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For Council packet.

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Mayor and City Council:

The pilot program to tow cars to First Avenue between River St. and First St. deserves a more expansive understanding of the growing challenges and demand. Current residents on River St. and First Avenue are towed during the winter to the impound lot if they are not parked off the street in a private driveway or possess one of the limited winter parking permits for larger multi-dwelling units. The City of Ketchum desires to designate First Avenue as an alternate towing site in order to keep its paid parking lots open and available for snow removal. Since there is limited capacity in the neighborhood during a snow cycle and the potential of construction traffics from two hotel projects will add to winter parking challenges, the designation of First Avenue is not as ideal as proposed. Second, the section of First Avenue identified is a significant snow collection site, sometimes seeing removal days after a snow event. If the City of Ketchum wishes to use First Avenue as a temporary towing lot, then a more comprehensive conversation is required about snow removal, residential parking rights, hotel traffic, and the potential hotel construction impact to River St.

I encourage the council to investigate further into this matter before moving forward and triggering unintended consequences for the residents, guests, and community.

Respectfully,
Will Northrop