

Countywide Policies Review Draft: Comments Report

December 21, 2020-January 29, 2021

OVERVIEW

The Countywide Policies Review Draft was available online for public comment between December 21, 2020 and January 29, 2021 and a link to the webpage with the review draft was posted to the Transform Clark County website. Respondents were able to scroll through a PDF and click within each page of the draft to leave comments applicable to specific lines of text, the entire page, or the document as a whole. Respondents also had the ability to respond to other comments left in the draft.

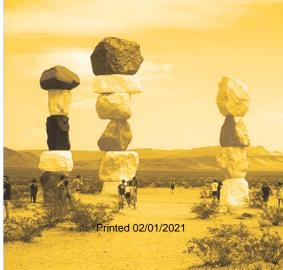
This summary document includes each page of the Countywide Policies Review Draft followed by a page with posted comments, if applicable. The blue circles shown on the pages of the review draft indicate where the respondent clicked to submit their comment and the numbers within the circle correspond with the list of comments for each page.

The review draft's webpage included a link to a short, two-question survey for respondents to share their overall impressions of the draft, summarized at the end of this document.









Posted by **Garrett TerBerg III AICP** on **12/31/2020** at **12:10pm** [Comment ID: 46] - Link Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

- Overall, the document is well-written and will make it well-positioned to be a great interactive resource for the County over the next 30 years (with periodic updates of course).
- In general, I'm looking forward to seeing the proposed addition of graphics as noted throughout the document.

Reply by **Garrett TerBerg III AICP** on **12/31/2020** at **12:48pm** [Comment ID: 48] - Link Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Unfortunately, I could not revise my last comment so will state here that the proposed graphics were in an earlier version. I see they're now in this edition - great job so far!!

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About the Countywide Policies

This document builds upon the preliminary <u>Plan Framework</u> for the Master Plan that was released in September 2020. As discussed in the Plan Framework, it represents a shift away from the current topical or "element-based" Master Plan structure that Clark County has had in place for many years. This approach is intended to help make the Master Plan more user-friendly and accessible to all users, and to convey a cohesive vision more clearly for the County. Draft countywide policies were developed based on:

- Existing Master Plan Elements;
- Related plans and studies—both internal to Clark County, and those developed by outside agencies and partners; and
- Feedback received from stakeholders and the community to-date.

Many of the policies reflect the current practices of Clark County and its partnerships with others at the regional, state, and federal level. Other policies are new. Footnotes are used throughout the document to help orient the reader to the origins different goals and policies, and to highlight notable changes from the preliminary Plan Framework document.

This is a working document. These policies will continue to be refined over the coming months as other components of the Master Plan are being developed. Placeholders for the many graphics, map diagrams, images, and other supporting information that will be incorporated as part of the draft Master Plan are noted throughout.

Core Values¹

A key focus for the Master Plan rewrite is to establish goals and policies that will set Clark County on a more sustainable and resilient path for the future. Achieving this will require us to strive to maintain certain aspects of Clark County that the community values today, while recognizing that we will need to adapt in the face of a certain amount of growth and change over the next ten to twenty years and beyond. Our ability to adapt successfully will require a continual focus on—and balance between—six core values:

- Unique communities, neighborhoods, and lifestyles
- Equitable access to programs, services, and amenities
- A healthy and sustainable natural and built environment
- A more connected Clark County
- A diverse and resilient economy
- Sustainable and resilient growth and development

¹ Some adjustments to the wording of the core values were made in response to input received. Refer to footnotes in the individual sections that follow for additional detail.

Because the core values are closely interrelated, they are intended to be viewed as being equal in weight and are not listed in any particular order of importance. This foundation encourages systems thinking to recognize and emphasize the interrelationships among all aspects of the community's vision. A systems thinking perspective recognizes the interdependent economic, social, and environmental implications of policies, decisions, and outcomes, and recognizes the benefits and trade-offs across these topic areas.

Relationship to NRS Requirements

In counties with a population greater than 700,000 residents, NRS §278.160 requires the Master Plan to include eight topical elements along with a number of sub-elements. The graphic on the following pages illustrates the relationship between each of the six core values and the policy topics they encompass compared to the required NRS elements and sub-elements.





Unique Communities, Neighborhoods, and Lifestyles



Core Value #2:

Equitable Access to Programs, Services, and Amenities



Core Value #3:

A Healthy and Sustainable Natural and Built Environment

-TOPICS ADDRESSED-

- Housing options/ affordability
- Complete neighborhoods (design of new neighborhoods)
- Established neighborhoods
- · Outlying communities
- Ru017eig013011I010
- Histoic, cultural, and arculogical resources

- Parks, trai 008 d open spac
- Recreation ucational, and enrichment programs
- · Health and human services
- Arts and culture





- Air quality
- · Clean energy
- Water ply, quality, and conservation 002
- Waste reduction
- Natural areas
- Built environment

RELATIONSHIP TO NRS REQUIREMENTS

- · Housing
- Historic preservation
- Land use (community design and 15 e 014 nent, master planned communities, rural neighborhoods preservation plan)
- · Federal lands

- Recreation and open space
- Federal lands

- Conservation
- margy
- Federal lands

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 4:53pm [Comment ID: 118] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

We have return flow credits for indoor usage, I'd like the conversation to be centered around outdoor usage and/or bringing older infrastructure up to newer standards...a ton of water is lost in leakage, inefficiencies, etc. in OLDER areas

#003

Posted by **Lio** on **12/21/2020** at **9:36pm** [Comment ID: 34] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: -2

This is kind of a DUH moment, but has anyone even put thought to piping out west? The SNWA wants to sspend BILLIONS to go north and run them dry. Why not just go west, desalt plant the water from the ocean, and BAM, unlimited supply of water.

And before anyone contests to the costs, it would be wayyyyy cheaper to go west as it's only 250+ miles to the shore, way less distance than northern Nevada, and many California cities are doing desalt plants already, proof THEY CAN BE USED AND DO WORK! Quit the SNWA and it's communist policies (no grass, no fountains, when I greaw up here with 95% of Vegas having grass and 50% of the businesses and even homes in my neighborhood had amazing fountains)

This is rediculus. By NOT going west they can cry drought and continue their tyrany on us all telling us what we can and cannot do with what we pay for. It's like buying a gallon of millk and being told CANNOT use in cereal or for cooking. Why? we bought it, so can't we do what we want with it? Every month I buy so many gallons of water for my house from the snwa, it's MY water now and I wanna use it as I want to use it!

Reply by **Lio** on **12/21/2020** at **9:39pm** [Comment ID: 35] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: -1

add to above, by piping west you will end the drought forever and have an UNLIMITED SUPPLY of h2o. You would be crazy not to do this, and I have spoken to 1000's of Nevadans who said they'll pay an extra tax or such to do this ourselves if the SNWA will not. The snwa is afraid to do this as it will lower water prices, their profits will plummet and they will no longer have the control they do now and have to get rid of all their ridiculous rules and policies.

#004

Posted by Judy Bundorf on 01/29/2021 at 5:11pm [Comment ID: 148] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Leave the open spaces open on federal lands. Too much of Clark County is being bulldozed for PV panels that should be on rooftops, parking lots, and the old Sunrise Mountain landfill. Protect our natural deserts while there is anything left to protect. Consider adjacent land use, and the impact many square miles of solar panels have on existing uses and the natural environment.

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 4:48pm [Comment ID: 116] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

I'd like to see some acknowledgement of the Chairwoman and County management's work towards "doing more with less" with existing school, community centers, etc that sit vacant vs setting up a plan and/or agreement to lease out that space and provide residents with some of the services they lack

#006

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 4:49pm [Comment ID: 117] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

At some point, I do not feel like the conversation can continue to be productive and the voices of the entire County are heard if the "not in my backyard" statements are dictating all policy discussions.

#007

Posted by **Bertha Gutierrez** on **01/28/2021** at **11:50pm** [Comment ID: 141] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

These are excellent values.

#008

Posted by **christine simon** on **12/21/2020** at **5:19pm** [Comment ID: 31] - <u>Link</u> Agree: 0, Disagree: -1

Neighborhood parks are being used by irresponsible dog owners who allow their dogs to run through the parks unleashed. This is an ongoing problem that has never been resolved. Owners of these unleashed dogs are aggressive in nature. There is literally no where in my neighborhood to walk dogs following the leash law. Animal Control & 311 do not responde.

#009

Posted by **Msmith** on **01/11/2021** at **11:14pm** [Comment ID: 67] - Link

Agree: 4, Disagree: -1

RNP areas need to be left alone. No mixed use, no 0 lot line 3 story homes, no apartments, no schools, no strip malls or 7 elevens. People enjoy peace and quiet.

Reply by **Re Fitzpatrick** on **01/15/2021** at **10:48am** [Comment ID: 101] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Amen. Leave some beauty behind.

#010

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 4:47pm [Comment ID: 115] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

Comments made by others stating "no" development adjacent to the RNP contradict efforts outlined in other sections of this document re: transit-oriented development. We support buffers and a gradual increase in density but do not feel that those few that live in two RNP areas in the County should lead the larger Countywide discussion and plan. It's all about balance

#011

Posted by Mike Smith on 01/22/2021 at 7:22am [Comment ID: 139] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

RNP areas need to be respected. There is a continuation of trying to push these areas out. No 3 story high density homes and or apartments belong on the borders of these areas. People who live here want this lifestyle.

#012

Posted by **Amanda Moss** on **01/18/2021** at **4:55pm** [Comment ID: 119] - Link Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Although some of these are under "relationship to NRS," I feel like they can also be duplicated in a separate section related to population growth and economic diversity. If RNP and NIMBY want ZERO development (which is at least 10 comments I have seen thus far), then where are the hundreds of thousands of residents going to live?

#013

Posted by **Thomas LoPresti** on **12/22/2020** at **12:23am** [Comment ID: 43] - Link Agree: 6, Disagree: 0

I feel that the RNP has been chipped away over the years to virtually nothing. I am a strong advocate and participant in community meetings in an attempt to keep what is left of these RNP's intact and think it is incumbent of the policy makers to insist on this also to hold true a bit of the way Vegas used to be and the lifestyle they offer to those who enjoy it.

#014

Posted by **Thomas LoPresti** on **12/22/2020** at **12:22am** [Comment ID: 42] - Link Agree: 4, Disagree: 0

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#015

Posted by Chris Johnson on 01/15/2021 at 12:43pm [Comment ID: 103] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

I oppose any increase in residential density in or adjacent to an existing RNP.

#016

Posted by **Judy Bundorf** on **01/29/2021** at **5:05pm** [Comment ID: 147] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

It is important to conserve our historic small towns and the surrounding areas; i.e., Searchlight, Nelson, and the area of the Moapa Valley. Too much of Clark County is being destroyed for so-called "green energy"; solar panels should only be placed on rooftops in the built environment, as well as parking lots and brown fields. Do not allow bulldozing thousands of acres and hundreds of square miles for solar panels that can go in the built environment.

#017

Posted by Chris Johnson on 01/15/2021 at 12:43pm [Comment ID: 102] - Link

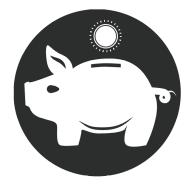
Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

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Core Value #4:

A More Connected Clark County



Core Value #5:

A Diverse and Resilient Economy



Core Value #6:

Sustainable and Resilient Growth and Development

-TOPICS ADDRESSED-

- Multipodal transportation
- Regional collaboration
- Transparent and inclusive government
- Employment and job base
- Education/workforce
- Business-friendly environment
- Growth managem 19
- Alignment with adopted plans
- Development quali 018
- · Hazard mitigation
- · Public safety
- Adequate public facilities

RELATIONSHIP TO NRS REQUIREMENTS

- Transportation
- Public Facilities and Services (economic and schools subelements)
- Federal Lands
- L021Use

- Land Use
- Federal Lands
- Tran 120 tation
- Public Facilities and Services (utilities/aboveground utility plan sub-elements, schools sub-element)
- Safety (fire, police, and natural & man-made hazards sub-elements)

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 5:22pm [Comment ID: 121] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

I made a similar comment earlier in the document... but this implies that there is a "lack" of quality. But there hasn't been a definition provided by some folks that say "quality." Is it diversity in square footage, elevation, etc? There are strict requirements in the current Title 30 that does not allow for the same floor plan, elevation, etc next to one another... most builders also make the decision to flip plans left or right for quality, diversity, and aesthetics. This comment is unclear and/or false.

#019

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 5:04pm [Comment ID: 120] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Can this instead say "smart growth?"

#020

Posted by Russ Freebury on 01/11/2021 at 1:05pm [Comment ID: 66] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

What is being done to handle traffic. I see multiple housing projects and no freeways or light rail options.

Reply by **kwd** on **01/14/2021** at **11:43am** [Comment ID: 90] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

To be fair, nearly every route between my home and office is torn up or coned off. Not sure what they're doing as I never see anyone out working. So, if they could get on that last remaining route that is open for my daily commute and tear that up too, that'd be great. Just tear it up and leave it for weeks, though -- don't complete it. Ever.

Reply by **Jennifer Leonescu** on **01/16/2021** at **6:57pm** [Comment ID: 107] - Link Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Las Vegas is a perfect area for light rail because it is has a distinctive quadrant shape. Buses will never be accepted by a majority of the population because of delays, scheduling issues and lack of access. Light rail with parking would attract more ridership.

