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## Mayor Burke Gives State of the City Summary

(Hailey, Idaho) – Mayor Martha Burk gave a State of the City summary in January, 2021. Her remarks emphasize the progress our town has made in the past year, as well as the creativity and community-centric initiatives that continually unfold. Despite an expectation of delay and disruption from the pandemic, Hailey has not been delayed in so many key areas:

- economic growth improved communications
- development has progressed
- the business community has been assisted in facing challenges brought on by the pandemic,
- students continue to be educated
- new parks are under development
- 133 new housing units are under construction
- 44 new lots have been platted
- community participation in city meetings and processes has been fostered through the city's pivot toward electronic meeting access
- resiliency initiatives have progressed, partnerships have been developed
- strong intergovernmental relationships in a collaborative environment
- our community values have become well-known

The 2021 initiatives of the City of Hailey are rooted in, and will grow from, the following key principles:

- 1. People first.** Whether it be residents, workers or students, we foster an environment in which the safety, wellbeing, hope, dignity and happiness of our community are our first priority.
- 2. Safety.** Through emergency services, infrastructure development and maintenance, safety and the community wellbeing is our mission.
- 3. Vibrancy.** The City of Hailey plans to move out of the huddles caused by the pandemic and move into robust community vibrancy through the coming months.

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