

Leadership by Example, Elected Official

Mayor Debbie Kling, City of Nampa

During Mayor Kling's eight years as Mayor of the City of Nampa (2018 – 2025), the city has added over 20,000 residents and grappled with the resulting congestion, development pressure, and mobility challenges.

By aggressively pursuing—and winning—highly competitive federal transportation grants, and participating in COMPASS' application process, Nampa has secured nearly \$75 million in federal funding. Doing so has reduced the tax burden on residents while still ensuring the transportation system continues to support community needs.

In addition, under Mayor Kling's leadership, the city has installed over 20 miles of fiber and constructed a traffic management center, creating a connected system of traffic signals. This has improved the efficiency, reliability, and safety of the transportation system in a cost-effective manner.

The mayor's service on the Valley Regional Transit Board, as well as her political courage, regional mindset, and commitment to advocating for transit, have left an indelible mark on the region as a whole.

Similarly, her dedication to regional collaboration can be seen in the multiple roles she has filled on the COMPASS Board. She leads with integrity and has provided valuable direction to the organization.