#021

Posted by **Lio** on **12/21/2020** at **9:29pm** [Comment ID: 33] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: -1

The county (Been to several Meetings on this exact person) LOVES to HATE Anthony Palmisano and the San Gewnnaro feast! Y'all always make him add more security than other festivals in town have that have far worse crimes at their festivals than his. I say we end this madness, with him getting the boot everywhere or not approved to be

at certain spots. Hows we donate the Durango and Flamingo Land (owned by BLM, but leased to CLARK COUNTY and I am sure he will in return donate a portion of his profits to charity. I know him, he will do this. Or just make him pay off your lease (and then some) to use the land 2 weeks a year for his festival! This is not asking too much for a piece of dirt you all have laying around. Then you can stop complaining he moves around so much, and he could have a permanent home. His daughter is set to take over if he should pass or retire, so it should be obvious this is one of the longest-running if not the longest-running bi-annually festivals in Nevada, and he needs a permanent location - and you are doing sh*t with that area of land next to the park

Reply by **Pat Dowlat** on **01/04/2021** at **2:05am** [Comment ID: 57] - Link Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

You want to donate that parcel of land to some guy who does Italian food festivals? Seems wasteful. That area is adjacent to a park, a school and community center. That screams public housing if I ever heard it.

#022

Posted by **Lio** on **12/21/2020** at **9:12pm** [Comment ID: 32] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

Now that the lvcva owns the monorail can we get it going downtown, and down to Mandalay Bay and to the airport - I know many people who always stay south on lv blvd (Mbay or Luxor or Tropicana) and like the idea of the monorail but it does not go to them. We need to expand it to better areas - and building a new station at the round private-owned for-profit event venue instead of the Raiders stadium or t-mobile arena for knights games is maddening. Why there instead of places it will actually get used at? Do we care more on profits from private companies wanting a station or actually usability of the thing?

Reply by **Pat Dowlat** on **01/04/2021** at **2:08am** [Comment ID: 58] - Link Agree: 1, Disagree: -1

If any additional funds were allocated to new transit projects, the money would be better used to make bus service run more frequently or to enhance bus stop shelters.

Reply by Jennifer Leonescu on 01/16/2021 at 7:00pm [Comment ID: 108] -

Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

IMO, buses will never attract the ridership like a light rail system would. Buses are not on predictable schedules due to traffic and bus stops are not conveniently accessible to many people who would otherwise commute. It should definitely be improved, though.

Reply by **Pat Dowlat** on **01/19/2021** at **11:07pm** [Comment ID: 138]

- Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

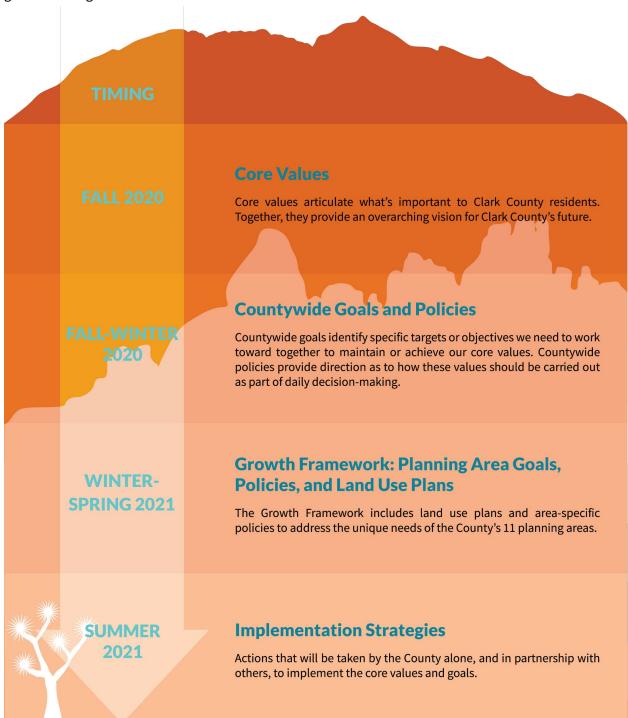
Buses are the workhorse of all public transit around the world.

While you may believe that light rail attracts a lot of people, if you evaluate most systems, you will see that a well funded bus system is the best investment for your dollar.

You want reliable schedules? Great so do I. If that means taking away lanes for cars and making bus only lanes so that they don't get held up in traffic, let's do that before investing in crazy light rail or some boondoggle like what the Las Vegas Convention Center is doing with Musk's tunnel.

Parts of the Plan

The graphic below illustrates the role of each layer of policy guidance in the Master Plan, and the general timing of each.



Relationship to the County's Sustainability and Climate Action Plan

Many participants in the Transform Clark County process have voiced their concerns about the effects of climate change on Clark County and have expressed a desire for stronger policy direction in the Master Plan on this issue. Earlier this fall, Clark County's department of Sustainability and Environment launched **All-In Clark County**.

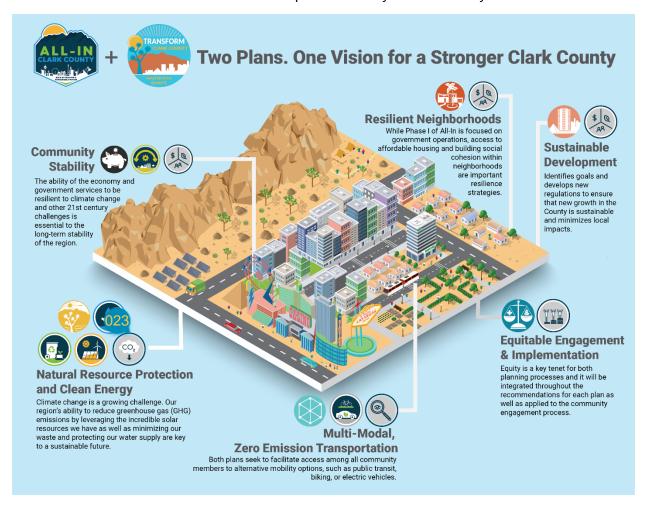
All-In Clark County is focused on taking action to address climate change and create a more sustainable future for all. The plan will take a smart, bold, and inclusive approach to creating a sustainable community for the well-being and prosperity of all,



today and into the future. All-In will first assess opportunities within County Operations to lead by example for a community-wide plan that will launch in Summer 2021. All-In will build on the values identified in Transform and take further steps to ensure the long-term sustainability of Clark County.

The Transform Clark County team is working closely with the All-In team to ensure the two efforts are aligned. The infographic on the following page highlights key linkages between the two efforts.

For more information: www.allinclarkcounty.org



Posted by **Lio** on **12/21/2020** at **9:40pm** [Comment ID: 36] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

see my comment a few pages ago on desalt plants and unlimited water from the Pacific

Ocean. Why this was not built yet idk but we need to do this asap



CORE VALUE #1

Unique Communities, Neighborhoods, and Lifestyles

Core Value #1: Unique Communities, Neighborhoods, and Lifestyles

Where are we today?

Clark County is made up of many unique neighborhoods and communities, and residents place a high value on protecting this diversity. The County offers a wide range of lifestyles, from "big city" urbanized areas to sparsely populated rural expanses, plus everything in between. Residents wish to maintain this wide array of choices in lifestyle without losing sight of common goals that apply to the County as a whole.

Diverse neighborhoods and communities require diverse goals. In some older, established areas, residents would like to see the existing neighborhood fabric and character preserved Other areas are ripe for reinvestment and revitalization. Rural areas on the fringe of the Las Vegas Valley are concerned about expanding development, and in addition to protection of lower density areas, would like to see an emphasis on transition areas between higher and lower density neighborhoods. Outlying communities would like to maintain their distinction from the Las Vegas Valley. Residents would also like to have a higher bar set for new neighborhoods in unincorporated Clark County.

Whatever the character of an area and the goals that are appropriate to it, the overarching objective of maintaining affordability unites them all. Residents recognize that a greater diversity of housing types would help to achieve this, and they are clear that there are areas where mixing single-family homes with apartments, duplexes and other kinds of un²² vould be welcome development. Similarly, many would like to see more mixed-use centers and neighborhoods where various housing types and shops, restaurants, and services exist side-by-side.

In 2050, Clark County is a place where...

- Rural 625 s continue to thrive alongside urban ones, and areas of different character blend from one into another with logical transitions between them
- There are many choices about the kind of place we call home, and the existence of those choices helps assure that home is a place affordable to all
- A family-friendly atmosphere thrives alongside many lifestyle options to accommodate the diverse population

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 5:25pm [Comment ID: 122] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Would love to see a dedicated townhome and small lot zoning category to promote market-based affordable housing.

#025

Posted by **Thomas LoPresti** on **12/22/2020** at **12:26am** [Comment ID: 44] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Well put!

Countywide Goals and Policies

Goal 1.1: Provide opportunities for diverse housing options to meet the needs of residents of all ages, income levels, and abilities²

POLICY 1.1.1: MIX OF HOUSING TYPES

Encourage the provision of diverse housing types at varied densities and in numerous locations. In particular, seek opportunities to expand "middle" housing options that are less prevalent in unincorporated parts of Clark County, such as duplexes, townhomes, three- and four-plexes, and smaller multifamily complexes.

[IMAGES that illustrate different kinds of housing beyond single-family dwelling developments]

POLICY 1.1.2: HOUSING ACCESS



Concentrate higher-density housing in areas with access to existing or planned high-frequency transit, major employment centers, and other services.

POLICY 1.1.3: MULTI-GENERATIONAL HOUSING



Support the integration of detached or attached accessory dwelling units (ADUs) as part of new development and/or in established neighborhoods to support aging-in-place and expand the supply of smaller dwelling units. [See also, Policy 1.4.4]

POLICY 1.1.4: SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

Encourage housing options that incorporate universal design and visitability³ principles to facilitate aging-in-place, and accommodation of older residents and others with mobility limitations or disabilities.

POLICY 1.1.5: HOUSING FOR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS⁴

Collaborate with local and regional partners on development of programs and resources to prevent residents from becoming homeless, and facilitate the provision of expanded housing for vulnerable populations, including the elderly and those transitioning away from homelessness. [See also, Goal 2.3 and supporting policies]



² This goal and policies 1-4 in this section build upon concepts addressed in the County's current Housing Element, adopted in 2019.

³ Visitability is a movement that seeks to increase the supply of accessible housing through the inclusion of three basic structural features at the time of home construction: a zero-step entrance, wide doorways, and at least a half bath on the main floor of the home.

⁴ This policy builds from Commissioners' direction to staff regarding this topic, as described on the County's Affordable Housing web page.

Posted by Pat Dowlat on 01/04/2021 at 2:02am [Comment ID: 56] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

All BLM and county owned lands need to remain government owned going forward. Do not sell one more parcel to private developers. They will only build cookie cutter levitt homes with oversized streets with cul-du-sacs and the only way to access the development is by car. Clark County needs to be thoughtful with the remaining lands it has and use them to provide affordable, possibly public housing.

#027

Posted by **September Wilson** on **01/14/2021** at **12:00am** [Comment ID: 85] - Link Agree: 2, Disagree: 0

I am not happy with zone changes being made in rural areas: changed to high-density housing in the southwest (Rainbow & Blue Diamond). It has been a battle and often these groups sneak in meetings to push their agendas/profit.

#028

Posted by Pam Stuckey on 12/21/2020 at 4:31pm [Comment ID: 30] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

R-PACE: A GAME-CHANGER FOR NET-ZERO ENERGY HOMES

Residential property assessed clean energy (R-PACE) financing is a game-changing financing mechanism that can help states deliver high-performance, net-zero energy (NZE) homes at no additional up-front cost.

NZE homes are going to be the next big frontier for innovation and competition in the residential real estate market.

#029

Posted by Florencia Sparks on 01/29/2021 at 11:59am [Comment ID: 145] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Don't approve zone changes to build high-density housing in areas that already have apartments in that same mile of land.

Check with the current for-rent housing options to see if there is even a need. Many times there isn't as the existing apartment complexes aren't even near capacity. Stop allowing developers who just want the biggest bang for their buck to create traffic nightmares and overcrowd schools, all while charging their renters obscene amounts.

#030

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 5:28pm [Comment ID: 123] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Setting aside parcels/encouraging the passage of the federal lands bill that has CMA and affordable housing language in the bill currently is a great way to do this.

Goal 1.2: Expand the number of long-term affordable housing units available in Clark County⁵

POLICY 1.2.1: EXISTING AFFORDABLE UNITS

Maintain the supply of long-term affordable housing (restricted for 20-50 years) by focusing efforts on rehabilitation and preservation of existing affordable units particularly in areas where redevelopment pressure exists or is likely to occur in the future.

POLICY 1.2.2 FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Support programs that use state, federal, and local housing program funds to preserve existing affordable housing and provide financial assistance to lower income homeowners to maintain their properties in adequate condition.

POLICY 1.2.3: NON-PROFIT OWNERSHIP



Encourage acquisition of housing by non-profit organizations, land trusts, or tenants as a strategy to protect housing from upward pressure on prices and rents.

POLICY 1.2.4: REGULATORY TOOLS

Investigate the feasibility of implementing regulatory requirements (e.g., inclusionary zonimal targeted incentives, and development agreements to promote expanded construction of affordable housing units throughout the County 132

POLICY 1.2.5: DISPOSAL LAND⁶

Support the implementation of affordable housing development plans on former Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lands designated for the development of affordable housing. [See also, Goal 6.5 and related policies]

POLICY 1.2.6: NEW AFFORDABLE UNITS

Continue to work with community and regional partners to evaluate the feasibility of and pursue a variety of strategies that will expand the number of affordable units, such as, but not limited to activity bonds, housing trust funds, land banks or land trusts, and fee-in-lie ograms.

⁵ Policies 1-4 are adapted from concepts from the County's current Housing Element, adopted 2019. This section also draws from information provided in the 2020 Community Resources Management Program Guide.

⁶ Policies 1.2.5 and 1.2.6 are derived from actions the Commissioners have proposed or adopted, as described on the County's Affordable Housing web page.

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 5:30pm [Comment ID: 124] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

SNHBA opposes mandated inclusionary zoning. We believe these kinds of policies pick winners and losers and want to focus on incentives not mandates and get to the targeted goal together.

#032

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 5:33pm [Comment ID: 126] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Any additional tax on new construction will price out those that can currently afford new construction and all the efficiencies, lower monthly bills, and amenities they have to offer. We support every other outlined strategy above except IZ and tax increases

#033

Posted by Florencia Sparks on 01/29/2021 at 11:52am [Comment ID: 144] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Yes, or co-ops. For-profit high-density complexes are ruining our city.

