Metro Vision Guiding Vision
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"With regional cooperation as its keystone, the Metro Vision plan promotes a high quality metropolitan setting within which its people will live, work, and recreate. To advance and sustain this future, the region must function as an association of interrelated communities. Recognizing this, the economic, cultural and geographical significance of downtown Denver to the region must be acknowledged.

"The health of downtown Denver, urban cores and the surrounding communities is necessary for, and synergistically linked to, the success and vitality of the region. To promote the health of all communities in the region, an equitable sharing of the costs and benefits of regional development is needed. This sharing could provide every community the resources to respond to the impacts of growth consistent with a vision for itself, while giving each a stake in quality planning and development for the health of the region as a whole.

"Effective and efficient cooperative use of limited resources, whether financial, societal or natural, is essential to achieve the goals of the plan and progress toward a sustainable future. Through the implementation of the regional plan, the region can be a place where its people live close to where they work and play, where a balanced transportation network connects mixed-use urban centers, where urban communities are defined by significant open space, and where cultural diversity and respect for the natural environment are celebrated.

"The physical and cultural diversity of the many communities which comprise the Denver region creates the opportunity for a wide variety of economic development initiatives and living styles. Individual communities should prosper by contributing to regional efforts in regional facilities, transportation, air quality, water quality, water supply, waste management, provision of open space and land use mix. In turn, a stronger, more "livable" region will serve to strengthen and sustain its individual communities."