

**Summary of Committee Inputs
p.i to p.I-31 of 2005 Comprehensive Plan
April 9, 2013**

*words in red and underlined indicate proposed additions/changes to the original content

Page No.	Content to be Updated	Members' Inputs on Updating
p.i	VISION STATEMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "...Its pristine mountain and pastures, <u>wildlife and wildlife corridors and habitat</u>, clean air and clean water are highly valued...." • "...Sun Valley remains home to a diverse and engaged community that <u>hosts</u> a prominent and internationally recognized year round resort <u>and a residential sports academy</u>. It enjoys economic and environmental sustainability, successful regional partnerships, social, cultural <u>and educational richness</u> creating a unique character and quality of life." • Add "<u>many opportunities for lifelong learning</u>" to list in the last sentence • A re-written vision statement by Wally Huffman dated March 19th, see Appendix A
p.ii	EXECUTIVE SUMMARY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update the information and dates to 2013 where appropriate • Are we planning to conduct citizen surveys, hold town hall meetings and workshop etc.? (second paragraph) • Goal 1: Preserve and Protect Natural and Scenic Resources, the Environment, <u>wildlife habitat</u>, and Open Spaces. • Goal 3: Maintain Social, Economic, <u>and Educational Diversity</u> and Protect Vitality and Cultural Heritage of Sun Valley • Add a new goal after Goal 3: "Support Lifelong Learning" • Goal 4: Promote Development That is Context-Sensitive, Complementary to Adjacent <u>Properties and Maintains Natural Scenic Setting and Views.</u> • Edit Goal 5 "...Appropriate Public Facilities, Services, and <u>Educational Opportunities</u> to Serve..." • Add a new goal after Goal 6, "Support Economic Vitality of Local Enterprises"

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal 6: Provide for an Integrated Transportation System That Promotes a Recreationally-Active Community, Encourages Non-Motorized Transportation that Reduces Congestion and Air Pollution • Add a new goal: “Foster/Encourage Sun Valley citizens’ interest in stewardship of this very special Sun Valley community”
p.iii	EXECUTIVE SUMMARY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update the information and dates to 2013 where appropriate • Need to discuss future land use planning areas and delete/add area(s) as appropriate • Last paragraph, “...fundamental principle inherent in planning for next ten years....managing significant growth...” There has not been any significant growth since 2005. On the contrary, population declined between 2000 and 2010, as did taxable values and Local Option Tax revenues. A key focus for the Comprehensive Plan update process will be to produce a plan which contributes to economic health in the local economy
p.I-1	OVERVIEW AND FRAMEWORK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update the information and dates to 2013 as appropriate
p.I-2	INTRODUCTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update the information and dates to 2013 as appropriate • Update any reference to the applicable state code sections related to this process • In historical section, discuss the recession and its impact on development • Should there be any discussion of SVEA and its activities since it is a significant landowner? • Need to discuss and update principal goals • The Elkhorn Springs complex and Elkhorn Golf Course could be use strategically to for economic vibrancy envisioned in 2005. The Elkhorn Golf Course usage is about ¼ of that at the Sun Valley course, with the ownership of both courses belong to Sun Valley Company, better promotion and marketing could be done to achieve a higher utilization rate
p.I-3, 4	INTRODUCTION Community Planning Strategies Plan Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic situation needs to be updated to reflect the circumstances of 2013