#034

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 5:31pm [Comment ID: 125] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Looking forward to future meetings when we can talk specifics in the development code to move the needle.

Goal 1.3: Encourage the development of new neighborhoods that embody Clark County's core values

POLICY 1.3.1: NEIGHBORHOOD IDENTITY⁷

Encourage the integration of varied housing models, architectural styles, streetscapes, signage, common landscaped areas, and other character-defining features that contribute to a distinct neighborhood identity.

[IMAGES of different County neighborhoods]

POLICY 1.3.2: MIX OF HOUSING OPTIONS WITHIN NEIGHBORHOODS

Encourage a mix of housing options—both product types and unit sizes—within larger neighborhoods and multi-family developments.

POLICY 1.3.3: NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

Encourage the integration of grocery stores, restaurants, medical offices, and other daily-need services as part of or adjacent to new neighborhoods to minimize the need for longer-vehicle trips.

Require direct connections that allow residents to access services on foot or by bike.

POLICY 1.3.4: INTER-CONNECTED NEIGHBORHOODS

Seek opportunities to connect new and existing neighborhoods with sidewalks and trails where "stubs" exist or where new connections would improve access to existing or anneal amenities and services. Avoid "walling off" neighborhoods except in locations where noise or the characteristics of adjacent uses impact neighborhood livability.

POLICY 1.3.5: NEIGHBORHOOD LIVABILITY

Encourage the integration and connection of parks, trails, community gardens, common open space, recreational amenities, or other features in new neighborhoods to enhance the health and quality of life of residents.

Goal 1.4: Invest in and care for established neighborhoods⁸

POLICY 1.4.1: NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENTS

Support efforts to make neighborhood improvements (e.g., trail connections, complete street improvements), enhance neighborhood quality and pride, and reduce crime.

POLICY 1.4.2: EXISTING HOUSING STOCK

Support the retention of existing housing stock in unincorporated Clark County. Encourage ongoing maintenance and promote reinvestment and improvements in declining areas and targeted redevelopment of blighted properties. Work with property owners, neighborhoods, and non-profit

⁷ New. Neighborhood-related goals and policies are included based on stakeholder interview and survey results.

⁸ Expanded from the Housing Element references to reinvestment and rehabilitation; also addresses concerns expressed in surveys and interviews.

Posted by **Bertha Gutierrez** on **01/29/2021** at **12:02am** [Comment ID: 142] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

I think it's important to add green space to this list of services, as it's been clear that access to outdoor spaces is a very important value in this community.

#036

Posted by Ruth Seltzer on 01/14/2021 at 11:53am [Comment ID: 91] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

I'd like to see encouragement of developing more restaurant plazas such as those found in Summerlin. Affordable but nice family dining, multiple restaurants - and less strip malls with awful fast food shops.

#037

Posted by Pat Dowlat on 01/04/2021 at 2:18am [Comment ID: 59] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

You can only accomplish this if Clark County implements a skinny streets program going forward. Walls and cul-du-sac developments are a response to homeowners desiring respite from traffic noise from arterial streets. But that very same building pattern causes the very traffic issues(sound and air pollution) that the development was made to avoid.

We can't undo the badly designed streets built so far, but we can prevent further poorly thought out designs by clamping down on the wide street syndrome that Vegas is currently experiencing.

#038

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 5:34pm [Comment ID: 128] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

We've seen this done right more and more lately, and would be happy to sit down with a group of our members to discuss

#039

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 5:33pm [Comment ID: 127] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

How will this be done in zoning code? Very excited to get creative on this

organizations as appropriate to bring substandard units into compliance with adopted codes and improve overall housing conditions and prolong the lifespan and habitability of older homes.

POLICY 1.4.3: CODE ENFORCEMENT

Continue to respond to potential violations of Clark County Codes in an efficient and effective manner. Assist in resolving citizen complaints related to zoning violations, short-term rentals, solid waste, sign enforcement, graffiti, and other neighborhood concerns through education, service, and enforcement.

POLICY 1.4.4: INFILL AND REDEVELOPMENT

Encourage infill development and redevelopment in established neighborhoods that is compatible with the scale and intensity of the surrounding area. Establish more detailed guidance in conjunction with periodic updates to Planning Area Land Use Plans and Area-Specific Policies. [See also, Policy 1.1.3040]

POLICY 1.4.5: BUFFERS AND TRANSITIONS

Standardize requirements for buffers and development transitions to mitigate the impacts of higher-intensity uses proposed adjacent to an existing or planned residential neighborhood.

Goal 1.5: Maioo in opportunities for rural lifestyles within the Las Vegas Valley POLICY 1.5.1: RURAL NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION AREAS?

Support the prote out of existing Rura ighborhood Preser (143) on (RNP) areas as defined by NRS 278.160.

[Sidebar/textbox - RNP definition and characteristics per NRS]

POLICY 1.5.2: **Q149**PATIBLE DEVELOPMENT¹⁰

Adopt and implement standards to protect the established character and lifestyles associated with Rural Neighborhood Preservation areas and minimize future conflicts with higher intensity development planned in surrounding areas, or infill development within a RNP. Incorporate a range of possible approaches, such as transitioning densities with larger lots, , clustering higher intensity housing units away from the shared edge of the RNP, requiring similar building heights and orientations, or a combination of these and other appropriate strategies.

[IMAGES of some of the RNP areas]

POLICY 1.5.3: RURAL USES AND ACTIVITIES

Continue to support activities an outres related to the raising and keeping of animals for personal enjoyment or food production in RNP areas in accordance with Title 30.

⁹Updates to the land use categories are proposed to distinguish rural neighborhoods (as defined by NRS) from other large lot residential areas.

¹⁰ Additional specificity to be provided as part of land use category definitions to illustrate a range of compatibility approaches that could be mixed and matched depending on the situation.

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 5:36pm [Comment ID: 129] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

We set up a small working group with Mayor Lee a few years back and have some great ideas how to incentivize development in these infill areas. The hard part comes down to cost of aging infrastructure, undergrounding power poles, upsizing infrastructure, density of adjacent areas, etc.

#041

Posted by **September Wilson** on **01/14/2021** at **12:03am** [Comment ID: 86] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Yes, we do enjoy having our chickens and fresh eggs.

#042

Posted by **September Wilson** on **01/14/2021** at **12:06am** [Comment ID: 87] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

We have had many conflicts with developers who want to change the zoning in our southwest area. We desperately want to preserve this rural area and keep the RNP.

#043

Posted by **Teller** on **01/13/2021** at **6:25pm** [Comment ID: 68] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

The purpose of a rural neighborhood is to preserve the rural life style. Therefore under NO circumstances should Charter Schools or churches be permitted. Allowing these by Use Permit is unacceptable

#044

Posted by Braddon Cornish on 01/14/2021 at 12:00pm [Comment ID: 93] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

This needs to be broadcasted in a better way. The RNP is for RNP activities. High density home builders need to make homebuyers aware of where they are buying.

#045

Posted by Keli Miller on 01/15/2021 at 1:50am [Comment ID: 100] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Retaining rural areas is an admirable goal that in practice seems a constant struggle with constant rezoning requests.

#046

Posted by Braddon Cornish on 01/14/2021 at 11:59am [Comment ID: 92] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Please preserve the rural life style of the RNP! Oversized Schools are not acceptable for these areas. Allowing these by Use Permit is unacceptable.

#047

Posted by **Teller** on **01/13/2021** at **6:27pm** [Comment ID: 69] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

Some developers fail to inform their buyers of the presence of these animals. Others create rules within the development precluding the presence of farm animals. These are both contrary to the purpose of a Rural Neighborhood Preserve.

#048

Posted by **Thomas LoPresti** on **12/22/2020** at **12:36am** [Comment ID: 45] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

This topic is my achilles heel in that I reside in an RNP. I simply feel that it has been dwindled down to near nothing through the years and really feel they are an invaluable aspect to the lifestyle some people enjoy. I think along with developers, people who live in an RNP deserve a return on their investment, giving dwellers a strong desire to want to protect it.

Reply by **Teller** on **01/13/2021** at **6:32pm** [Comment ID: 70] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

Good and correct comment. The constant NCZone changes erode the whole idea of the RNP.

#049

Posted by Randy Skorpinski on 01/16/2021 at 2:19pm [Comment ID: 105] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

The RNP area allows for farm animals . Developers don't seem to tell their prospective buyers of this fact.

#050

Posted by Randy Skorpinski on 01/16/2021 at 2:16pm [Comment ID: 104] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

We need to preserve the rural life style. Having Churches and Charter Schools goes against this life style, therefore these should not be permitted.

Goal 1.6: Protect the character, identity, and economic viability of the County's outlying communits 11

POLICY 1.6.1: AREA-SPECIFIC POLICIES

Review all proposed projects in outlying communities through the lens of the area-specific policies contained in this Master Plan. ¹² Support efforts by outlying communities to protect and enhance their unique histories, economic drivers, agriculture or ranching heritage, recreational, eco-tourism potential, or other character-defining features.

POLICY 1.6.2: LAND USE PLANNING

Address the unique land use considerations for outlying communities in Clark County through periodic updates to planning area land use plans and the application of tailored development regulations.

POLICY 1.6.3: ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

Support opportunities for local economic development in outlying communities.

Goal 1.7: Protect Clark County's historic, cultural, and archaeological resources ¹³ POLICY 1.7.1: RESOURCE IDENTIFICATION AND PROTECTION

Cooperate with local preservation non-profits, the State Historic Preservation Office, the National Park Service, and others to further efforts at identifying and protecting sites within the County that have historic, cultural, or archaeological significance.

POLICY 1.7.2: EDUCATION

Broaden the public's awareness and understanding of the economic, social, and environmental benefits of preserving historic, cultural, and archaeological resources in the County.

[SIDEBAR/TEXTBOX: Lists of historic properties in Clark County at the local, national, and state levels, and a list of Historical Markers sites in Clark County from 2019 Historic Preservation Element]

POLICY 1.7.3: DOCUMENTATION AND INTERPRETATION

Encourage efforts at the community, state, or federal level to expand documentation of historic, cultural, and archaeological resources in Clark County.

POLICY 1.7.4: HISTORIC RESOURCES

Encourage the preservation and/or adaptive reuse of existing buildings, structures, or sites determined to be eligible for the State or National Register of Historic Places.

¹¹ Goal and supporting policies new. Added to reflect input received from TABs/CACs.

¹² Area-specific policies are forthcoming. Meetings on this topic tentatively planned for February 2021.

¹³ These policies adapted from the County's 2019 Historic Preservation Element. Goal expanded to include cultural and archaeological resources.

Posted by **Teller** on **01/13/2021** at **6:33pm** [Comment ID: 71] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

The vague category of Urban Village is widely abused and should be eliminated.

POLICY 1.7.5: HISTORIC DESIGNATION

Support the expansion of the County's list of Historic Designations, as well as the addition of buildings, structures, or sites to the State and National Register of Historic Places.

[IMAGES of designated landmarks, such as Liberace's Mansion, Las Vegas sign, La Concha lobby/Neon Museum, petroglyphs, Paradise Palms}

How do we get there?

County's role

The County plays an important role in helping to achieve community and neighborhood goals. Through the consistent application of the Master Plan, Area Plans, and supporting land use regulations, the County can ensure zoning districts reinforce desired uses and intensities, and use tailored standards, where applicable, to reinforce desired neighborhood character. In addition, Community Resources Management (CRM), a division of Clark County Department of Social Service, supports the County organization and the larger community through the administration of federal, state, and local grants that support the construction and rehabilitation of affordable housing developments and other community projects.

Related efforts/initiatives

There are several County initiatives underway that support these goals, along with the efforts of partners. Current efforts include:

- Rewrite of the Development Code in progress, to be aligned with the Development Code in progress, to be aligned with the Development Code in progress, to be aligned with the Development Code in progress, to be aligned with the Development Code in progress, to be aligned with the Development Code in progress, to be aligned with the Development Code in progress, to be aligned with the Development Code in progress, to be aligned with the Development Code in progress.
- Specific Planning Area land use plans
- Clark County Sustainability and Climate Action Plan
- Stadium District Master Plan
- Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) and Southern Nevada Strong (SNS) Future Housing Forecast
- Southern Nevada Regional Housing Authority Annual Plan

Posted by **Teller** on **01/13/2021** at **6:36pm** [Comment ID: 72] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Eliminate the Urban Village designation, which does not belong in a suburban culture.

Eliminate Mixed Use Developments. This is simply a tool for residential developers to erode well planned commercial areas.

Reply by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 5:40pm [Comment ID: 130] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Eliminating mixed use developments contradicts other visions and goals of this document that look to promote access to amenities, remove/reduce congestion and need to travel to get to these, live-where-you-work lifestyles, affordable housing, among others



CORE VALUE #2

Equitable Access to Programs, Services, and Amenities

Core Value #2: Equitable Access to Programs, Services, and Amenities 14

Where are we today?

The County offers many services, programs, and amenities that contribute to the high quality of life that residents enjoy. There are great libraries, excellent parks, recreational and enrichment programs, clean and safe streets, and support services for vulnerable populations. However, many of these services are not available in the areas where they are needed most. At over 8,000 square miles—roughly the same size as New Jersey—the County is vast, and bridging the distances can be a struggle for residents whose incomes and transportation options are limited. In addition, new neighborhoods in unincorporated Clark County, in most cases, are built without the types of basic amenities and services that residents desire—such as parks and common open spaces. This practice has emphasized inequalities by geography and income level that will be amplified by the effects of extreme heat and other effects of climate change.

While there are numerous existing amenities that residents enjoy, many agree on one that is lacking: a local arts and culture scene. Casinos routinely bring national acts and blockbuster exhibitions to the area, but residents would like to see a stronger focus on local, small-scale community spaces to create and share art, music, theatre, and other creative pursuits of their own.

In 2050, Clark County is a place where...

