caused a

disadvantage to the other party; (b) the other party was induced to change positions; or (c) it would be unconscionable to permit the offending party to maintain an inconsistent position from one he or she has already derived a benefit or acquiesced in.

Id. (quoting *Trumble v. Farm Bureau Mut. Ins. Co. of Idaho*, 166 Idaho 132, 136, 456 P.3d 201, 215 (2019)).

The facts here are in line with *Hollingsworth*, where the Court found quasiestoppel applied when a hospital changed its position by holding itself out as a private corporation in its business filings with the Idaho Secretary of State, but then later claimed it was a governmental entity when sued. The public filings led the plaintiffs to believe the hospital was a private corporation, causing them to disregard the ITCA notice deadline to the benefit of the hospital. 168 Idaho at 23, 478 P.3d at 322. Likewise, in the present situation, the City cannot now change its position regarding vesting to preclude Applicant from proceeding under the under the prior Code provisions.

E. Even if Ordinance 1234 Did Apply, the 17-Day Delay in Meeting the Deadline Should Be Excused as It Was Caused in Part by Delays in Receiving Responses From the City and Its Agents

It should be noted that policy behind project vesting in Idaho is designed specifically to prevent the types of action on display from staff in the processing of this application.

The policy undergirding this rule is "to prevent local authorities from delaying or withholding action on an application in order to change or enact a law to defeat the application." *Taylor, Supra.*

With respect to the present Project, in which Design Review was submitted 197 days following the Commission's recommendation to proceed to Design Review. It doesn't take a conspiracy theorist to be skeptical as to the unexplained delays in scheduling meetings with staff due to staff unavailability, three weeks in April and May (April 24 to May 17) and in receiving required responses from City's contractors – four weeks with Michael Decker re street lighting and seven weeks with Clear Creek Disposal (June 16 to August 2) re garbage pickup location, despite diligent efforts by the Applicant team.

Given that Applicant's submittal was less than three weeks after the alleged "180-day grace period," the fourteen weeks of delays experienced by Applicant's development team raise legitimate concerns of abuse of process should the City not reconsider its position on the applicability of Ordinance 1234.

Conclusion

Based on the foregoing, it is clear the Administrative Determination violates Idaho law regarding the vesting of land use permits, is contrary the express provisions

of Ordinance 1234 and the prior written and stated actions of the City with respect to this Project. Combined with the foregoing, the unexplained delays create an unlawful procedure in the processing of Permit Application. As such the Administrator's action in making the determination is arbitrary and capricious and a clear abuse of discretion – designed to stop the Project. As such, we respectfully urge the Commission to reverse the Administrative Determination and proceed with Design Review.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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James R. Laski

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MEMORANDUM

To: City of Ketchum Planning and Zoning Commission

From: Morgan Landers, AICP – Director of Planning and Building

Date: November 3, 2023

Re: Administrator Reply Brief for the Sawtooth Serenade Appeal of Administrative

Determination

This memorandum serves as the reply brief to the Appeal of Administrative Determination letter received by Mr. Jim Laski, of Lawson, Laski, Clark, on September 7, 2023. As noted in Mr. Laski's letter, an Administrative Determination was made as to whether a Final Design Review application could be filed and processed with the city based on the ordinance in effect at the time of the application. Below is a response to Mr. Laski's letter for consideration by the Planning and Zoning Commission during your review of the appeal.

Vesting and Application Types

As noted in the determination letter to the Applicant, dated August 24, 2023, staff outlined that pre-applications are separate applications with separate fees and separate processes as outlined in the Ketchum Municipal Code. As such, staff reviews each application separately upon submittal of all required application materials. Applicant's Letter of Appeal from their counsel Jim Laski, dated September 7, 2023, outlines that the determination violates the project's vesting under the various legal cases referenced in the letter and notes that applications should be reviewed under the ordinances "in effect at the time of the application". City staff have done just that. At the time of the review of the pre-application, the application was reviewed under the ordinances and regulations in effect at the time the pre-application was deemed complete. City staff reviewed the pre-application for conformance with the regulations in effect at the time, and as Mr. Laski notes, reiterated multiple times to the fact that the interim ordinance was not applicable to the pre-application.

The action in question, and what is being appealed, is the determination of the Final Design Review, not the pre-application. As stated above, the pre-application was accepted and processed according to the ordinance in effect at the time. The preapplication process concluded with the January 24, 2023, meeting of the Commission. Upon receipt of the final design review application in September 2023, staff reviewed the application according to the processes and ordinances in effect at the time of the final design review application (not preapplication), which was Interim Ordinance 1234.

Section 3 of Interim Ordinance 1234 states that developments that have conducted a voluntary or required pre-application "must file a complete Design Review Permit application and pay all

required fees within 180 calendar days of the last review meeting on the preapplication with the Commission, otherwise the preapplication review will become null and void". Because the application was not submitted within the 180 calendar days, the preapplication became null and void and any allegation of vesting provided with the preapplication under Section 1 of the Interim Ordinance was dissolved.

Mr. Laski represents that the preapplication and final design review applications are a linked application process for one development and therefore both applications should be vested. Section 1 of Interim Ordinance 1234 specifically references each permit and application type separately, not "developments", therefore vesting of a pre-application is only upheld when the processes and timeframes outlined in the ordinance is followed. As noted above, the application was not filed within the required timeframe and therefore the pre-application is null and void and a new pre-application is required. Staff provided the option to the applicant to move forward with a new pre-application, which they declined.

Consistent Treatment of Applicants

If the applicant had submitted the final design review application in the required timeframe, the two applications would have been treated as timely in succession under the previous ordinance. Mr. Laski states that the actions of staff were arbitrary and capricious. Staff treated the Sawtooth Serenade project the same way as two other development projects moving through the process at similar timeframes. The Perry Building development and 4th and Main development both had pre-applications, that were required and deemed complete prior to the effective date of the interim ordinance. Applicant representatives from both developments reached out to city staff for clarification of Section 3 of the interim ordinance. Staff communicated to the applicants that Section 3 did apply to their developments and that they would need to submit within the 180 calendar days to avoid being subject to the development standards of the interim ordinance. Both projects submitted within the required timeframes to retain their vesting under the 180-day grace period.

Delays Caused by City

Finally, Mr. Laski's letter makes the accusation that explicit actions of the city delayed the applicant's ability to submit the application within 180 calendar days. The letter outlines delays from staff, Michael Decker, and Clear Creek Disposal. It should be noted that of the three-week delay from city staff, staff were on vacation for one full week of the stated timeframe. The applicants requested a meeting with the Director of Planning and Building, of which a two-week response time for requests is common due to workload and capacity. Michael Decker and Clear Creek Disposal staff are not employees or contractors of the City of Ketchum and city staff have no control or management over these entities and their response times. Also, city staff does not control the point at which applicants decide to provide information to and request feedback from those entities, which could have been done sooner than it was based on Mr. Laski's letter and the level of design of the project at pre-application.

Conclusion

Based on the information provided above, staff believes that we upheld the vesting of applications provided by the ordinances in effect at the time of applications, processed the pre-application thoroughly and fairly according to the law, and based the determination of the Final Design Review application within the bounds of the procedures as written in law. Staff prides themselves on treating all applicants and applications fairly and consistently to avoid accusations of arbitrary and capricious actions and have demonstrated how we have done that in this case. As the Director of Planning and Building, I serve as the Administrator of Title 17 of the Ketchum Municipal Code and have acted well within the authority of the role by providing options to the applicant for consideration to move the application through the required process.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this matter.

Regards,

Morgan Landers, AICP

Director of Planning and Building

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November 9, 2023

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Re: Appeal of Administrative Determination

Sawtooth Serenade Project

Applicants Response Memorandum

Our File No.: 12690-001

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On behalf of Scott and Julie Lynch, and Yahn Bernier and Beth McCaw and Distrustful Ernest Revocable Trust ("Applicants"), this letter will serve as a Response to the Planning Director's Reply Brief in accordance with the Scheduling Notice issued by the City Attorney on November 3, 2023.

In her brief, the Planning Director does not contest that the Applicant's Pre-Application Design Review Application vested under the City Code in effect prior to Ordinance 1234. She does contend, however, that the language of Ordinance 1234, which did not apply to the Mandatory Pre-Application Design Review, does apply to the next step in the Design Review process, under Ketchum City Code 17.96.010, the Design Review Application, but includes a 180-day "grace period" which would maintain the Pre-Application Design Review vesting status for 180 days under Section 3 of Ordinance 1234.

However, Section 3 is not written as a "grace period" for preapplications submitted prior to the ordinance, but rather as a provision to keep the Design Review Application Process under 17.96.010 moving forward for Preapplication Design Review Applications processed AFTER Ordinance 1234 was adopted. As stated clearly in our September 7, 2023 appeal letter, Ordinance 1234 cannot both apply in part and not apply in part to the same Project or Development. In other words, either ordinance 1234 applies in whole, or it does not apply at all, and under Idaho law and as the City has stated on numerous occasions, it does not apply.

A review of the revisions to Section 1 of proposed draft Ordinance 1234 regarding vesting, all of which came after public comment, is illustrative. The first draft of the Ordinance, reviewed by P&Z on August 16, 2022, stated the following:

Pre-application Design Review Applications deemed complete prior to the effective date of this ordinance, that do not have a subsequent Design Review application deemed complete, are subject to the provisions contain [sic] herein.

Following public comment and citation to legal authority, the P&Z Commission recommended changing Section 1 to have vesting upon receipt of the completed Preapplication Design Review application as it would likely only impact a single project.

Despite P&Z's recommendation, staff revised sentences highlighted above in Section 1 to the following:

Pre-application Design Review and Mountain Overlay Preapplication Design Review applications that have been reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Commission at one review meeting prior to the effective date of this ordinance are not subject to the provisions contained herein.

In discussing this revision with the City Council at its initial hearing on draft Ordinance 1234 on September 19, 2022, Ms. Landers interrupted the Mayor to state the following:

And pardon me for interruption council members, but just to clarify Mayor Bradshaw, we are kind of trying to split the baby a little bit with what the Planning Commission recommended and what we initially proposed to the Planning Commission. And so the initial ordinance took a much harder line that said basically if you have a preapplication, that doesn't count at all and it [sic] really only final design review count. So what we're proposing here is that if you have a pre-application that's in process and you've had your preapplication review with the commission meaning that they've given substantial feedback. You've gotten your guidance. You've had that informal review that would be the Milestone by which you get grandfathered and the new ordinance would not apply to you. (City Council meeting Transcript, September 19, 2022 at 1:21:24 - 1:22;09)

Following public objection the requirement of a P&Z meeting prior to vesting and citation to Idaho law confirming a project is vested when an application is substantially complete, at the next City Council meeting, held on October 3, 2022, City Attorney

Matthew Johnson recommended removing the clause "that have been reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Commission at one review meeting " and replacing that with "deemed complete for vesting purposes. (City Council Meeting Transcript, October 3, 2022 at 1:46:31 - 1:48:12; 1:54:54 – 1:55:30). This is the language ultimately incorporated into Ordinance 1234.

None of the discussion at City Council regarding the vesting of a project prior to Ordinance 1234 related at all to nor even referenced the 180-day provision in Section 3. There was never any discussion or suggestion that, somehow, Section 3 of Ordinance 1234 was meant to apply only to applications for Pre-application Design Review that had been deemed complete prior to the adoption of Ordinance 1234. If the 180-day period in Section 3 was meant to limit vesting on applications for Projects that vested prior to the adoption of the Ordinance, one would think it would have been discussed at the Council level as the language regarding vesting was addressed at length.

This makes sense because under chapter 17.96 of the Ketchum Ordinance related to Design Review, Subsection C, Preapplication Design Review, is a necessary, required step in the Design Review Process for specific types of Developments or Projects. As a necessary step, it triggers the vesting for the Project, as city staff has repeatedly stated on the record in both the process of adopting Ordinance 1234 and in the Pre-application Design Review process as noted in our letter of September 7, 2023.

Quite simply, either Ordinance 1234 applies or it doesn't apply to the Sawtooth Serenade Project. The City previously stated that it did NOT apply and proceeded with Pre-application Design Review, the initial stage of the Design Review Process, under the prior ordinances. It cannot now argue that Pre-application Design Review was not part of the Design Review process required for this Project. This position is even more surprising given the recent decision in *Bracken v. City of Ketchum*, Docket No. 48721 September 15, 2023, wherein the Idaho Supreme Court, citing the same law cited in our September 7 letter, concluded that the developer's rights vested under the ordinance in effect at the time it first filed an application, which the City refused to accept, and that Bracken's "rights could not be taken away by Ketchum's enactment of a new ordinance [thereafter] ..." Bracken at 12. The Court then, citing *Ben Lomond, Inc. v. City of Idaho Falls*, 92 Idaho 595, 602 (1968), pointed out the City of Ketchum's "bad faith conduct" stating:

[T]o hold for the City in the present case would mean that a city, merely by withholding action on an application for a permit, could change or enact a zoning law to defeat the application. It could, in substance, give immediate effect to a future or proposed zoning ordinance before that ordinance was enacted by proper procedure.

The City planning staff's actions with respect to the present Project seem eerily similar.

As a final matter, the Director questions the delays pointed out in our September 17, 2023 letter in receiving responses from city contractors, including Clear Creek

Disposal (the city's garbage franchisee) and The MH Companies (the city's sole street lighting consultant) which impacted the timing of submitting a completed application. To make sure the record is complete, attached as Exhibit A to this letter is a Timeline of Delays experienced by Thielsen Architects in working through the necessary steps to bring this Project from Pre-application Design Review to Design Review. Each of these communications can be confirmed by email.

Based on the foregoing, and the facts and arguments set forth in our letter of September 7, 2023, we respectfully urge the Commission to honor the City's word, stand by the written record before you regarding the vesting of the Sawtooth Serenade Project, reverse the Administrative Determination and proceed with Design Review.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

LAWSON LASKI CLARK, PLLC

James R. Laski

Cc: Matthew A. Johnson, Esq. (by email: <u>mjohnson@whitepeterson.com</u>) clients

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EXHIBIT A



Timeline of Delays - Sawtooth Serenade

1st Collaborative design Meeting with Morgan Landers, Director of Planning and Building

2/11/23 Dave Thielsen (DT) of Thielsen Architects emails Morgan Landers (ML) asking for collaborative design meeting.

2/14/23 DT emails ML again asking for collaborative design meeting.

2/14/23 ML responds that she is booked for the rest of the week.

2/22/23 First collaborative design meeting between ML and TA.

Total of eleven (11) days from meeting request to the 1st meeting.

2nd Collaborative design Meeting with Morgan Landers, Director of Planning and Building

4/26/23 Robert Connor (RC) of Thielsen Architects emails ML requesting a second collaborative design meeting and receives an autoreply from ML that she is out of the office until 5/1/23.

5/1/23 RC emails ML for second collaborative design meeting.

5/1/23 DT emails ML asking for collaborative design meeting to be the week of the 8th.

5/8/23 RC emails ML asking again to schedule a collaborative design meeting.

5/8/23 ML responds that this week is full for her. Proposes the following week.

5/9/23 DT emails ML proposing meeting times.

5/9/23 ML responds that proposed times do not work for her.

5/9/23 DT emails ML proposing other times.

5/10/23 DT emails ML again attempting to secure meeting time.

5/11/23 ML responds that 5/17/23 will work.

5/17/23 Second collaborative design meeting between ML and TA.

Total of seventeen (17) days from meeting request after ML's return from vacation to the 2nd meeting.

The MH Companies

5/25/23 RC emails architectural drawings and the previous street lighting plan to the previous contact at The MH Companies. RC receives notice that the previous contact has left the company and that the message has been forwarded to a new contact who will respond shortly.

720 Market Street, Suite C Kirkland, Washington 98033 www.thielsenarchitects.com Telephone: 425.828.0333 FAX: 425.828.9376 5/31/23 RC calls The MH Companies and learns that the new contact is Mike Decker (MD). RC brings MD up to speed on the project.

5/31/23 RC emails drawings and the previous street lighting plan to MD.

6/9/23 RC emails MD to check status. MD can't access any of their previous work on the project and does not have good information on what Ketchum's requirements are for the project. MD tells RC he will contact the City of Ketchum to get more information.

6/14/23 MD emails RC an update. MD is still working on the project but promises something very soon.

6/20/23 MD emails RC an update. MD is still working on the project and hopes to have something soon.

6/21/23 MD emails RC a drawing, but MD has moved the streetlight from in front of the exit door into a required street tree.

6/22/23 RC and MD exchange emails and MD revises the drawing. MD moves the streetlight back in front of the exit door. RC responds asking it to be moved away from the door. MD moves the streetlight back into the street tree. RC responds that it is back in the street tree and needs to move further west to be out of the street tree and not in front of the door. MD provides a drawing with the streetlighting in a workable location.

24 total emails, plus phone calls, required to get small adjustments to the location of two streetlights. Total of twenty-eight (28) days to receive requested minor adjustment from City required vendor.

Trash Collection/Clear Creek Disposal

6/16/23 Jeff Loomis (JL) of Galena-Benchmark emails Mike Goitiandia (MG) to review trash collection access.

6/21/23 Email from JL to Thielsen Architects (TA) stating JL is still waiting to hear back from MG on a question he asked him regarding trash collection in alley.

6/23/23 JL calls MG.

6/23/23 RC emails MG asking that he return JL's call.

6/27/23 RC calls and leaves a voicemail for MG.

6/28/23 RC calls and leaves a voicemail for MG.

6/29/23 RC emails MG drawings for his review.

6/30/23 JL and MG speak on the phone.

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7/3/23 DT emails MG.

7/6/23 DT calls MG.

7/11/23-7/17/23 TA revises drawings based on civil design work which JL reviewed with MG.

7/17/23 RC emails MG asking for memo.

7/18/23 MG emails response to RC, JL, and DT.

7/18/23 RC replies to MG with revised drawings based MG's email

7/25/23 RC calls and leaves a voicemail for MG asking for a response.

7/25/23 RC emails MG asking for a response.

7/26/23 RC and MG speak on the phone.

7/26/23 RC emails MG revised drawings based on phone conversation.

7/31/23 RC emails MG asking for a response.

