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## **COMPASS Education Series Presents: Growing Pains...**

### **How does growth affect my community's bottom line?**

*Meridian, ID* – The tremendous growth in the Treasure Valley is indisputable, but is it a good thing or a bad thing? Ultimately, the answer is almost always “it depends” – it depends on where the growth occurs, what type of growth it is, who is impacted, and how.

The Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho, COMPASS, is pleased to host economic analyst Colin McAweeney to discuss a new “fiscal impact” tool for the region. This tool will provide information that can help community leaders as they strive to manage growth and continue to provide quality community services to their residents.

Mr. McAweeney will explain the purpose and use of fiscal impact analyses, demonstrate how the tool is used, and provide examples of how results can inform land use decisions. He will also show how fiscal impact analyses can provide an important piece of information for evaluating the financial bottom line of development proposals, comprehensive plans, and other land use policies. The presentation is free and will be entirely online.

- Tuesday, June 8, 2021
- 9:00 am – 10:30 am
- Free
- Online; RSVP to receive registration link
- RSVP to [htownsend@compassidaho.org](mailto:htownsend@compassidaho.org) or 208/475-2232

Colin McAweeney is a Senior Fiscal and Economic Analyst at TischlerBise, with specialties in finance and economic development planning. McAweeney is an industry expert regarding the intersection of land use planning and municipal finance, and has completed impact fee and user fee studies in more than 30 communities.

This presentation is being offered by COMPASS as part of its annual education series. For more information, visit [www.compassidaho.org/comm/publicevents\\_2021\\_ed\\_series.html](http://www.compassidaho.org/comm/publicevents_2021_ed_series.html).