- Every neighborhood and community in Clark County has access to high-quality amenities including libraries, recreational and senior centers, swimming pools, parks, trails, and open spaces
- Every resident can access the health and human services they need, without regard to income, age, or ability, and in close proximity to their home
- A vibrant local arts, culture, and entertainment scene thrives alongside the national acts and venues the Las Vegas Valley is known for

¹⁴ Expanded to include programs, to better reflect full range of programs and services currently provided by County.

Countywide Goals and Policies

Goal 2.1: Continue to expand the County's parks, trails, and open space some at a level that is sustainable 15

POLICY 2.1.1: LEVELS OF SERVICE

Continue to plan for a mix of urban and rural area parks, trails, and open spaces at a scale and scope that matches the County's capacity to sustain a high level of service over the long-term. Work to achieve optimal levels of service by type and location, as defined in the Growth Framework.

POLICY 2.1.2: EQUITABLE ACCESS¹⁶

Consider health benefits, impacts, and service population needs in the design, location, and prioritization of new facilities or improvements to existing facilities. Prioritize system investment in areas or communities that are currently underserved, where barriers to access exist, or where existing facilities are not projected to meet future needs.¹⁷

POLICY 2.1.3: TRAIL SITING18

Minimize recreational trail operation and maintenance costs through the efficient siting, design, and construction. Prioritize trails and trailheads in locations that:

- Connect or provide access to existing parks, trails, and recreational facilities;
- Are located within public rights-of-way/public lands, along natural washes, flood control facilities, and public utility corridors;
- Improve connectivity to trails in adjacent municipalities; and
- Encourage multiple uses and provide access to public lands where appropriate.

[MAP of existing trail network, with current projects/gaps highlighted. This map referenced in Open Space Element]

POLICY 2.1.4: ACCESS AND USES 19

Designate areas where non-motorized users can experience and enjoy access to open lands, and promote responsible use of off-highway vehicles (OHVs). [See also, Goal 3.5 and supporting policies.]

¹⁵ Unless otherwise noted, this section builds from the draft 2020 Recreation and Open Space Element prepared by staff. Supporting data and information related to parks, trails, and open space (e.g., maps, current inventories, types/definitions, future needs, funding mechanisms) will in incorporated as part of the Growth Framework.

¹⁶ Expanded from existing.

¹⁷ Regional Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan for Southern Nevada includes an assessment of gaps within the Las Vegas Valley.

¹⁸ Consolidates a number of related policies.

¹⁹ Existing. From draft 2020 Federal Lands Element. This topic is also addressed more generally under Goal 3.5.

Posted by **Teller** on **01/13/2021** at **6:38pm** [Comment ID: 73] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Trails are not just lines on a map, as Staff sometimes says. When they've been planned for many years, they should not be changed at the drop of a hat.

#054

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/19/2021 at 4:46pm [Comment ID: 137] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Consolidating parks districts would give the County additional resources to spread across areas that don't currently have access to these kinds of amenities discussed.

POLICY 2.1.5: DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS²⁰

Establish clear expectations for the provision of recreational amenities in new development to include parks, active and passive open space, and connections to adjoining properties, public lands, trail systems, and park facilities.

POLICY 2.1.6: SUSTAINABLE PARK DESIGN

Incorporate sustainable concepts such as water conservation and energy efficient lighting in new parks, as well as for park retrofits and additions.

POLICY 2.1.7: REGIONAL AND STATE SYSTEM

Continue to work with adjacent cities, federal agencies, and other state and regional partners on the implementation of collaborative projects and plans that support the enhancement of the open space and trail system throughout Clark County.

[TEXTBOX and images highlighting major regional initiatives, such as Neon to Nature and the Rim Trail]

Goal 2.2: All residents in Clark County have access to high-quality programs and amenities²¹

POLICY 2.2.1: PROGRAMMING

Continue to provide a range of recreational, educational, enrichment, and special interest programs to meet the diverse interests, ages, and needs of residents throughout Clark County.

POLICY 2.2.2: LONG-TERM MAINTENANCE

Establish thresholds for adequate on-going maintenance of existing facilities, and ensure the availability of adequate funding for the long-term upkeep of the facilities. Implement regular monitoring to ascertain that levels of maintenance are adequate to level of use and demand for facilities.

POLICY 2.2.3: FACILITY EXPANSION/NEW FACILITIES

Plan proactively for expansion of existing facilities and provision of new ones to meet increases in demand and accommodate anticipated population growth.

POLICY 2.2.4: MULTI-PURP₀₅₅ FACILITIES²²

Seek opportunities to develop and maintain multi-purpose and/or shared-use facilities (e.g., school recreational facilities, parks, community meeting space, libraries, and museums) in order to efficiently locate community and recreational facilities and programs and leverage available funding.

²⁰ Updated to emphasize input received.

²¹ New goal and policies added to address the many programs and facilities that Clark County provides and operates in addition to parks, open space, and trails. This section draws from information provided in the 2020 Community Resources Management Program Guide.

²² Carried forward and expanded from current Schools and Open Space Element policies.

Posted by Fawn Roberson on 01/14/2021 at 2:43pm [Comment ID: 98] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

Community Centers in the SW part of the Valley. Desert Breeze is a really far drive for someone who lives in Mountain's Edge, Southern Highlands, or Rhodes Ranch.

Reply by **Jennifer Leonescu** on **01/16/2021** at **7:05pm** [Comment ID: 109] - Link Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Yes! The Henderson Multigenerational center should be an example for the Southwest. We have no easy access to community centers.

Goal 2.3: All Clark County residents have access to the high-quality health and social services they need

POLICY 2.3.1: PROGRAMMING

Continue to support public health education and information dissemination initiatives that contribute to the health, quality of life, and well-being of all residents of Clark County.

POLICY 2.3.2 COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT²³

Support on-going efforts of the Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD) to address the prioritized list of needs identified in the Clark County *Community Health Needs Assessment* which include access to care, motor vehicle and pedestrian safety, violence prevention, substance use, and mental health.

POLICY 2.3.3 SERVICES FOR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

Work with partner agencies that focus on homelessness prevention and assistance, and other entities that assist seniors, disabled, or other at-risk populations to ensure efficient provision of services and seamless networks of support.

POLICY 2.3.4: INFORMATION SHARING²⁴

Collaborate with internal and external County service providers on planning, information sharing, and service delivery. Ensure efficient referrals and interactions with the public seeking services by ensuring each department has a current and complete awareness of other departments' programs and services.

[SIDEBAR/TEXT BOX - brief explanation of County Departments and regional partners engaged in human service provision]

POLICY 2.3.5: FUNDING SOURCES

Continue with the identification of adequate, stable funding sources that allow service providers to meet the present level of demand for service among at-risk, homeless, and other vulnerable populations. Anticipate or respond to increases in the demand for services by identifying the means and funding to meet increased need to the maximum extent possible.

POLICY 2.3.6: ACCESS TO SERVICES²⁵

Coordinate with RTC and other regional partners on siting of future health and human service facilities to promote a more uniform distribution of specialized services in unincorporated Clark County and encourage compact land use patterns and a mix of uses in locations that have or are planned for high frequency transit. [See also: Core Value #4 – A More Connected Clark County]

²³ New. Included to support areas of focus identified in the Southern Nevada Health District's *Community Health Needs Assessment*, which cites "local health departments" among agencies that can contribute to addressing identified needs.

²⁴ References <u>directory</u> maintained by Clark County Social Service and Senior Services.

²⁵ New. Included to support recommendations contained in Southern Nevada Coordinated Transportation Plan.

Goal 2.4: Continue to foster a supportive environment for local arts, culture, and entertainment²⁶

POLICY 2.4.1: LOCAL ARTS & CULTURE²⁷

Continue to provide opportunities to use public facilities, such as parks, the Clark County Government Center Amphitheatre, community centers, senior centers, libraries, and museums as spaces to create and showcase local contributions to arts, music, and culture.

POLICY 2.4.2: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Encourage community support for and participation in opportunities to display and perform locally-created exhibits and productions.

POLICY 2.4.3: PUBLIC ART²⁸

Continue to support the County's Art fund, and the work of the Clark County Art Committee in publicizing calls for public art proposals and on-going installation of exhibits. Seek opportunities to incorporate art into public projects and encourage inclusion of artistic features in private developments as well.

[IMAGES of public art projects implemented through this program]

POLICY 2.4.4: NATIONAL ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Support continued efforts by casinos to bring national entertainment and cultural events to destinations and venues throughout Clark County.

²⁶ Goal updated to better reflect the County's robust programs and support for the arts.

²⁷ New. This policy and the ensuing one respond to resident input emphasizing the need for and priority of local art creation.

²⁸ This policy is derived from information on the Arts Commission and the County's annual Art Plans.

How do we get there?

County's role

The County plays a central role in planning for and providing a wide array of cultural and recreational amenities, as well as services to support members of the community. Various County departments oversee efforts to maintain and expand parks, open space, and trails, as well as providing an array of cultural and artistic programs. Numerous other County departments provide services to seniors, veterans, homeless persons, and low-income residents. The County can augment its own efforts at creating an integrated network of facilities and providing expanded access to services and amenities through collaborative planning with independent government agencies such as the Las Vegas Clark County Library Board of Trustees, neighboring municipalities, state and federal agencies, and local/private partners. Through collaboration with the cities and service providers, the County can also help to connect residents to available resources and services they need.

Related efforts/initiatives

The following plans and initiatives can help in targeting service provision:

- Clark County Community Hedoso Assessment
- Southern Nevada Coordinated Transportation Plan
- Southern Nevada Strong Regional Plan
- Las Vegas-Clark County Library District Facilities Master Plan and annual Strategic Plans
- Regional Open Space Plan
- Regional Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan for Southern Nevada
- Nevada Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan
- City park, recreation, and trails plans

Posted by **Braddon Cornish** on **01/14/2021** at **12:03pm** [Comment ID: 94] - Link Agree: 0, Disagree: -1

We strongly oppose the Urban Village Designation. This does not belong in a suburban culture.

We strongly oppose the Mixed Use Developments. This does not protect the existing RNP areas.



CORE VALUE #3

A Healthy and Sustainable Natural and Built Environment

Core Value #3: A Healthy and Sustainable Natural and Built Environment²⁹

Where are we today?

Clark County boasts some of the most unique geography anywhere in the world, and residents are well aware of their good fortune in this respect. From the heights of Mount Charleston and Red Rock Canyon to the depths of the Colorado River, from the modest confines of the Ethel M Botanical Cactus Garden to the vast expanse of Lake Mead, residents cite the ready access to parks, public lands and outdoor recreation areas as one of the strongest "positives" of living in the County. While enjoying the natural assets of the County, residents are also keenly aware of the importance of being respectful stewards of the environment.

Managing resource use is one frequently cited concern allied closely with the need to preserve existing open spaces from encroachment. Residents have witnessed recent growth that brings development to the very perimeter of open spaces, and while regional growth is forecasted to continue at a slower pace, they are conscious of the need to act now to balance future expansion with conservation. The desired outcomes include growth centered in existing urban areas; compact, mixed use communities that allow a reduction in carbon footprints; and an increased emphasis on sustainable development practices.

There is also concern over how climate change is—and will increasingly—affect County communities and vulnerable residents. The extent of change remains unclear, but there is agreement that present actions can mitigate future impacts. Residents want to undertake measures to ensure the continued viability of natural resources and the environment so that ensuing generations can benefit from the same assets we enjoy today.

As the supply of vacant land within the Valley diminishes, collaboration with the federal partners who manage much of the land within County borders becomes ever more important.

In 2050, Clark County is a place where...

- Deliberate steps taken in the past have made Clark County more resilient to the effects of extreme heat, drought, and other effects of climate change
- The built environment has been constructed or retrofitted to diminish intensity of resource use, reduce the production of greenhouse gases, and increase its resilience at withstanding changing climate conditions
- Through continued efforts and deliberate focus on compact, sustainable development and lowimpact lifestyles, we are able to pass on to the next generation a healthy natural environment

²⁹ Expanded to include built environment in response to input received.

Posted by **Lio** on **12/21/2020** at **9:53pm** [Comment ID: 37] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: -1

You do know that solar roadways are in use in countries across the world, and they WORK. zero tar and tires and junk that is waste, and creates toxic fumes and gasses, and needs to be redone as they have cracks so often. Solar Roadways are a one and done thing, and provide us FREE electricity, and have rain catchment built into them to help reduce flooding in certain areas. Plus they have LED lights built into them for stop signs, directional signals like green for go, yellow for caution, red for stop, and can have words like street names typed out on them etc etc - why we, of all places, especially on the LV BLVD where this would be so cool and make US the most talked about city in the world, are not utilizing this technology yet is beyond me.

These roads are strong enough to support semi-trucks and RV's and all cars and trucks too. There is no reason not to use those with all the sun we get every year! 2 for one road for cars plus solar energy for free - all in one piece of area

Countywide Goals and Policies

Goal 3.1: Maintain air quality at a level that protects public health and improves visual clarity³⁰

POLICY 3.1.1: PRIORITY AIR POLLUTANTS

Monitor air quality conditions and pursue a variety of rategies to reduce priority air pollutants and associated health impacts as identified by the County's stainability and Climate Action Plan.³¹

POLICY 3.1.2: TRANSPORTATION-RELATED EMISSIONS 32

Pursue a variety of strategies to reduce reliance on private automobile travel, with the goal of reducing fuel consumption and associated pollutant emissions from vehicles, including efforts to encourage higher-density and transit-oriented development in urban areas of the Las Vegas Valley. [See also: Goal 4.1 and related policies]

Goal 3.2: Support County and state efforts to expand the use of clean energy and achieve GHG reduction targets

POLICY 3.2.1: CLEAN ENERGY³³

Promotone use of alternate and renewable sources of energy in new developments of pursue a variety of strategies to reduce energy consumption in existing development. [See also, Goal 3.6 and supporting policies.]

POLICY 3.2.2: FACILITY SITING³⁴

Support the expansion of renewable/alternative energy to serve Southern Nevada by allowing for the construction and expansion of clean power generating and distribution facilities at a variety of scales.