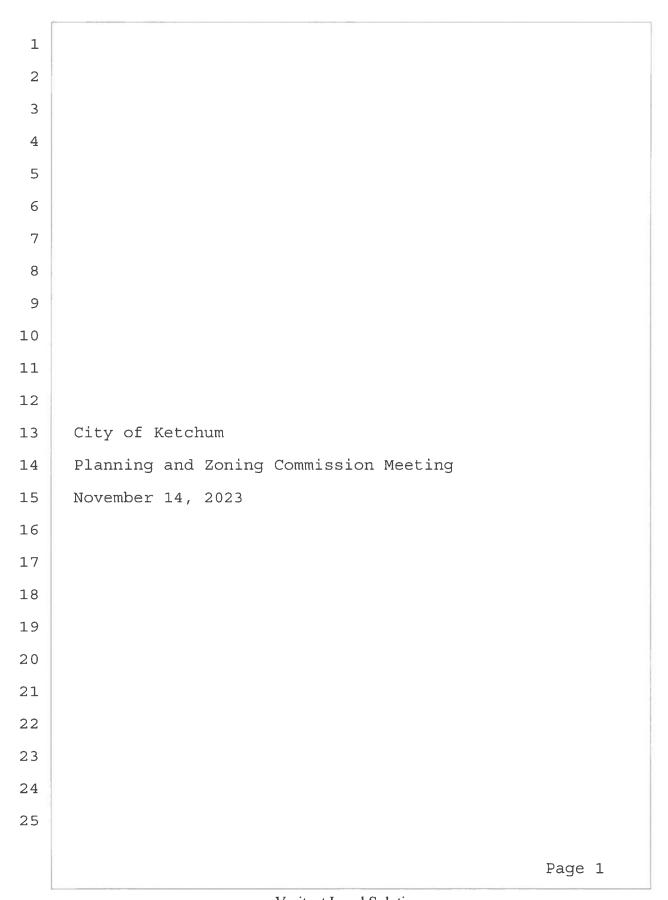
8/1/23 RC emails MG asking for a response.

8/1/23 RC asks Jim Laski to contact MG to get things moving.

8/2/23 MG sends approval memo to City of Ketchum and project team.

8/7/23 Final design Review Application is transmitted to City of Ketchum.

Total of forty-seven (47) days to receive feedback and approval from City required vendor.



1 CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Our new business 1 of the date and are fully prepared to argue 2 today. 2 is review and make a determination of 3 3 administrative appeal for the processing of final We have the briefing schedule, where 4 design review application for the Sawtooth 4 both sides submitted briefs or memos to you to 5 kind of outline. And that always follows a 5 Serenade Development, located at 260 North 1st 6 pattern of the Appellant files a brief, a 6 Avenue. CITY ATTORNEY MATTHEW JOHNSON: 7 response from the other party or the Planning 8 Department, as that may be, and then a final 8 Commissioner, it's Matt Johnson, City Attorney. 9 rebuttal brief from the Appellant. 9 I'm going to go into a little detail because 10 And then we hold the hearing, which is 10 we've got a couple of these administrative 11 appeals coming up. And I know it's not something 11 oral arguments from those same individuals, with 12 the same order. So, it'll be Mr. Laskey on 12 that we've had come before you a lot. The code 13 behalf of the Appellant, will have his chance to 13 provides for certain decisions to be at the 14 council level, certain decisions to be at the P&Z 14 make argument, raise issues for you, then the 15 commission level, and certain decisions to be at 15 response from the Planning Director, and then 16 ultimately a rebuttal from the Appellant, Mr. 16 the department Director level. And included 17 Laskey. You've got a fair amount of discussion 17 within that is an administrative appeal process, 18 to ask questions, as you see fit during that 18 which allows those decisions that may be 19 delegated to a "lower body" to be appealed up to, process or at the end, as you go into your 20 deliberations and apply how you feel. 20 with the Council being the ultimate arbiter of 21 anything. 21 I did provide you kind of a process 22 memo that provides more detail on this. The 22 What we have today is a decision or 23 biggest thing I want to really focus your 23 determination that was made at the Director 24 level, that in this case the Applicant is 24 attention on, because it often becomes an 25 important question in these administrative 25 disputing that interpretation, that Page 2 1 appeals is from the legal side what we call the 1 determination, and has administratively appealed 2 that determination to you. So, you are in the 2 standard of review. And that's essentially, are position or being in a quasi-judicial role, in you reviewing is just based on the information 4 that's already occurred, or are you allowed to 4 fact a particularly quasi-judicial role. You can 5 put on your robes and your fancy white wigs for 5 bring in new information? And so, on that 6 this one. You're essentially acting as judges in 6 process memo from me, you'll see that 7 looking at the issues raised by the Applicant, 7 highlighted. And I pulled the section directly 8 who is the Appellant, versus the response from 8 from City Code on that. So, you're considering 9 the Planning Director, and applying your 9 the determination in this case to the 10 administrator. And you're not to consider any 10 determination, and judging that, how to 11 interpret, how code applies in this situation. 11 new facts or evidence at this point. So, you're 12 So, that's kind of the basics of 12 just looking at what was in place at the time. I 13 don't think this will be much of an issue in this 13 process. Your decision is in turn appealable up 14 particular case. 14 to City Council, by either the Applicant or the 15 Planning Director, if they were to so choose, 15 After you've considered that, after 16 you've done your deliberation, you can either 16 after you make your decision today.

> 21 That decision is formalized in writing. 22 We do have to issue that written decision within

18 reverse it, or you can modify reverse it, or

17 affirm the determination of the Director, you can

19 remand it back to the Director with direction to

23 30 days of whatever your direction is at the

24 meeting tonight.

20 apply in a certain way.

25 So, any questions on process?

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So, you've received briefs from the

19 administrative appeals is I work with the counsel

20 for the parties who are involved, and work on a

21 schedule. Thankfully, in this case, Mr. Laskey 22 and his client were kind enough to help keep us

23 on schedule by coordinating. That's why you

25 advance. But that was approved. They were aware

24 didn't see the scheduling notice for this in

18 party. Typically, what we do in these

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1 Laskey. I'm here on behalf of Scott and Julie
         COMMISSIONER TIM CARTER: Can you just
 2 review, Matt, our options on the decisions there?
                                                              2 Lynch, Jah Bernier and Beth McCaw, and the
 3 It sounds like there are four options.
                                                              3 Distrustful Ernest Revocable Trust, who are the
         CITY ATTORNEY MATTHEW JOHNSON: Yeah,
                                                              4 Applicants for the Sawtooth Serenade Development
 5 so, you've got affirm. So, essentially, if you
                                                              5 Project, located at 260 1st Avenue. Also, Dave
 6 agree with the determination. Reverse, find an
                                                              6 Thielsen and Robert Conner from Thielsen
 7 issue, you could reverse it, say the opposite.
                                                              7 Architects are here, who have designed the
 8 You could modify, in part, if there's some issue.
                                                                development project.
 9 Or you can remand. That is to say, Director, we
                                                                       I think the written materials are
10 want you to re-evaluate this determination based
                                                             10 actually pretty good at setting forth the two
11 upon certain inputs, direction, if you didn't
                                                                perspectives in this issue. So, I'll try to keep
12 want to do it yourself. So, that would be a
                                                             12 my statements relatively brief.
13 remand.
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                                                                       We contend that our development, vested
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         COMMISSIONER TIM CARTER: Thank you.
                                                             14 under the prior ordinance because we have a
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         VICE-CHAIRPERSON BRENDA MOCZYGEMBA;
                                                                completeness letter from staff, saying that it
16 Matt, real quick. Is there a good time -- if we
                                                             16 did, because we were told by staff repeatedly,
17 have questions, when is the best time to ask
                                                             17 just as you were told during your design review
18 those or not?
                                                             18 meeting -- that it was, and because it's
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         CITY ATTORNEY MATTHEW JOHNSON: Yeah,
                                                             19 consistent with the law that we raised in all the
20 I'd say definitely, I would encourage you to let
                                                            20 meetings leading up to the adoption of Ordinance
21 them kind of get through the argument first. And
                                                            21 1234 and the vesting of it.
                                                            22
22 then maybe depending on your question, either --
                                                                       The Director contends the development
23 but then the one thing I would be careful of with
                                                            23 is not vested because pre-app does not vest
24 questions from your side is we do want to be
                                                            24 anything. But now that the Ordinance 1234 is in,
25 careful that the Appellant, who is also the
                                                            25 has been adopted, it somehow gave us a 180-day
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 1 Applicant in this case, get a final chance to
                                                              1 grace period within which to submit our design
                                                              2 review application. In which case, we must have
 2 kind of give the final rebuttal. So, if you were
                                                              3 been vested, which is sort of the rub here.
 3 to ask a question, for instance to the Planning
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 4 Director, after all of the parts of the argument
                                                                       The Director's contention on its face
                                                              5 would require the retroactive application of the
 5 are already done, that would encourage, at least
 6 give Mr. Laskey a chance to perhaps respond to
                                                              6 new ordinance to our development, which violates
                                                              7 Idaho law. Cunningham v. Twin Falls, 125 Idaho
 7 that answer if there's some issues.
        COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: This
                                                              8 776, expands on the South Fork Coalition case
                                                              9 that was referenced in our paper, in our letter,
 9 might be for Morgan. But what's the difference
10 in price for the Applicant, for an appeal to P&Z,
                                                             10 and as well as the cases that I referenced before
                                                            11 P&Z and City Council, when we were talking about
11 and an appeal to Council? Is there any
12 difference in there?
                                                             12 vesting. And it basically says that post filing
        PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: Our
                                                             13 changes to and -- of an ordinance do not affect
                                                             14 the filing, regardless of whether they benefit or
14 fee schedule does not differentiate. So, it's
15 the same flat fee, just an appeal fee. And right
                                                            15 adversely impact an Appellant's rights.
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                                                                       So, you can't say that an ordinance did
16 now, with our current fee schedule, it's 5,000.
        COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: Thank
                                                            17 not impact an Appellant's rights and now it does
17
18 you.
                                                             18 impact them by applying the 180-day grace period
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        PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: Yep.
                                                            19 included in that ordinance that never applied to
                                                            20 it in the first place.
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        CITY ATTORNEY MATTHEW JOHNSON: So, if
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                                                                       It's as simple as that. But it seems
21 there's no other questions, then at this time,
                                                            22 like to try to explain it is hard. So, I'm going
22 you'd go --
                                                            23 to try a couple of different ways. And
23
        CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: No. We can go
                                                            24 hopefully, something makes sense. It's Section 3
24 with the Applicant. Thank you.
        JIM LASKEY: Thank you. This is Jim
                                                            25 of the ordinance, which the Director relies on to
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1 support her position is not written as a grace 2 period that would be applicable to the few 3 existing applications in the pipeline at the time 4 the ordinance was adopted. It's rather written 5 as a timeframe, within which the continuum of the 6 application process must take place under the new 7 ordinance. It says, for developments subject to 8 design review approval after the last pre-app 9 design review meeting, you have 180 days to 10 submit for design review, or your pre-app design 11 review expires. If the pre-app didn't invest 12 something, what would expire? This actually 13 ratifies the tie between the pre-app design 14 review in the development permitting process. 15 The pre-app is an integral part of the process, 16 particularly when it's a required part of the 17 process, as it is with our development project. 18 Stated another way, on one hand, the pre-app 19 doesn't invest any right. And on the other hand, 20 staff acknowledges that under the new ordinance, 21 the pre-app design review process does vest the 22 development right for 180 days. 23 Under the original ordinance, there was

1 Council, including changes to vesting language. 2 There was a focus on vesting at that meeting 3 because the original ordinance that was brought

4 before you said that pre-application design

5 review applications deemed complete after the 6 effective date of the ordinance that did not have

a subsequent design review application deemed

8 complete, were subject to the provisions

contained herein. Under that language, vesting 10 would happen at design review, not pre-app design

review. That would have excluded our project

12 from having any chance of being under the old 13 ordinance.

14 Despite that fact -- so, you guys 15 recommended -- I cited case law at that meeting. And same, similar case law to what I cited in my 17 appeal letter. And you guys deliberated about 18 vesting. And you all recommended that, as this would only impact a few number of applications,

20 and probably only ours, that vesting, in -- the

21 vesting language in the ordinance should be

22 revised to say that pre-app design review 23 applications, it would be -- that vesting would

24 occur when pre-app design review applications

25 were deemed complete, that you then recommended

1 It just means that the vesting didn't expire 2 prior to the design review application, which we 3 submitted 197 days after the P&Z vote to move the 4 development to design review. We're not talking 5 a huge timeframe here. We're talking a

6 technicality. So, what is a pre-app design review

24 no time limit on the pre-app design review

25 vesting. That didn't mean that we didn't vest.

8 application? Chapter 17.96 sets out design 9 review requirements for certain development 10 projects. For our development project,

11 17.96.10.1, pre-app design review is the required

12 step, first required step in the design review

13 process that requires completion of the exact

14 same form as design review. An Applicant can't 15 process with design review until the P&Z vote to

16 allow them to move forward with the process. As

17 such, pre-app design review and design review are

18 part and parcel of the same permit application 19 process.

20 In fact, we discussed this issue at

21 length before you while you were reviewing the

22 ordinance. Although, I have to say I was cut off

23 at three minutes. But you guys discussed in it

24 in your August 2022 meeting when you reviewed and 25 recommended the interim ordinance to the City

1 that I go to City Council with that language.

2 Despite your recommendation, that's not 3 the language that staff proposed to City Council

4 in the next draft of the ordinance. The

ordinance went to City Council on your

6 recommendation. But the proposed language then

7 said that design review applications that had

been reviewed by the Planning and Zoning

Commission at least one meeting would be subject 10 under -- to the new ordinance.

11 So, they didn't move it back to deemed 12 complete on the application. But they said you

13 had to have at least one meeting before P&Z.

14 That language survived for two meetings at the

15 City Council level. And there was back and forth 16 between Matt and me. And we came to every single

meeting on this issue. And ultimately, at the

18 second meeting before City Council approved it, 19 they listened to -- Matt called in from his car -

20 - because I watched it last week. And after

21 reviewing the case law I provided to him, he

22 recommended changing the language to vesting to

23 saying that the ordinance would apply to a pre-24 application, design review application deemed

25 complete for vesting purposes. And I think I

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I said that backwards. 2 So, the ordinance would apply only to 3 applications deemed complete for vesting purposes 4 after the new ordinance came into place. So, if 5 it was deemed for vesting purposes before the new 6 ordinance came into place, the new ordinance 7 wouldn't apply. He, at that point, they removed 8 the phrase, and review by P&Z at one review 9 meeting, from the draft. And that was the 10 language that ultimately was adopted. 11 So, that's the language we're working 12 with. It says if we were deemed complete for 13 vesting purposes after the new ordinance, the new 14 ordinance would apply. If we were deemed for 15 vesting purposes before the new ordinance, the 16 new ordinance wouldn't apply. And we were deemed 17 complete before the new ordinance. 18 Thus, once our required pre-application 19 design review application was deemed complete, we 20 were good, and Ordinance 1234 didn't apply to our 21 development project at all. We were not just 22 grandfathered for 180 days. 23 That's the crux of the legal argument. 24 And that's the argument that I think if you don't 25 agree with, we'll ultimately prevail on, as we Page 14 1 move, if we have to move up the chain on this. 2 At the end of the day, all my clients are looking

1 was good for 180 days. The Director said we were vested. 3 The Director says that delays in getting responses from City vendors aren't her 5 fault. They're not her fault. But -- and I don't want to get into a back and forth on this, but I think I need to make a record because I don't know how you guys are going to make a determination today. 10 So, we provided a timeline of delays 11 prepared by Thielsen Architects, which I think 12 rebuts any contention that the Applicant team wasn't diligent in pursuing the City's designated vendors, Clear Creek Disposal and MH Companies, 15 both of whom have contractual relationships with 16 the City. Clear Creek is the City's franchisee 17 for waste disposal, and you need to work with 18 them. MH Companies, lighting design people, you 19 need to work with them. 20 Based on the foregoing and the written 21 materials submitted and on the record of this 22 development, we hope that it will head down the 23 rabbit hole of the Bracken decision, and rather 24 respectfully request that you exercise your 25 authority to reverse the administrative Page 16 1 determination and proceed with design review. We

3 for here is to be treated by the City with 4 honesty, integrity and fairly under the law. The Director says that the pre-app 6 design review and the design review aren't 7 linked. Under 17.96 of the City Code, they 8 clearly are. And under the language that was 9 adopted in Section 3 of 1234, ratifies the fact 10 that they were linked. The Director says we 11 should have asked about the meaning of Section 3. 12 But why would need to? Because under the law, we 13 proceeded under the prior ordinance, where 14 therefore, the new ordinance didn't apply to our 15 development project. 16 On top of that, I would say also, we 17 were in a lot of communication with staff and 18 with legal counsel. And nobody suggested that

19 that's how this ordinance would ever be attempted

20 to be applied. The Director reiterated the

21 position that this project was vested in her

22 staff report and pre-application design review, 23 and on the record in her description of this 24 project to your commission during the pre-25 application meeting. The Director didn't say it

2 think this is the fair approach to this project.

3 I'm happy to answer any questions you have.

4 David and Robert can answer any questions you

5 have if you have any technical questions as well.

6 Thank you.

CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Thank you.

8 Questions? Or would you guys like to move to --

9 no questions. No questions, Susan?

COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: I would

11 like to wait until all the presentations have

12 been made.

CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Okay. We'll do

14 that, and then we'll give Applicant a chance to

15 rebut. Thank you. Okay.

PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS:

17 Great. Thank you, everyone. So, in keeping with

18 Mr. Laskey's approach, I will be fairly brief.

19 Because I don't think that there's a lot more to

20 add from a color perspective on what's in your

21 packet and what's been already noted.

