

Subject: Comment on comprehensive plan update

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Brett

The update from January 30th asked to respond with any open items that might need to be addressed.

Two items:

1) over the past 20 years U-M Ann Arbor employment grew by over 21,000, which was greater than the employment growth of the County. The traffic and housing demand pressure was likely significant from UM's growth

The 20-year employment and student growth exceeded 35,000.

2) U-M's likely growth will likely continue. Even at 1/2 the prior rate, it will be another 32,000 by 2050.

With U-M being the top research public University, 3rd overall, for the past 13+ years, it's unlikely the growth will be less than 1/2 its previous rate.

I've discussed this with Sue Gott, and while the U-M isn't declaring a specific growth target, she didn't dispute the 50% growth projection as a minimum.

Please share this with the Planning Commission.

Thank you.

Brian