POLICY 3.2.3 ENERGY CONSUMPTION

Implement measures for the reduction of energy consumption and promotion of energy conservation in Clark County operations, as identified in the County's *Sustainability and Climate Action Plan*. 058

Goal 3.3: Manage water resources in a manner that protects quality, supply, and reliability³⁵

³⁰Goal and supporting policies carried forward with minor adaptations from Air Quality section of 2017 Conservation Element.

³¹ The County's *Sustainability and Climate Action Plan* is currently under development and is anticipated for completion in spring 2021.

³²Generalized from current policies; forthcoming Sustainability and Climate Action Plan will determine specifics.

³³Policy 3.2.1 and 3.2.2 adapted from information contained in the Resource Use and Development content and policies in the 2020 Draft Federal Lands Element.

³⁴ Carries forward and expands goal in the Resource Use and Development section of the draft Federal Lands Element.

³⁵ Adjusted wording to reflect input/questions on considerations re: supply.

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 5:46pm [Comment ID: 131] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Has there been an energy audit on existing buildings? Consumption, inefficiencies, pathways to move the needle? Just a thought...might be worth pursuing/supporting others' efforts

#059

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 4:38pm [Comment ID: 111] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

My concern is cost. SNHBA represents new residential construction, and supports policies that have a NET BENEFIT to the end consumer. There are many renewable energy conversations that are currently occuring at the federal and state level, and I worry that a document promoting such a controversial topic as electrification that is still being ironed out in the state may ultimately raise costs on homebuyers, thus contradicting other places in this document that are looking for LOWER construction costs and more affordable housing. New construction is already the MOST efficient out there and moving new homes to 1% more efficient doesn't move the overall needle the way it would the existing home supply. We support the use of alternatives where they make sense and hope this document reflects more "incentives" rather than "mandates."

#060

Posted by Pat Dowlat on 01/04/2021 at 2:30am [Comment ID: 60] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Can only be done by discouraging car ownership. That means a moratorium on any new highway or street widening projects that may currently be under consideration.

#061

Posted by **Garrett TerBerg III AICP** on **12/31/2020** at **12:15pm** [Comment ID: 47] - Link Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Our County Attorney has recommended not to use the word "promote" in any goals or policies. As you have in other policies, other synonyms such as encourage, support, etc. would work. As we've found, we wish there were more appropriate choices, but that's English!

POLICY 3.3.1: WATER RESOURCESAN³⁶

Continue to support Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA) efforts an of one to meet current and projected water demands, promote water conservation, and protect water quality.

Southern Nevada Water Authority

In 1991, seven local water and wastewater agencies joined together to form the SNWA in an effort to address water issues regionally rather than on an individual basis. The Authority, which includes Clark County Water Reclamation as a member agency, works to acquire and manage long-term water resources for Southern Nevada with a strong concurrent emphasis on conservation and sustainable water use. The Authority's *Water Resources Plan*, updated annually, looks at Southern Nevada's projected water demands compared against the available resources to meet those demands over a long-term planning horizon (25-50 years). The 2019 installment of the *Water Resources Plan* projects sufficient water resources to meet water demand owing in part to significant efforts and successes in conservation throughout the region.

POLICY 3.3.2: WATER CONSERVATION

Coordinate with partner agencies on educational, programmatic, and regulatory strategies to increase water conservation projects and programs throughout Clark County.

POLICY 3.3.3: WASH PROTECTION AND RESTORATION PROGRAMS 37

Encourage preservation and protection of washes and waterways through measures that can improve the quality of water that enters Lake Mead to include the development of wetlands, riparian, and upland habitats in the Las Vegas Wash, and the use of erosion control structures in area washes to promote wetland growth and limit further erosion within wash channels. Utilize the Las Vegas Wash Comprehensive Adaptive Management Plan to ensure land use compatibility with the Clark County Wetlands Park and associated wash improvements.

[MAP of important County washes - map page 45 of Conservation Element]

POLICY 3.3.4: IMPAIRED WATER BODIES

Support partner agency efforts to restore water quality to levels that allow impaired lakes, streams, and washes to be removed from the State of Nevada's List of Impaired Rivers.

³⁶ Carried forward from goal in 2017 Conservation Element to reflect supply and demand considerations.

³⁷ Combines policies from the Water Resources section of the Conservation Element.

Posted by **Teller** on **01/13/2021** at **6:42pm** [Comment ID: 74] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Please take into account the number of homes that are still very happy to be on wells and continue to support well owners.

#063

Posted by **Lio** on **12/21/2020** at **9:54pm** [Comment ID: 38] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: -1

see my comment within the first few pages on how we can and should be getting an unlimited supply of water

POLICY 3.3.5: STORMWATER MANAGEMENT³⁸

Focus on maintaining quality of groundwater and public water bodies (lakes, rivers) with efforts to reduce untreated stormwater runoff through expanded use of catchment techniques, vegetative buffers, and regular maintenance of stormwater infrastructure.

POLICY 3.3.6: AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITY³⁹

Encourage the use of vegetative or constructive buffering surrounding area landscapes and farmland to limit the amount of wind erosion and irrigation runoff.

POLICY 3.3.7: GROUNDWATER RESOUR 065¹⁰

Support SNWA's initiatives to divert potentially overtaxing, harmful, or inappropriate development away from areas reaching water availability limits or with high groundwater recharge potential and to expand return flows to the Colorado River.

[MAP of high recharge areas, wellheads?]

POLICY 3.3.8: SEWER AVAILAB 068 y 41

Limit the density of development in areas that do not or are not planned to have access to public wastewater facilities. Require residential development to connect to public sewer systems where these are available, and put in place a plan to assist with conversion from individual septic where sewer service has expanded or will expand.

Goal 3.4: Reduce quantities of landfilled waste, potentially extending the operational life of current landfill sites within Clark County⁴²

POLICY 3.4.1: RECYCLING



Work with service providers to expand recycling rates within the Las Vegas Valley through wider implementation of curbside recycling programs, to include comment, and other strategies as appropriate. 067

POLICY 3.4.2: WASTE DIVERSION⁴³

Encourage adaptive reuse of existing buildings, the incorporation of recycled building materials, and other strategies to divert construction debris from landfills, subject to NRS and Southern Nevada Health District requirements.

³⁸ This policy combines two more general but related policies in the Water Resources section of the Conservation Element.

³⁹ Carried forward from Agriculture goals and policies in Conservation Element.

⁴⁰ Adapted from current policies in the Water Resources section of the Conservation Element.

⁴¹ Combines two policies from the Water Resources section of the Conservation Element.

⁴² This goal and policies 3.4.1 and 3.4.2 expand on goals and policies in the Solid Waste section of the Conservation Element. To be refined based on direction from forthcoming Clark County *Sustainability and Climate Action Plan*.

⁴³Expanded somewhat from Conservation Element in response to survey responses and stakeholder input.

Posted by **Jennifer Leonescu** on **01/16/2021** at **7:09pm** [Comment ID: 110] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

There should be residential pickup of hazardous waste a few times a year rather than requiring people to drive to the far north or southeast to drop these things off. People will not do it and end up dumping this in the regular garbage. I'm talking about batteries, old compact fluorescent lightbulbs and paint.

#065

Posted by **Teller** on **01/13/2021** at **6:43pm** [Comment ID: 75] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Please take into account individual well owners and do not force them to participate in city water.

#066

Posted by **September Wilson** on **01/14/2021** at **12:13am** [Comment ID: 88] - Link

Agree: 2, Disagree: 0

The Recycling Program needs to be restructured to actually pick up all items that can be recycled and reused. Your current polices are out dated and we are putting too much waste into the landfills.

#067

Posted by Florencia Sparks on 01/29/2021 at 12:05pm [Comment ID: 146] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Expand recycling and educate residents through PSAs about how clean items need to be in order to actually get recycled.

#068

Posted by **Teller** on **01/13/2021** at **6:44pm** [Comment ID: 76] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Please do not unnecessarily compel those on septic systems to hook up to public wastewater.

[IMAGES of any completed/notable reuse projects? La Concha lobby/Neon Museum]

Goal 3.5: Manage access to public lands to balance habitat, recreational, environmental, aesthetic, and economic value⁴⁴

POLICY 3.5.1: APPROPRIATE USES⁴⁵

Promote multiple uses on open lands unless activities could pose a detriment to natural resources and habitats, or long-term health of the land.

POLICY 3.5.2: STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS⁴⁶

Continue to maintain compliance with state and federal regulations, such as the Endangered Species Act, Clean Water mandates, Nevada laws regarding critically endangered plant species, and all other applicable laws and regulations, when non-federal development activity occurs.

POLICY 3.5.3: DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM⁴⁷

Continue administration of the Desert Conservation Program and the Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Program (MSHCP) to ensure a balance between development and species conservations

[TEXT BOX - brief overview of Desert Conservation Program with images of protected species like desert tortoise and Mt Charleston blue butterfly]

POLICY 3.5.4: INVASIVE SPECIES⁴⁸

Actively plan for the prevention, eradication, and management of noxious weeds and invasive species in natural areas.

[LIST/IMAGES of most prevalent invasive weeds, species (Africanized honeybees, Asian Clam, Quagga Mussels). There is a comprehensive list in the 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan.]

⁴⁴ Consolidated Goal 3.5 and 3.6 from Plan Framework. Supporting policies carry forward select goals/policies from 2017 Conservation Element and draft 2020 Federal Lands Element as noted.

⁴⁵ This policy combines a goal and policy from the Land Use section of the draft 2020 Federal Lands element. OHVs addressed more directly under Core Value #3.

⁴⁶ This policy combines Goals 1 and 2 from the Vegetation and Wildlife Resources section of the Conservation Element.

⁴⁷ Minor edits to existing policy in the Vegetation and Wildlife Resources section of the Conservation Element.

⁴⁸ Combination of related goal and policy in the Vegetation and Wildlife Resources section of the Conservation Element.

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 4:41pm [Comment ID: 112] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

One way to do this is to continue to express support for the federal lands bill in Senator Cortez Masto's office. Without new development and additional MSHCP funds, BILLIONS of dollars to fund critical water infrastructure, schools, and conservation projects will HALT. Those who are opposed to a small expansion (currently, less than 30,000 acres in the overall bill with over 500,000 acres identified) cannot locate any other funds for these projects. We need the bill to pass in order to fund projects that support some of these vision statements.

Goal 3.6: Focus on incorporating enhanced sustainability and resilience practices into the built environment⁴⁹

POLICY 3.6.1: URBAN HEAT ISLAND EFFECT⁵⁰

Encourage the use of site and building features, such as shade trees and reflective materials, to reduce heat absorption by exterior surfaces, provide shade, or otherwise mitigate the urban heat island effeored.

POLICY 3.6.2: COMPACT, MIXED-USE, AND TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT

Promote compact, mixed-use, and transit-oriented development, or any combination thereof, in locations that will lessen reliance on automobiles as the primary means of access to necessary services and encourage reduction in vehicle miles traveled. [See also: Goal 4.1 and related policies]

POLICY 3.6.3: GREEN BUILDING⁵¹

Encourage development that incorporates design elements that lower energy consumption through inclusion of passive heating and cooling principles, superior insulation, energy efficient windows, use of environmentally- certified materials, and other green building techniques.

POLICY 3.6.4: GREEN NEIGHBOROOD DESIGN

Promote development that incorporates neighborhood-scale green building practices.

POLICY 3.6.5: WATER RECYCLING⁵²

Encourage the reuse of treated effluent for area green space including, but not limited to, parks and golf courses.

POLICY 3.6.6: DROUGHT-TOLERANT LANDSCAPING⁵³

Using the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition's Plant List as a guide for appropriate plant choices, encourage the use of drought-tolerant, desert-appropriate landscaping and the use of and irrigation systems that are designed for maximum water use efficiency.

POLICY 3.6.7: MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORTATION

Prioritize efforts to reduce transportation-related carbon emissions through expanded multi-modal transportation options. [See also: Goal 4.1 and related policies]

⁴⁹This goal and the supporting policies are generally new. They are included based on feedback that "built environment" should be included in CV3, expanding it from "A Healthy and Sustainable Natural Environment" to "A Healthy and Sustainable Natural and Built Environment."

⁵⁰ Implementation strategy will be included that reflects County's participation in and recommendations that emerge from the Extreme Heat Vulnerability Study for the region that its being led by RTC.

⁵¹ Policies 3.6.3 and 3.6.4 are placeholders for further discussion.

⁵² Existing

⁵³ Adapted from a goal and policy in the Vegetation and Wildlife Resources section, and one policy in the Water Resources section, of the Conservation Element.

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 4:42pm [Comment ID: 113] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

The LVVWD and SNWA have a list of approved landscaping that could be referenced here (if needed)

#071

Posted by **Amanda Moss** on **01/18/2021** at **4:43pm** [Comment ID: 114] - Link Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

I am concerned that the wording here implies that new construction does not already utilize the most efficient technologies, built to the most recent building code adopted by the ICC, and cost again is not mentioned here.

POLICY 3.6.8: GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE⁵⁴

Encourage the inclusion of green infrastructure such as rain gardens, permeable pavers, infiltration planters, and rainwater harvesting systems to larger scale infrastructure investments including pervious pavement with infiltration, vegetated swales, green roofs, bioretention, and grey water recycling systems.

How do we get there?

County's role

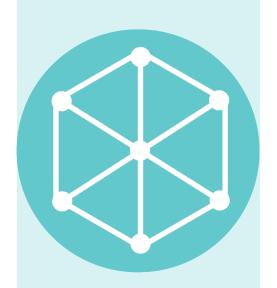
The County's Department of Environment and Sustainability plays a direct role overseeing air quality, climate action, and sustainability efforts. County partnerships can support water conservation, and conservation and land management through collaboration with state and federal agencies, the Southern Nevada Water Authority, and the Conservation District. Clark County has further demonstrated its commitment to climate action by joining nearly 200 other counties throughout the U.S. in the County Climate Coalition, a group dedicated to cutting emissions and fighting climate change in accord with the U.N.'s 2015 Paris Climate Agreement.