22 A couple of things I would like to

23 disclose today. I did have a brief conversation

24 with Commissioner Moczygemba and also Commission

25 Carter. They had both called me ahead of this

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1 meeting just to ask a couple of questions. You know, the intent of this really was 2 Brenda's conversation, a question to me 2 to make sure that we gave those pre-applications 3 that were in process time to move through under 3 was getting some recollection on what kind of 4 occurred between the P&Z meeting and the City 4 our previous ordinances. There was a lot of 5 Council meeting. And so basically, what I kind 5 discussion about fairness, and that you all 6 wanted to make sure that those projects who had 6 of recalled to her was that you all, in your 7 discussions at the P&Z meeting, made that 7 vested a lot of time and money, that they can 8 recommendation, as Mr. Laskey notes. The piece move through the process and still get to kind of 9 that Mr. Laskey does not note to you all is that the final design review stage without having to 10 you made that recommendation that you should redesign their projects. In that discussion between P&Z and 11 grandfather projects in provided they had a 11 12 timeframe. 12 going to City Council, that was when we 13 13 introduced the 180-day clause. So, when we were So, there was a pretty extensive 14 discussion during that P&Z meeting, that said, 14 then revising Section 1 of the language, you 15 hey, yes, we want to grandfather, but we don't 15 know, we said fine, pre-app for vesting purposes, 16 have to grandfather in pre-apps and have them sit 16 because we had Section 3 as well. And I think we 17 for two to three years, and still be able to come mentioned in kind of the response letter that 18 in with those future projects. So, I think pre-application and final design review are all 19 that's a little bit of the piece of discussion 19 separate applications, separate processes, with 20 that is left out on that. So, I just wanted to 20 separate fees. 21 21 make that note. So, I kind of reiterated that to I think, to the last piece of this, you 22 Commissioner Moczygemba. 22 know, I agree that we don't need to get into the back and forth of, you know, delays and things 23 And then Tim had called me asking for 24 clarification on the process. So, he said, you 24 like that. A couple of things to note on that 25 know, depending on what we decide tonight, what 25 front, as Mr. Laskey mentioned, yes, MH Companies Page 18 Page 20 1 is the next step for them. And I clarified for 1 and Clear Creek are franchisee companies and 2 him that if you uphold the Director 2 designated entities. But those franchisee 3 determination, they could appeal that to City 3 agreements do not actually include turnaround 4 Council. If you remand it, then they can move 4 time targets or requirements. So, we as staff 5 forward with design review. So, I wanted to put 5 have no control over that. And we also have no 6 those two items on the record. 6 control over when the Applicant actually submits I appreciate Mr. Laskey's request that 7 that information and those requests to those 8 he be treated with honesty, fairness, and 8 entities. 9 9 integrity. I think that that is what our So, with that, I will leave it up to 10 department does on a daily basis with everyone. 10 questions. Happy to answer any questions you may And when we approach determinations 11 12 from an administrator standpoint, we do so with 12 CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Questions for 13 two things in mind. One is what is the intent of 13 staff? Spencer? Brenda? Susan? 14 what we're trying to achieve, and are we being 14 COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: As 15 consistent in that determination? We all know 15 before, I'd like to wait until all the 16 our Zoning Code. It's part of the reason why 16 presentations have been made. 17 we're launching into an update of the entire 17 CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: I think that's 18 thing because it's not always straightforward. 18 it. We will get a -- as Matt said, if we ask 19 Right? 19 questions after the rebuttal, then we have to go 20 Myself, as the director, has the 20 through the process again essentially. So, 21 ability to make determinations when things maybe 21 everyone has presented once now. Correct? So, 22 aren't as clear as they were intended, or how to 22 this would be the time if you had something. 23 apply those ordinances and codes moving forward. 23 COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Okay. 24 So, we do try and do that. And that's what I 24 CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: And I'm not 25 kind of put in my response memo to you all. 25 sure. While you're figuring this out, Susan, I'm

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1 not sure how much -- maybe this is more for
                                                                 1 project vested, or their application, or -- I
 2 discussion after this. But we will have a
                                                                 2 mean, these terms have been, as you point out in
 3 deliberation period after this. So, maybe that's
                                                                 3 your materials, a little interchangeable. And
                                                                 4 that's unfortunate but it's human. You know, not
 4 more for that.
          COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: I do have
                                                                 5 everyone in this process has the same training
                                                                 6 that you do, or that I do.
 6 some questions.
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          CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: We're ready for
                                                                          Would -- are you asserting a vesting of
 8 you.
                                                                 8 a right to build as your clients have designed
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          COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Okay.
                                                                 9 it? Or does the vesting only refer to the
                                                                10 ability to file a final design review
10 Okay.
11
          Okay. Honey, could you --
                                                                11 application? Am I being clear, or do I need to
                                                                12 rephrase it?
12
          MAN 1: (Indiscernible) keep going.
          COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: I told
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                                                                          JIM LASKEY: No, I think I understand
13
14 you I could while -- unless I'm talking. I'm
                                                                14 your question. What we're asking for is to
15 sorry. We have a little background noise I need
                                                                15 proceed with the process. We believe we're
                                                                16 vested to proceed through the design review
16 to eliminate.
17
          With respect -- this is for the
                                                                   process based on our pre-application design
18 Planning Department, for Morgan. With respect to
                                                                18 review application being deemed complete prior to
19 the delays caused by the utilities or the
                                                                19 the ordinance.
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                                                                          The design review process is one
20 franchisees, could an Applicant submit -- in
21 order -- let's say they're saying, look, we're up
                                                                21 section of the code. And that's the section of
                                                                22 code where are looking to get our title and
22 against this deadline, we don't want to be
23 delayed beyond the deadline. Can we submit our
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                                                                   permit.
                                                                          COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Okay.
24 final review application, so that we are within
                                                                25 And you've used the terminology that the -- that
25 the parameters of the deadline, subject to things
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                                                                 1 it's, 17 days late is not material. Do you have
 1 that are beyond either one of our controls, which
                                                                 2 an opinion as to what could be material? I mean
 2 is responses from the waste management company
                                                                 3 ---
 3 and the lighting company. Where would we be if
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                                                                          JIM LASKEY: Well, our position
 4 that would have been done?
         PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: So,
                                                                 5 primarily is that the 180 days didn't apply. So,
                                                                 6 I'm just saying if you're going to apply 180
 6 there are instances where we do provide for
                                                                 7 days, and you look at the delays particularly
 7 deferred submittals of some of those items. As
                                                                 8 caused by Clear Creek, where we were working for,
 8 Mr. Laskey I'm sure knows, the will-serve letters
                                                                 9 if I look -- wait a sec. I want to get the right
 9 from the utility companies are not an itemized
                                                                10 number.
10 submittal item in our design review checklist.
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                                                                          COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Well.
11 And we do sometimes get requests to say, hey,
12 we're ready to submit but we're waiting on this
                                                                12 it's okay. It doesn't have to be exact. It's --
                                                                13 I'm just --
13 thing. Can we do that? You know, can we submit
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                                                                          JIM LASKEY: Yeah, it took us 47 days
14 this in a future point and time? We evaluate
15 those on a case-by-case basis. Ultimately, the
                                                                15 to get a response from Clear Creek. And that was
16 Director has the discretion to make a decision on
                                                                16 in response to a specific request from the
                                                                17 Planning Director, that we have that addressed in
17 whether we can accept deferred application
18 submittals or not. In this instance, that
                                                                18 our planning -- or our design review application.
19 request for submittal without those items was
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                                                                          COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Okay.
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                                                                          JIM LASKEY: So, I mean, what is a good
20 never made to staff.
                                                                21 -- what would be reasonable and what wouldn't be
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         COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Right.
                                                                22 reasonable? Obviously, people can --
22 Okay. Second question is for Jim Laskey. I just
                                                                          COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Can
23 want some clarification on your interpretation of
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                                                                24 differ, yeah.
24 the term vesting. Generally, the term -- are you
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25 asserting, is your client asserting that their
                                                                          JIM LASKEY: -- differ as to what that
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1 would be, I guess. 17 days in my perspective on
                                                               1 planning to do. But we were certainly aware of
 2 this, given the fact that I would say the
                                                               2 it. And you were aware of the project that was
 3 application of this provision is questionable at
                                                               3 in the wings.
                                                               4
 4 best, seems, if you then just weigh the
                                                                        The second question was -- what was
                                                                  your second question again?
 5 imbalance, the equities on this thing, you could
                                                                        COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Well,
 6 -- 17 days shouldn't be balance it in favor of
                                                               7 there -- my second question was -- in other words
 7 not reviewing the application.
         COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Okay.
                                                                  that you stick by your characterization of the
         JIM LASKEY: You still have the
                                                                  adoption, of a downtown core ordinance was aimed
10 opportunity to review the application under the
                                                                 solely -- and I think the words you used, with
11 design review guidelines.
                                                              11 the, to prevent this project.
         COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Do you
                                                                        And my next question was that you are
                                                              13 asserting that the staff deliberately delayed the
13 agree or disagree with Morgan Lander's statement
14 that you're -- neither you nor your Applicant
                                                                  work on the application. I'm wondering do you
15 requested the ability to submit the application
                                                              15 stick by that assertion?
                                                                        JIM LASKEY: Well, I think what I said
16 pending response from the -- from Clear Creek,
17 just as a factual matter?
                                                              17 is it doesn't take a conspiracy theorist to put
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         JIM LASKEY: As a factual matter, we
                                                              18 two and two together. I don't know if there was
19 didn't ask.
                                                                  a delay or not. I don't know why it took that
20
         COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Okay.
                                                              20 long for Clear Creek to respond, for us to get a
21 Yeah, I don't mean to put you in a difficult or
                                                              21 letter that -- I just don't know why. So, I
                                                              22 think it is interesting that it took that long.
22 awkward position. I'm not trying to position
                                                              23
                                                                        And again, I think if you balance the
23 you. I'm just trying to get some clarification.
                                                              24 equities, I think the appropriate thing is to
         Also, you, there are a couple of
                                                              25 move this project forward through your process,
25 assertions in your materials that I wonder if
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 1 you're -- if you really mean them, and if so,
                                                               1 so you can apply the criteria you have rather
 2 what is the basis for the assertions?
                                                               2 than come up with some technicality that may or
          One is that the ordinance, the 1234 was
                                                               3 may not be legal to knock it off the tracks.
 4 adopted with your client's application in mind.
                                                                       COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Okay.
 5 And the second one is that the 180 days was
                                                               5 Thank you. Those were my questions.
 6 solely for your client's benefit. I'm just --
                                                                       COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: Jim,
 7 I'm not sure where those statements come from.
                                                               7 Mr. Laskey, if I can get clear on a couple of
 8 But I'm curious as to why you think they are
                                                               8 things. You're talking about the adoption of
 9 appropriate assertions in your materials.
                                                               9 1234 at the beginning of the interim ordinance,
          JIM LASKEY: So, I think -- and without
                                                              10 or the codification of 1249?
11 going back to my letters -- I'm not exactly sure
                                                                       JIM LASKEY: The adoption of 1234.
                                                              11
12 I stated it. But certainly, as this, as
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                                                                       COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: Okay.
13 Ordinance 1234 was being adopted, was going
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                                                                       JIM LASKEY: Well, I think to be clear,
14 through the Planning and Zoning and City Council
                                                              14 we're talking about our project, our development
15 review process, our project was at the forefront
                                                              15 project vested prior to 1234, and prior to
16 because we were racing to get our pre-app design
                                                              16 anything after that. Because it gets confusing.
17 review in and accepted. We had gotten it in and
                                                              17 Lunderstand.
18 not accepted once. We were at every single
                                                                       COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: So,
19 meeting. There was not a lot of public comment
                                                              19 your application was complete prior to the
20 at those meetings, as you might recall. But I
                                                              20 adoption of 1234, which would negate the 180-day
21 was at the one P&Z meeting you guys had, and then
                                                              21 clause?
22 the two City Council meetings.
                                                              22
                                                                       JIM LASKEY: Exactly. If -- the 180-
          So, we were certainly in the
                                                              23 day clause wouldn't apply to our application
24 background. I'm not saying necessarily that this
                                                              24 because our application vested before that
25 ordinance was adopted solely to stop what we were
                                                              25 ordinance was adopted.
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PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS:
         COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: And
                                                                   2 That's correct. They were both deemed complete
 2 the definition of vesting, in the City's opinion,
                                                                   3 prior to the adoption of Ordinance 1234. And
 3 prior to 1234, in regards to pre-app versus the
 4 design review, was updated with 1234, or the
                                                                   4 those applications, both of those were also
 5 same?
                                                                   5 required to have pre-applications. Those pre-
                                                                   6 applications were not voluntary, similar to
         PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: The
                                                                   7 Sawtooth Serenade. So, all three projects were
 7 question of vesting from -- as a defined term,
 8 does not change. So, vesting, the way that the
                                                                   8 being treated the same.
                                                                            VICE-CHAIRPERSON BRENDA MOCZYGEMBA:
9 City looks at it, is always when an application
                                                                  10 Question for staff, without trying to get into
10 is deemed complete.
         COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: And
                                                                      deliberation here. So, when I listened back to
                                                                  12 the August 11th meeting or whatever, whenever it
12 your application, or the City's application,
                                                                  13 was, of P&Z reviewing and hearing the proposed
13 Clear Creek being contacted, was after the
                                                                  14 Interim Ordinance 1234, there was significant
14 adoption of 1234?
                                                                  15 discussion about the inclusion of, well,
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         JIM LASKEY: Yeah. So, our pre-
                                                                  16 grandfathering in pre-app or not. And there was
16 application design review application was deemed
17 complete. The City adopted Ordinance 1234. We
                                                                  17 direct mention made of applying a timeline.
18 came after the City adopted Ordinance 1234. We
                                                                  18
                                                                            So, there was obviously the
                                                                  19 conversation and the intent. But then what we
19 came and had a meeting before you guys. You guys
20 voted at that meeting to recommend that we can
                                                                     have at the other end is the adopted language of
21 proceed with design review. That is when we then
                                                                  21 1234. And so, at what point -- and it doesn't
                                                                  22 seem like some of the verbiage of 1234 quite
22 put together a design review application, which
23 ultimately was submitted 197 days after that
                                                                  23 captured in the way that the discussion was
                                                                  24 headed.
24 meeting.
25
         COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO:
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                                                                            So, at what point are we really arguing
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                                                                   1 over, or are we deciding between intent versus I
 1 Including contacting Clear Creek, which we feel
 2 like was delayed?
                                                                   2 guess the legality of the language of how that
         JIM LASKEY: They're in the middle of
                                                                   3 was written. You know, can we say, well, it was
                                                                   4 written like this. But what we meant was?
4 that, yeah.
         COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO:
                                                                            PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: That
 6 Question for staff. Have other projects inquired
                                                                   6 would probably be a better question directed at
 7 about this 180-day timeline?
                                                                   7 Matt. What I can say is just from a factual
         PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: Yes,
                                                                   8 matter, there was the P&Z discussion. And then
 9 at the time of the adoption of Interim Ordinance
                                                                   9 Mr. Laskey does account the subsequent events
                                                                   10 accurately.
10 1234, we had three projects that were all in the
11 pre-application stage. So, it was this project,
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                                                                           So, there was a revision made by staff
12 of Sawtooth Serenade, it was the Perry Buildings
                                                                   12 ahead of the City Council meeting. That first
                                                                   13 version of the ordinance included kind of two
13 Project, and it was Fourth and Main.
14
         And so, both of those projects were
                                                                   14 backstops, Section 3, and that additional
15 also referenced during the Planning and Zoning
                                                                   15 language in Section 1. That language in Section
16 Commission's discussion around how to treat
                                                                   16 1 then was kind of reverted back to what was
17 vesting of projects and pre-apps. Both of those
                                                                   17 eventually adopted through that discussion
                                                                      process. But on the -- kind of how you make your
18 applications inquired to staff, following
19 adoption of 1234, on whether that provision of
                                                                   19 determination, I'll look to Matt to kind of guide
20 Section 3 applied. And staff responded to both
                                                                  20 you all on how to do that.
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                                                                            CITY ATTORNEY MATTHEW JOHNSON: So,
21 of those applications that it did. And they
22 proceeded to submit those applications within
                                                                   22 Commissioners, I mean, initially, you start with
23 that 180 days.
                                                                   23 a look at the plain language. And then secondly,
         COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: And
24
                                                                   24 because this is coming up on appeal for you,
25 those projects were also not subject to the 1234?
                                                                   25 you're being asked this question about the intent
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1 So, you have a fair amount of discussion here to
                                                              1 jump in?
 2 apply how you intend it and how you understand it
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                                                                      CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: No, go ahead.
 3 to the situation, while trying to stay, you know,
                                                              3 Tim will go after you.
 4 within the letter of what's on the inlay.
                                                                      COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Okay.
          JIM LASKEY: May I address this issue?
                                                              5 I'll appear in person here. I -- this becomes
 6 Thank you. So, I think we were all at this
                                                              6 very circular if anybody's noticed, which of
 7 meeting. And we all were a part of the
                                                              7 course makes us all dizzy. But I guess the
 8 discussion. And I think Susan Frick was the one
                                                                question that I have for the City Attorney, and
 9 who brought up the -- I listened to this just
                                                                for Mr. Laskey is if Ordinance 1234 does not
10 this week to -- the guardrails that we needed to,
                                                                apply to an approved pre-application, pre-design
11 so that applications didn't stay active forever.
                                                                review application that was completed, deemed
12
          I would submit that's not what's
                                                             12 complete prior to the adoption of 1234, what is
13 written into the ordinance. What's written into
                                                             13 the point of a grandfather or a grace period, or
14 the ordinance is that pre-application vests a
                                                             14 whatever you choose to call it?
15 project at pre-application, and that project
                                                             15
                                                                      It either is vesting for some infinite
16 vests for 180 days through that pre-application
                                                             16 future application, or it's subject to the
17 design review from the last meeting at P&Z. And
                                                                ordinance. And so, I would like to hear from
18 if you don't thereafter file a design review
                                                             18 those two gentlemen how -- whether I'm chasing my
19 application, you have to start over.
                                                             19 tail or how they would answer that argument.
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          I think the way it's written actually
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                                                                      CITY ATTORNEY MATTHEW JOHNSON: Can I
21 supports our position, that we were vested at
                                                             21 go first? Let me just clarify something for you,
22 design review, at pre-app design review. I'm
                                                             22 Susan. So, because I'm serving as the process
23 sorry.
                                                             23 attorney for this, not arguing a side. So, I
24
          And the new ordinance limited the
                                                             24 think you would want to go to Morgan if you want
25 timeframe by which pre-application design review,
                                                             25 kind of the City perspective on that. But I
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                                                              1 think probably Jim can address the question as
 1 the term for which pre-application design review
 2 vested a project, kept a project alive.
                                                                well as anything else. So --
         And the discussion about -- there was
                                                              3
                                                                      COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Okay.
 4 discussion about whether we would grandfather our
                                                              4 Thank you, Matt.
 5 projects. Our projects were different that those
                                                                      JIM LASKEY: So, Jim Laskey again for
 6 other two -- our project was different from the
                                                              6 the record. So, the reason for what language was
 7 other two projects, because at your meeting, we
                                                              7 because it was stated that you had design review
 8 had not yet been deemed complete for pre-app
                                                              8 applications that were dangling for years, and
 9 design review, whereas the other ones had.
                                                                you didn't want them to do that. So, going
                                                             10 forward, right now, an Applicant puts -- does
         So, we were in a different boat. And
11 that's why I said we were sort of the one that
                                                             11 their pre-app design review after their last
12 was hanging out there, and the one where -- I
                                                                meeting, when they get recommended to go forward.
                                                             13 They have 180 days, or they have to start over.
13 think it was even suggested like maybe you say,
14 okay, our application fits. And we're not going
                                                             14
                                                                      So, that's a prospective ordinance.
15 to let anybody else. But what was recommended to
                                                             15 It's not a retroactive ordinance. And it was
16 City Council was not what you guys suggested to
                                                             16 addressed to address a problem that people had
17 P&Z. And I listened to the City Council tapes as
                                                             17 where people were dangling in pre-app for a long
18 well. And I did a search of those transcripts.
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                                                                      COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Thank
19 And they never once discussed Section 3.
20
                                                             20 you.
         So, it's going to be hard to say the
21 City Council -- what the City Council's intent
                                                             21
                                                                      CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Susan, do you
22 was with that.
                                                             22 have other questions?
         COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: I have
                                                                      COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Nope.
24 another question if I'm -- if it's my turn again.
                                                             24 That was the question generated by the prior
25 Or shall I -- is there someone else that wants to
                                                             25 discussion.
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1 in your deliberation. I would just note that if
         CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Okay. Thank
 2 you. Tim?
                                                               2 you ask a question to staff --
 3
         COMMISSIONER TIM CARTER: I just have a
                                                               3
                                                                        CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Then it reopens,
 4 question for Mr. Laskey. And I'm waiting -- I'm
                                                               4 right.
 5 sorry. Mr. Laskey -- or Jim, can you define --
                                                               5
                                                                        CITY ATTORNEY MATTHEW JOHNSON: -- and
 6 it seems, this -- it seems to hinge a little bit
                                                               6 Mr. Laskey would like a chance to respond, that
 7 on whether the project was vested or not vested.
                                                               7 you give him that opportunity. So, I'm sure
 8 Can you define your understanding of vested? I
                                                               8 he'll raise his hand.
                                                               9
 9 know Susan asked you that. But can you -- what's
                                                                        CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Okay.
10 your definition? How do you understand vesting?
                                                              10
                                                                        COMMISSIONER TIM CARTER: I got another
11 What does it mean to you?
                                                              11 question for Mr. Laskey.
                                                              12
                                                                        CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Sure.
         JIM LASKEY: Vesting means that once
                                                              13
                                                                        COMMISSIONER TIM CARTER: Let's see,
13 you submit an application that is complete, it
14 will be reviewed under an ordinance that's in
                                                              14 Jim, in your, appeal Section D, you bring up a
15 effect at the time, was complete. So, if you
                                                              15 concept called estoppel. Can you explain what
16 listened to the Director's perspective, you're
                                                              16 that is?
                                                              17
17 going to say this is a series of applications.
                                                                        JIM LASKEY: Yeah. It's estoppel, is a
18 So, the pre-application and the design review
                                                              18 -- it's a legal principle that basically says if
19 application are separate. We only were vested
                                                              19 you say something and then somebody relies on it,
20 for pre-app, not for design review.
                                                              20 you can't then change your position to their
         What I'm saying is that's all part of
                                                              21 detriment. And that's an argument of what
                                                              22 happened here.
22 the same section, that pre-app is a required
23 condition precedent to design review, and that
                                                              23
                                                                        We went through the design review, the
24 those legally are the same application, the same
                                                              24 pre-app design review process. During that
25 application process, they're the same section of
                                                              25 process, I've cited in my letter several areas
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 1 the code. It's just you go from one to two to
                                                               1 where we were told, where you were told, we were
 2 three.
                                                               2 told that our project -- and project was the word
 3
         COMMISSIONER TIM CARTER: Thank you.
                                                               3 that was used -- was vested under the prior
         CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Anything else?
                                                               4 ordinance. 1234 did not apply. So, what our
 5 All right. Since there's no public comment here,
                                                               5 argument is is that you can't say that and then
 6 after we're done with this we can move to
                                                               6 change your position to then adversely impact our
 7 deliberation -- or not -- go ahead, Matt.
                                                               7 position.
         CITY ATTORNEY MATTHEW JOHNSON: So,
                                                               8
                                                                       COMMISSIONER TIM CARTER: Thanks.
 9 you'll want to allow Mr. Laskey to do a final
                                                                       PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: 1
10 rebuttal of anything else he may want
                                                              10 (indiscernible) comment to that.
11 (indiscernible).
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                                                                       CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Please.
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         CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Okay. Before we
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                                                                       PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: So,
13 discuss this. And then --
                                                              13 just, and because Mr. Laskey will have a chance
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         CITY ATTORNEY MATTHEW JOHNSON: Before
                                                              14 to kind of rebut anything else, one of the things
15 deliberation.
                                                               15 that I didn't address in the determination letter
16
         CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: -- once we go
                                                              16 because I didn't feel like it was necessary to go
17 into deliberation, what happens after that if
                                                              17 kind of line by line. All of the references that
18 there are things that Morgan or --
                                                              18 Mr. Laskey put in his appeal letter were all
19
         CITY ATTORNEY MATTHEW JOHNSON: If you
                                                              19 references from completeness letters or staff
20 have a particular question that's helpful for you
                                                              20 reports or things like that, things that were
21 --
                                                              21 discussed in that pre-application meeting. They
22
         CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: More like if we
                                                              22 were all related directly to the development
23 say something --
                                                              23 standards in Ordinance 1234, not process.
         CITY ATTORNEY MATTHEW JOHNSON: Yeah,
                                                                       And that was when, you know, when we
25 you can direct questions to staff or Mr. Laskey
                                                              25 went through and we said, hey, you know, yes,
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1 we're not evaluating this based on the
                                                              1 180-day clause after vesting?
 2 requirements of 1234. That was in relation to
                                                                      PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS:
 3 the development standards. I think he also put
                                                              3 That's correct.
 4 in his appeal letter an attachment that was kind
                                                                     COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: Thank
 5 of staff's review of interim ordinance
                                                              5 you.
 6 compliance.
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                                                                     CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: All right.
                                                              7 Thank you so much.
         As you all recall, we were doing that
 8 for every project through the process. That's
                                                                     COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Wait. I
 9 kind of just an informational piece. And all of
                                                              9 have one more question.
10 the items listed in that review were also all
                                                             10
                                                                     CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Okay.
11 just development standards. There was never a
                                                             11
                                                                     COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Okay. I
12 question about process because the application
                                                             12 forgot. This was puzzling me. In terms of
13 was already in the process. So, just a point of
                                                             13 Section 3 of Ordinance 1234, why does it refer to
14 clarification there.
                                                             14 the mountain overlay district?
15
         CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Thank you.
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                                                                     PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: So,
16 Anything else for staff or the Applicant?
                                                             16 the reason that staff included that as a separate
17
         COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: Matt,
                                                             17 callout is because the mountain overlay standards
18 is an executive session an option for this
                                                             18 are in a different mountain overlay section of
19 meeting at this time, or any further point in
                                                             19 the Municipal Code. So, if we just referenced
20 this meeting?
                                                             20 17.96, it wouldn't cover the mountain overlay
21
         CITY ATTORNEY MATTHEW JOHNSON: So,
                                                             21 provisions as well.
22 although you all get to serve as judges for this
                                                                     COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Okay.
23 one, one of the drawbacks is you really don't
                                                             23 So, the 180 calendar days does not apply just to
24 have that like going back to chambers discussion
                                                             24 pre-application material or in the mountain
25 part. So, particularly with anything with
                                                             25 overlay district? It applies to all pre-
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 1 respect to the merits. If there's a question
                                                              1 application decisions?
 2 about sort of legal liability we need to get
                                                              2
                                                                      PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS:
 3 into, that could be appropriate. But note, that
                                                              3 That's correct.
 4 would be a very constrained part of the
                                                              4
                                                                      COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Okay.
 5 discussion.
                                                              5 Thank you.
         So, particularly anything on the merits
                                                                      COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: You
 7 or the bigger pat, I encourage do that in
                                                                were going to say?
 8 deliberation.
                                                                      JIM LASKEY: Sure, just as a follow up
 9
         COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO:
                                                                rebuttal to that, that further proves my point,
10 Thanks.
                                                             10 that the addition of three was not just to
         CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Thank you. All
11
                                                             11 grandfather a dangling application. The addition
12 right, if there's nothing else, we can go to
                                                             12 of Section 3 was to move the process forward for
13 deliberation.
                                                             13 prospective applications.
14
         JIM LASKEY: Can I respond to Morgan's
                                                             14
                                                                      CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Thank you.
15 last comment?
                                                             15 Good? Okay. We can move into deliberation.
         CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Oh, sure.
                                                             16
                                                                      CITY ATTORNEY MATTHEW JOHNSON: I just
16
17
         JIM LASKEY: So, I just want to point
                                                             17 want to make sure. Jim, did you get a chance to
                                                                 complete your rebuttal?
18 out that -- say we were vested under the prior
19 ordinance for the purposes of going through the
                                                             19
                                                                      JIM LASKEY: I think you can move on.
20 design criteria, we were vested under the prior
                                                             20 I think everybody's point is clearly stated.
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                                                                      CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Okay. Anyone
21 ordinance, not just for design criteria, but the
22 prior ordinance is what applied.
                                                             22 chomping at the bit to start the first time, now
23
         CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Thank you.
                                                             23 that you're an elected official, you can, changes
         COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: And 24 the --
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                                                                      VICE-CHAIRPERSON BRENDA MOCZYGEMBA
25 Morgan, prior to adoption of 1234, there was no
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1 I'll go ahead and start. This is definitely a 1 have been here through a bunch of these pre-apps 2 tricky one. And for good reason that it's being 2 that were, it wasn't mandatory, it was mandatory. 3 questioned. So, I appreciate the Applicant and 3 It's a hotel, so you have to do it. You know, 4 staff for going through the process here. 4 there was a lot. But we never really looked at And as I stated before in my question, 5 it. It was more of a charette. Pre-app was 6 always kind of its own, come in, let's give you 6 I think in relistening to the meeting we had 7 regarding 1234, it was clear out of fairness that 7 our ideas. We don't want you to spend a crap 8 we wanted to include this grandfathering load of money and bring this to design review, 9 provision for pre-apps that came through before and have us tell you, you know, it's horrible or 10 1234 was put in place. 10 it doesn't work. And then it was also discussed. I 11 So, I -- for years, we've always looked 11 12 think Susan had brought it up. But I think we 12 at it. We've looked at materials in pre-app that 13 never happened. We looked at things that never 13 were all in agreement that -- I think there was a 14 concern by staff and by us that there would be happened. In my opinion, it's always been its 15 this glut of applications, which I did not 15 own thing. It's always been a charette to give 16 believe to be true because of the requirements advice on things. It didn't ever have any real 17 necessary to get in place, but that there would power to it, in a way. You know what I mean? It was, we saw it with -- I can name 50 projects 18 be this glut of applications just trying to get 19 this pre-application deemed complete, and then 19 that we saw it with, where they came in, and we 20 they'd sit for, you know, a long period of time, said, okay, this doesn't fit, or this doesn't --21 until they were ready to proceed. and then they came back with almost a completely You know, they -- so, I think it was 22 22 different project. There was no vesting of their 23 clear in the discussion how we wanted Ordinance project in pre-app. It was a design charette for 24 us to give them ideas, so they didn't show up 24 1234 to be written. But I think I have some 25 with an elephant, and have us go we don't want 25 sympathy towards the Applicant team that the way Page 46 Page 48 1 the elephant. 1 that that was captured between Section 1 and 2 Section 3 just completely misses the mark of that 2 So, I don't know how that fits. But 3 I've always looked at it as something different, 3 particular conversation and how it was worded. 4 and as a chance for us to talk with developers 4 And so, you know, there was arguments 5 and designers and architects about what fits and 5 being made by both sides about, okay, is a pre-6 what we like, and not as a part of a vested --6 application design review actually a vestment, I 7 once you were into pre-app -- I mean, I can't 7 guess, of this process, or not? So, again, 8 that's just arguing terms versus what the intent 9 was. 9 or how many we saw that were completely

