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From: Adam Taylor

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Subject: Plan to Tow Cars to First Avenue

Dear Mayor & City Council Members,

As residents of First Avenue, directly across from the Forest Service Park, we are greatly alarmed to hear the city is planning on towing cars (left in the snow zone) to the middle of our street, presumably in the middle of the night.

There are many reasons why this plan is far from reasonable.

This particular street is a 100% residential community. Towing cars late at night, or in the middle of the night, will obviously wake everyone up. Calling this an inconvenience is putting it mildly. How is such a decision fair to the residents who live on First Avenue?

First Avenue is already plagued by the nontrivial sounds of late-night snow removal. We understand the need for timely and efficient removal of snow as key to Ketchum, but now you are planning on adding the commotion of cars being towed to the existing snow removal location? And by the way, how will snow removal work if towed cars are sitting in the middle of First Avenue?

There are many other locations the city can tow and deposit vehicles, such as the parking lots on Washington and Leadville Avenue. Not only are these locations specifically built for parking cars, both are located away from the core residential area. There are also many locations where towing would not impact residences, such as First Ave & Sun Valley Road.

Such a decision feels like our residential community is suddenly rezoned to business, impacting real estate values and the overall quality of the life we love in Ketchum. Given there are other locations that are tailor made for towing cars late at night, why would First Avenue be selected?

We strongly ask you to reconsider such a plan, and help keep our little community the perfect place we enjoy so much.

Thank you for your consideration,

Adam Taylor, HOA President, First Avenue Townhomes Karl Hostetler, First Avenue Townhome Resident Jeff & Maureen Dahlen, First Avenue Townhome Residents Rick Basnaw, First Avenue Townhome Resident Residents of Evergreen Condominiums