Related efforts/initiatives

There are three County initiatives underway, along with other partner efforts in this area:

- Clark County Sustainability and Climate Action Plan
- County Climate Coalition
- Clark County 208 Water Management Plan
- Conservation District of Southern Nevada Resource Needs Assessment
- Southern Nevada Water Authority Joint Water Conservation Plan

⁵⁴ Included as a placeholder since it came up frequently in comments. List to be refined to reflect suitability and viability for Southern Nevada.



CORE VALUE #4

A More Connected Clark County

Core Value #4: A More Connected Clark County

Where are we today?

Connectivity in this context refers to both the physical aspects—as they relate to transportation and mobility—and the less tangible aspects—as they relate to governance and community.

From a physical standpoint, many residents struggle to get where they need to go in Clark County without an automobile. Residents have appreciated seeing new infrastructure with shared space, allowing cars to travel alongside bicyclists, pedestrians, and public transportation. They would like to see this trend continue by focusing on efforts to connect existing trails, bike lanes and pedestrian facilities, along with expanding public transportation. As with many County initiatives, efforts at expanding transportation networks cross boundaries and jurisdictional lines which makes interagency collaboration in this area central to accomplishing these goals.

From a governance standpoint, connectivity refers to transparency, community engagement, and a focus on regional collaboration. Residents express the desire for County government to provide timely information, to make decisions consistent with adopted goals and policies, and to allow for meaningful opportunities for citizen participation.

Lastly, connectivity refers to residents' desire to foster a collective sense of community in Clark County. Living in Searchlight is, of course, different from living in Summerlin, but these places are connected through the people who call them home. These people are friends, neighbors, relatives, and coworkers who are connected in countless different ways. Fostering a sense of community among these diverse people and places is achieved by embracing, and working toward a common set of goals for the County as a whole.

In 2050, Clark County is a place where...

- Sidewalks, bike lanes, trails and transit form a seamless, integrated network within and to major destinations in Clark County
- County government is part of a well-established network of service providers and support agencies all collaborating to provide the best service and most efficient government possible
- Effective government serves as the basis for transparent information sharing and predictable decision-making, while allowing meaningful opportunities for community input
- People have strong connections to their communities, to shared values, and to one another

Countywide Goals and Policies 55

Goal 4.1: Promote the expansion and use of multi073dal transportation options throughout Clark County⁵⁶

POLICY 4.1.1: REGIONAL HIGH CAPACITY TRANSIT SYSTEM

Support efforts to provide faster, cleaner more frequent, and more convenient transit service to and from major destinations within the regionary rough the phased expansion of the High Capacity Transit network. Align land use and transportation decisions in unincorporated Clark County with recommendations contained in RTC's *On Board Your Future Mobility Plan* and subsequent implementation documents.

[MAP DIAGRAM from proposed HCTS from On Board Mobility Plan]

POLICY 4.1.2: TRANSIT COVERAGE - LAS VEGAS VALLEY

Support efforts by RTC to enhance, redistribute, and/or expand service hours, coverage, and frequency to maximize access to jobs and hours, make short trips easier, better address the needs of underserved or transit-dependent populations, and connect major destinations in unincorporated Clark County with other destinations throughout the Las Vegas Valley.

POLICY 4.1.3: TRANSIT COVERAGE - OUTLYING COMMUNITIES⁵⁷

Support efforts by the Southern Nevada Transit Coalition (SNTC) to sustain and enhance Silver Rider Transit service for the rural parts of Clark County.

POLICY 4.1.4: HIGH-SPEED PASSENGER RAIL⁵⁸

Support efforts to explore the future potential for high-speed passenger rail service between Las Vegas and Southern California.

POLICY 4.1.5: BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN CONECTIVITY

Support the implementation of the Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan for Southern Nevada by:

- Planning and implementing incremental improvements to existing roadways and trails in unincorporated Clark County to improve safety and connectivity for all modes;
- Prioritizing the installation of pedestrian, equestrian, and bicycle facilities in areas of unincorporated Clark County that are currently underserved, contain—or are planned for—land

⁵⁵ Unless otherwise noted, policies in this section are new, but generally carry forward the intent of the goals and policies in the current Transportation Element.

⁵⁶ Goal updated from Plan Framework.

⁵⁷ New. Supports recommendations in 2018 NDOT Transit Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan and RTC Coordinated Transportation Plan.

⁵⁸ Existing. Expanded to specify high-speed rail and include origin/destination.

Posted by **Teller** on **01/13/2021** at **6:48pm** [Comment ID: 77] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

As a rule, we seem to develop big chunks of residential, widely spaced from commercial uses. This forces us to use cars to shop. Interlacing commercial and residential would reduce this problem.

Reply by **Amanda Moss** on **01/18/2021** at **5:51pm** [Comment ID: 132] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Yes, we would like to see more transit-oriented development and mixed use development too. Need zoning categories and overlay areas updated to accomplish this

#073

Posted by **Barry J Davis** on **01/11/2021** at **12:49pm** [Comment ID: 65] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: -1

Urban Air Mobility (UAM) should be included as a goal to transport residents/visitors throughout the LV Valley. This would also include the need for infrastructure to support; vertiports tied into existing transit hubs.

#074

Posted by **Lio** on **12/21/2020** at **9:59pm** [Comment ID: 39] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: -1

get with Elon musk and expand his underground tunnels to Hendo and Summerlin and Mt Charleston - I know everyone on the mountain would LOVE to see less traffic and the ski area could use a tram going there n back for all it's skiers who have no vehicle. Expand the monorail to downtown, the stadium and such too like the airport, and fix up the defunct, run down, crappyt looking convention center station that has signs half broke from falling off, peeled off paint and unused retail space

#075

Posted by Pat Dowlat on 01/04/2021 at 2:41am [Comment ID: 61] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

I would like to see more bus service in general. Most planners say that once transit wait times are less than 10 minutes is when people are truly able to give up their cars.

Right now I do not see that for the majority of bus routes for Clark County.

uses or transportation facilities that generate high levels of activity, or where "gaps" between existing segments of sidewalks, trails, or bike lanes exist; and

• Adopting stronger, context-sensitive connectivity standards for future development and redevelopment.

[MAP of future regional bike/ped network from RBPP]

POLICY 4.1.6: COMPLETE STREETS

Seek opportunities to integrate Complete Streets attributes as part of County infrastructure projects to the maximum extent practicable as a means to reduce traffic congestion, improve air quality, and increase the quality of life of residents by providing safe, convenient, and comfortable routes for walking, bicycling, public transportation, and driving.

What is a Complete Street?

Complete Streets are roadways designed to accommodate all users safely and comfortably, regardless of age, ability, or mode of transportation. Users include motorists, cyclists, pedestrians, and all vehicle types, including public transportation, emergency responders, and freight and delivery trucks, among others. In addition to providing safety and access for all users, Complete Street design treatments take into account accommodations for disabled persons as required by the ADA. Design considerations for connectivity and access management are also taken into account for non-motorized users of the facility. (Source: RTC Policy for Complete Streets)

[IMAGE of completed/existing/planned complete streets projects in the County or GRAPHIC showing a complete street cross section]

POLICY 4.1.7: SAFE ROUTES TO SCH 1076 59

In coordination with Clark County School District, support Safe Routes to Schools programs as a way to reduce vehicular congestion in school zones and create safe and inviting environments for students, families, and staff to walk, bicycle, and use public transportation to travel to and from school.

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Posted by **Teller** on **01/13/2021** at **6:50pm** [Comment ID: 78] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

If you eliminate charter schools altogether, you stop forcing people to drive long distances to get their children to school. This

Goal 4.2: Actively manage the transportation system to improve reliability, efficiency, and safety⁶⁰

POLICY 4.2.1: FREEWAYS⁶¹

Collaborate with the Nevada Department of Transportation, RTC, and other regional partners on efforts to implement projects and programs that result in a more efficient freeway system, and support reductions in travel demand, air pollution, energy consumption, and infrastructure needs.

POLICY 4.2.2: ROADWATTESIGN AND CLASSIFICATION⁶²

Ensure the identified functional class, right-of-way, design, capacity, and level of service of transportation facilities are consistent in supporting existing and future land use development patterns.

POLICY 4.2.3: RIGHT-OF-WAY PRESERVATION⁶³

Support the identification and retention of rights-of-way for future roadways, fixed guideway systems, or other transportation facilities identified in adopted plans. Discourage the vacation of existing or planned rights-of-way unless alternative multimodal connections exist or can be provided in the vicinity.

POLICY 4.2.4: ACCESS MANAGEMENT⁶⁴

Limit driveway frequencies on arterial and collector streets in accordance with the *Clark County Area Access Management Plan*.

POLICY 4.2.5: TRAFFIC CALMING⁶⁵

Encourage the use of context-sensitive traffic calming measures in appropriate locations to reduce vehicle speeds, discourage shortcutting traffic, increase safety, and enhance the livability of neighborhoods and communities.

POLICY 4.2.6: FREIGHT NETWORK

Support efforts to enhance connectivity between truck, rail, and air transport to support the efficient movement of goods in and through Clark County. Support development that is compatible with freight operations to protect existing uses and maintain opportunities for future expansion of employment

⁶⁰New goal added to capture the more roadway- and system-oriented goals and policies in the current Transportation Element. Some of the existing policies are very specific and may fit better as implementation strategies.

⁶¹New to replace very specific goal and policy re: I-11 and Project Neon that will be relocated to implementation strategies.

⁶²Existing. Descriptions of classifications and accompanying maps to be carried forward as part of Growth and Development Framework.

⁶³ Existing. Combined and updated for clarity.

⁶⁴ Existing. Updated to reference access management plan.

⁶⁵Existing. Combined and updated for clarity.

Posted by Pat Dowlat on 01/04/2021 at 2:47am [Comment ID: 62] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Define "more efficient freeway system". If moving cars as fast as possible is efficient without regards to anything else, I'm not sure what the purpose of this transform Clark County master plan. All cities in USA already "efficiently" move cars and it is destroying the health and happiness of the citizens.

75% of adults are either obese or overweight in USA. Because our cities are so efficient at moving cars and very inefficient at allowing people to be in areas that are safe from vehicles. You have to undo that mindset that "efficient" = good.

#078

Posted by **Lio** on **12/21/2020** at **10:00pm** [Comment ID: 40] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: -1

Solar Roadways are no longer a dream or some mad scientists cooky contraption. They are a REAL thing that some countries are installing and using as we speak. THEY WORK! USE THEM!!!

#079

Posted by **Amanda Moss** on **01/18/2021** at **5:53pm** [Comment ID: 133] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

The RTC has a great tool they are trying to encourage public and private developers to coordinate to avoid cut streets. This would significantly reduce ROW easements, we just need more public and private folks to be aware the tool is out there and to coordinate whenever possible.

and industrial land uses in areas with desirable freight access. [See also: goals and policies under Core Value #5.]

Goal 4.3: Support regional and interagency collaboration⁶⁶

POLICY 4.3.1: REGIONAL PLANNING

Continue participation in regional planning efforts, working alongside partner agencies to pursue shared goals related to growth management, infrastructure, affordable housing, economic development, social service provision, transportation, resource conservation, sustainability, and other issues of mutual importance within the Las Vegas Valley.

POLICY 4.3.2: SERVICE PROVIDERS

Continually seek opportunities to gain efficiency and efficacy in the delivery of County services, working with partner organizations and service providers to understand core strengths, capacities, and initiatives, better plan for coordinated service provision, and avoid the duplication of efforts.

POLICY 4.3.3: INTERAGENCY COORDINATION

Work with regional, state, and federal agencies to development coordinated plans and regulations, prioritize inter-jurisdictional infrastructure improvements, develop coalitions to finance and implement needed improvements, and address other issues of mutual importance.

POLICY 4.3.4: LOCAL PLANS AND POLICIES

Actively participate in planning efforts led by the incorporated cities to promote consistency with Clark County policies and regulations, and identify opportunities for partnerships.

POLICY 4.3.5: INFORMATION SHARING

Facilitate improved interagency communication, promote the exchange of information, and encourage resource sharing between Clark County and its regional, state, and federal agency partners.

POLICY 4.3.6: FEDERAL LAND MANAGEMENT⁶⁷

Strive for consistency between Clark County's Master Plan and Development Code and federal land management plans through on-going coordination with federal land management agencies.



⁶⁶ Expanded from Plan Framework to add interagency. Topics under this goal and supporting policies are addressed more specifically in other sections. This section is intended to reinforce the importance of collaboration more generally.

⁶⁷ Carried forward and expanded from goal in Land Use Policy section of Federal Lands Element.

⁶⁸ This goal and supporting policies are new, included based on stakeholder input.

Posted by **Teller** on **01/13/2021** at **6:53pm** [Comment ID: 79] - Link

Agree: 3, Disagree: 0

During Covid-19, the voices of most citizens were silenced. Town Board meetings were cancelled. Developers -- willing to attend public meetings to foster their profits while the residents were confined at home -- took terrible advantage of this situation. When the County is forced to stay at home, business MUST stop.

POLICY 4.4.1: MASTER PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

Incorporate the Master Plan into County capital improvement planning, departmental work programs, and decision-making at all levels to promote consistency and continuity as elected officials and staff change over time.

POLICY 4.4.2: GEOGRAPHIC REPRESENTATION

Evaluate projects, proposals, and investments in the context of both countywide and area-specific interests, as expressed through the goals and policies of this Master Plan and supporting land use plans. Strive to ensure that the benefits resulting from a particular decision are fairly shared, and that any burdens or negative impacts do not disproportionately affect a particular group or location in the County.

POLICY 4.4.3: COUNTY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Strive to reflect the diversity of the County in the membership of volunteer boards and commissions, including but not limited to people of different genders, races, ethnicities, income levels, ages, backgrounds, and occupational experience.

