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Please see the below comments for tomorrow's hearing.

Thank you,  
Rebecca

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**Subject**

20-Year Population Projection

**Date of Hearing**

Tue, 04/18/2023

**Comment**

I have been following and commenting on Comprehensive Plans in Clark County since the first plan was written in 1994. I have lived in Clark County most of my life. I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the 2025 Comprehensive Plan Update since it has a significant impact on the quality of life in Clark County. Please select the "medium" population projection of 698,416 as forecast by the Office of Financial Management. The medium forecast will allow for expected population growth in Clark County while reducing unnecessary development farther from cities and towns. It will encourage more density, which will result in more affordable housing, and less single family housing that many who currently live and will live in Clark County cannot afford. The medium forecast will also encourage development closer to existing cities and towns instead of on open spaces and farmland. With the ability to update the Comprehensive Plan again in a few years, there is no need to overestimate population by choosing the "high" forecast at this time.

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