p.I-5	SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update the information and dates to 2013 as appropriate
p.I-6	SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to rewrite the first three paragraph • The assumption of Sun Valley as a growing community needs to be revisited based on new facts.
p.I-7	SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to update data and analysis to reflect the situation in 2013
p.I-8	SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to update data and analysis to reflect the situation in 2013
p.I-9	SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS Table II. Western Mountain Resort Historic and Forecast Populations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Should check and see whether 2010 forecasts were accurate • Forecast % Growth 2000-2010 for Blaine County was 23%, however, the actual growth rate for Blaine County during the period was half of the predicted rate.
p.I-10	SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS Table III. Forecast Year-Round Resident Population	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update demographics to reflect situation in 2013 and re-write the analysis according to the new data. • Table III, the predicted figure for population in Sun Valley was 1,867, however, the actual figure is 1,406, significantly less than forecast. • There is a lack of key economic drivers in Sun Valley compared to 10 years ago. It seems that Sun Valley may be evolving more and more into just a retirement community for the wealthy rather than a destination resort for families, conventions and outdoor activity buffs • Paragraph 2 under Table III, what does “should consider the social, housing and cultural diversity... “etc. mean, what does the paragraph really imply?
p.I-11,12,13	SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS ECONOMIC INDICATORS Local and Regional Trends Western Mountain Resort Community Trends	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update various data in Appendices to reflect situation in 2013 and re-write analysis according to the new data • P.I-11, any LOT analysis should follow the format used by Councilman Youngman in 2009 • P.I-12, 7th bullet point “Preservation and conservation of the surrounding <u>open spaces</u> and natural environment.” • This section encompasses key elements of a dynamic, growing community. However, the reality is that the city of Sun Valley has little ability to influence key factors such as affordable housing, new 5-star hotels, ease of access, i.e. airport improvements, etc. We must spend time on these issues.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Question whether any workforce housing section is warranted as land cost and court decisions concerning taxing new construction /modifications have severely limited the ability of the City of Sun Valley to affect this issue • Is the Sun Valley Village relevant anymore? What is going to happen when some of the new five-star hotels finally get built in Ketchum? How is Sun Valley going to compete with other destination mountain resorts in light of changing demographics, limited air accessibility, a struggling economy and a fragmented marketing effort with our community partners?
p.I-14	<p>SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS NATURAL RESOURCES Hillsides</p> <p>Visual Features and Open Space</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modify the first sentence to read: “Among the most notable characteristics of Sun Valley are its high, undeveloped sage and rock-covered hills, its ridgetops, ridgelines, knolls, saddles, <u>wildlife corridors</u>, and summits, and the natural, undeveloped skyline.” • Modify the last sentence to read: “Completion of hillside mapping and further refinement of requirements for hillside development are both necessary to fully protect their aesthetic attributes, <u>their natural view corridors</u> and to prevent vegetation loss and destabilization.” • Do not allow changes to this section that weakens this • Where does the ordinance called for here stand?
p.I-15	<p>SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS NATURAL RESOURCES Climate and Air Quality</p> <p>Water Resources</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re City of Sun Valley monitoring the effects of climate change and air pollution, let’s leave that to the county or state to come up with guidelines • Any reference to “Global Warming” should be changed to “Climate Change” • What is the status of current Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) evaluation? • Has City of Sun Valley established a “management plan and protection measures” for all waterways and watersheds?

I-16	SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS NATURAL RESOURCES Wetlands Wildlife Habitat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any current protection plan for wetlands from the City of Sun Valley? • What is the status of City Maps update in meeting current federal regulation? This question also applies to the other updates cites in Section I • Has City of Sun Valley updated wildlife habitat maps? • What is the current relationship with land management agencies to preserve open spaces? What are these agencies, both public and private?
I-17	SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS NATURAL RESOURCES Wildfire Hazard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the latest about the development of landscaping codes?
I-18	SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS LAND USE AND COMMUNITY DESIGN Land Use Classification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update the first paragraph to reflect situation in 2013
I-19, 20	SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS HOUSING Housing Characteristics and Forecast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update data in Table IV and V to reflect situation in 2013
I-21	SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS HOUSING Workforce Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is affordable housing still defined as no more than 30% of income? • Update data to reflect situation in 2013 • Is the percentage that Sun Valley Company provides still at 40%? • Realistically, it is expensive to own or rent in Sun Valley and the reality is that the workforce wants to be where their friends are. Suggest a focus on the best transportation one can get for the workforce rather than pushing for affordable housing in the City of Sun Valley
I-22	SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS PUBLIC SERVICES, FACILITIES AND UTILITIES Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is Elkhorn golf course on new irrigation system for using water from waste treatment? How about Sun Valley golf course (planning to be if not on similar system?) • Have the issues of enough water, electricity, transportation etc. been established as doable, given the current zoning representing future

