

RESOLUTION 03-64
(Revised 12-1-03)

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KETCHUM CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING
THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW TRAIL LINKING THE
WARM SPRINGS AREA TO THE RIVER RUN AREA

WHEREAS, the City of Ketchum has long advocated the establishment of a trail linking Warm Springs area to the River Run area, and

WHEREAS, the Policy 4.6.5 City of Ketchum Comprehensive Plan, Chapter 4.6 River Run Area, states: "The City and Sun Valley Company should work together to create a Master Plan for the River Run property including the following principles: River Run should be linked with the Warm Springs Base Area via a pedestrian and bicycle trail on the west side of the Big Wood River, if feasible", and

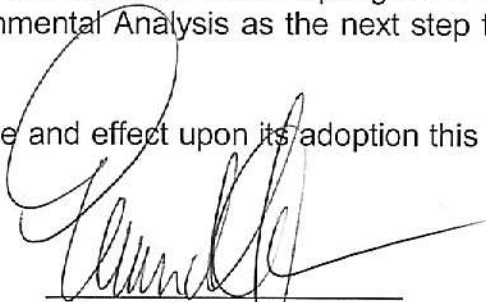
WHEREAS, the City of Ketchum Comprehensive Plan, Chapter 4.7 Warm Springs Base Area, states: "Goal #2. Warm Springs should be linked to downtown and to River Run through bus, pedestrian, and non-motorized improvements," and

WHEREAS, the ~~Planning Commission has adopted~~ City of Ketchum Comprehensive Plan, Chapter 4.7, Warm Springs Base Area, states: Policy 4.7.7, Pursue the development of a non-motorized, unpaved trail on the west side of the Big Wood River connecting Warm Springs to River Run, and

WHEREAS, Citizens for Smart Growth (see attached letter of request), in conjunction with a working group interested parties, has taken the lead in organizing support from community leaders and officials,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ketchum City Council endorses the concept of a connector trail between Warm Springs and River Run and supports the need for an Environmental Analysis as the next step to making this concept a reality.

This Resolution ~~with~~ will be in full force and effect upon its adoption this First (1st) day of December, 2003.



Edward Simon, Mayor

Attest:



Sandra Cady, CMC
City Treasurer/Clerk

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THE CITY OF KETCHIKAN, ALASKA

RESOLUTION NO. 1234

WHEREAS the City of Ketchikan, Alaska, has the honor to receive from the State of Alaska...

and whereas the City of Ketchikan, Alaska, is desirous of accepting the same...

Therefore the City Council of Ketchikan, Alaska, do hereby resolve that the City of Ketchikan...

and that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized to execute the necessary papers...

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City Council of Ketchikan, Alaska, has hereunto set its hand and seal...

ATTEST:



November 17, 2003

Ron LeBlanc
City of Ketchum Administrator
PO Box 2315
Ketchum, ID 83340

Re: New Bald Mountain Connector Trail

Dear Ron:

Per our recent telephone conversation, Citizens for Smart Growth has been involved in promoting the creation of a new trail on Bald Mountain linking Warm Springs and River Run. The trail is possible at this time due to the change in ownership of Warm Springs Ranch Restaurant and Golf Club. Sun Valley Venture's LLC, the new owners of Warm Springs, formed an Advisory Committee representing various community interests in an effort to fully explore all development options, including open space and recreational amenities. The new owners have been very generous in offering their intention to donate conservation easements over great portions of the property.

In this capacity Citizens for Smart Growth has taken the lead in organizing appropriate community leaders and authorized federal agencies toward the common goal of developing the long-envisioned "Connector Trail." We envision a trailhead at the Warm Springs lifts and a trail traversing the base of Bald Mountain along Warm Springs Creek and the Big River before connecting with the current Bald Mountain Trail at the first switch back north of River Run Base Lodge.

The United States Forest Service has offered their trail expertise to conduct the necessary fieldwork and preliminary trail layout. On Wednesday November 12, 2003 a group including Kirk Mason, Ketchum Parks, Robbie Robinson, Benchmark Associates Engineering, Jeff Halligan, USFS, Dan Gilmore, Wood River Land Trust, and myself walked the route to determine construction feasibility. The route is open and unobstructed. We hope to have a map within the next week.

In order to encourage the agencies to expeditiously begin the Environmental Analysis process a showing of complete community support for this project would be beneficial. I hope you are able to include this issue on the Council's December 1st Agenda. I look forward to appearing before the council with our presentation.

Thank You,

Christopher Simms
Interim Executive Director
Citizens for Smart Growth