



# Eagle is HOME

## Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee

### Committee Summary: May 18, 2016

Committee was called to order at 4:03pm. Committee members introduced themselves, their length of time within Eagle, and why they are serving on the committee.

Staff provided an overview of the options for information retrieval. All documents will be e-mailed as a PDF as well as posted to the Committee's webpage: [www.cityofeagle.org/EagleisHOME](http://www.cityofeagle.org/EagleisHOME). Staff also provided an overview of the history, purpose, and directives for the committee. All information is contained in the power point presentation available on the committee website.

Staff discussed the role of committee in public outreach and the goal to reach 10% of the City's population (aprx. 2,400 people) over the next 14 months. Staff asked member to follow the City's Facebook Page "Eagle is Home: Comprehensive Plan Update" and to share information with neighbors and colleagues.

Mayor Ridgeway welcomed the committee and thanked them for volunteering. Discussion about appointing alternates if the committee is unable to fulfil their terms and a discussion of having appeals to help identify the committee during public outreach meetings.

Committee voted to set their June, July and August meetings on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month starting at 4:00pm.

Committee began review of a draft of Chapter 1: Overview.

Committee had significant discussion about the audience of the plan, the purpose of the chapter, and the amount of detail in the chapter. It was explained that chapter 1 is a broad overview of the City's desired future. The Plan's audience is new residents, business owners, and developers who are considering locating in Eagle. The over view sections should be seen as an executive summary and establish themes that are going to be found throughout the plan.

**Section 1:1** - The committee discussed the HOME acronym and the broad vision statements below them. Committee felt there were themes missing from the 11 statements listed. Staff asked the committee to review other themes they felt were missing and to send their comments to staff by June 10<sup>th</sup> for inclusion into the table.

The Committee agreed to rewrite the vision statements as follows:

"Eagle will continue to grow as the Treasure Valley grows, but Eagle's growth will be a unique balance of environmentally sensitive urban and rural development with ample areas of open space and recreation. Urban development will be directed to our downtown, central City, and "activity centers" along regionally significant transportation and transit corridors. The City will plan for and preserve a rural planning area in which large-lot residential and agricultural uses continue to be the focus. And, the City will balance development with environmental stewardship along the Boise River and in the Eagle Foothills. Growth within Eagle will enhance our quality of life while welcoming new citizens and businesses who share our vision.

"Densities and development will be scaled and strategically located to meet the needs of the community and to protect the places we wish to preserve and enhance, like the Boise River and the Eagle Foothills. Eagle will not be Idaho's metropolitan center and the City will not provide large-scale regional economic development; to become these things, the City of Eagle would lose its small town friendly character."

**Section 1:2** - The Committee spent significant time discussing growth within the community and why the City expanded the Comprehensive Plan to include the Foothills. The group came to a consensus that the City was going to grow and the City's plan was one of the tools for the City to control and direct growth and the community's character. Committee agreed that the growth rate within the plan 4.5% was reasonable not too high. The plan was not based on the 10+% growth rate from the early 2000's. Section needs to be edited to include the term "population" not just growth.

Committee completed a review of the remaining sections of the chapter. Discussion of **Section 1:7** encouraged the City establish a process to review the plan on an annual to bi-annual basis and that **Section 1:8** encourage that amendments be coordinated with the monitoring and review process.

Committee adjourned at 5:52pm.

**NEXT MEETING: June 21, 2016 at 4:00pm at Eagle City Hall.**

Discussion:

Chapter 1: Overview

Chapter 2: Property Rights

Chapter 3: Population & Growth

Eagle Fun Days Family Carnival