

## **Get ready Prospect Point School and Wa-Hi**

I am writing for people to be aware of the proposed annexation of the property south of town, between Cottonwood and Kendall roads, into the city. The proposal right now is for roughly 400 homes to be put on 100 acres — a Hayden Homes development.

Let's say each home has two cars. Don't forget these homes also have others going to and from their dwellings such as visitors, service companies, mail and package distributors and, of course, garbage trucks.

Can you just imagine what 800-plus different types of vehicles look like trying to get through the already congested intersections of all the four-way stops surrounding Prospect Point School and Walla Walla High School?

This area is already a safety issue twice a day for pick ups and drop offs, and is the only place in town that has two schools right next to each other.

Why in the world would the city even consider an annexation of this magnitude in this already problematic area? I'm sure, in due time, they would need to put in traffic lights at all four corners. That is a huge expense that will only be passed down to you and me, the taxpayers! This is the same city that says it doesn't have enough money to even fix our streets!

Now, let's imagine the fire department trucks trying to get out of their location on Howard Street in an emergency during these two times of day, of which they have said is already a nightmare. Let's add in a funeral procession trying to get to the cemetery through all this traffic.

And let's not forget, someday, hopefully, there could be a stadium on the corner of Fern Avenue and Reser Road, Can you imagine adding this many more vehicles from that proposed development turning the corner at that already problematic intersection?

This would no doubt be a terrible risk to all of our new drivers who come from Wa-Hi and a huge safety issue for our children at Prospect Point.

Is the city ready to take on this risk and let a horribly planned-out development be annexed?

Get ready for this to become a real everyday nightmare Prospect Point and Wa-Hi parents and students, or get ready to write to your City Council members to stop the Bachtold Annexation immediately! There are areas in the city better designed for this!

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