



City of Ketchum

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City Leaders to Celebrate Tennis Court Reopening and Upgrades at Atkinson Park

KETCHUM, IDAHO – City leaders in Ketchum are inviting the community to join in the celebration marking the reopening of the Atkinson Park tennis courts.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony is planned at the refurbished public courts on Friday, June 30 at 5:30 p.m.

During a makeover that began last fall, crews resurfaced all four courts at the 20-year-old facility, replacing the asphalt surface with post-tensioned concrete courts designed to heighten the quality of play and performance. Other features include new nets, electric outlets suitable for ball machines, wind screening, landscaping and accessibility compatible with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The total cost of the project has come in just under the \$280,000 budget approved by the City Council last year. Funding of the project was split evenly between the city and the Ketchum Urban Renewal Agency (KURA).

“This is very exciting for the city and all the people who have used this wonderful resource over the years and can now continue to do so well into the future,” said Mayor Nina Jonas. “It’s also a perfect example of the City of Ketchum responding to a need, cooperating to arrange financing and bringing the project to completion in a timely and cost-effective manner.”

Mayor Jonas said the resurfacing project realizes both the long-held wishes of the city’s tennis-loving community and the goal of city leaders to improve the quality of public amenities available to all residents and visitors.

The mayor will be joined in the ribbon-cutting by KURA Vice Chairman Mark Nieves. Food and beverages will be provided at the event.

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About the City of Ketchum

The City of Ketchum is located in the Wood River Valley in south central Idaho. Founded in 1880 during the mining boom, Ketchum is now regarded as one of the most popular destinations for winter and summer visitors due to its world-class skiing, fishing, hiking, mountain biking, restaurants, art galleries and shopping. The City of Ketchum hosts the famous annual Wagon Days Parade, held on Labor Day weekend, and numerous other year-round attractions. Ketchum is home to more than 10,000 full- and part-time residents. For more information about the City of Ketchum, visit www.ketchumidaho.org.