		<p>development agreed to as being allowed by the City of Sun Valley?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A re-written draft of this section is provided by Pat McMahon, General Manager of Sun Valley Water and Sewer District (See Appendix A)
I-23	<p>SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS PUBLIC SERVICES, FACILITIES AND UTILITIES</p> <p>Wastewater Treatment</p> <p>Solid Waste Management and Recycling</p> <p>Public Safety</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A re-written draft of this section is provided by Pat McMahon, General Manager of Sun Valley Water and Sewer District (See Appendix A) • Add some language to this section to encourage regional planning to bring businesses to area that could use recycled materials, e.g. a glass plant that would melt and reused glass recycled • Update this section given City of Ketchum and City of Sun Valley sharing resources for fire/police • Status of placement of new substation along Trail Creek Road as needed?
I-24, 25	<p>SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS PUBLIC SERVICES, FACILITIES AND UTILITIES</p> <p>City Facilities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I-25, 1st paragraph, re recreational amenities, the Sun Valley Gun Club was left out • I-25, 2nd paragraph, “The City also plans to develop a partnership with the Sun Valley Elkhorn Association (SVEA) to designate and protect common lands as permanent open space.”, did this happen? • I-25, 2nd paragraph, not clear about the city primary strategies. It mentions the coordination with Sun Valley Company re permanent preservation of open space along both sides of Sun Valley Road, but then, in that regard, mention is only made of Penny Pasture. Does “Penny Pasture” refer to all the current open space pastures on both sides of Sun Valley Road from the Ketchum City limits including the Red Barn to the stop light at the intersection of Sun Valley and Elkhorn Road, as a Sun Valley City priority to ensure public access? Or only “Penny Pasture” and if only “Penny Pasture” what is the size of that parcel? • We need to discuss the use of the 5-acre parcel • Update information on Elkhorn golf course ownership

	Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Edit title of Schools section to “Schools and Lifelong Learning”, include verbiage on all kinds of educational avenues, refer to Community School’s long-range ambitions and plans
I-26	<p>SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS PUBLIC SERVICES, FACILITIES AND UTILITIES</p> <p>Schools</p> <p>Utilities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need to update The Community School Section to include future residential living aspects Need to update the situation in Blaine County School District What is the status of towers in city limits? Need to discuss the proposed second transmission line to the north valley. The vulnerability of the current power transmission system into the Wood River Valley was dramatically demonstrated during Christmas 2009. Idaho Power has proposed a number of improvements to the transmission lines serving the Wood River Valley and a redundant line serving the substations in Sun Valley. The comprehensive plan update should be cognizant of this need.
I-27	<p>SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS PUBLIC SERVICES, FACILITIES AND UTILITIES TRANSPORTATION</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any update on the Transportation Plan after 1997?
I-28, 29	<p>SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS PUBLIC SERVICES, FACILITIES AND UTILITIES TRANSPORTATION</p> <p>Parking</p> <p>Bus Transportation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has City of Sun Valley developed parking plan for roadside parking for areas being impacted as volume of use grows? (e.g. Sun Valley Summer Symphony, dog walkers parking in neighborhoods) Need a complete update of this section Delete reference to Sun Valley Resort operating its own skier bus system.

