



## Talk with the Mayor

**Tuesday May 9, 2017**  
**10:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.**  
**City Hall**  
**1103 W. Main St.**

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## Residents Determine Direction

Resident survey responses reported in the April 2017 FrontPage newsletter shaped city decisions and policy.

**Question 1.** What should the city do to help resolve the problem of snow removal with cars parked along roads rather than in driveways? Most residents said not to worry about it since it is unlikely the city will have this much snow again. The city does not intend to pass a new law prohibiting or restricting parking along public roads.

**Question 2.** The city would like to quickly and easily disseminate information to as many residents as possible during a disaster or emergency. How should the city do this? Most residents said a 1-800 phone number residents can call to listen to a recorded message. A substantial number of residents also requested information by Facebook, the city's website, and e-mail.

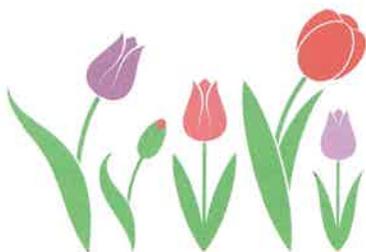
The city obtained a 1-800 number, and will use it, Facebook, the city's website, and e-mail to disseminate information. Call 1-800-918-6643 for information during a disaster or emergency.

**Question 3.** Some builders have resisted following the International Residential Code (IRC). What should the city's building official do? Most residents said continue enforcing the code, and the city will.

**Question 4.** The city owns 98-acres along the Boise River that is in the floodway (no buildings can be built on this land), and the city would like to establish a park. What should the park be named? Most residents preferred Riverside Park. (continued page 2)

## Google Slow To Respond

Google has been notified four times, and seems to be slowly implementing the changes on Google Maps. Occasionally, mail from utility companies and financial institutions is mailed to the wrong road name/address. Please continue to contact Mayor Taylor at dtaylor@middletoncity.com if you need a letter from the city for your mortgage company, etc. that identifies the new road name or address.



## Residents Determine Direction continued

**Question 5.** Establishing a park is a multi-year activity, so this survey is the first of several opportunities over the next few years for residents to give input. Resident-ranking in March 2017.

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| 1 Greenbelt along the river            | 10 Pedestrian trails                          |
| 2 Stocked finishing pond/swimming hole | 11 Community vegetable garden                 |
| 3 Nature walk                          | 12 Public art                                 |
| 4 Veterans' memorial                   | 13 National memorial                          |
| 5 Wildlife habitat reserves            | 14 Promenade with benches                     |
| 6 Flower and plant gardens             | 15 Equestrian trails, hitching posts          |
| 7 Sports fields                        | 16 3-hole golf course, putting green range    |
| 8 Dog park                             | 17 Boardwalk with rental shops (bikes, tubes) |
| 9 Float ramps for rafts and tubes      | 18 BMX bicycle track                          |

**Question 6.** Should the city consider initiating the notice and public hearing process to annex properties less than five acres surrounded by city limits? Most residents said yes, so the city will start the process this fall or early next year.

**Question 7.** Should the city work with landowners, and irrigation and drainage districts, to keep the weeds down on canal banks in exchange for the right to construct and maintain an asphalt pathway network throughout town for pedestrians and cyclists? Most residents said yes, so the city will start the process this summer.

**Question 8.** Middleton Middle School students cross State Highway 44 to Piccadilly Park. If the city is awarded a grant to help pay for a skywalk, should the city and school pursue it? Most residents said no, so the city is not pursuing a skywalk. Residents suggested a crosswalk with a flashing yellow light that turns red when a button is pushed to cross the road.

**Question 9.** Would residents prefer to be billed based on actual use of water or a flat fee? Most residents prefer to be billed based on actual use, so the city will continue doing it that way.

## Disaster Response Training

Approximately 100 individuals attended the emergency preparedness and disaster response training session in Trolley Station on Monday, April 10, 2017. The city sponsored this activity as a public service so emergency responders, residents, churches and other organizations are ready to respond to a chaotic event in an organized manner.

Dozens of residents signed up to receive information and instructions during emergency, severe weather and disaster events. Several residents volunteered for the Southwest Idaho Medical Reserve Corps Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training. Please contact Mayor Taylor at [dtaylor@middletoncity.com](mailto:dtaylor@middletoncity.com) if you would like to sign up for emergency notice or CERT training.

