

## CITY OF RAPID CITY

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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Public Works Committee

FROM: Patsy Horton, Transportation Planning Coordinator

DATE: August 12, 2002

RE: Rapid City Area Urbanized Boundary

As a result of the 2000 Census, the US Census Bureau has redetermined Rapid City's census urbanized boundary. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) allows the urbanized boundary to be adjusted for transportation purposes, per the 1991 FHWA guidelines for the establishment, submission, and approval of the urban area boundaries.

The attached map identifies the proposed Rapid City Urban Boundary, incorporating those boundaries as suggested by the South Dakota Department of Transportation and also includes Sections 26 through 35 in Township One North, Range 7 East. This additional area incorporates land near Sammis Trail east of US Highway 16 and Countryside and Countryside South Subdivisions adjacent to Sheridan Lake Road in the southwestern corner of the urban boundary. The proposed boundary was determined based on including "fringe areas having residential" significance to Rapid City as identified in the Federal-Aid Policy Guidelines, dated December 9, 1991. Additionally, this revised boundary will encompass areas recently annexed into the City of Rapid City where significant development has occurred since the 2000 Census and where additional significant residential development is anticipated in the next 5-8 years.

<u>Staff recommendation</u>: Staff recommends authorizing the Mayor to sign correspondence forwarding this proposed Rapid City Urban Boundary to the South Dakota Department of Transportation.

c: Marcia Elkins, Planning Director