		The Resort partners with Mountain Rides to provide regularly scheduled bus service between Warm Springs, River Run, Dollar and the Sun Valley Village. The Resort also participates in the Mountain Rides Vanpool Program to provide ride-sharing among employees commuting from outlying communities
I-29, 30	SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS PUBLIC SERVICES, FACILITIES AND UTILITIES TRANSPORTATION Transportation Corridors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the last paragraph, add stronger language about support for proposed gondola from Sun Valley Resort to Ketchum town center and to River Run • Update this section to bring data that reflect situation in 2013
I-30,31	SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS PUBLIC SERVICES, FACILITIES AND UTILITIES TRANSPORTATION Air Travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Should there be a discussion re developing an air transportation plan with Twin Falls and/or Boise? • Update this section given state of regional board membership and ongoing planning process for airport

STEERING COMMITTEE COMMENTS

(John Calvert)

(3/1/13)

Page i – “Vision” – with the population growth there is resultant encroachment of wildlife habitat available corridors to move within our City. To recognize this, the “Vision” statement should be amended so that the second sentence would read (italics for added provision): “Its pristine mountain and pastures, *wildlife and wildlife corridors and habitat*, clean air and clean water are highly valued.”

Page ii – Update the dates to 2013 where appropriate.

Page ii – the reference to “citizen surveys, workshops, Town Hall and . . .” should be deleted unless such events are planned.

Page ii – Goal 1 should be modified to read: “Preserve and Protect Natural and Scenic Resources, the Environment, *wildlife habitat*, and Open Spaces.”

Page iii – the references to 2005 need to be updated to 2013.

Page I-1 – the references to 2005 need to be updated to 2013.

Pages I-2 & I-3 & I-4 – the “Introduction,” “Community Planning Strategies” and “Plan Preparation” economic situation needs to be updated to the circumstances of 2013.

Pages I-5 thru I-12 – need to be updated to 2013.

Page I-12 – the 6th bullet point should be modified to read: “Preservation and conservation of the surrounding *open spaces and natural environment*.”

Page I-14 the first sentence of “Hillsides” should be modified to read: “Among the most notable characteristics of Sun Valley are it high, undeveloped sage and rock-covered hills, its ridgetops, ridgelines, knolls, saddles, *wildlife corridors*, and summits, and the natural, undeveloped skyline.”

Pages I-19 thru I-21 – “Housing” – these pages need to be updated for current economic data.

Pages I-22 thru I-31- “Public Services, Facilities, And Utilities” – these pages need to be updated for current data.



Pat McMahon

Water

The domestic and irrigation needs of Sun Valley are met primarily by the Sun Valley Water & Sewer District (District). The District's water supply is provided by ten groundwater wells. Six wells are located along Trail Creek and provide water for the Sun Valley Village and most properties located in the Trail Creek Drainage. Four additional wells are located near the Big Wood River and supply water to the Elkhorn area, St. Luke's Hospital, and McHanville. A fifth well along the Big Wood has been assigned a water right and will be developed in the near future. Currently the District is capable of producing 11 million gallons per day (m.g.d.). Daily usage runs from 1.5 m.g.d. in the winter to 8.9 mgd during irrigation season. Average demands on the water system are between 2.3 and 2.4 m.g.d., and are driven by seasonal population peaks. The incorporated area of the City of Sun Valley accounts for 95% of the District's usage. The remaining 5% is delivered to unincorporated Blaine County parcels. The City of Ketchum provides domestic and irrigation waters for the Weyyakin subdivision.

The Sun Valley Resort has surface water rights on Trail Creek, which are used to irrigate the White Cloud Nine, the Trail Creek Golf Course, and the majority of the Sun Valley Village.

The District is in the design and construction phase of a new system to deliver reuse water from the Wastewater Treatment Plant to the Elkhorn Golf Course. This system, when operational in 2014, will relieve demand on the domestic water system, and remove the wastewater flow from the Big Wood River.

District facilities, both water and sewer, are designed to accommodate build out of the City of Sun Valley. The future price of irrigation water will be driven by the Idaho Department of Water Resources Conjunctive Management, and the cost of mitigation to senior water right holders.