Emergency Preparedness information is available online at [ready.gov](http://ready.gov) and [www.middleton.id.gov](http://www.middleton.id.gov). Information packets can be picked up at city hall.

Communicate clearly to responders during an emergency event by displaying a color on the front door or in the window: green means everyone in the house is ok, red means responders should stop to help, and black means a person (not a pet) is diseased and needs removed from the house.

# The Idaho Transportation Department will resurface and reconstruct Idaho 44 between I-84 and the city of Star.

This winter, ITD will improve two irrigation pipes under Idaho 44 in Middleton and Star. Resurfacing will begin in the spring. Maintaining the roadway today will prevent more costly repairs in the future.

**I-84 TO MIDDLETON**

- Resurface the existing pavement.

**MIDDLETON**

- Excavate and remove the existing roadway material. Replace it with a new roadway surface.
- Add a westbound right-turn bay at Middleton Road and Hartley Lane.
- Repair the pipe that carries irrigation water under Idaho 44, just west of Whiffen Lane.

**MIDDLETON TO STAR**

- Resurface the existing pavement.
- Replace the pipe that carries irrigation water under Idaho 44, just east of Can-Ada Road.

**STAR**

- Excavate and remove the existing roadway material. Replace it with a new roadway surface.
- Rebuild curbs and sidewalks to meet requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

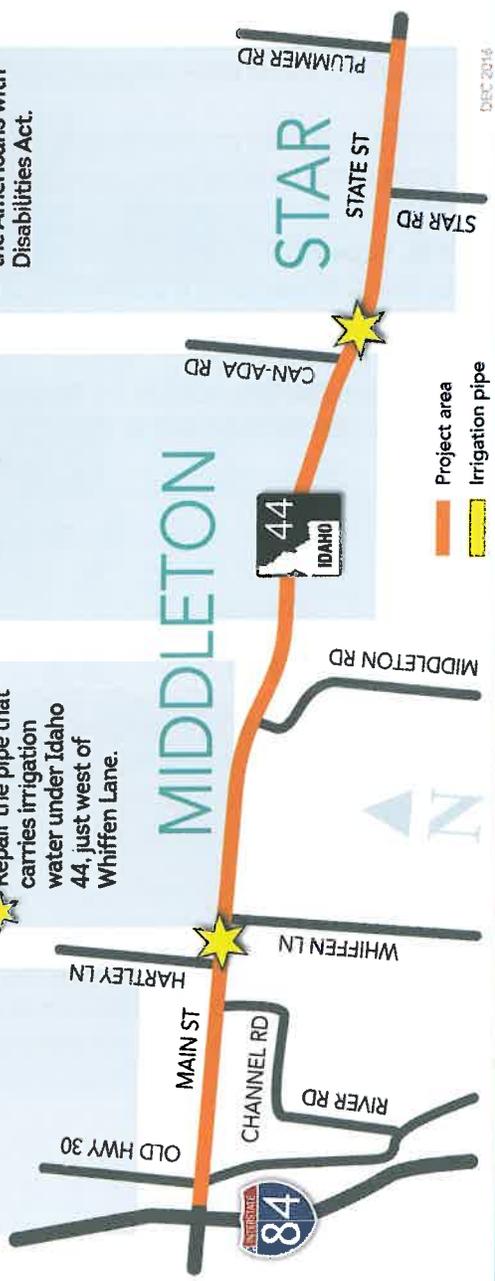
## WHAT TO EXPECT

### JANUARY 2017

- In January, ITD will begin to repair the irrigation pipe at Whiffen Lane and replace the pipe at Can-Ada Road. During this work:
- Idaho 44 may be reduced to a single-lane at Whiffen Lane and Can-Ada Road for two weekends. A temporary signal will direct traffic.
  - The speed limit will be reduced to 35 mph.
  - Most work will be completed from 7 p.m. Friday to 6 a.m. Monday.
  - Occasional lane restrictions may be necessary on week nights.
  - Work will be weather dependent.

### SPRING/SUMMER 2017

ITD will resurface and reconstruct the roadway. This work will require additional lane restrictions on Idaho 44. ITD will update you about the schedule and traffic impacts before construction.