10 But then the most important part to me 11 is Section 1, clearly is the applicability of the 12 entirety of this 1234. So, I think I would agree 13 with the Applicant, that the application of 1234 14 and pieces and parts is not necessarily 15 appropriate. I think it's an all or nothing 16 thing. Either we're under 1234, or we're under 17 the 17.96. So, those are my thoughts. 18 CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Spencer, Tim, 19 Susan? All right, with nothing --20 COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: I'm still 21 cogitating here. 22 CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Okay. I've got

23 a couple. So, and I don't know -- Matt, some of

25 And you know, we've always -- a couple of guys

24 this is based on me being here for a long time.

8 tell you how many came in and we never saw again, 10 different, or how many we -- you know, it never was -- for a long time there were people who said we don't need pre-app. You know, it's voluntary. You don't have to come in. They were like, why 14 do we have to come in to do this, we're going to 15 bring our project in. 16 So, I've always been under the 17 impression that it was its own thing, and that it was more of a curtesy to developers and 19 designers, so they didn't bring in something that 20 wasn't, that was completely off the mark. And we've seen that before. And we've had things 22 that weren't pre-app that that happened. So, I'm not sure how that -- that's 24 always been in my head, that pre-app is, it's 25 just a charette. It doesn't vest anything.

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1 Vesting happens at design review. And our saying
                                                            I doesn't apply to us. But if it does, it's only a
2 take it from here to design review, it's a --
                                                            2 technicality. These guys get paid a lot of money
                                                            3 to be lawyers, to know what's going on. You drop
3 design review is a totally different thing than
4 pre-app design review. It's a much different
                                                            4 the ball, it's not always someone else's fault.
5 animal. And you can see that through any number
                                                            5 You know, walk over to -- drive over to Clear
6 of projects that have gone to one or two pre-apps
                                                              Creek and say, it's taken 47 days to get a
 7 but have gone to three or four design reviews,
                                                              response, and our multi-million-dollar project is
8 because we don't, it's too intense. And it goes
                                                            8 hanging on the balance. But you know, that's
9 a much longer period of time.
                                                              obviously too much.
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                                                                     I'm with Susan. I think that even the
          So, that's just, in my opinion, the way
                                                           11 assertion that staff did anything hanky, as far
11 I've always looked at it. So, just because
12 they're linked doesn't mean they're vested, or
                                                           12 as this project goes, it was the last project
                                                           13 through. They were busting their ass to get it
13 they're grandfathered. Again, these may be legal
14 determinations that I'm not making. But that,
                                                           14 in so it would get in under the -- under the
15 for six and a half, seven years, we've looked at
                                                           15 wire. I'm not sure we were even sure it did get
16 pre-app as a chance to talk to designers, so they
                                                           16 in under the wire initially. I don't think any
17 didn't bring in something terrible.
                                                           17 of this was done specifically because it was
18
          Yeah, I don't, I mean, I have a bunch
                                                              their project. I just think they were the last
                                                           19 ones. And they were the ones rushing to try and
19 of stuff. But in a sense, I could also say, you
20 know, as much as they can say the City changed
                                                              get it done. The other two projects had been in
21 the rules on them, it looks to me like there's
                                                              the process, and had gone through that, and had
                                                          22 followed the rules.
22 three or four chances here for them to have made
23 attempts to get a deferred application. You
                                                          23
                                                                     So, I'm not, I don't believe anything
24 know, say we want to do this, but we want to do
                                                           24 vests in pre-app. And I don't believe that it's
25 it without these two because these guys aren't
                                                           25 the City's fault to follow your timelines and
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 1 cooperating. That's a process. That happens.
                                                            1 know what the timelines and the rules are. It's
2 It's not the City's responsibility. And if you
                                                            2 why lawyers get paid, you know, hundreds and
3 drop the ball and don't ask for it, that's -- I'm
                                                            3 hundreds of dollars an hour.
4 not sure that can be put back on, hey, the City
                                                           4
                                                                     You know, our recommendations to City
 5 didn't do it. You know, the City didn't answer
                                                            5 Council, when we said we wanted some kind of 180
6 our phone calls, so we did whatever we wanted.
                                                            6 days or something, they're recommendations.
 7 You know, it's not a -- I just, that one doesn't
                                                              That's, City Council can change that language
 8 work for me.
                                                            8 with staff. That's not our -- they're not
9
          It's just as easy to argue that they
                                                            9 required to take our wording and place it
                                                              directly into the code. So, you know, again, I
10 dropped the ball. They didn't apply for it when
11 they knew. They didn't come and look to see if
                                                              think we recommended -- in IPN, I think if you
12 Section 3 applied like the other people did.
                                                           12 listen to that, the idea was we didn't want
13 They just assumed. And that's, in my opinion,
                                                              projects two years, three years, 12 years sitting
14 that's as much them dropping the ball on their
                                                           14 around and then coming back, oh, we're good,
15 job as it being inappropriate.
                                                           15 we're vested with pre-app because we did this two
16
          I'm not, I'm a little confused. Either
                                                           16 years ago.
17 the 180 days doesn't apply, or it does apply, and
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                                                                     So, I think that was the intent, at
18 they missed it.
                                                           18 least in my opinion, of that whole discussion.
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          So, once again, you know, we have
                                                              And I think how it turned out in the ordinance,
                                                              you know, it wasn't up to us to say specifically
20 projects that make it. There is a rule. So, if
21 it doesn't apply, then it doesn't apply. And if
                                                           21 this is it, City Council has to adopt it. So,
22 it does apply, then they missed it. And it's
                                                           22 how it turned out is how it turned out. And
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23 again, you're doing a project. When the rules

So, that's my opinion. Anyone else?

24 are changing, you have to stay on the ball.

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23 over. You can call it a technicality. But24 that's what it said. That's what it's there for.