POLICY 4.4.4: PUBLIC PARTIM81TION

Encourage fair and equitable participation in County processes and public hearings through focused efforts to engage all meets of communities including typically hard to reach constituent groups.

POLICY 4.4.5: INCLUSIVE ENGAGEMENT

Seek to engage with a broad spectrum of the community during all County-led outreach efforts. This includes residents and businesses from different ages, racial backgrounds, education levels, and income levels, as well as those who face other barriers to participating in engagement activities.

POLICY 4.4.6: COMMUNICATIONS

Continue to use a range of tools, techniques, and technologies to disseminate timely information to Clark County residents and other interested parties, and encourage participation in County-sponsored events and processes.

Posted by **Teller** on **01/13/2021** at **6:55pm** [Comment ID: 80] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

We need a plan to cover situations like the present one. Proper public participation has been all but silenced by the necessities of Public Health. This makes a mockery of the idea of public hearings.

#082

Posted by **Braddon Cornish** on **01/14/2021** at **12:06pm** [Comment ID: 95] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

I feel that the developers have the loudest say in any process, and the residents have to fight to have their voices heard. The process in current COVID conditions is muting the residents.

#083

Posted by Randy Skorpinski on 01/16/2021 at 2:24pm [Comment ID: 106] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

During these time of Covid, there needs to be a more efficient way to properly inform the public and to provide a better avenue of participation. More flyers and notifications and provided in multiple occasions. Otherwise, the actual people living in that area are not heard. Only the voice of the developer and his lawyer is heard.

How do we get there?

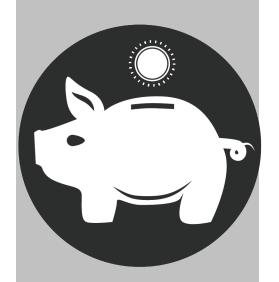
County's role

County policies can emphasize continued provision of interconnected bicycle and pedestrian facilities in unincorporated areas, and linking those to city and regional facilities. This effort will also benefit from continued collaboration with planning partners in other County departments, adjacent municipalities, and partner agencies, and the consistent application of adopted plans and regulations.

Related efforts/initiatives

Various partner efforts have recently been completed, or are in progress:

- Southern Nevada Coordinated Transportation Plan
- On-Board Your Future Mobility Plan
- Regional Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan for Southern Nevada
- Southern Nevada Strong Regional Plan
- Master Transportation Plans for cities



CORE VALUE #5 A Diverse and Resilient Economy

Core Value #5: A Diverse and Resilient Economy⁶⁹

Where are we today?



Clark County is home to one of the most popular tourist destinations in the world -- the Las Vegas Strip -- with its endless variety of hotels, casinos, restaurants, shows and attractions. The County plays host to the world, but this strength in the travel and tourism industries can also be a vulnerability: a highly concentrated economic base is subject to particularly severe shocks when its main industries are affected. This was clear during the Great Recession of 2008 when the County's economic recovery lagged that of other parts of the country, and the 2020 pandemic has brought home this difficult lesson once again.

Residents hope that when the pandemic subsides, tourism and entertainment recover their central place in the economy, but they are even more acutely aware of the benefits to be gained from diversifying the region's base economic industries. Expanding the employment mix can make the area more resilient to withstand any future downturns the economy experiences.

A related concern is for the County to attract industries that provide higher base wages than service industries typically offer. Some such industries, like the care, are growing in the area, and residents recognize that efforts to attract a broader industry base relies on having a workforce with the educational background and contemporary skills to fill the jobs on offer. Another element to attracting new industries to the County involves making sure there is space for them to locate by preserving employment land, whether for commerce or industry, and fostering a business climate that makes setting a up new business easy and straightforward to accomplish.

In 2050, Clark County is a place where...

- Defined employment centers, diverse housing options for workers, supportive regulations, and a high quality of life in unincorporated Clark County have helped attract new industry, by providing space for new industries to locate
- An economy distributed across many industries is stronger and more resilient to withstand periodic downturns
- Diverse industries offer living wages for the residents who work within them

⁶⁹ Unless otherwise noted, content in this section is largely new, but builds from County's draft Economic Development Strategic Plan, and other related plans and studies.

Posted by Pat Dowlat on 01/04/2021 at 2:54am [Comment ID: 63] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Making a diverse economy requires investment in the younger generation. Well educated people who are employed in these hypothetical industries that you want to attract want their children to attend good schools. Without good schools, you can't attract these industries.

#085

Posted by **Lio** on **12/21/2020** at **10:06pm** [Comment ID: 41] - <u>Link</u>

Agree: 0, Disagree: -2

Where we are today is a total state of disaster and economic RUIN thanks to Sissylak and his tyranny of communist goons. How y'all stood by as he shut LV BLVD totally down for the first time in HISTORY, only to reopen it while having record cases of covid, is ridiculous. Y'all should have opposed him as the Mayor did in the City of Las Vegas. Small businesses are going out of business in record numbers. I mean sure chap and other stuff is nice, but we need less closures and regulations and more openings. Let the businesses do what is best for their place. Each place is different. Obviously, with all these record numbers of covid cases the closures and rules are not working, so just let us OPEN UP ALREADY - please show that you are NOT ok with all these hurting businesses or record unemployment numbers so they run out of funds, and maybe if WE WERE OPEN AND MORE PEOPLE EMPLOYED he would not have to keep pushing back evictions because people could actually afford to pay rent. Him making evictions longer and longer out only causes the landlords to not get paid and guess what - foreclosures are still happening when landlords cannot pay the mortgage!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Countywide Goals and Policies

Goal 5.1: Promote diversification of the economic base to enhance resilience

POLICY 5.1.1: COUNTY-FOCUSED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

Adopt and maintain an economic development strategy for County-led efforts that articulates Clark County's near- and long-term economic development priorities within the Las Vegas Valley and for the County as a whole.

POLICY 5.1.2: STATE AND REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES

Actively participate in state and regional economic development initiatives led by the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED), the Las Vegas Global Economic Alliance (LVGEA), and others that provide support and direction on issues of mutual importance.⁷⁰

POLICY 5.1.3: ECONOMIC BASE

Continue to emphasize tourism, conventions, trade should and gaming as one of the region's economic pillars, while pursuing efforts to expand the presence of new and emerging sectors such as health care, technology, green industries, manufacturing, engineering, and others identified by the GOED, LVGEA, or the *Clark County Economic Development Strategic Plan*.

POLICY 5.1.4: REGIONAL OPPORTUNITY SITES

Continue to support land use patterns, partnerships, and other efforts that help advance Regional Opportunity Sites and other major efforts, such as the Las Vegas Medical District; *Stadium District Master Plan*; and *Maryland Parkway Corridor Transit-Oriented Development Plan*.

POLICY 5.1.5: REINVESTMENT

Promote reinvestment in declining commercial and employment areas through the adaptive reuse or targeted redevelopment of blighted properties, such as vacant or underutilized shopping centers.

[MAP and brief explanation of regional Opportunity Sites identified in SNS, highlighting those located in unincorporated Clark County]

POLICY 5.1.6: OUTLYING COMMUNITIES

Collaborate with outlying communities in Clark County on the implementation of local and regional economic development goals particularly where targeted industry needs are better suited to locations within outlying communities.

⁷⁰ Near-term (1-3 year) priorities like post-COVID recovery will be addressed in the implementation strategies.

Posted by **kwd** on **01/14/2021** at **12:35pm** [Comment ID: 96] - <u>Link</u>

Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

Expand beyond this one trick pony of gaming / tourism. Expand the economic base of the region in a serious way. You can't just point to the Amazon center and call it good. This is really basic stuff that has been largely ignored for years.

Goal 5.2: Support continued improvements to and expansion of commercial airport operations in Clark County⁷¹

POLICY 5.2.1: MCCARRAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Minimize encroachment on McCarran International Airport operations by restricting the expansion of land uses within the Airport Airspace Overlay District (AAOD) that are incompatible due to noise, safety, and other concerns, according to guidance provided by federal agencies.

[MAP diagram of airport critical zones]

POLICY 5.2.2: SOUTHERN NEVADA SUPPLEMENTAL AIRPORT

Continue to work with the Bureau of Land Management and other federal, state, and regional partners to plan for the development and conflict-free operation of the Southern Nevada Supplemental Airport. Ensure future development on and in the vicinity of the airport site does not conflict with the compatibility area, retention basins, use of the transportation of the facility and other potential aviation infrastructure.

[MAP diagram of SNSA bounds and immediate context]

POLICY 5.2.3: FUTURE AVIATION FACILITIES

Support long-term planning strategies for future aviation facilities needed to support the growing demand for alternative air transportation services, such as drones, new forms of air taxi services, or the non-urban heliport.

Goal 5.3: Support the military and the need for well-trained and prepared armed forces⁷²

POLICY 5.3.1: COMPATIBLE DEVELOPMENT

Cooperate with the U.S. Air Force to reduce or mitigate development deemed incompatible with the mission of the military on and near Nellis Air Force Base, Creech Air Force Base, and the Nevada Test and Training Range.

POLICY 5.3.2: OVER FLIGHT AREAS

Support over flights where necessary and encourage the Air Force to acquire lands in proximity to critical operation centers to ensure compatibility with existing land uses near Air Force facilities.

POLICY 5.3.3: NELLIS COMPLEX COMPATIBLE USE PLAN

Support the strategies resulting from the Nellis Complex Compatible Use Plan to promote compatible land uses around existing military installations and to support military operations.

⁷¹This goal and accompanying policies reflect input from Airport Authority staff. General sidebar/textbox discussion of the economic importance of aviation to be added.

⁷² This goal and accompanying policies carried forward from draft Federal Lands Element.

Posted by **Garrett TerBerg III AICP** on **12/31/2020** at **1:11pm** [Comment ID: 49] - <u>Link</u> *Agree: 0, Disagree: 0*Please add a "/" here.

#088

Posted by **Pat Dowlat** on **01/04/2021** at **3:05am** [Comment ID: 64] - Link *Agree: 0, Disagree: 0*Why? So we can train the next generation for the next forever war?

Say no to the military industrial complex.

Goal 5.4: Support development of educational programs that prepare the workforce with the knowledge and skills to succeed

POLICY 5.4.1: EDUCATION

Support efforts at all levels of the education system that provide Clark County residents with the knowledge and skills needed in the modern workforce and encourage industries to hire from the local labor pool.

POLICY 5.4.2: VOCATIONAL TRAINING

Continue to work with state and regional partners to provide practical job training programs in skilled trades that enable participants to obtain stable, living-wage work in the County.

POLICY 5.4.3: SMALL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM

Continue to provide information, training, and other resources to help small businesses become competitive in their efforts to pursue and complete Clark County contracts.

Goal 5.5: Foster a business-friendly environment

POLICY 5.5.1: DESIGNATED EMPLOYMENT AREAS

Designate and support the development of industrial and employment uses in areas that are proximate to major air, rail, and highway facilities. Maintain the viability of designated employment areas by preventing encroachment from potentially incompatible uses or the conversion of employment-designated parcels to alternate uses.

[MAP diagram showing land planned for employment uses - conceptualize based on employment areas designated on Planning Area Land Use Plans]

POLICY 5.5.2: TECHNOLOGY

Continue to work with state and regional partners on the expansion of infrastructure, broadband access, and other technological enhancements that support the expansion of businesses throughout Clark County.

POLICY 5.5.3: SMALL AND LOCAL BUSINESSES

Encourage the retention and revitalization of established local business districts and the expansion of small businesses in unincorporated Clark County. [See also, Goal 1.6]

POLICY 5.5.4: DOWNTOWNS AND LOCAL BUSINESS DISTRICTS

Continue to work with the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED), Las Vegas Global Economic Alliance (LVGEA), and other partners to provide tools and technical assistance to enhance the economic vitality of downtowns and local business districts in the outlying communities. Encourage expanded participation in Nevada's Main Street Communities program and other programs geared toward rural communities.

Posted by **kwd** on **01/14/2021** at **12:41pm** [Comment ID: 97] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

Education deserves more attention than two sentences. It's easy to find NV in annual ranking reports - just look to the bottom. CCSD clearly is not doing a good job so as master planners what are you going to do about it beyond the generic and banal "support efforts" platitude?

Reply by Fawn Roberson on 01/14/2021 at 2:47pm [Comment ID: 99] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Agree! Consider breaking up CCSD - too large of a school district. Smaller districts could focus better on the needs of students in their particular neighborhoods.

How do we get there?

County's role

County land use policies can have a direct impact on various aspects of economic development while the Office of Community and Economic Development can directly pursue efforts to attract new industries to the area. The County can also benefit from the research of partner agencies focused on economic development, and support the efforts of other jurisdictions working on economic diversification.

Related efforts/initiatives

- Clark County Economic Development Strategic Plan (in process)
- Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority's economic research and development initiatives
- UNLV's Lee Business School and the Center for Business and Economic Research
- Las Vegas Global Economic Alliance Southern Nevada Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy
- Southern Nevada Strong Regional Plan



CORE VALUE #6

Sustainable and Resilient Growth and Development

Core Value #6: Sustainable and Resilient Growth and Development⁷³

Where are we today?

Over the past decades, Clark County has grown at a very rapid pace, with residents occasionally expressing the sentiment that the only constant is change and expansion. There have been "bumps in the road," such as the Great Recession of 2008, which had particularly severe effects in the region and resulted in an extended recovery period.

The pace of growth in recent years has led some to express concerns that the pressure to build seems to outweigh concerns about the quality, intensity, location, and type of development. As a result, there is a perception by many that the quality of development occurring in unincorporated areas is lower than that occurring in the incorporated cities. This has translated into a general desire to "raise the bar" on County development. In addition, requests for exceptions to adopted plans are frequent, and development that is approved is sometimes markedly different from that recommended by adopted plans. This has led to frustration on the part of residents and the development community that development processes lack predictability.