Wastewater Treatment

Located on River Ranch Road, The Ketchum / Sun Valley Wastewater Treatment Plant is jointly owned by the District and the City of Ketchum. The City of Ketchum operates the plant, with capital costs shared equally, and expense costs determined by metered flows from each entity.

Sun Valley is currently responsible for 48% of the average daily 1.6 m.g.d. flow. Wastewater flows during peak high season can reach 2.3 m.g.d. The Treatment Plant is designed for a peak capacity of 7.5 m.g.d., and an average annual flow of 4.0 m.g.d.. The Treatment Plant has the capacity to provide for projected influent loads and flows for the next 20 years.



Comments on SV Comprehensive Plan –C. Thiessen

Vision – No comment

Executive Summary – Should really be reviewed/rewritten after the plan is updated.

Pg. ii – Are we planning to prepare citizen surveys, hold town hall meetings and workshops, etc.?

Pg. iii – need to discuss future land use planning areas and delete/add area(s) as appropriate.

Overview and Framework

Pg. I-2 – need to discuss and update principal goals

Pg. I-6 – need to rewrite first three para.

Pg. I-7, 8- need update

Pg. I-9 – should check to see if 2010 forecasts were accurate.

Pg. I-10 – 1st and 3rd para. Need to be rewritten

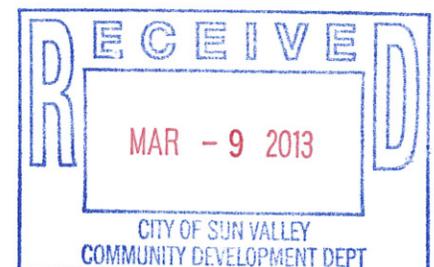
Pg. I 12, 13 – This section encompasses key elements of a dynamic, growing community. However, the reality is that the city of SV has little ability to influence key factors such as affordable housing, new 5-star hotels, ease of access i.e. airport improvements, etc.

We must spend time on these issues.

Pg. I-15 – I question whether any workforce housing section is warranted as land cost and court decisions concerning taxing new construction/modifications have severely limited the ability of the city of SV to affect this issue.

Pg. I-23 – are the facts given in the 3rd para. True?

Pg. I-24 – again, we need to discuss use of 5-acre parcel.



Pg. I-26 – Need to discuss the proposed second transmission line to the north valley.

Pg. I-28 – Need a complete update of the bus transportation section.

Pg. I-29 – update transportation corridor section. Other than Mountain Rides, I don't foresee any other alternate modes of transportation.

Pg. I-30 – rewrite Air Travel section.

Obviously, the entire Overview and Framework Section will need to be fact checked and word-smithed. We might look at shortening the write-up.



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From: Susan Tucker [poona4fun@gmail.com]
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Subject: Vision statement: Susan Tucker

Vision statement:

Scenic beauty and sense of community make Sun Valley a highly desirable place to live, work, play and visit. Its pristine mountains, pastures, clean air and clean waters are highly valued and protected. Development in Sun Valley respects and complements the natural setting and preserves its historic authenticity. Sun Valley remains home to a diverse and engaged community that hosts a prominent and internationally recognized year round resort and a residential sports academy. It enjoys economic and environmental sustainability, successful regional partnerships, social, cultural and educational richness creating a unique character and quality of life.



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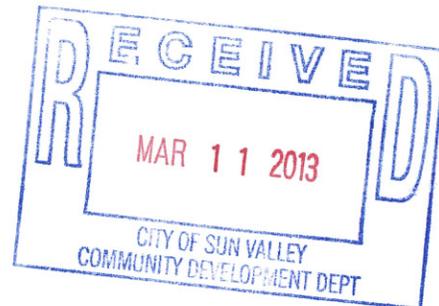
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Subject: Executive Summary: susan Tucker

Executive Summary:

Goal 3: Maintain Social,Economic,and Educational Diversity.....

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Goal 5: ... Encourages Non-Motorized Transportation that reduces Congestion...