## Safety Tips from the Police Department



It's starting to become that time of year with warmer weather and longer days. Middleton Police have already seen an increase in burglaries from automobiles and want to give some safety tips to keep residents and their belongings safe.

**Lock your car doors.** It seems simple, but most thefts occur because doors are unlocked or windows are down. Suspects tend to be opportunists and look for the easy opportunity. Breaking a window tends to be harder work and may cause attention. Lock up your vehicle and your home, and remember to make sure the garage door is closed before going to bed.

**Parking your vehicle in a well-lit area** may deter individuals that may be lurking in the dark from being seen. If you park in your driveway, leave your exterior house lights on. You can also install motion-sensor lights in darker, more vulnerable, areas around your property.

If you are at a store, school or church, etc., place items of value out of sight. If you are parking your vehicle overnight or long term, remove any valuable items if possible. Items that can't be seen are not a temptation.

**"If you see it, report it"**. Often times, people see or hear things that appear suspicious, but do not report the activity to law enforcement. If something does not seem right, notify Middleton Police Department. Please contact the police before posting on social media.

Middleton police service is available 24 hours a day. In the event of an emergency please dial 911. Non-emergencies can be reported at 208-585-0008.

## Public Transportation

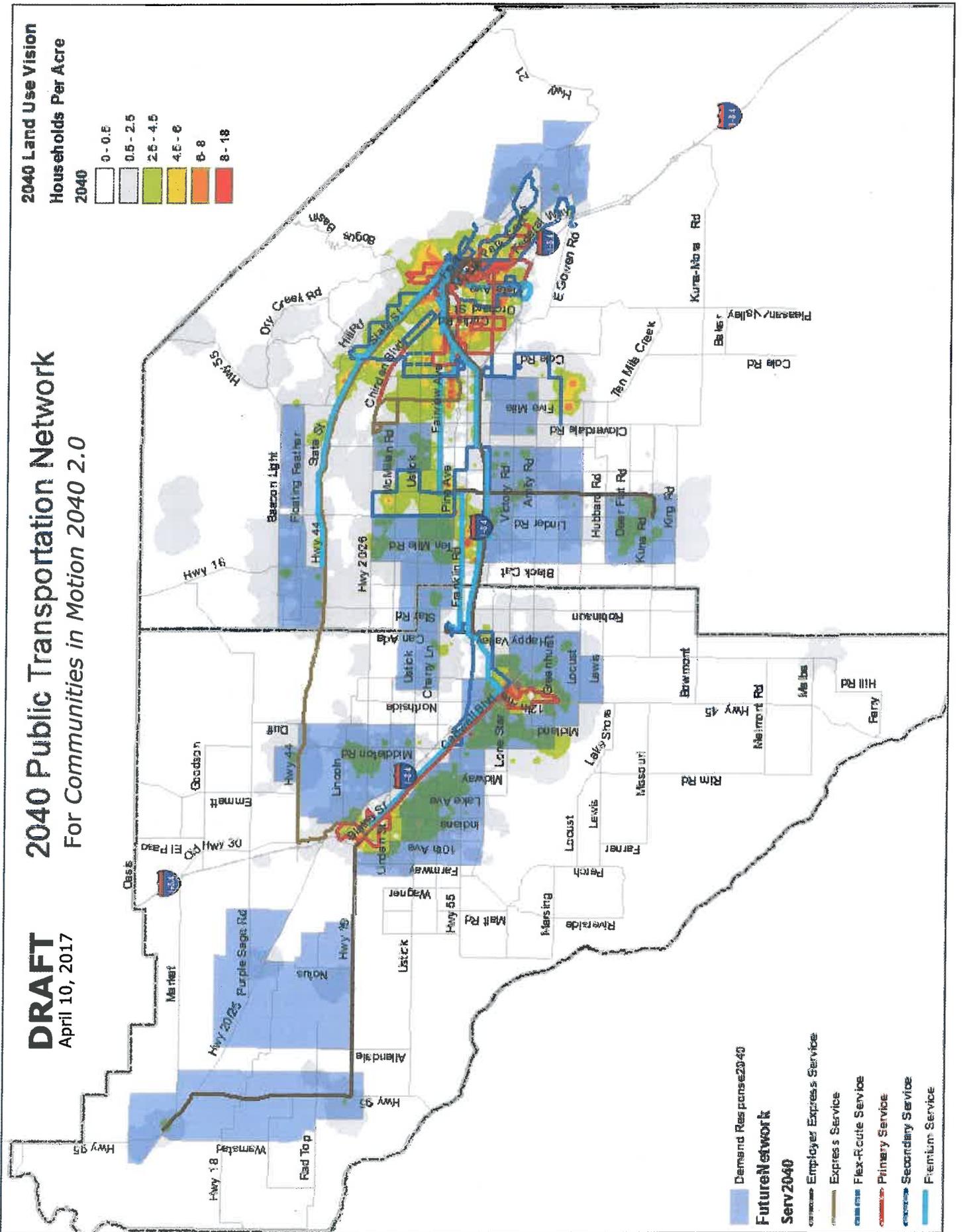
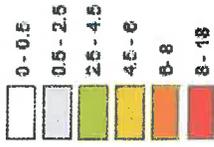
The Idaho Legislature years ago created a public transportation authority named Valley Regional Transit (VRT). VRT is required by law to plan and implement a public transportation system for Treasure Valley. ValleyRide, ACHD Commuteride (van-pools), Park & Ride lots, etc. are programs sponsored by VRT. These programs are the backbone of what will become a high capacity public transportation system in the future to meet a growing need