Leaving aside exceptional events like recessions, the regular pace of grow 1931 forecast to slow over the coming decades. With diminishing growth pressures, there is an opportunity to consider more carefully the physical shape the County's future should take. Slower growth can afford the opportunity to focus more on the details of our surroundings and put tools and procedures in place to guide new development. That is what a core value emphasizing predictability in growth and development is about.

In 2050, Clark County is a place where...

- Both residents and the development community share a common understanding of what kinds
 of development—in terms of intensity, uses, and amenities— is supported in different locations
- Adopted plans have offered the flexibility to adapt to near-term changes in the market, but have maintained consistency in implementing goals relevant to different parts of the County
- Adopted plans have guided decision-making to produce predictable outgoines
- Mitigation efforts have reduced the potential severity of natural or manmade hazard events

⁷³Wording updated to reflect input received.

Posted by **Teller** on **01/13/2021** at **7:05pm** [Comment ID: 82] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

What is happening today directly contradicts the idea of planning. We see populations growing without the services and infrastructure to support them.

#091

Posted by **Teller** on **01/13/2021** at **7:03pm** [Comment ID: 81] - Link

Agree: 1, Disagree: 0

Growth is not an ideal to be pursued blindly. We need improved quality, not relentless pursuit of quantity. Many cities in the country have focused on maintaining and improving conditions, rather than focusing cramming more and more people in,

Think of the comparison to the human body. We want our communities fit and healthy, with strong hearts and functioning limbs -- not fat and unwell.

Countywide Goals and Policies

Goal 6.1: A coordinated pattern of development in unincorporated Clark County⁷⁴

POLICY 6.1.1: GROWTH CAPACITY

Continue to work with regional and state agencies and service providers to ensure that the water supply, water treatment and distribution capacity, sewage treatment, school capacity, and road network is capable of serving present and future demand within the Las Vegas Valley and in outlying communities in Clark County.

POLICY 6.1.2: BALANCED MIX OF USES

Plan for a mix of residential and non-residential uses in unincorporated Clark County to support a balance of jobs and housing within the Las Vegas Valley, as well as in outlying communities. Consider development constraints when evaluating future land use plans to ensure proposed uses can be implemented without creating unintended conflicts. [See also, Policy 5.5.1]

POLICY 6.1.3: VARIED DENSITY AND INTENSITY

Continue to plan for a mix of urban, suburban, and rural development based on the needs of different areas and communities within unincorporated Clark County. Clearly articulate these intended distinctions through adopted land use categories and supporting regulations to increase predictability for residents, property owners, and investors about intended future land use patterns in a given location. [See also, goals and policies under Core Value #1]

POLICY 6.1.4: COMPACT DEVELOPMENT

Encourage compact and efficient development patterns within the disposal boundary to maximize the use of available infrastructure, land, and other resources, and support existing and future transit service while taking into account community compatibility, airport overlay zones, and other factors that may limit development intensity in some areas. [See also, Goals 1.5, 5.1, and 5.2 and supporting policies.]

POLICY 6.1.5: TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT

Continue to plan for and support the implementation of higher-density, transit-oriented development projects along the Maryland Parkway corridor and other transit corridors within unincorporated Clark County in collaboration with RTC, the City of Las Vegas, and other partners. [See also, Policy 5.1.4]

[GRAPHIC of Maryland Parkway Transit Corridor]

POLICY 6.1.6: INFILL, REDEVELOPMENT, AND ADAPTIVE REUSE

Encourage infill, redevelopment, and the adaptive reuse of vacant or underutilized buildings as a means to encourage reinvestment, expand housing options, and promote sustainable development

⁷⁴ Wording modified to be more specific (and reflect adjustments to proposed Core Value language). This goal and the supporting policies are intended to address broader land use considerations that will then inform Planning Area Land Use Plans and other more specific goals and policies.

Posted by **Teller** on **01/13/2021** at **7:06pm** [Comment ID: 83] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Yes, exactly. And we need to be true to the idea of this, not just give it lip service.

#093

Posted by **Ruth Seltzer** on **01/14/2021** at **11:43am** [Comment ID: 89] - Link Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

I would like to see encouragement for developers to provide more condominium inventory which would serve both first time buyers and the aging senior population.

Reply by **Amanda Moss** on **01/18/2021** at **6:02pm** [Comment ID: 134] - Link Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Many of our builders are moving more of their portfolio to the condo/attached market...but we need dedicated zoning categories and development code rewrites to allow this to continue. The regulatory market is a huge piece of this as well.

patterns. Prioritize the use of development incentives in areas where high capacity transit exists or is planned. [See also, Policy 6.1.5.]

POLICY 6.1.7: DISPOSAL BOUNDARY

poundary, acquisition of lands for local public purposes, and identifying public lands appropriate for privatization within existing disposal boundaries.

[MAP diagram of disposal boundary]

Goal 6.2: Enhance the quality of development in unincorporated Clark County

POLICY 6.2.1: CONTEXT-SENSITIVE DESIGN 094

Ensure the design and intensity of new development is compatible with established neighborhoods and uses in terms of its height, scale, and the overall mix of uses.

POLICY 6.2.2: SUSTAINABLE SITE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT PRACTICES

Encourage the use of sustainable site design and development practices in new construction projects. [See also, Goal 3.6 and supporting policies]

POLICY 6.2.3: NEIGHBORHOOD TRANSITIONS

Determine transition zones, between rural and more urban areas, between developed areas and sensitive open space or conservation areas, between commercial and residential areas, and create policies and regulations to support appropriate transitions in character of development and neighborhood compatibility in these areas.

POLICY 6.2.4: CONNECTIVITY⁷⁵

Consider development standards to reduce impediments to pedestrian access, such as block walls, culde-sacs, fencing, and other obstacles that require the unnecessary use of a vehicle to travel short distances to otherwise adjacent uses, or consider including pedestrian access in the subdivision approval process. [See also: Goal 1.2 and supporting policies]

Goal 6.3: Proactively plan for safer and more resilient infrastructure, development patterns, and County operations⁷⁶

POLICY 6.3.1: INTEGRATED PLANNING, DECISION-MAKING, AND RESPONSE

Continue to facilitate periodic updates to—and the implementation of—the *Clark County Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan* to promote coordinated planning, decision-making, and responses to potential natural or manmade disasters.

⁷⁵ Existing.

⁷⁶ Broader wording to respond to input received and reinforce alignment with All-In Clark County. Goal and supporting policies generally reflect intent of 2017 Conservation Element, but have been restructured and expanded to strengthen linkages to the *Clark County Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan*.

Posted by **Teller** on **01/13/2021** at **7:07pm** [Comment ID: 84] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

When an area has been planned RNP, every builder who walks in the door should not be asking to change that plan.

#095

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 6:02pm [Comment ID: 135] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Can this be strengthened? This piece is huge.

POLICY 6.3.2: NATURAL HAZARDS MITIGATION

Increase awareness of the associated risks and costs, identify strategies to minimize threats for existing development in high risk areas, and promote informed decision-making when future development within high risk areas is proposed for consideration. Mitigate the potential cost and destructive impacts of natural hazard events such as floods, seismic disturbance, or subsidence by integrating hazard mitigation considerations into Planning Area Land Use Plans and supporting regulations.

[TEXTBOX: Brief explanation of hazards from 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan: Climate Change, Dam Failure, Drought, Earthquake, Flood, Infectious Disease, Infestation, Subsidence and Fissures, Wildfire (highlights indicate most severe risks for unincorporated CC)]

POLICY 6.3.3: MANMADE HAZARDS PLANNING

Develop plans to address foreseeable manmade hazard impacts, including airport environ areas identified in land use plans, and support any necessary training or preparation for implementation of the 2020 Hazardous Materials Plan response.

Goal 6.4: Collaborate with service providers and adjacent jurisdictions in the provision of adequate public facilities

POLICY 6.4.1: INFRASTRUCTURE

Monitor implementation progress on current Capital Improvement Plan, and consider future capital investments in the logical expansion of County infrastructure facilities, to include water and sewer systems, roads, and other public facilities, for ensuing five-year CIP cycles.

POLICY 6.4.2: PUBLIC SAFETY⁷⁷



Base the provision of services of fire protection needs, population, land use, and funding, and support efficient response times for public safety, fire, and emergency response personnel through planned orderly development, standard addressing, and compliance with standards for emergency vehicle access.

POLICY 6.4.3: POLICE AND FIRE ACCESS



Ensure that all development provides adequate access for police, fire, and other emergency vehicles, along with sufficient equipment such as fire hydrants, through proactive participation in the development review process.

⁷⁷ Policies 6.4.2 through 6.4.6 carry forward policies from 2003 and 2008 Police Element, and the 2015 Fire policies. In some instances, policies have been consolidated or combined.

Posted by **Garrett TerBerg III AICP** on **12/31/2020** at **1:17pm** [Comment ID: 51] - Link Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Please confirm that the Clark County Fire Department (CCFD) supports the wording of this policy!

#097

Posted by **Garrett TerBerg III AICP** on **12/31/2020** at **1:16pm** [Comment ID: 50] - Link Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Please confirm that the Clark County Fire Department (CCFD) supports the wording of this policy!

POLICY 6.4.4: RURAL FIRE SUPPRESSION⁷⁸ 1999

All development located outside the Clark County Fire Service District must provide adequate emergency medical and fire protection services, including demonstration of additional water storage for new development in rural areas of the County.

POLICY 6.4.5: INTERAGENCY RESPONSE

Continue to work with federal and state agencies to establish reciprocal agreements for emergency service provision in Wildland Interface Areas, and to develop alternative response plans and funding sources for responding to incidents on federal and state highways and lands.

POLICY 6.4.6: SHARED FACILITIES⁷⁹

Encourage the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (METRO) to participate with other County Departments and Agencies in planning and developing multiple use public service facility sites, where possible, especially with other emergency service providers.

POLICY 6.4.7: SCHOOL FACILITIES⁸⁰

Work with the Clark County School District to provide school facilities through actions such as:

- Sharing information and informing the School District of development and population trends;
- Using most recent version of the Clark County Schools Map on the Clark County School District website to coordinate location and timing of future facilities;
- Considering school facilities in updating land use plans and during development review; and
- Developing school and park sites jointly wherever possible.

⁷⁸ Carried forward from 2015 Fire policy recommendations with updates for clarity and consistency. Will revisit Work Program Recommendations in that document when developing implementation strategy.

⁷⁹ Carried forward from 2008 update to Police Element.

⁸⁰ Carried forward from 2017 Public Facilities and Services Policies with minor updates for clarity.

Posted by Amanda Moss on 01/18/2021 at 6:04pm [Comment ID: 136] - Link

Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Focus on the growth maps

#099

Posted by **Garrett TerBerg III AICP** on **12/31/2020** at **1:17pm** [Comment ID: 52] - Link Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Please confirm that the Clark County Fire Department (CCFD) supports the wording of this policy!

#100

Posted by **Garrett TerBerg III AICP** on **12/31/2020** at **1:17pm** [Comment ID: 53] - <u>Link</u> Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

Please confirm that the Clark County Fire Department (CCFD) supports the wording of this policy!

How do we get there?

County's role

The County can plan for and guide growth in unincorporated areas of the County, and support the implementation of local, state, and federal plans and policies.

Related efforts/initiatives 101



In addition to the County's Master Plan and adopted comprehensive plans for the cities, there are numerous other plans and studies in place that influence growth and development in Clark County:

- Southern Nevada Strong Regional Plan
- Nellis Air Force Base Compatible Use Plan
- Federal Land Management Plans
- UNLV Master Plan
- Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan
- Maryland Parkway Transit-Oriented Development Corridor Plan



Posted by **Garrett TerBerg III AICP** on **12/31/2020** at **1:19pm** [Comment ID: 54] - Link Agree: 0, Disagree: 0

FYI: CCFD is also most interested developing a "getting down in the weeds" Strategic Plan more in line with the current Fire Services Element. Maybe there would be an opportunity to do that as a parallel/subsequent project that could be referenced in the Master Plan.

#102

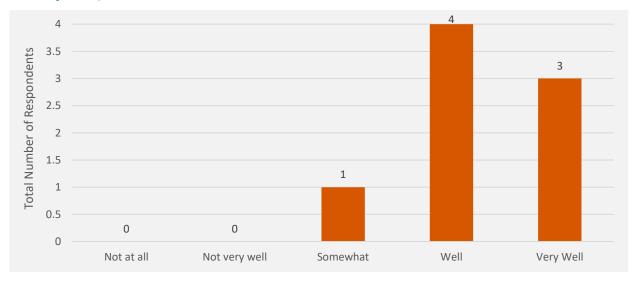
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After reviewing the entire document, I'm most impressed with where we stand with the Transform Clark County (TCC) initiative to date. Nearly all of my earlier comments of November 9, 2020 were addressed and I look forward to being part of what's ahead. With that said, the Comprehensive Master Plan can only get better from here...thank you very much!

REVIEW DRAFT SURVEY RESULTS

About one-third (8) of the total number of respondents (25) submitted answers to the survey. The results are summarized below.

Q1: Overall, how well do the draft Countywide Policies align with your vision for Clark County? (Scale of one to five: 1 = Not at all, 2=Not very well, 3=Somewhat, 4=Well, 5=Very well)



Q2: Do you have any general comments on the draft Countywide Policies that you'd like to share?

A total of six open ended comments were recorded and are listed below.

- You're doing a great job so far. Please keep going with this effort and I'm looking forward to having further opportunities for input!
- Being in the last stage, that of reading the 50-60 pages of commentary that followed
 Questionnaire #2 of November 2020, I believe we need to take more seriously: 1.) RNP's 2.)
 Recreational opportunities, as well as two areas of development: 1.) Infill 2.) Enterprise
 Township
- Very proactive document and I'm exited to see how this evolves and the policies implemented.
- Really appreciate the mention of rural areas and the importance of the military in our County
- This is my first time seeing this and it all looks so exciting! Thank you for working so hard to make our county a better place!
- Overall I'm pleased I'd like to see that public input throughout the process be emphasized. I've decided to leave the rest of my opinion until after the Jan 25th virtual meeting.