25 So, you know, you want to make that argument. It

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         COMMISSIONER TIM CARTER: Susan, I can
 2 go. Are you ready?
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         COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Okay.
 4 I'll go. Whoops, what happened to me? Oh, there
                                                               4
 5 I am.
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         Once again, it's -- this is a very
 7 difficult -- and both from a process point of
 8 view and from a legal and analysis point of view
 9 when we get down to very tiny items, which have
10 impact on people and on the City.
         The question of vesting, and what that
12 means, in my experience, comes up in a number of
13 circumstances. There is nothing that vests
                                                              13 place.
                                                               14
14 forever, even if you have met -- if you're doing
15 a development project, and a development -- a
16 developer has met the vesting requirements of
17 law, in terms of expending funds and doing
18 material, physical work on their project, that
19 developer does not get to sit around forever and
20 not do anything and then show up much later with
21 the development right to proceed. Everything has
                                                              22 conflict.
22 an end date, a parenthesis around it. And I'm
23 looking at this in the same way.
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         If I really look at the language of
25 Section 1, it says that anything that has vested
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So, that's my -- that's my thinking. 2 And it is a very challenging analysis and a very 3 challenging problem to have to parse. CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Thank you. Tim? COMMISSIONER TIM CARTER: So, my 6 recollection of the intent of the language in 7 Section 3 is consistent with what we've heard. 8 And you know, in that intent, our intent was to 9 avoid a situation where a project was given an 10 approval before the ordinance and then had an 11 indefinite amount of time to come before us in 12 the next step when a different ordinance was in So, my recollection is there as an 15 attempt to find that. But you know, I'm 16 certainly sympathetic to the Applicant here. You 17 know, there is a question of, you know, if you're 18 -- if it's deemed that we're not, that the 19 Applicant isn't subject to Interim Ordinance 20 1234, but then they are subject to a part of 21 Interim Ordinance 34, that seems to me to be a And so, I'm certainly sympathetic to 24 the argument -- the Applicant's argument there. 25 It seems like the, you know, the decision of Page 56

1 is subject to this ordinance. And the vesting, 2 in terms of vesting, a pre-application only means 3 that you don't have to go through the pre-4 application process. You have vested that pre-5 application. But it's not vested for all 6 purposes. It's only vested for the totality of 7 the pre-application process. And since one is 8 required to go to take the next step, in terms of 9 filing a complete application, I think I am 10 sympathetic to the staff's conclusion that this 11 ordinance is clear, that you know -- we 12 acknowledge that it can be a -- what's the word? 13 It can impose a, you know, a hardship on an 14 Applicant to have gone that far and not have a 15 leg up doing the next step. And if you don't do 16 what's required to meet that next step within six 17 months, then you're subject to the new law. 18 So, I am coming down on the side of the 19 staff's conclusion in this. But it is a very, 20 very, as Brenda said, a very tricky situation. 21 And it's difficult to parse your way through 22 these various words that have loaded meanings.

Oh, excuse me. That's my husband's

24 phone and I'll turn it off. So, sorry about

23

25 that.

1 whether or not the Applicant is subject to Section 3 of 1234 to our intent, you know, is a -- ultimately comes down to some legal principles, 4 you know, whether or not, you know, it's vested 5 or it's not vested, other complex, sort of legal 6 principles that, you know, I don't -- I'm not a 7 trained attorney. I don't want to make that -- I 8 feel like I don't want to make that 9 determination. I want to give the Applicant the 10 opportunity to make this argument in front of 11 somebody who is more, you know, a body that's 12 more trained into whether or not this is a, you 13 know, that has standing. 14 So, I mean, that also creates kind of a 15 complex situation, because what that means, in order to do that, we would need to sort of reject 17 the application, so that it gets a chance to move 18 up and be argued in front of someone with more 19 training, which doesn't -- I'm not sure if that's 20 helpful or not to the Applicant. But I don't 21 feel like I can say because I know -- I mean, I 22 have a recollection of what the intent was. And I -- so, I do feel like we're 24 acting consistent to the intent by rejecting the

25 appeal, and simultaneously giving the Applicant
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1 with what I, or we recommended. It does seem
 1 an opportunity, because there is -- I do see that
 2 there -- it does seem like there's an argument to
                                                                2 weird now to look at it under this guise.
 3 be made. To let that argument continue, you
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                                                                        And I'm trying to think through how it
 4 know, there's an opportunity for the Applicant to
                                                                4 all affects each other. And you know me, as
 5 make that argument in front of a body that can
                                                                5 always, just telling it as I see it. I think
 6 parse the sort of legal -- you know, there are
                                                                6 it's potentially a moot point either way. I feel
 7 some fine legal issues here that have standing or
                                                                7 like -- I feel like the proposed project doesn't
 8 precedent or whatever the right term is that --
                                                                8 meet the development standards to qualify for an
 9 this decision ought to be made under those
                                                                9 (indiscernible) exceedance in Ketchum and has no
10 principles.
                                                               10 place in Ketchum. And I feel like the amount of
         So, my intent is to -- my instinct is
                                                               11 public feedback that I've gotten after that
12 to pass this along to some of those folks.
                                                               12 meeting was some of the most robust of all my
                                                               13 time on the Commission, which is the most limited
13 Because I see both sides of this. I think
                                                               14 of anybody here. Well, actually, never mind.
14 there's good standing for the Applicant's
15 argument. But I also feel like the staff may
                                                               15 Sorry, Susan. But obviously all of her
16 have done correct, staff made the correct
                                                               16 experience trumps my --
                                                                        COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: You're
17 interpretation based on the intent of the
                                                               17
18 language.
                                                               18 excused.
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                                                                        COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: -- in
19
         But -- so, that's my suggestion is that
20 we -- but I would vote to deny the appeal so that
                                                               20 the business at hand.
21 it can go to -- (indiscernible) which is a bit of
                                                               21
                                                                        But I just feel like regardless of this
22 (indiscernible).
                                                               22 thing, I feel like it has a hard time of getting
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         CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Well, actually,
                                                               23 through council as qualifying for an
                                                               24 (indiscernible) exceedance either way. And
24 to allow it, you're saying, because none of us
25 really even know what vesting is. And I
                                                               25 that's not what's up for deliberation here today.
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 I guarantee in the new code, we'll have a much
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                                                                         But I'm just trying to provide my
2 better this vest here, this vest there, whatever
                                                                2 classic perspective to the Applicant without
 3 it is. But because of that, you're more
                                                                3 beading the bushes, is that that's how I feel
4 comfortable allowing experts on how to parse that
                                                                4 about the whole global perspective of this thing.
 5 term out do it than have us make that decision.
                                                                        And I'm having a hard time today to
         COMMISSIONER TIM CARTER: Yeah.
                                                                6 decide which way to go because if we approve or
         CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Okay. That's
                                                                7 deny and reverse and modify, where does this all
 8 very reasonable. Spencer? Any --
                                                                8 go to? And I would like to exercise some
         COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: I feel
                                                                9 fairness to the Applicant. We don't want anybody
10 like I can -- my intent when we were working
                                                               10 to feel that way when they come through a
11 through 1234 was to take projects that were in
                                                               11 process. And I also want to be able to support
12 the application state that did not meet the
                                                               12 staff when they did what I/we recommended. So,
13 minimum densities and minimum number of units,
                                                               13 it's a tough one for me. And I just wanted to go
14 and allow them to proceed with their program, not
                                                               14 last today. (Indiscernible) nothing to do with
15 under the restrictions of 1234, or the
                                                               15 anything.
16 restrictions of 1249.
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                                                                         CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: It's good to end
17
                                                               17 on a tough one.
         However, the intent was clear for me,
18 that the process updates, which this 180-day
                                                               18
                                                                         COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO:
                                                               19 (Indiscernible).
19 clause is part of, and the process updates to
                                                               20
                                                                         COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Well, you
20 less materials needing to be provided for pre-
21 application, were to affect those projects in the
                                                               21 don't have to be last, Spencer, because I want to
22 pipeline.
                                                               22 walk through something. Each of your comments
23
                                                               23 has clarified some things for me. The question
         Mr. Laskey brings up a good point, that
24 I do see the conflict that pathway at this time.
                                                               24 of -- as I asked Mr. Laskey at the beginning,
25 However, I believe staff's decision was in line
                                                               25 what he thought vested. And as I -- as I
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1 interpret this, based upon my 35 years of the
                                                                    1 him up. Okay?
 2 practice of law in this field, what's vested is
                                                                            COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: Hold
 3 the pre-application design review, or the -- and
                                                                   3 on, Susan. I have a question for you. And I'll
 4 the world application, where does it fit in this
                                                                      wait until you get back.
 5 sentence? But anyway --
                                                                            CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Anyone else,
          COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: Pre-
                                                                   6 while we're waiting?
 7 app design review.
                                                                            VICE CHAIRMAN BRENDA MOCZYGEMBA: Well,
          COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: The pre-
                                                                   8 I guess I'll follow up to that in the interim
 9 app design review vested. That is all that
                                                                   9 here, is that if that's -- if Susan's definition
10 vested. And Ordinance 1234 said that if -- that
                                                                   10 or understanding of vesting is that, you know,
11 you don't have to go back and start all over
                                                                   11 it's only pre-application vested and then you do
12 again with pre-app if you vested prior to the
                                                                   12 design review, and you're vested -- you know, the
13 adoption date of this ordinance. However, you
                                                                   13 other part of this Section 1 is building permit.
14 don't get to go forward unless you get the next
                                                                   14 So, to me, if that's the take, then there's
15 step accomplished within 180 days. And this
                                                                   15 probably several projects that were approved
16 Applicant did not get the next step accomplished
                                                                   16 under design review that were preparing their
17 within 180 days.
                                                                      plans. And now, they should also be subject to
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          Therefore, as sympathetic as I might be
                                                                   18 1234, because they were not vested under that.
19 with someone who deals with the complexities of
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                                                                            But then in response, Neil, to your
20 any city department, and all of the work, you
                                                                   20 comment about why the Applicant did not ask for
21 know, the workload that everybody has, and the
                                                                   21 deferred submittals, is that if you simply did
22 delays that occur, you know, we -- I really
                                                                  22 not know that you're up against a timeline,
23 understand that, and I'm very, very sympathetic
                                                                   23 whether -- you know, again we can argue why,
24 to the Applicant. But 180 days means 180 days.
                                                                   24 whether or not the question was asked. But of
25
          And if you -- if you have that in mind
                                                                  25 course, they didn't ask for a deferred submittal
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                                                                    1 or more time if they didn't know that they were
 1 and you understand it, then you get things done
 2 in time, or to the extent they can't -- that
                                                                   2 missing this timeline.
 3 delays are due to reasons without -- beyond your
                                                                            CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Spencer, go
                                                                   4 ahead.
 4 control, you make allowance for that with your
 5 final design review application.
                                                                            COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: Susan,
         I don't, I just, I think the ordinance
                                                                   6 are you still around?
                                                                            COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Yes, I am
 7 if you --
         COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: Susan,
                                                                   8 here.
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                                                                            COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: By the
 9 can I -- take your time here.
                                                                   10 way, we could barely hear the dog. So --
         COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Sorry.
11 That's my bodyguard. 1 just -- so, let me just
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                                                                            COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Oh, okay.
12 close that sentence and then turn it over.
                                                                   12 I'm sorry
                                                                            COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: -- we
         And that being said, to make the
                                                                   13
14 assumption that vesting means you're vested for
                                                                   14 can hear you loud and clear -- or the bodyguard,
15 the next step under the old ordinance, that's an
                                                                            COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Thank
16 assumption. And that's -- could be a costly
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                                                                   17 you.
17 assumption. And you better get verification of
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                                                                            COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: What
18 that before you proceed.
         So, I do support -- I think the City
                                                                   19 my question was for you, or to deliberate with
                                                                   20 you, based on your comments there was -- let me
20 was generous in giving people six months. And
21 I'm not sure if I had been on the City Council I
                                                                   21 find my words again. How do I put it? You
22 would have voted for that long a period of time.
                                                                   22 basically said that even though they weren't
                                                                   23 subject to the items of the -- the program items,
23 But I understand it. It's what was adopted. But
24 there is a definitive -- Henry, enough.
                                                                   24 that they should have been aware of the timeline
         Sorry. I'll stop there so I can shut
                                                                   25 updates.
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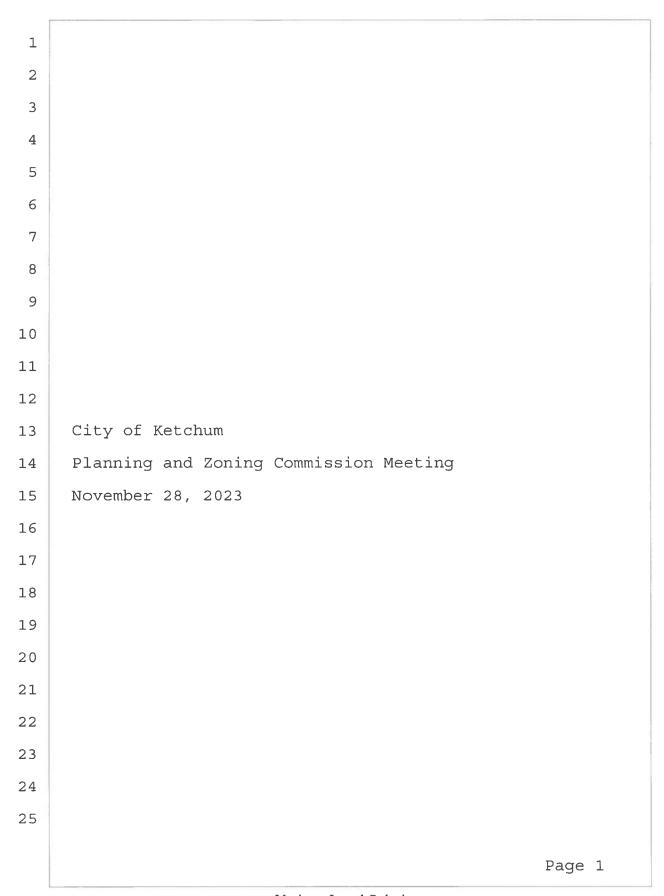
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COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: I'm
                                                                   1 direction tonight. I'll prep, draft a written
                                                                   2 decision for you that will come back within those
 2 saying that -- I'm agreeing with Neil, in that
                                                                   3 30 days. And then the administrative the appeal
 3 it's a complicated process. But there's a lot --
 4 there's obviously a lot at stake, or the
                                                                   4 timeline for that to go up to Council, I believe,
 5 Applicant would not be going through this
                                                                   5 is 10 days.
                                                                           PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: I
 6 process. And I just think you -- I can't, it's
 7 not my job to blame anybody for anything in this
 8 process.
                                                                           CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: Yeah, I'm
                                                                   9 pulling it up right now.
         It's our job, or my job to look at this
                                                                           COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: Make
10 and see whether or not the interpretations of
11 some, of the ordinance and the process were
                                                                  11 sure we got all of our timelines set with
12 objective and fair and evenly applied. And I
                                                                  12 everyone in the room.
13 can't -- and I have to go with the decision of
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                                                                           CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: But it does? It
14 the Planning Director, because I don't find that
                                                                  14 goes back to Council, and --
15 those standards were violated.
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                                                                           COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: It's
         COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: Thank
                                                                  16 15 days. That's what I thought it was. So, they
17 you. I'm still super stuck on this one. I want
                                                                  17 have 30 days to bring that back through for
18 to be sympathetic to the Applicant. I also think
                                                                  18 findings of fact. And then the Applicant will
                                                                  19 have 15 days to appeal that to Council, at which
19 staff performed as directed. And there was other
20 projects that met a similar timeline of when they
                                                                  20 the same conversation will happen. And if we
21 submitted, when they went through pre-app, and
                                                                  21 were to reverse --
22 how adoption of 1234 affected their timeline, and
                                                                           CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: So, a
23 didn't affect their program.
                                                                  23 straight reversal would then either reverse the -
24
         I'm having a tough time because I do
                                                                  24 - essentially flip the decision of the Director.
25 feel for the Applicant team. I understand where
                                                                  25 The Director actually has the opportunity, if
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 1 you're coming from 100 percent. But I also think
                                                                   1 they would like, to also appeal up to the City
 2 staff acted as we intended, and it does sound
                                                                   2 Council, under the same timeline (indiscernible).
 3 tricky right now upon further look in the mirror.
                                                                   3 So, if the Planning Director opted to appeal,
 4 So, maybe we could roll through some scenarios
                                                                   4 it'd go up to Council. If Planning Director
 5 here of, you know, I would like to -- so, if we
                                                                   5 opted not to appeal, it'd be a reversal of that
 6 affirm staff's decision, then what?
                                                                   6 decision. That'd essentially be a direction back
         CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Goes back to --
                                                                   7 to Planning to, for whatever reason you say to
                                                                   8 accept the application and process it.
          CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: Sure. So,
                                                                           COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: Move
10 if you affirm the decision, then at that point,
                                                                  10 forward with --
11 it would be up to the Applicant, the Appellant
                                                                           CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: Under pre-
12 whether they'd like to take the next
                                                                  12 ordinance.
                                                                           COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: And
13 administrative appeal step, which would be
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14 appealing that decision up to the City Council.
                                                                  14 move forward with design review for the
          City Council would essentially conduct
                                                                  15 Applicant.
16 the same process you've conducted here today,
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                                                                           CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: Correct.
17 come to a similar decision. Depending upon the
                                                                           COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: If the
18 outcome there, then that would trigger a final
                                                                  18 Director did not appeal. And then our third
19 decision at the City level, which would open the
                                                                  19 option is to remand.
20 door if the party wanted to take it to court.
                                                                           CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: So, yeah,
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          COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: And
                                                                  21 you have modify as an option, and you have remand
22 they have 30 days to appeal that?
                                                                  22 as another option. Remand -- and really, either
          CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: The
                                                                  23 of those, I think is sort of a splitting the
24 Planning and Zoning Commission has 30 days to do,
                                                                  24 baby, where you'd be giving some kind of
25 issue the written decision. So, you'll give
                                                                  25 direction on a part of this, perhaps if you
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1 I think they should have that opportunity to do
 1 wanted to kick it back to the Director for some
                                                              2 that.
 2 further evaluation.
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                                                                        CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: All right.
         Those are a little more rare. So, I'm
                                                                Well, I'll take a motion if someone would like to
 4 happy to help you sort through those if that's
                                                                 make one.
 5 the direction you're wanting to take it. But
 6 affirm and reversal are obviously the simplest
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         COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: That
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   gives me further direction. Thank you.
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         CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Anything else?
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11 No other deliberation? All right. I'm open to a
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12 motion. I'm open to more discussion. I'm with
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13 Susan. I'm upholding this Director's decision.
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         COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Yeah, I
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15 don't see any reason to remand it for further
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16 consideration. I think this is really a thumbs
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17 up or a thumbs down type of decision. And --
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        CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: And move it up
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19 the list.
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         COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Move it
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21 up the ladder.
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         COMMISSIONER TIM CARTER: That's my
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23 instinct as well. Yeah. So, affirm the
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24 Director's decision, yes.
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         CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Okay. That's --
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                                                                          CERTIFICATION
        VICE CHAIRMAN BRENDA MOCZYGEMBA: And
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 2 my opinion would be to reverse. As Spencer was
                                                              3 I, Sonya Ledanski Hyde, certify that the
 3 saying, you know, I completely agree with the way
                                                              4 foregoing transcript is a true and accurate
 4 that Morgan upheld kind of the interpretation and
                                                              5 record of the proceedings.
 5 our prior discussions.
        But I think the language is a little
                                                              7
 7 bit too far off for any layperson to kind of come
 8 in and understand that that would, that 1234
                                                                 Sonya M. dedarki Hyd
 9 would be applicable to their project. And I
10 mean, that's what happens. That's the last
                                                             11 Veritext Legal Solutions
11 couple years. You know, the language of our
                                                             12 330 Old Country Road
12 code, including this project, tests the language
                                                             13 Suite 300
13 of things that you just don't foresee. And I get
                                                                 Mineola, NY 11501
14 it. But we, I think the language has to be
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15 closer to be able to support that interpretation.
                                                             16 Date: December 27, 2023
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        COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: Which
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17 was one of the clearly stated goals of staff and
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18 the Commission and Council of going down this
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19 pathway.
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        CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Right.
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        COMMISSIONER TIM CARTER: Yeah, I mean,
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22 I see the staff's decision, consistent with the
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23 intent of the language. But I certainly see that
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24 there's an opportunity for the Applicant to
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25 contest that on legal grounds. And you know, and
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CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: This won't take
                                                                1 Appellant in this situation had actually urged
                                                                2 for the 180-day grace period to be added. So, a
 2 long though, will it, the Serenade?
                                                                   sentence was added to reflect that. This was
        COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Did you
                                                                4 added in Finding Conclusion Number 2. So, that
 4 all get the -- Matt's revised finding -- decision
                                                                5 would be on Page 3 of the decision in the first
 5 memo?
 6
        CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Revised decision
                                                                   paragraph.
                                                                         PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS:
 7 memo?
        COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Yeah.
                                                                   There we go. I've got it on the screen.
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                                                                         CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: There we
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        CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Yeah.
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        COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: He
                                                               10 go. You can see the additional sentence there in
                                                               11 red. And then a little further down, in that
11 submitted a redline.
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        (Pause)
                                                                   same finding and conclusion, some language was
        CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Okay. We are
                                                                   added that Susan had requested regarding that the
13
                                                                   administrator's determination was not
14 back. We have our last item, which is the
                                                               15 discriminatory or arbitrary or capricious in this
15 Sawtooth Serenade decision packet.
        PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: All
                                                                   situation, and also a sentence there at the end
                                                               17 reflecting the discussion that the
17 right. So, let me just check. We have Matt
                                                               18 Applicant/Appellant in this case, like other
18 Johnson on the line, I believe, if he's still
19 there with us.
                                                               19 projects, could have, with minimal inquiry
                                                               20 action, inquired about the 180-day grace period.
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        CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: I'm still
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                                                                         So, you know, at this point, you've all
21 here.
        PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: So,
                                                               22 had a chance to read the draft decision. This is
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                                                               23 a draft. If you, as a Commission, have changes,
23 we've got Matt here. He can give you kind of an
                                                               24 additions, anything you want to add -- I know
24 overview of what's in your packet. And I do
25 believe we have some comments from Susan Passovoy
                                                               25 Susan mentioned she might have some other
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                                                                1 comments -- we can definitely revise this on the
1 as well on some potential revisions she'd like to
                                                                2 go.
2 see.
        So, I don't have to do much. But let
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                                                                         At the end, we just need a motion to
                                                                4 approve, either as presented or with amendments,
4 me know if you have questions. And Matt and you
                                                                5 and authorize the Chair to sign. Because the
 5 all can take it from here.
                                                                6 written decision does have to be issued within 30
        CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: So,
                                                                7 days of the hearing. And we won't have another
 7 Commissioners, you were provided a draft decision
                                                                8 P&Z Commission meeting in time. So, we do need
8 I prepared. Susan did have a couple comments,
                                                                9 to work out the final at the meeting today.
9 suggestions she had sent me in advance. And I
10 prepared a revised version to try to incorporate
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                                                                         Happy to answer questions or provide
11 some of those in a redline format.
                                                               11 clarifications.
        Morgan, has that revised version been
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                                                                         CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Thank you. I'm
12
13 provided to the Commissioners?
                                                               13 interested in Susan's other changes. But
        PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: It
                                                               14 otherwise, I think it's good. And I love the
                                                               15 changes you made. It's perfectly legal --
15 has not. So, if you wouldn't mind doing a verbal
16 overview, or sharing your screen, or I can do
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                                                                         COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: I would
17 that as well. That would be good.
                                                               17 just add one more magic phrase. Matt, thank you
        CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: Sure, if
                                                               18 very much for making these changes. They shorten
19 you could, if you want to pull it up. I'm on two
                                                               19 the time of this section of the hearing
20 separate devices for sharing a screen.
                                                               20 dramatically.
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                                                                         In the language that Matt added in --
        PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: Yep,
22 I can do that.
                                                               22 on Page 4, about the administrator's
23
        CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: But
                                                               23 determination not being discriminatory, et
24 generally, the comments Susan had were related to
                                                               24 cetera, I would like to insert one more phrase in
                                                               25 Line 3 on the last paragraph on that page, where
25 adding some language that the Applicant, the
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1 it says, "Administrator's determination was not,"
                                                                   1 which was, you know -- I don't know -- understood
 2 and add, "an abuse of discretion, nor was it,"
                                                                   2 at the time of review, or which was discussed. I
 3 and then it goes on, "discriminatory, arbitrary,
                                                                   3 don't know. Somehow trying to bring some clarity
 4 or capricious".
                                                                   4 into what it means in the Applicant's urging. 1
          CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Lovely.
                                                                   5 mean, they were, it was the Applicant's legal
          COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: And I had
                                                                   6 counsel that was present at the time of that
 7 talked -- I will say I had talked with Matt about
                                                                   7 discussion. Right?
 8 the discussion we had regarding vesting. But I,
                                                                           CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: Right.
 9 as he reminded me, everyone seemed to be a little
                                                                   9 And so, two things. One, the Appellant's counsel
10 confused about it. And I don't think it's
                                                                  10 is part of the Appellant, for party purposes.
11 essential to our decision. So, I'm -- unless
                                                                  11 So, we can specify that if you like. But the --
12 someone else had a thought about that with these.
                                                                           VICE CHAIRMAN BRENDA MOCZYGEMBA: No.
13 I'm very comfortable with the changes that have
                                                                           CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: -- term
14 been made to the revised draft, with that one
                                                                  14 Applicant and Appellant would be inclusive of
15 other addition I'd like to put in.
                                                                  15 their legal counsel representative.
          VICE CHAIRMAN BRENDA MOCZYGEMBA:
                                                                           VICE CHAIRMAN BRENDA MOCZYGEMBA:
17 Morgan, can you go to the first suggested edit?
                                                                  17 Great. Okay.
18 Maybe it was up a little higher there. Okay.
                                                                           CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: And then,
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19 What -- Susan, can you explain, I guess that
                                                                  19 Morgan, if you can scroll down a little to the
20 first line of, "According to the Applicant's
                                                                  20 bottom of Page 4, there's also a footnote that
21 memo"? Could you job my memory about this grace
                                                                  21 was in the original draft that discusses that the
22 period being placed at the Applicant's urging?
                                                                  22 Applicant/Appellant was present for the hearings
23
          COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: I -- it
                                                                  23 --
24 wasn't solely as a result of the Applicant's
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                                                                           VICE CHAIRMAN BRENDA MOCZYGEMBA: Oh,
25 urging. And maybe we could rephrase this
                                                                  25 great. I see that.
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                                                                           CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: -- and
 1 slightly. But the Applicant did make the
                                                                   2 (indiscernible) on this. So, I think this might
 2 argument that they were present at the hearing
 3 where the City Council inserted the 180-day grace
                                                                   3 already be capturing what you're suggesting.
 4 period, that they thought it was important, and
                                                                           VICE CHAIRMAN BRENDA MOCZYGEMBA: Okay.
 5 that they were supportive of it.
                                                                   5 Great. Yeah, no, I think it does. Thanks for
         So, does that answer your question?
                                                                   6 pointing out that footnote.
                                                                           COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: If I
 7 And then I can suggest -- I'm glad you brought
 8 this up, Brenda, because I didn't want it to read
                                                                   8 can just --
                                                                           COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Could 1 -
 9 that it was solely at their -- I didn't want it
10 to look like it was solely at their urging. 1
                                                                  10 - if I could just finish the -- I liked Tim's
11 would rather say that the 180-day grace period or
                                                                  11 instead of saying, "Applicant's urging," I would
                                                                  12 say, "Applicant's knowledge and support of". And
12 forbearance period, or whatever -- because they
13 seem to also object to our use of the phrase
                                                                  13 that is also reflected in your footnote, but it's
14 grace period, because it wasn't exactly what the
                                                                  14 a little more consistent with your footnote.
                                                                           VICE CHAIRMAN BRENDA MOCZYGEMBA: The
15 City Council said.
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         COMMISSIONER TIM CARTER: With the
                                                                  16 only thing that I'm remembering though that was
17 Applicant's knowledge and support?
                                                                  17 brought up was the 180-day window. There was
         COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Yeah,
                                                                  18 kind of some confusion. We have the discussion
19 that would be better. That's very good, Tim.
                                                                  19 amongst P&Z. But then it was presented to the
                                                                  20 Council kind of in a different way. And then I
                                                                  21 guess at what time, or at which draft was the
21
         VICE CHAIRMAN BRENDA MOCZYGEMBA: And
22 then, Matt, do we call the Applicant's legal
                                                                  22 180-day within 1234?
23 counsel as the Applicant? Do we need to clarify
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                                                                           PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS:
24 that at all? You know, maybe we say they, 180-
                                                                  24 Yeah. So, the 180-day grace period was included
25 day grace period -- yeah, that's a tricky one,
                                                                  25 with the first draft that went to Council.
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1 VICE CHAIRMAN BRENDA MOCZYGEMBA: Okay.	1 with as discussed?		
2 Okay.	2 VICE CHAIRMAN BRENDA MOCZYGEMBA: Yes,		
3 PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: So,	3 and then for the record, I did vote nay on		
4 it was between the Planning and Zoning Commission	4 upholding, I guess the Planning Director's		
5 and the City Council's first reading.	5 determination on this. But I am in support of		
6 VICE CHAIRMAN BRENDA MOCZYGEMBA: Okay.	6 the way that this is worded, as far as a		
7 COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: Matt,	7 summation of that meeting.		
8 question for you. We're all good on just like	8 CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Thank you for		
9 referring to Ordinance 1234 as it doesn't need	9 that clarification.		
10 to be referred to as Interim Ordinance	10 COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Morgan,		
11 everywhere. It's 1234, is what is now 1249 and	11 what's the language of the motion?		
12 what was Interim Ordinance 1234?	12 PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: So,		
13 CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: Correct.	13 I think you can just move to approve the decision		
14 It's at the time, it would have just been	14 as drafted, with the requested revisions, and		
15 Ordinance 1234. The fact that it's interim is	15 direct the Chair to sign the final version.		
16 included within the ordinance. So, if you don't	16 COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Okay. I		
17 you don't have to always refer to it as	17 does anyone have any further comment, before I		
18 Interim Ordinance 1234. There's no other	18 make, before a motion is put forward?		
19 Ordinance 1234, other than the interim.	19 CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: No, ma'am.		
20 COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: Cool.	20 COMMISSIONER TIM CARTER: I do not.		
21 Thanks.	21 COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: 1 move		
22 CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: You're	22 that we approve the decision with the edit, with		
23 welcome.	23 the additional edits, and direct the Chair to		
	24 sign the decision and forward it to the City		
24 CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Anything else?	25 Council.		
25 Take a motion. Page 10			
1 COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: Are we	1 COMMISSIONER TIM CARTER: Second.		
2 taking any is there any room for public	2 CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: All in favor?		
3 comment or Applicant comment? Or is that part of	3 Aye.		
4 the process?	4 COMMISSIONER TIM CARTER: Aye.		
5 CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: No.	5 VICE CHAIRMAN BRENDA MOCZYGEMBA: Aye.		
6 COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: No.	6 COMMISSIONER SPENCER CORDOVANO: Aye.		
7 no, no, and no. Thank you.	7 COMMISSIONER SUSAN PASSOVOY: Aye.		
8 PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: And	8 CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: So, that's		
	9 unanimous.		
9 then Matt, is it clear, I guess the two edits			
10 that we're discussing now, we don't need to be 11 editing that live?	10 PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: 11 Great. Thank you, everyone. Thank you, Matt.		
	12 Appreciate it.		
12 CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: Correct.			
13 I've actually made those changes on the draft	13 CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Thank you, Matt.		
14 I've pulled up, as you've been discussing.	14 Anything else from staff?		
15 PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS:	15 CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: Thank you		
16 Great. Okay. So, you're clear.	16 all.		
17 CITY ATTORNEY MATT JOHNSON: And so	17 PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: I		
18 yeah, the Chair can verify those before he signs	18 will keep it short because it's 7:00.		
19 upon approval of the Commission.	19 CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Yeah.		
20 CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: I will double	20 PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: Your		
21 check.	21 last meeting in December has been canceled. I		
22 VICE CHAIRMAN BRENDA MOCZYGEMBA:	22 don't have any items for you.		
23 Great.	23 CHAIRMAN NEIL MORROW: Yay.		
24 COMMISSIONER TIM CARTER: So, what's	24 PLANNING DIRECTOR MORGAN LANDERS: So,		
25 the motion here? Approve with edits, approve Page 11	25 please enjoy your Christmas. And we will see you Page 13		