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Subject: Situational Analysis: Susan Tucker



Situational Analysis:

1-5 - 1-8: Update statistical data as needed.

1-8 through 1-13 Pop. and Demog. forecast:

In light of change in economy this section needs to be updated with this in mind.

1-14 through 1-18 Hillside: last line = Completion of hillside mapping...attributes, their natural view corridors and to prevent vegetation loss and destabilization

Visual Features and Open Space: Do Not allow changes to this section that weakens this.

Where does the ordinance called for here stand?

Climate and Air Quality: What is the status of current IDEQ evaluation?

Water Resources: Has City of Sv established a "management plan and protection measures" for all waterways and watersheds?

Wetlands: Current City of SV protection plan for these???

Wildlife Habitat: Has C of SV updated wildlife habitat maps? Current relationship with land management agencies to preserve open spaces? What are these agencies, both public and private?

Wildfire Hazard: Codes updates?

1-19 through 1-21 Housing: Update real numbers and 2-25 forecast as appropriate given new building by SV Co, and private applications for permits, and TCS.

Is the largest growth still for year-round owners?

Workforce Housing: Is affordable housing still defined as no more than 30% of income? Update statistics as appropriate in this section. Is the % SV Co provides still at 40%?

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Is Elkhorn golf course on new irrigation system for using water from waste treatment? Is SV golf course on this also, planning to be if not on similar system?

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Solid Waste Management... Some language in this section encouraging regional planning to bring businesses to area that could use recycled materials? Ex: a glass plant that would melt and reused glass recycled..

Public Safety:

Update given Ketchum/C of SV sharing of resources for fire/police. Status of placement of new substation along Trail Creek Road as needed?

1-24 - 1-25 City Facilities:

Update info on Elkhorn gold course ownership.

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Utilities: Status of towers in city limits?

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Sun Valley 2005 Comprehensive Plan Comments – Executive Summary and Section 1
Tim Silva
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March 9, 2013

Pageiii **Executive Summary**

“...fundamental principle inherent in planning for next ten years... managing significant growth”

Comment: The reality is there has not been significant growth since this plan was approved. Population declined in Sun Valley between 2000 and 2010, as did taxable values and Local Option Tax revenues. An important issue for the Comprehensive Plan update process will be to produce a plan which contributes to economic health in the local economy.

Page I-6 Population **and Demographics**

“Sun Valley’s population is a growing...community”

Comment: The facts would suggest this assumption needs to be revisited.

Page I-9 **Population and Demographic Forecast**

Table II.” *Forecast % Growth 2000-2010 for Blaine County – 23%”*

Comment: The actual growth rate for Blaine County was half the predicted rate

Page I-10 Table III. *“Sun Valley Population – 2010 1,867”*

Comment: The actual 2010 population figure of 1,406 was significantly less than forecast

Page I-26 **Public Services, Facilities and Utilities**

Comment: The vulnerability of the current power transmission system into the Wood River Valley was dramatically demonstrated during Christmas 2009. Idaho Power has proposed a number of improvements to the transmission lines serving the Wood River Valley and a redundant line serving the substations in Sun Valley. The comprehensive plan update should be cognizant of this need.

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Comment: Delete reference to Sun Valley Resort operating its own skier bus system. The Resort partners with Mountain Rides to provide regularly scheduled bus service between Warm Springs, River Run, Dollar and the Sun Valley Village. The Resort also participates in the Mountain Rides Vanpool Program to provide ride-sharing among employees commuting from outlying communities.



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From: John Carver [jscarver3@gmail.com]
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Subject: 2005 Comp. Plan (first 31 pages)



Isabel,

I'm sorry to be late in sending you these comments on the 2005 Plan but here they are for what they are worth:

Vision Statement:

It's hard for me to see anything fundamentally wrong with this statement though I have to wonder how economically sustainable Sun Valley is or ever will be without the Holding's strong financial support. The entire Wood River Valley (and Sun Valley) is severely limited for consistent economic growth until the issues limiting reliable, expanded air service to the area are addressed.

