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Please see the below comments from Linda Micheel. Thanks.



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Dear Councilor Marshall, Councilor Yung, Councilor Belkot, Councilor Fuentes,
Councilor Little,

I am writing regarding the current Comprehensive Plan update. I urge the Council to prioritize sustainable land use and the practical infrastructure needs of the people who live in Clark County.

I think that the adoption of Alternative I, which proposes no change to the current Urban Growth Boundary, should be the chosen option. Preservation of the remaining Agricultural Land we have is essential for a number of reasons:

- + if we maintain local farms, we reduce our reliance on long-haul trucking and make sure we have a local food supply that is sustainable

- + the agricultural land we have, such as orchards and fields, play a vital role in mitigating climate change and reducing the “heat island” effect caused by excessive asphalt and concrete.

- + current reports indicate that we already have sufficient land within the existing Urban Growth Boundary to accommodate projected population growth.

There is need for more housing, but new developments must be supported by adequate infrastructure. Simply adding more isolated housing developments is not sustainable without infrastructure, which is usually neglected by the builders. Even high density projects must be monitored, especially when more adults must live in each unit in order to afford them. More adults = more cars. Most new homes have garages that are too small for two cars, pushing more cars parking and narrowing the streets. Since Clark County has only a few public transportation routes, new developments will be reliant on even more cars.

Please update the building code regarding street widths! Emergency vehicles already have problems in older housing developments. Prevent blocking of fire hydrants and sidewalks (at least the newer developments in the county have sidewalks; my neighborhood from the 1970s does not) in order to protect citizens and emergency workers.

Thank you for your work and your efforts to assure the long-term well-being of Clark County. I look forward to seeing how the final Comprehensive Plan comes together and reflects these practical concerns of our citizens.

Yours,

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