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BEFORE THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KETCHUM

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In the Matter of the Administrative Appeal of:)) FINDINGS OF FACT,) CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND
Scott and Julie Lynch, Yah Bernier) DECISION
and Elizabeth McCaw, and Distrustful)
Ernest Revocable Trust, for the)
Sawtooth Serenade Project	
(Applicant/Appellant)	
Of a Planning Director Determination on a Design Review Application	

This matter comes before the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Ketchum ("Commission"), pursuant to Ketchum City Code 17.144.010, as an appeal by an applicant/affected party of a Planning Director determination. An appeal hearing on the matter was held before the Commission on November 14, 2023. The matter was heard for adoption of this written Decision on November 28, 2023. The Commission does hereby make and set forth the following Record of Proceedings and the Commission's Decision as follows:

I. RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The Appellants in this matter are Scott and Julie Lynch, Yah Bernier and Elizabeth McCaw, and Distrustful Ernest Revocable Trust, ("Applicant" or "Appellant"), an affected party, for the Sawtooth Serenade Project ("Project"). The Planning Director served as Respondent in replying to the issues raised on administrative appeal.

A Record of Documents before the Ketchum Planning Department and upon administrative appeal ("Record") was prepared and submitted to the Commission before the

November 14, 2023 hearing. That Record is hereby referenced and incorporated in full into the Record and this Decision. The Record includes the following Attachments:

- A. Administrative Determination, August 24, 2023
- B. Notice of Appeal and Appellant Brief with exhibits, September 7, 2023
- C. Administrator Response Brief, November 3, 2023
- D. Appellant Reply Brief, November 9, 2023
- E. City Ordinance 1234
- F. Legal Cover Report, November 9, 2023

On November 14, 2023, the Commission made procedural determinations and approved the stipulated and satisfied deadlines as to submission of written argument by the Parties. All submitted Memoranda are referenced above and made a part of the Record in this matter.

An appeal hearing on this matter was held on November 14, 2023, at which hearing the Commission heard oral arguments by the Parties, deliberated, and made a verbal determination. Such hearing was recorded and that recording is made a part of the Record in this matter.

II. JUDICIAL NOTICE AND REVIEW STANDARD

The Commission takes judicial notice of the Ketchum Municipal Code (KMC).

Pursuant to KMC § 17.144.010 (C), the Commission makes its determination considering only the administrator determination below along with written and oral legal arguments by the Parties. No new facts or evidence are considered in the appeal.

III. FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND DECISION

1. The Administrator's Determination was made on Applicant's application for Design Review (DR), which is distinct from Preapplication Design Review.

Applicant's application for preapplication design review was timely filed and complete prior to the City's adoption of Interim Ordinance 1234. For purposes of consideration on preapplication design review, the Commission therefore evaluated the application and provided feedback in relation to the standards set prior to Interim Ordinance 1234. The Applicant and Commission completed the preapplication design review process on January 24, 2023.

A preapplication design review is provided for under KMC 17.196.010(C). It is required in certain circumstances, and may be requested in other circumstances, as a separate and distinct step. KMC 17.196.010(C)(1). The purpose of preapplication design review is to provide direction and exchange ideas on design concept, prior to full design review. KMC 17.196.010(C)(2). Preapplication design review was required in this matter.

Design review is a subsequent and separate application and process, as provided for under KMC 17.196.040. The Applicant was required to submit a subsequent application to initiate the design review process after the preapplication design review process concluded on January 24, 2023.

2. The 180-day requirement of Ordinance 1234 was appropriately interpreted and applied by the Administrator to the DR Application.

Interim Ordinance 1234 specifically considered and provided for situations where a preapplication design review had already been conducted and with an allowance of an additional 180-day timeframe for the next process: application for design review. See Ordinance 1234, Section 3. According to the Applicant's Memo, the 180-day grace period was placed with the Applicant's knowledge and support, and therefore Applicant should have been aware the grace

period applied to preserve the completion of their preapplication design review. The Commission hereby confirms the intent of Section 3 was to provide a reasonable timeframe for an applicant that had conducted preapplication design review to proceed to final design review under the pre-Ordinance 1234 standards, while not allowing an applicant to delay and sit on the preapplication design review completion and pre-Ordinance 1234 standards without further timely action.

The purpose of Section 3 was to provide for orderly and timely transition of development projects from the pre-Ordinance 1234 standards and criteria to the Ordinance 1234 standards and criteria. The timeframe for such transition was specifically discussed in the deliberations on Ordinance 1234, with 180 days being added to Ordinance 1234 and adopted as an appropriate time period to balance the interests.¹

Therefore, when the Administrator received the Applicant's design review application, the Administrator appropriately checked to see if this new application fell within the 180-day window provided allowing projects to remain under pre-Ordinance 1234 standards. In this situation, the Administrator appropriately found that the Final Design Review Application was submitted on August 7, 2023, which was beyond the 180-day window to preserve the previously completed preapplication design review.