Executive Summary:

Goal #3: Within Sun Valley there is very little Social and Economic diversity as I see it and even less so over the last 10 years. An update of some of the tables and charts reflecting population, income levels and other demographics in this area will be very interesting to review during this 10 year planning process.

Goal #6: To encourage non-motorized transportation will require serious improvements and repairs need to be made to the existing bike paths as well as an expansion to the existing trail network.

Goal #7: A few partnerships come to mind that Sun Valley could do a better job in: the Joint Marketing Alliance with Ketchum and Hailey and the Fly Sun Valley Alliance.

Overview and Framework:

Pages I-2&3: I think Elkhorn Springs (including the golf facility and restaurant, the former general store and restaurant) and the Elkhorn Golf Course could use a serious shot in the arm to ensure the continued vibrancy envisioned in the 2005 plan. Course usage is about 1/4 of that at the Sun Valley course which is crazy. I don't think enough focus is put on Sun Valley as a summertime golf destination featuring all 45 holes available. Since Sun Valley now owns and operates all of the courses here there should be seamless promotion and marketing to visitors and locals to enjoy both the Sun Valley and Elkhorn courses and everything else this beautiful area has to offer.

Page I-8: The 2005 Population and Demographic Forecast needs to be rewritten and seriously reviewed in respect to a 10 year plan going forward. Obviously the world is a different place then it was in 2005. Even here in Sun Valley.

Page I-10: What is currently driving our local economy? Not construction or real estate sales and I would guess that tourism is not what it was 10 years ago. The White Clouds development is the biggest thing to happen to the construction business (other than a few big houses) in a long time. While things in these areas may be improving somewhat recently, the economy here is still pretty depressed. Sun Valley may be evolving more and more into just a retirement community for the wealthy rather than a destination resort for families, conventions and outdoor activity buffs.

Page I-12&13: Is the Sun Valley Village even relevant anymore?
Other than a couple of old hotels that offer quaintness and a kind of run down village, the Pavilion (and the new Konditorei) is the only great thing to happen there in years. What's going to happen when some of the new 5 star hotels finally get built in Ketchum? How is Sun Valley going to compete with other destination mountain resorts in light of changing demographics, limited air accessibility, a struggling economy and a fragmented marketing effort with our community partners?

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Subject: Re: Reminder: Comment on the First 31 Pages of 2005 Comprehensive Plan

Hi Isabel,

I have read through the Comp Plan a few times and have very little comment on the sections we'll address at the meeting on March 19th. However a few points:

- On a number of the topics, the 2005 Update Plan suggests that the City should consider changes and updates (e.g. page I-16 Wetlands 'The City should update City Maps to meet current federal regulations...'). There are other suggestions such as the one cited throughout Section I. Have these been accomplished?
- I know that the statistics will be updated regarding Population and Demographics. I believe the current numbers will be influential to our thinking on later topics. I would ask that we get the updates as soon as possible.
- The Sun Valley Resort Master Plan was revised in December 2004 according to the booklet provided to us. Have there been any changes since then? Is it possible to get any documentation regarding the 19 or so variances that the Company filed last year?

There are a number of small points that I have questions about and wonder if it is possible to meet with you or Mark to discuss briefly (more background than anything)

Thanks for your help.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Isabel Lui <ilui@svidaho.org>
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Subject: Reminder: Comment on the First 31 Pages of 2005 Comprehensive Plan

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Comments on the First Sections of the 2005 Comp Plan
March 15, 2013

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From: Elizabeth Warrick [bellumeliz@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, March 17, 2013 1:57 PM
To: Liz Warrick; Isabel Lui; Mark Hofman
Subject: comments re vision statement and executive summary

Dear Isabel and Mark - I am new at this but wanted to do my best to participate.

