Communities in Motion 2040 2.0 Development Review

The Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS) is the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for Ada and Canyon Counties. COMPASS has developed this review as a tool for local governments to evaluate whether land developments are consistent with the goals of *Communities in Motion 2040 2.0* (CIM 2040), the regional long-range transportation plan for Ada and Canyon Counties. This checklist is not intended to be prescriptive, but rather a guidance document based on CIM 2040 2.0 goals.

Development Name: Hatch Rezone

Agency: Nampa

CIM Vision Category: Future Neighborhoods

| New households: 0 | | New jobs: 400 | Exceeds CIM forecast: No |
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| CIM Corridor: Cherry Pedestrian level of str Bicycle level of stress | | ress: R-Cherry Lane | Level of Stress considers facility type, number of vehicle lanes, and speed. Roads with G or PG ratings better support bicyclists and pedestrians of all ages and comfort levels. |
| | Housing within 1 mile: 240 Jobs within 1 mile: 2,770 Jobs/Housing Ratio: 11.6 | | A good jobs/housing balance – a ratio between 1 and 1.5 – reduces traffic congestion. Higher numbers indicate the need for more housing and lower numbers indicate an employment need. |
| | Nearest police station: 3.8 miles Nearest fire station: 2.4 miles | | Developments within 1.5 miles of police and fire stations ensure that emergency services are more efficient and reduce the cost of these important public services. |
| | Farmland consumed: Farmland within 1 mi | | Farmland contributes to the local economy, creates additional jobs, and provides food security to the region. Development in farm areas decreases the productivity and sustainability of farmland. |
| | Nearest bus stop: 0 . Nearest public school Nearest public park: Nearest grocery store | : 1.8 miles 1.9 miles | Residents who live or work less than ¹ / ₂ mile from critical services have more transportation choices. Walking and biking reduces congestion by taking cars off the road, while supporting a healthy and active lifestyle. |

Recommendations

The Cherry Lane/Fairview Avenue corridor is the #9 local system priority in the *Communities in Motion 2040 2.0* plan. Cherry Lanes serves as a vital east-west route through north Nampa, downtown Meridian, and ending in downtown Boise. It also serves as an alternate route to I-84. Cherry Lane has been identified for ultimate widening to five lanes with curb, gutter, sidewalks, and bike lanes, but is unfunded.

This location is still in a largely farmland area on the fringe of a rapidly-growing area in north Nampa. Currently there is a bus stop at the intersection of Midland Boulevard and Cherry Lane providing service from the Happy Day transfer center to the Boise Towne Square mall. ValleyConnect 2.0 proposes bus service along Midland Boulevard from the Karcher Mall to downtown Meridian via the cities of Middleton, Star, and Eagle. Sidewalks along, and a safe pedestrian crossing of, Cherry Lane is essential to promote transit ridership.

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