The Administrator appropriately interpreted and applied the 180-day window of Section 3 of Ordinance 1234 in this context, and consistent with the ordinance language and intent. The Administrator's determination was not an abuse of discretion, nor was it discriminatory, arbitrary or capricious, and should therefore be upheld, The Applicant failed to timely file a Final Design Review application in order to preserve the previous completion of the preapplication design

¹ It is noted that Applicant/Appellant was present for those hearings and the discussion on the addition to Ordinance 1234 for the inclusion of the 180-day window to preserve a preapplication design review completion.

review. With minimal inquiry or action, Applicant could have remained in status as preserving their completed preapplication design review under the 180-day grace period; just as other applicants did.

3. The 180-day requirement of Ordinance 1234 was equitably applied, and there is no evidence of improper delay by City staff.

The Commission finds that two other projects, as presented in the hearing on this matter, similarly fell into this transition period and took steps to timely preserve their preapplication design review as provided for by Section 3 of Ordinance 1234. Appellant in this matter had the same time requirements and opportunity for transition as any other project.

The Commission also finds that no evidence was presented of any substantive delay or abuse of process by City staff. Any delays in scheduling with staff were early enough in the time period to provide ample time for follow-up, and there is no evidence that those delays were undue or unreasonable as beyond what reasonably might be expected in scheduling for a busy department. Alleged delays by third-parties, such as Michael Decker and/or Clear Creek Disposal, would be outside the control or purview of the City. Furthermore, it was admitted that no attempts were made by Applicant to address any such outside third-party delays by submitting a nearly complete or contingent application, and/or seek other accommodation due an outside party delay.

Based upon the foregoing review and analysis, and good cause appearing from the record in these proceedings, the Commission AFFIRMS the Administrator Determination as presented in this matter and authorizes the Chair to sign this Decision on behalf of the Commission.



Neil Morrow, Chair

ATTEST:

By:

Trent Donat, City Clerk

NOTICE OF APPEAL RIGHTS:

This Decision constitutes the written decision of the Commission pursuant to KMC 17.144.010(D). The City Clerk is directed to transmit this Decision to the Appellant and any other affected person who has requested a copy in writing. All parties and affected persons are hereby notified of this decision and their option to consider further action, including further appeal, pursuant to the proceedings set forth in KMC 17.144.020 and Idaho Code § 67-6521.

A copy of this Decision has been provided to the Appellant, Planning Director, and City Attorney, and the original has been retained in the records of this City on this _30 day of November , 2023.

By: _____

Trent Donat, City Clerk





Timeline of Delays - Sawtooth Serenade

1st Collaborative design Meeting with Morgan Landers, Director of Planning and Building

2/11/23 Dave Thielsen (DT) of Thielsen Architects emails Morgan Landers (ML) asking for collaborative design meeting.

2/14/23 DT emails ML again asking for collaborative design meeting.

2/14/23 ML responds that she is booked for the rest of the week.

2/22/23 First collaborative design meeting between ML and TA.

Total of eleven (11) days from meeting request to the 1st meeting.

2nd Collaborative design Meeting with Morgan Landers, Director of Planning and Building

4/26/23 Robert Connor (RC) of Thielsen Architects emails ML requesting a second collaborative design meeting and receives an autoreply from ML that she is out of the office until 5/1/23.

5/1/23 RC emails ML for second collaborative design meeting.

5/1/23 DT emails ML asking for collaborative design meeting to be the week of the 8th.

5/8/23 RC emails ML asking again to schedule a collaborative design meeting.

5/8/23 ML responds that this week is full for her. Proposes the following week.

5/9/23 DT emails ML proposing meeting times.

5/9/23 ML responds that proposed times do not work for her.

5/9/23 DT emails ML proposing other times.

5/10/23 DT emails ML again attempting to secure meeting time.

5/11/23 ML responds that 5/17/23 will work.

5/17/23 Second collaborative design meeting between ML and TA.

Total of seventeen (17) days from meeting request after ML's return from vacation to the 2nd meeting.

The MH Companies

5/25/23 RC emails architectural drawings and the previous street lighting plan to the previous contact at The MH Companies. RC receives notice that the previous contact has left the company and that the message has been forwarded to a new contact who will respond shortly.

720 Market Street, Suite C Kirkland, Washington 98033 www.thielsenarchitects.com Telephone: 425.828.0333 FAX: 425.828.9376 Sawtooth Serenade Timeline of Delays Page 2 of 3

5/31/23 RC calls The MH Companies and learns that the new contact is Mike Decker (MD). RC brings MD up to speed on the project.

5/31/23 RC emails drawings and the previous street lighting plan to MD.

6/9/23 RC emails MD to check status. MD can't access any of their previous work on the project and does not have good information on what Ketchum's requirements are for the project. MD tells RC he will contact the City of Ketchum to get more information.

6/14/23 MD emails RC an update. MD is still working on the project but promises something very soon.

6/20/23 MD emails RC an update. MD is still working on the project and hopes to have something soon.

6/21/23 MD emails RC a drawing, but MD has moved the streetlight from in front of the exit door into a required street tree.

6/22/23 RC and MD exchange emails and MD revises the drawing. MD moves the streetlight back in front of the exit door. RC responds asking it to be moved away from the door. MD moves the streetlight back into the street tree. RC responds that it is back in the street tree and needs to move further west to be out of the street tree and not in front of the door. MD provides a drawing with the streetlighting in a workable location.

24 total emails, plus phone calls, required to get small adjustments to the location of two streetlights. Total of twenty-eight (28) days to receive requested minor adjustment from City required vendor.

Trash Collection/Clear Creek Disposal

6/16/23 Jeff Loomis (JL) of Galena-Benchmark emails Mike Goitiandia (MG) to review trash collection access.

6/21/23 Email from JL to Thielsen Architects (TA) stating JL is still waiting to hear back from MG on a question he asked him regarding trash collection in alley.

6/23/23 JL calls MG.

6/23/23 RC emails MG asking that he return JL's call.

6/27/23 RC calls and leaves a voicemail for MG.

6/28/23 RC calls and leaves a voicemail for MG.

6/29/23 RC emails MG drawings for his review.

6/30/23 JL and MG speak on the phone.

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7/3/23 DT emails MG.

7/6/23 DT calls MG.

7/11/23-7/17/23 TA revises drawings based on civil design work which JL reviewed with MG.

7/17/23 RC emails MG asking for memo.

7/18/23 MG emails response to RC, JL, and DT.

7/18/23 RC replies to MG with revised drawings based MG's email

7/25/23 RC calls and leaves a voicemail for MG asking for a response.

7/25/23 RC emails MG asking for a response.

7/26/23 RC and MG speak on the phone.

7/26/23 RC emails MG revised drawings based on phone conversation.

7/31/23 RC emails MG asking for a response.

8/1/23 RC emails MG asking for a response.

8/1/23 RC asks Jim Laski to contact MG to get things moving.

8/2/23 MG sends approval memo to City of Ketchum and project team.

8/7/23 Final design Review Application is transmitted to City of Ketchum.

Total of forty-seven (47) days to receive feedback and approval from City required vendor.



ATTACHMENT 3:

City Response Brief with Exhibits February 26, 2024

BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KETCHUM

In the Matter of the Administrative)	
Appeal of:)	
)	RESPONSE BRIEF
Scott and Julie Lynch, Yahn Bernier)	
And Elizabeth McCaw, and the)	
Distrustful Ernest Revocable Trust)	
For the Sawtooth Serenade)	
(Applicant/Appellant))	

Of the Decision of the Planning and Zoning Commission on Administrative Appeal of a Planning Administrator Determination

This Response Brief is made in response to the Applicant/Appellant Brief and in support of the Planning and Zoning Commission Decision and Planning Director Determination.

Attached for reference, and incorporated into this Response Brief, is the Planning Administrator's Reply Brief from the Planning and Zoning Commission appeal stage ("P&Z Reply Brief"). The Administrator's arguments and explanations from that P&Z Reply Brief remain relevant and in support of the Argument below.

BACKGROUND

This administrative appeal relates primarily to the Preapplication Design Review Application ("Preapp DR") and Design Review Application ("DR") of the Sawtooth Serenade Development ("Project").

The Preapp DR was received by the Planning Department on August 17, 2022. The Preapp DR was deemed complete on October 17, 2022. After proper notice, the Preapp DR was considered by the Planning and Zoning Commission ("Commission") on January 24, 2023.

In this same time period, the City was considering Ordinance 1234, which was ultimately approved by the City Council on October 17, 2022. It is undisputed that the Preapp DR was completed, and reviewed and commented upon under pre-Ordinance 1234 standards.

Ordinance 1234 also provided that projects that had completed a preapplication design review meeting with the Commission had the opportunity to file a design review application within 180 days or the completion of a preapplication review step would become null and void. This timing requirement applies to all new design review applications, whether their preapplication design review was done pre- or post- Ordinance 1234. This requirement is now codified at Ketchum Municipal Code §17.96.010(D)(5).

The Project submitted its DR Application on August 7, 2023. This was more than 180 days after the completion of the Preapp DR Commission meeting.

The Planning Administrator issued a Determination on August 24, 2023 ("Administrator's Determination"). Based upon the 180-day requirement in Section 3 of

Ordinance 1234, the previously completed Preapp DR was determined to be null and void. The Project was informed that it would have to go through a new preapplication design review before being able to proceed to the separate design review step.

The Administrator's Determination was timely administratively appealed to the Commission. The appeal was timely briefed and then heard by the Commission on November 14, 2023. The Commission voted to affirm the Administrator's Determination, and the Commission Decision was finalized and approved on November 28, 2023.

On December 11, 2023, the Appellant timely filed an administrative appeal of the Commission Decision to the City Council.

REVIEW STANDARD

The standard of review on administrative appeal of a Commission decision to the City Council is specified in KMC §17.144.020(C):

Upon hearing the appeal, the council shall consider only matters which were previously considered by the Commission as evidenced by the record, the order, requirement, decision or determination of the Commission and the notice of appeal, together with oral presentation and written legal arguments by the appellant, the applicant, if different than the appellant, and the Commission and/or staff representing the Commission. The council shall not consider any new facts or evidence at this point. The council may affirm, reverse or modify, in whole or in part, the order, requirement, decision or determination of the Commission. Furthermore, the council may remand the application to the Commission for further consideration with regard to specific criteria stated by the council.

ARGUMENT

I. Preapplication Design Review and Design Review are separate applications and processes with different purposes.

As was specified in the Administrator's Determination: "Preapplication Design Review and Final Design Review applications are separate and distinct applications, each with their own application form, submittal requirements, fees, and processes."

Preapplication design review is a less formal process of exchanging ideas and the Commission giving direction to an applicant on design concept. See KMC 17.96.010(D)(2). The preapplication review materials to be submitted are specified in KMC 17.96.010(D)(3); the design review application requirements are specified in KMC 17.96.040. No formal findings or decision is made on a preapplication design review application. A decision and approval are necessary on a design review application.

The preapplication design review is a more conversational process for input and feedback on project design. This helps provide an applicant with guidance and insight that may be helpful in determining whether and how to proceed to a full design review application. While

preapplication design review may be a preview for design review, it is still a separate and distinct process. Projects may change substantially between these applications and processes.

Preapplication design review is an optional step for many projects, and further may be waived by the Administrator in certain circumstances. KMC 17.96.010(D)(4). However, it is required for new developments totaling 11,000 square feet or more. KMC 17.96.010(D)(1). This requirement is why the Sawtooth Serenade Project had to complete a preapplication design review process before being able to proceed to a separate design review application.

The distinction between a preapplication design review and a design review are important. A completed preapplication design review does not provide any decisions or rights to an applicant. An applicant does not have anything vested at the conclusion of the preapplication design review process, other than the opportunity to proceed to filing a new design review application.

For the reasons above, the Council should find that the Determination appropriately interpreted the separateness of the applications, and the Commission appropriately affirmed such Determination in their Finding 1.

II. The 180-day requirement of Ordinance 1234, Section 3, was specifically to provide for a level of vesting on an earlier application while appropriately balancing the public interest in timely proceedings on a separate application.

Much of Appellant's Appeal Brief focuses on vesting and discussions of vesting. Appellant is correct to note that Idaho law measures land use applicant's rights as measured at the time of the application. See Appellant Brief, 16, citing numerous cases. The Appellant Brief goes on to identify the purposes of this position, particularly as to preventing local authorities from changing the law in order to defeat an application. *Id*.

Ordinance 1234, and Section 3 in particular, were specifically included to balance the policy purposes and vesting interests at play in the situation. Ordinance 1234 was pursued and adopted as the City specifically deliberated on general policy concerns with development standards, density, and regulations across a variety of zones in the City. There is no showing Ordinance 1234 was targeted at or an individualized response to the Sawtooth Serenade Project. There is no evidence of any intent to pass Ordinance 1234 to "defeat" the Project.

As with any time though, where updated standards and regulations are coming into play, the City specifically sought to address projects that may be caught in the transition period. For this reason, the language of Section 3 was specifically deliberated upon and discussed so as to provide for a reasonable period wherein projects that were vested in the preapplication design review step could preserve an opportunity to apply for design review under the pre-Ordinance 1234 standards. In essence, the Council deliberated upon and determined to provide additional time under Ordinance 1234 for a project vested in its preapplication design review to take proactive steps to create further vesting under pre-Ordinance 1234 standards for design review, despite the separate design review application not being submitted until after the applicability of Ordinance 1234.

The City's policy and legal debate on potential transitional vesting between preapplication design review and design review therefore took place at the City Council level in its deliberation on Ordinance 1234. Appellant's Brief even highlights this deliberation and discussion leading toward how the interplay between the vesting of two different applications

will be handled. This even included amendments to Ordinance 1234 specifically to address concerns that were being raised at that time by Appellant's legal counsel. The final result in Section 3 – the 180-day period to be able to proceed on applying for and further vesting a design review application – speaks for itself as to creating a period of opportunity for additional vesting that it within the applicant's control.

Applicant's Brief cites to numerous excerpts from the Commission's November deliberations, in particular as related to differing comments from Commissioners on the concept of vesting. First, these are comments in the midst of deliberation as the Commission sought to work through how and if vesting concepts may or may not apply in the context of this administrative appeal. None of those comments is definitive or a decision in itself; the findings (including interpretation) and decision are specified in writing in the Commission Decision, dated November 30, 2023.

Second, it was not a responsibility of the Commission to come to a legal determination on the concept of vesting in this situation.¹ Vesting of an application, and the interplay between a preliminary design review application and a design review application, was already considered and addressed by the Council in its adoption of Ordinance 1234, and Section 3 in particular. Upon a review of the record and the arguments, the Commission appropriately found in Finding 2 that it was the intent of the City Council to specifically strike this balance between applications at 180-days. The Commission's role, appropriately and in the same manner as the Administrator, was to interpret and apply the City's ordinances for the situation. It is now to the Council to determine whether those interpretations were accurate, since the Council is better situated than any other to know how Ordinance 1234, and Section 3, is intended and interpreted.

For the reasons above, the Council should find that the Determination appropriately interpreted and applied the 180-day requirement, and the Commission appropriately affirmed such Determination in their Finding 2.

III. Appellant failed to timely pursue the opportunity provided to vest the separate and new design review application.

This administrative appeal is unnecessary if Appellant timely files for a design review application within 180-days of the completion of their preapplication design review to avail Appellant of the opportunity. This is not an unwieldy requirement. There is no evidence that timing requirement was input to defeat the Project. Quite the opposite, the 180-day window was specifically input to provide an opportunity for how new design review applications after Ordinance 1234 could get a period to become vested under pre-Ordinance 1234 standards due to having completed a separate pre-existing preapplication design review.

Appellant puts forth a number of allegations of bad faith as having interfered with its timely submission of a design review application. These allegations are not supported by the record.

Appellant alleges delays in being able to schedule meetings with City staff. However, there is nothing to show that these were anything more than the difficulties of scheduling

Appellant insinuates that the City Attorney and Planning Director did not sufficiently address or advise the Commission on the legal issues surrounding vesting. This was because an administrative appeal is about the interpretation and application of City Code. The Commission is not situated in a position to establish caselaw or strike down a duly-passed and established ordinance that has not been challenged.

meetings with a limited staff during a period of high workload. Furthermore, there is no evidence that any of these meetings did not happen or were done in a way to prevent the Appellant from timely filing a design review application. These allegations amount to little more than conspiracy theories.

Appellant alleges they were not informed of the 180-day requirement in the same manner as other projects. First, it should be noted that other projects sought out clarification on the opportunity to create pre-Ordinance 1234 vesting for their new design review applications. Abby Rivin's emails to other projects, cited to by Appellant, were done in direct response to meetings and/or inquiries from those projects on that topic. Second, Appellant's legal counsel—representing Appellant—was specifically present for the public hearings on Ordinance 1234. Appellant's comments were a key reason for the revision and refinement of Section 3 and the adoption of the 180-day opportunity period approach. The only inequitable application of the 180-day requirement would have been if City staff had ignored that language and not applied it to a new application submitted after the 180-days. That would have been inequitable to those projects who timely complied and submitted their new applications on design review so as to take advantage of the opportunity created.

Finally, Appellant makes arguments about quasi-estoppel – most notably presenting correspondence or statements alleged to be confirmation of vesting of a design review application. Context, however, matters. Each of the examples presented by Appellant are communications and reports directly related to the Preapp DR. As Appellant refers to, the Preapp DR was under certain time pressure to get completed prior to the adoption of Ordinance 1234. Staff and the City Attorney were working with the Appellant to address that completion and provide assurance to the Appellant that if completed then the Preapp DR would be considered under pre-Ordinance 1234 standards (even if a Commission meeting could not be scheduled until later). Vesting of the Preapp DR is all that was represented by staff and the City Attorney, and any interpretation of applying that to a separate DR App was an error by the Appellant. That Appellant error is further confirmed by the Appellant's presence for and clear awareness of the incorporation of the 180-day requirement for design review applications.

Appellant was treated equally and was aware of the same information and opportunities as any other similar situated project. The responsibility for Appellant's failure to timely submit a design review application in order to take advantage of the vesting opportunity on a separate application, provided by Section 3, lies solely with Appellant.

For the reasons above, the Council should find that there was no inequitable application, and the Commission appropriately found such in their Finding 3.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated above, the Administrator has appropriately applied and enforced the applicable ordinances and standards in line with the understood intent and interpretation. This administrative appeal is for the purpose of verifying such understanding with the Council as the governing body best positioned to definitively interpret and understand the applicable ordinances. The Commission, in conducting a similar appeal review, affirmed the Administrator. If the Council further finds that this understanding and interpretation is correct, then an affirmation of the P&Z Decision is the correct course of action.

Respectfully submitted this 26th day of February, 2024.