Treasure Valley's population is approximately 675,000 in 2017 and is forecasted to exceed one million by 2040 and two million at build out (when all the land in the valley is used at its highest and best use). The map on the next page shows the draft public transportation network VRT is preparing. Additional information about VRT and its services is available on its website at [www.valleyregionaltransit.org](http://www.valleyregionaltransit.org).

# 2040 Public Transportation Network For Communities in Motion 2040 2.0

**DRAFT**  
April 10, 2017

**2040 Land Use Vision**  
Households Per Acre  
2040



- Demand Response 2040
- ▬ Future Network Serv 2040
- ▬ Employer Express Service
- ▬ Express Service
- ▬ Flex-Route Service
- ▬ Primary Service
- ▬ Secondary Service
- ▬ Premium Service

## 6-Step Development

One person who commented with survey results asked “Why plan for a future park along the river when the city is not finished constructing improvements in Piccadilly Park?” This question reminds me some residents are not familiar with the development process. Every project to improve or construct infrastructure takes multiple years in order to minimize real property tax increases and avoid going into debt.

Infrastructure in Middleton city limits valued roughly at \$69,000,000 includes: a buildings; drinking water wells, pumps and mainlines; wastewater system (sewer) mainlines, lift stations and treatment plant; 97.66 lane-miles of roads; five bridges, 28 culverts, about 60 miles of sidewalks; three main parks; and about 3.7 miles of pathways. The city does not have an airport, golf course, recreation center, or swimming pool ... yet.

**Each project has six steps that take multiple years to complete, so each city project is always in one of these stages of development.**

**Comprehensive Plan** Plans display ideas, priorities and support forged from community values.

**Concept Plan** Two or three concepts are displayed for community input to prepare a concept plan that is approved by the city before paying an engineer to design the improvement.

**Design Plan** A preliminary design is reviewed by the city and desired adjustments are made prior to a final design is complete and approved by the city.

**Construction Plans** After final design approval, the engineer prepares draft construction plans with estimated costs of construction. The city reviews the draft construction plans, and the engineer makes city-desired changes before finalizing construction plans.

**Funding and Schedule** The city identifies funding sources (budget, grants, landowner or developer participation), prioritizes segments or features of the improvement, and estimates a reasonable construction schedule. Any agreements with funding partners are negotiated and signed. Grant applications are prepared and submitted, awarded, contracts signed, and then administered during construction.

**Construction** The city advertises a project and selects the lowest, responsive bid from a responsible bidder. A pre-construction meeting is held to review plans and coordinate schedules between contractors, utility company representatives, the construction plan preparers, and inspectors. Contractors mobilize, and construction starts.

When grant funds are used, then five steps are added to the six-step development process, and a project takes longer. The five steps are that the funding agency wants to review, comment about, and approve plans, invoices and payments for each of step from Concept Plan to Construction.