I don't know what Goal this would apply or perhaps a new goal but would like to suggest - Foster/Encourage Sun Valley citizen interest in and stewardship of this very special Sun Valley Community

Page 10 under Table 111 - Paragraph 2 - Blaine County is home to etc. what does "should consider the social, housing and cultural diversity" etc mean. What does that paragraph really imply.

Page 15 - re City of Sun Valley monitoring the effects of climate change and air shed pollution - lets leave that to the county or state to come up with guidelines.

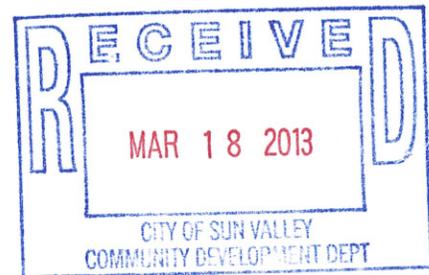
Page 21 - Workforce housing - realistically, it is expensive to own or rent in Sun Valley and the reality is that the workforce wants to be where there friends are , so I would suggest a focus on the best transportation one can get for the workforce rather than pushing for affordable housing in the City of Sun Valley.

Page 25 - Re recreational activities - The Sun Valley Gun Club was left out.

Page 25 - Re paragraph 2 - City primary strategies -not clear to me . I do see mention of coordinating with Sun Valley Company re permanent preservation of open space along both sides of Sun Valley Road but then , in that regard, mention is only made of Penny Pasture.

Does "Penny Pasture " refer to all the current open space pastures on both sides of Sun Valley Road from the Ketchum City limits including the Red Barn to the stop light at the intersection of Sun Valley and Elkhorn Road ,as a Sun Valley City priority to ensure public access ? Or only "Penny Pasture" and if only "Penny Pasture" what is the size of that parcel?

Thanks Isabel and Mark . Sincerely, Liz Warrick



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Subject: ps

Hi there - further to prior thoughts - just follow up question - have the issues of enough water, electricity, transportation etc been established as doable, given the current zoning representing future development agreed to as being allowed, by the City of Sun Valley.

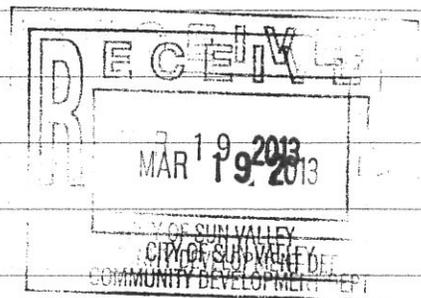
With thanks, Liz



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Wally Huffman

Scenic beauty, a sense of community, a prominent
and world renowned year round resort make the city
of Sun Valley a highly desirable place to live,
work, play and visit. Its recreational amenities,
misty mountains (vistas?), clean air & water are
highly valued. Development in the city respects
its history as the first and finest ~~the~~ Winter
Ski resort in the United States. Sun Valley enjoys
social and cultural richness and a unique character
& quality of life. The city and its residents
are committed to fostering economic and
~~water~~
environmental sustainability and successful
regional partnerships.



Some Potential Edits (Holmes)

- i. Vision statement: add “many opportunities for lifelong learning” to list in last sentence
 - ii. (1) add 4th goal under “Unique Character of Sun Valley”
new -- “Goal 4: Support Lifelong Learning”

(2) edit old goal #5 to include “...Appropriate Public Facilities, Services, and Educational Opportunities to Serve.....”

(3) Add new goal under “Growth and Development”:
“Goal X: Support Economic Vitality and Viability of Local Enterprises”
- 25-26 Edit title of schools section to: “Schools and Lifelong Learning”

include verbiage on all kinds of educational avenues

refer to Community School’s long-range ambitions and plans
- II-9 2.2.1 – include reference to “nonprofits” (e.g., Community School) who also offer
a range of services
- II-12 Objective 3.3 – add reference to Community School as a community resource and articulate need to “promote partnerships among Sun Valley Resort, Community School and other entities.”

