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Hennepin County
Attn: Katie Walker, Long-range Comprehensive Planning Manager
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Katie:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Hennepin County 2040 Comprehensive Plan. We look forward to future collaboration on regional planning issues, especially as it relates to future transportation planning across the Mississippi River.

Ramsey Vision and Land Use Plan

Ramsey has established five Priority Goals for future land use over the next 20 years. Each of these goals carries equal weight, and there is no priority order.

- A Balance of Rural Character and Urban Growth
- A Connected Community
- An Active Community
- Smart, Citizen-Focused Government
- Financial Stability

Future Growth Forecasts

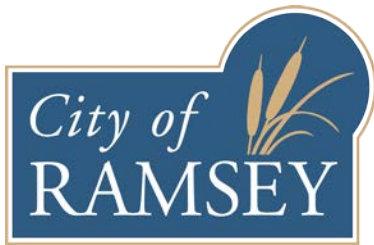
Ramsey is requesting an amendment to its future growth forecasts as outlined below. These revisions are subject to the approval of the Metropolitan Council and may be revised downward.

	2016	2020	2030	2040
Households	8,973	9,500	11,500	13,500
Population	26,251	27,550	33,350	39,150
Employment	6,334	6,900	7,800	8,400

Future Land Use Plan

As part of Ramsey's ongoing public engagement and land use planning efforts, we have amended our Future Land Use Plan since work commenced on the Anoka County 2040 Transportation Plan. A copy of our Future Land Use Map and TAZ Allocations are attached to this letter.

*It is our mission to work together to responsibly grow our community,
and to provide quality, cost-effective, and efficient government services.*



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Highway Projects

U.S. Highway 10/Greater MN Gateway

Ramsey' top transportation priority is improving safety and reducing congestion along Highway 10. Highway 10 is a parallel route to Interstate 94 in Hennepin County, so construction planning and staging is key to successful projects for both corridors. Ramsey has initiated the Ramsey Highway 10 Plan to set up the corridor for success moving forward and continuing the positive momentum experienced thus far.

In the spirit of collaboration, Ramsey supports the Brockton Interchange along I94 in the City of Dayton.

Mississippi River Crossing

The Plan is absent any meaningful planning for a Future Mississippi River Crossing. This is a key transportation priority for Ramsey. Ramsey acknowledges that this future improvement is absent in Thrive2040, the Regional Development Framework. However, large transportation projects take leadership of local communities to drive priorities.

Ramsey's Draft Transportation Plan aligns Armstrong Boulevard/CSAH 83 to serve as the corridor for the future Mississippi River Crossing. The future alignment of this corridor coincides with Zanzibar Lane in the City of Dayton.

Sincerely,

CITY OF RAMSEY

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Enclosures: Ramsey Future Land Use Map

Ramsey TAZ Allocations