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MEMORANDUM

To:

City of Ketchum Planning and Zoning Commission

From:

Morgan Landers, AICP - Director of Planning and Building

Date:

November 3, 2023

Re:

Administrator Reply Brief for the Sawtooth Serenade Appeal of Administrative

Determination

This memorandum serves as the reply brief to the Appeal of Administrative Determination letter received by Mr. Jim Laski, of Lawson, Laski, Clark, on September 7, 2023. As noted in Mr. Laski's letter, an Administrative Determination was made as to whether a Final Design Review application could be filed and processed with the city based on the ordinance in effect at the time of the application. Below is a response to Mr. Laski's letter for consideration by the Planning and Zoning Commission during your review of the appeal.

Vesting and Application Types

As noted in the determination letter to the Applicant, dated August 24, 2023, staff outlined that pre-applications are separate applications with separate fees and separate processes as outlined in the Ketchum Municipal Code. As such, staff reviews each application separately upon submittal of all required application materials. Applicant's Letter of Appeal from their counsel Jim Laski, dated September 7, 2023, outlines that the determination violates the project's vesting under the various legal cases referenced in the letter and notes that applications should be reviewed under the ordinances "in effect at the time of the application". City staff have done just that. At the time of the review of the pre-application, the application was reviewed under the ordinances and regulations in effect at the time the pre-application was deemed complete. City staff reviewed the pre-application for conformance with the regulations in effect at the time, and as Mr. Laski notes, reiterated multiple times to the fact that the interim ordinance was not applicable to the pre-application.

The action in question, and what is being appealed, is the determination of the Final Design Review, not the pre-application. As stated above, the pre-application was accepted and processed according to the ordinance in effect at the time. The preapplication process concluded with the January 24, 2023, meeting of the Commission. Upon receipt of the final design review application in September 2023, staff reviewed the application according to the processes and ordinances in effect at the time of the final design review application (not preapplication), which was Interim Ordinance 1234.

Section 3 of Interim Ordinance 1234 states that developments that have conducted a voluntary or required pre-application "must file a complete Design Review Permit application and pay all

required fees within 180 calendar days of the last review meeting on the preapplication with the Commission, otherwise the preapplication review will become null and void". Because the application was not submitted within the 180 calendar days, the preapplication became null and void and any allegation of vesting provided with the preapplication under Section 1 of the Interim Ordinance was dissolved.

Mr. Laski represents that the preapplication and final design review applications are a linked application process for one development and therefore both applications should be vested. Section 1 of Interim Ordinance 1234 specifically references each permit and application type separately, not "developments", therefore vesting of a pre-application is only upheld when the processes and timeframes outlined in the ordinance is followed. As noted above, the application was not filed within the required timeframe and therefore the pre-application is null and void and a new pre-application is required. Staff provided the option to the applicant to move forward with a new pre-application, which they declined.

Consistent Treatment of Applicants

If the applicant had submitted the final design review application in the required timeframe, the two applications would have been treated as timely in succession under the previous ordinance. Mr. Laski states that the actions of staff were arbitrary and capricious. Staff treated the Sawtooth Serenade project the same way as two other development projects moving through the process at similar timeframes. The Perry Building development and 4th and Main development both had pre-applications, that were required and deemed complete prior to the effective date of the interim ordinance. Applicant representatives from both developments reached out to city staff for clarification of Section 3 of the interim ordinance. Staff communicated to the applicants that Section 3 did apply to their developments and that they would need to submit within the 180 calendar days to avoid being subject to the development standards of the interim ordinance. Both projects submitted within the required timeframes to retain their vesting under the 180-day grace period.

Delays Caused by City

Finally, Mr. Laski's letter makes the accusation that explicit actions of the city delayed the applicant's ability to submit the application within 180 calendar days. The letter outlines delays from staff, Michael Decker, and Clear Creek Disposal. It should be noted that of the three-week delay from city staff, staff were on vacation for one full week of the stated timeframe. The applicants requested a meeting with the Director of Planning and Building, of which a two-week response time for requests is common due to workload and capacity. Michael Decker and Clear Creek Disposal staff are not employees or contractors of the City of Ketchum and city staff have no control or management over these entities and their response times. Also, city staff does not control the point at which applicants decide to provide information to and request feedback from those entities, which could have been done sooner than it was based on Mr. Laski's letter and the level of design of the project at pre-application.

Conclusion

Based on the information provided above, staff believes that we upheld the vesting of applications provided by the ordinances in effect at the time of applications, processed the preapplication thoroughly and fairly according to the law, and based the determination of the Final Design Review application within the bounds of the procedures as written in law. Staff prides themselves on treating all applicants and applications fairly and consistently to avoid accusations of arbitrary and capricious actions and have demonstrated how we have done that in this case. As the Director of Planning and Building, I serve as the Administrator of Title 17 of the Ketchum Municipal Code and have acted well within the authority of the role by providing options to the applicant for consideration to move the application through the required process.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this matter.

Regards,

Morgan Landers, AICP

Director of Planning and Building



ATTACHMENT 4:

Appellant Response Brief February 29, 2024

BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KETCHUM

In the Matter of the Administrative Appeal of:)	
Scott and Julie Lynch, Yahn Bernier and Elizabeth McCaw, and the Distrustful Ernest Revocable Trust, for the Sawtooth Serenade (Applicant / Appellant)))))	APPLICANT/APPELLANT REPLY BRIEF
Of the Decision of the Planning and Zoning Commission		

On behalf of Scott and Julie Lynch, and Yahn Bernier and Beth McCaw and Distrustful Ernest Revocable Trust (collectively, "Appellants" or "Applicants"), this Reply Brief in Support of their Notice of Appeal of the City of Ketchum Planning & Zoning Commission's ("Planning Commission") Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision dated November 30, 2023 (the "Decision") and in Response to the City's Response Brief submitted February 26, 2024 ("Response Brief").

Summary Argument

KMC Chapter 17.96 sets forth the Design Review Process for the development of projects in the City of Ketchum. In the summer of 2022, when emergency Ordinance 1234, which would materially change the zoning criteria to be considered during design review, was proposed, the issue of whether and when a project "vested" under the existing 17.96 or, alternately would be subject to the new ordinance, became critical for projects in the early design phase. The City initially took the position that a development project was not "vested" under any ordinance until the Design Review Application was deemed complete. Applicants, however, presented caselaw to the Planning Commission, noting that such vesting language was not legal under Idaho law because: (1) pre-application is not optional; (2) the City controls the timing of the process; (3) pre-application submittal

requires the exact same submittal requirements as design review; and (4) a fee is required. Applicant cited *Taylor v. Canyon County*, 147 Idaho 424, 436 (2009) which states: "Idaho law is well established that an applicant's rights are determined by the ordinance in existence at the time of filing an *application for a permit.*" (Emphasis added.)

Despite weeks of foot dragging by planning staff in proposing language consistent with Idaho law for its new, now interim, Ordinance 1234, at City Council's second reading of the ordinance on October 3, 2022, on the City Attorney's advice, the City adopted language in Section 1 of Ordinance 1234 to the effect that development projects vested, or became grandfathered, when their pre-application design review application was deemed complete. This language was formally adopted on October 17, 2002. Prior to its adoption, Applicants received confirmation that their preapplication design review submittal was deemed complete.

Under KMC 17.96, the first required application for a design review permit is the Preapplication Design Review application. There is no dispute that that Applicants' Preapplication Design Review application was deemed complete PRIOR to the adoption of Ordinance 1234. As such Ordinance 1234, as a matter of law, does not apply to Applicants' Project. KMC 17.96, prior to the adoption of Ordinance 1234, does apply. That version of KMC 17.96 did NOT include a timeframe for submittal of Design Review Applications after the Planning Commission formally votes to move them forward to Design Review. As such, no such timeframe applied to Applicants' Project.

I. The Administrator Obfuscates the Record to Support Separate Applications

The Administrator's argument in support of separate applications is based on revisions to the preapplication design review process adopted AFTER Applicants' Project vested and AFTER Ordinance 1234. The provisions cited were not in effect when Applicant went through preapplication design review. The relevant version of KMC 17.96 (the version in effect on October 17, 2022) does not contain the referenced 17.96.010(D) and it specifically says, in 17.96(C)(3), "Preapplication review materials shall be submitted according to the application requirements of section 17.96.040 of this Chapter" which is

the section stating the requirements for Design review. Ordinance 1249 which was enacted in October of 2023 (a full year after the Applicants' preapplication design review submittal was deemed complete) codified the changes to the pre-application design review requirements. (See current KMC 17.96.D.3). Moreover, the inclusion of the 180-day sunset provision in Ordinance 1249 (see current KMC 17.96.D.5) further demonstrates the intent that the 180 day timeframe was designed to apply to prospective preapplication design review applications rather than to address the three grandfathered vested projects retrospectively.

Reliance on a newly revised Ordinance does not change the fact that under the prior version on KMC 17.96, the preapplication design review application was the initial application required to obtain a Design Review permit, thus vesting the Project under *Taylor*. The Administrator's contention that "nothing vested at the conclusion of the preapplication design review process" supports Applicants' position, as legally, vesting occurred when their preapplication design review application was deemed complete.²

II. Intent of Section 3 of Ordinance 1234 Not Borne Out by the Record

The Administrator contends that the policy purposes of Section 3 of Ordinance 1234 were "deliberated and discussed" by Council as they determined that vesting would only apply to preapplication design review and not design review. While this may have occurred behind closed doors, the record of the Council hearings, as well as the Planning Commission hearing for that matter, shows absolutely NO discussion related to Section 3 of the Ordinance. This simply never happened. As such, it is impossible to know the Council's intent in adopting that language. Rather, all discussion on vesting was correctly focused on Section 1 of Ordinance. The record is clear that there was never any

¹ Including a significant reduction of pre-application design review submittal requirements.

² Moreover, the limited purpose of preapplication design review as an exchange of ideas and provision of direction does not change the legal analysis. Historically, some projects have been stuck in the preapplication design review process for well over a year and multiple submittals before getting permission to proceed from the Planning Commission, i.e. the 4th & Main Mixed-Use Building Preapplication process spanned from March 2020 through May 2022.

discussion that any portion of Ordinance 1234 would somehow apply to vested applications.

The Administrator also contends that the Planning Commission's determination regarding vesting is not a legal issue. We have repeatedly requested any legal authority from the City Attorney that would support the Administrator's position regarding the vesting on an application, and the Design Review permitting process under KMC 17.96 in effect at the time Applicants' application vested, and, as can be seen from the response brief, there is none. The Council's determination is not whether the Administrator's interpretations are accurate, but also whether the Administrator's interpretations are consistent with the law.³ To the extent they are not, they cannot be upheld.

III. Applicants Relied on the City re Vesting

The Administrator finally argues that it was Applicants fault for not filing its Design Review Application within the 180-day window of Ordinance 1234. Despite being repeatedly told by the City that the Project was grandfathered and not subject to Ordinance 1234, we should have known that Section 3 applied to the Project. This, even though, Section 1 said that it didn't.

To the extent Applicants should have relied on the record to understand the City's intent, at the Planning Commission, then Administrator Frick suggested, when discussing confirming that projects vested at preapplication design review:

... we figure out what's the universe of projects. They're in pre-app when this ordinance comes forward and then those specific projects are the ones that get grandfather[ed] and then we give them a period of time ... (*Exhibit* 2, 01:14:28 – 42).

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³ An ordinance is void for vagueness if persons of ordinary intelligence must guess at its meaning. *Cowan v. Board of Com'rs of Fremont County*, 143 Idaho 501, 514, 148 P.3d 1247, 1260 (2006). Analysis of an ordinance begins with the literal language of the enactment. *Lane Ranch Partnership v. City of Sun Valley*, 145 Idaho 87, 89, 175 P.3d 776, 778 (2007). Where the language is unambiguous, the clearly expressed intent must be given effect, and there is no occasion for the Court to construe the language. *Id.* Here, if interpreted as suggested by the Administrator, the plain language of Ordinance 1234 is vague to the point that a person of ordinary intelligence must guess as to its meaning. Section 1 of the Ordinance declares that the Project vested under the prior applicable law, and yet somehow Section 3 is deemed to apply. As the literal language of Ordinance 1234 expresses no clear intent, the Ordinance is rendered void for vagueness.

Applicants' Project was among the "universe of projects" that were grandfathered, which also included only two others: the 4th & Main Mixed-Use Building and the Perry Building Project. On October 18, 2022, City Planning Staff advised the development teams for both of those projects of the exact date by which their Design Review application needed to be submitted to maintain vesting under the prior ordinance.⁴ (Exhibits 10 & 11). Planning Staff did not inform Applicants of such a date for their Design Review application at any time during the process.

The Administrator contends that these emails were only provided as a "direct response to meetings and/or inquiries from those projects on the topic." Applicants' Design Team met with the Administrator twice after Preapplication Design Review received a vote to proceed, on February 22, 2023 and then again on May 17, 2023. The timing of the final submission was discussed at these meetings, indeed, specifically raised by Ms. Landers at the February 22 meeting, yet she never identified or suggested a deadline for the Applicants to file their Design Review Application.

The Administrator then contends that Applicants' Attorney was involved in the "revision and refinement of Section 3 and the adoption of the 180-day opportunity period approach." This could not be further from the truth. As stated above, Section 3 was NEVER discussed at any Planning Commission or Council Meeting, nor was it ever revised after it was initially incorporated for the Council's first reading of the ordinance on September 19, 2022. How it was revised and refined with Mr. Laski's input when it was not even discussed at any of these meetings is a significant question.

As noted above, only Section 1 was discussed on the issue of vesting. There is no dispute that the City Attorney never suggested a two-application distinction to vesting in any of his conversations with Mr. Laski. Nor did the Administrator ever suggest that to the Applicants' Development team. Rather, at the Planning Commission Hearing on

⁴ While these notices were calculated based on the language of Section 3 of Ordinance 1234, that does not make Ordinance 1234 applicable from a legal perspective. The fact that both of these projects elected to meet the deadline provided, rather than challenge the City's analysis, likewise does not impact the enforceability of a new ordinance on a previously vested project.

⁵ In both cases, a review of the email text does not support the contention that the notice was provided in response to any such inquiry.

Applicants' Preapplication Design Review application, the Administrator stated on the record that this "*Project does not come under the purview of the interim ordinance.*" (January 24, 2023 Commission Hearing at 2:31:11-22; see also exhibit 15, pg.6). Applicants relied on these representations when proceeding through the design Review process. Quite simply, there was no reason for the Applicant team to question whether Section 3 applied to their Project because Applicants were vested per Section 1.

Finally, the concept of estoppel based on the City's representations is not even addressed.

For the reasons set forth above, the Council should reverse the Planning Commission Decision.

Conclusion

Applicants were well aware that the Project they were designing, while in conformance with the existing Design Review criteria under KKMC 17.96, would not meet the requirements of Ordinance 1234. As such, they sought clarification on the vesting of their Project and received assurances that the Project vested prior to the adoption of 1234. Based on the time and effort put in to the Project design, if there had been a deadline in place within which to file the Design Review Application, Applicants certainly would have done everything in their power to meet it.⁶ Rather, the Applicant team worked in good faith with the City Staff and City Attorney only to have the goal posts moved without notice.

Now, in response to all of Applicants' arguments, the Council is being asked to adopt a two distinct application theory that was never addressed at any public meeting and which directly contradicts the Idaho Supreme Court holding in *Taylor*. To the extent an application vests, it vests all the way to the permit. As Applicants Project vested prior to the adoption of Ordinance 1234, NONE of its provisions apply.

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⁶ In fact, if any one of the three major delays outlined in Exhibit 21 had not happened, Applicants' Design Review Application would have been filed within 180 days notwithstanding the fact the Project was grandfathered.

Based on the foregoing, and all the arguments set forth in Appellants' Brief dated February 20, 2024, we respectfully urge the Council to reverse the Planning Commission's Decision and allow the Project to proceed with Design Review.

Respectfully Submitted this 29th day of February 2024.

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City of Ketchum

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA MEMO

Meeting Date:	March 4, 2024	Staff Memb	er/Dept:	Jade R	iley - A	Administration
Agenda Item:	Review and approval of Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Development Calendar					
Recommended						
"I move to appr	ove the FY25 Budget Dev	velopment Ca	alendar and	d associ	ated s	teps"
Reasons for Rec	ommendation:					
 Staff will review the attached proposed steps and associated dates 						
transmit		to appear on	May prope	erty tax	notice	July 22 nd) so that it can be es. Staff seeks direction on the t th - 9am-1pm)
	uest Council Members e s to ensure they are cap	•			•	budget priorities or specific nt process.
Policy Analysis and Background (non-consent items only):						
Sustainability Im	npact:					
The current fiscal year budget allocates funding (\$111,000) for the Blaine County Sustainability Program as well as \$50,000 for sustainability projects contained in the Capital Fund.						
Financial Impact	::					
None OR Adequ	ate funds exist in accour		the Genera	al Fund,	Local	ess sets appropriation levels for Option Tax Fund, and the , Wastewater).
Attachments:						
1. Draft FY	25 budget development	calendar				

FY25 Budget Development Process | DRAFT

Department Head Meeting | Kick-off session

April 2

	Review process and calendar
	 Review process to update department operating budgets (due by April 30) Shellie will send out sheets this week (historical, draft FY25 budget) Flag any issues; schedule session with Jade/Shellie if needed
April 15	Council Meeting FY24 review & FY25 planning
	Review current fiscal year performance/budget adjustments Discussion of Mayor Council priorities
	Discussion of Mayor-Council priorities
April 23	Department Head Meeting Review draft CIP
April 26	Budget Hearing Notification to Blaine County (no more date changes allowed)
April 30	 Pept Head Meeting Review General Fund 5-year forecast Citywide issues (e.g. wage compression); Department issues Review outcomes from department budget reviews
May 6	Council Meeting Five-year CIP; Water/Wastewater budget review
May 14	Department Head Meeting FY 2025 draft review
May 17	Draft budget delivered to Department Heads
May 20	Council Meeting Review department budgets/issues Five-year forecast
June 7	Draft budget book delivered to Council Members
June 17 or 18	 Mayor & City Council Strategic Planning Session (rescheduled from the 24th) Review draft budget and provide feedback
July 1	Council Meeting Finalize budget and present for tentative approval vote
July 22*	(Special) Council Meeting Public Hearing and update on fees/charges (Courtney absent)
August 5	Council Meeting 1st Reading of Ordinance readings (Amanda absent)
August 19	Council Meeting 2 nd Reading of Ordinance
September 3	Council Meeting 3 rd Reading of Ordinance & L-2 tax levy due to the County

^{*}Option: The Public Hearing and 1st Reading can be combined, thus moving subsequent meetings back a week.