## Transportation Impact Fee

Roads, bridges, culverts, intersections, sidewalks and pathways (Transportation System) are expensive. Middleton’s existing transportation system is valued at approximately \$69,000,000. New development should pay for itself, and other transportation jurisdictions have adopted transportation impact fees. Middleton is considering adopting a transportation impact fee to pay for the improvements listed on the next page.

Fees are collected at the time a building permit is issued, and to not apply to existing residences, patio covers, remodels, additions, and accessory structures. Fees are based on nationally-documented averages of vehicle trips for each way a piece of land can be used (land use) because there is no way to measure traffic a new use causes until it is built. These averages have been measured over decades of traffic studies using p.m. peak hours between the hours of 4:00 – 6:00.

Middleton is considering adopting a transportation impact fee to pay for the improvements listed on the next page. City Council is scheduled to consider this at a public hearing on May 8, 2017, 6:30 p.m., in the Public Meeting Room at 6 N. Dewey Ave., Middleton, Idaho 83644. Everyone is invited to attend and offer comments. See Page for a list of transportation improvements needed in Middleton by 2040.

**City of Middleton  
Capital Improvement Plan FY-17**

Date: April 25, 2017

Project	Estimated Funding Year	Cost Per Unit	Quantity	Units	Estimated Total Cost	City Estimated Total Cost	Impact Fee Eligible	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	PD
SH-44-westbound right turn lane to Hartley Ln (New construction)	2017	\$25,000	1	1	\$50,000	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000					
SH-44 8' pathway north side, W Piccadilly Ave to N Highland Ct (Design, Construct)	2017	\$226,260	0.2	Mi	\$45,252	\$0	\$0	\$0					
Cemetery Rd sidewalks both sides (New construction)	2017	\$800,000	0.4	Mi	\$340,000	\$81,000	\$0	\$61,000					
Middleton Rd - Cornell St Roundabout (100% Design)	2017	\$35,000	1.0	LS	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$0	\$35,000					
Middleton Rd - River St Roundabout (30% Design)	2017	\$50,000	1	LS	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000					
Cemetery Rd - W 9th St Roundabout (100% Design)	2017	\$50,000	1	LS	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000					
Middleton Road Alignment (100% Design)	2018	\$100,000	1	LS	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000					
Willow Creek Bridge Rehabilitation	2018	\$50	646	SF	\$32,300	\$32,300	\$32,300	\$32,300					
Middleton Rd - Cornell St Roundabout (New construction)	2018	\$303,000	0.1	LS	\$300,000	\$22,240	\$22,240	\$22,240					
Harmon Way (east of Middleton Rd) full-depth reconstruction	2018	\$435,000	1.0		\$435,000	\$435,000	\$0	\$435,000					
S Campbell full-depth reconstruction	2019	\$375,000	1.0		\$375,000	\$375,000	\$0	\$375,000					
Cemetery Rd - W 9th St Roundabout (New Construction)	2020	\$950,000	1	LS	\$950,000	\$950,000	\$950,000	\$950,000					
Sawtooth Lake Dr connection to S Cemetery Rd (100% Design)	2020	\$55,000	1	LS	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$55,000			\$950,000		
Sawtooth Lake Dr connection to S Cemetery Rd (New Construction)	2021	\$1,500,000	1.0	Mi	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000			\$1,500,000		
Middleton Rd Alignment Phase 1 (New construction)	2022	\$1,500,000	1.0	Mi	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000					\$950,000
Middleton Rd - River St Roundabout (New construction)	2024	\$950,000	1	LS	\$950,000	\$950,000	\$950,000	\$950,000					\$1,500,000
Middleton Road Alignment Phase 2 (New Construction)	2026	\$1,500,000	1	Mi	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000					\$1,500,000
Duncan full-depth reconstruction	2027	\$400,000	1		\$400,000	\$400,000	\$0	\$400,000					\$400,000
SH-44-eastbound left turn lane to Hartley Ln (Construction)	2027	\$300,000	1	LS	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$0	\$0					\$50,000
Willis Road & Hartley Roundabout (New construction)	2028	\$950,000	1	LS	\$950,000	\$950,000	\$950,000	\$950,000					\$950,000
Middleton Rd - Bass Ln Roundabout (100% Design)	2028	\$50,000	1	LS	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000					\$50,000
Borup, Bryce and Hudson full-depth reconstruction	2029	\$865,000	1		\$865,000	\$865,000	\$0	\$865,000					\$865,000
Middleton Rd - Bass Ln Roundabout (New construction)	2031	\$950,000	1	LS	\$950,000	\$950,000	\$950,000	\$950,000					\$950,000
Cemetery Rd - Willis Rd Roundabout (100% Design)	2032	\$50,000	1	LS	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000					\$50,000
Cemetery Rd - Willis Rd Roundabout (New construction)	2033	\$950,000	1	LS	\$950,000	\$950,000	\$950,000	\$950,000					\$950,000
Hartley & W 9th St Roundabout (100% Design)	2036	\$50,000	1	LS	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000					\$300,000
Hartley & W 9th St Roundabout (New construction)	2037	\$950,000	1	LS	\$950,000	\$950,000	\$950,000	\$950,000					\$950,000
Kingsbury Rd - Cornell St Roundabout (100% Design)	2039	\$50,000	1	LS	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000					\$50,000
Kingsbury Rd - Cornell St Roundabout (New Construction)	2040	\$950,000	1	LS	\$950,000	\$950,000	\$950,000	\$950,000					\$950,000
<b>TOTAL Est Cost</b>					<b>\$14,762,552</b>	<b>\$14,175,540</b>	<b>\$11,659,540</b>	<b>\$241,000</b>	<b>\$589,540</b>	<b>\$375,000</b>	<b>\$1,005,000</b>	<b>\$9,515,000</b>	

### Local Government Taxing Districts

The city is made up of many different governing districts. It is important to understand that different districts have different leadership, rules, regulations and taxing abilities. This information should help when you have questions. Each of these districts has open meetings that can be attended to understand issues and provide input.

#### City of Middleton

585-3133

City Council meetings: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m., City Hall. The City owns and manages the building, planning and police departments, library, city water and sewer systems, streets and drains, and the following parks: Roadside Park, Centennial Grove, Middleton Place Park, and Piccadilly Park.

#### Cemetery District

585-9394

Cemetery Board Meetings: 2nd Monday at 7:00 p.m. at the Cemetery District Office. Owns and manages the Middleton Cemetery.

#### Fire District

585-6650

Fire District Meetings: 2nd Monday at 7:00 p.m. at the Fire Station. Owns and manages Middleton Rural Fire District.

#### Greater Middleton Parks & Rec. District

585-3461

Park & Rec. Board Meetings: 1st Thursday at the Parks and Rec. office. Owns and manages Hawthorne Park, Foote Park, and Ed Payne Park.

#### School District

585-3027

School Board Meetings: 2nd Monday at 6:15 p.m. at the School District Office. Owns and manages all public schools in the Middleton area.

### Calendar

City Council May 3  
Public Meeting Rm. 6 N. Dewey Ave.  
6:30 p.m.  
Public Hearing - Road Capital Improvement Plan

City Council May 8  
Public Meeting Rm. 6 N. Dewey Ave.  
6:30 p.m.  
Public Hearing - Transportation Impact Fee

City Council May 17  
Public Meeting Rm. 6 N. Dewey Ave.  
6:30 p.m.

City Hall Closed May 29  
Memorial Day



### Pop-Up Library Coming to Your Neighborhood!

The Middleton Public Library now has a Pop-Up library! The Pop-Up library will be going around during the summer to various subdivisions to let children check out books within walking distance of their homes. The Pop-Up library will be running from May 30th - August 10th, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.

#### Pop-up Library Locations/Schedule:

Tuesday Mountain Loop - 11:15-11:45  
Free lunch at Foote park - noon  
Falcon Valley - 1:15-1:45  
Prospector/Victory - 2:00-2:30  
Kennedy Meadows - 2:45-3:15

Wednesday West Highland - 11:30 - 12:00  
Powder River - 12:30-1:00  
Estates at W. Highland - 1:30-2:00  
Crossings/Pines - 2:30-3:00

Thursday Talega Lakes - 3:30-4:00  
Park Place - 4:30-5:00  
Middleton Lakes - 5:30-6:00



**Emergency 911**  
**Non-Emergency Phone**  
**208-585-0008**