MEMORANDUM

TO: Planning Commission
FROM: Kelly Brennan, Planner II
DATE: 06/21/2018
RE: 18TP023 – Rapid City Year End 2017 Population Estimate

Every year the Long Range Planning Division prepares a population estimate for Rapid City using a methodology approved by the United States Census Bureau. These estimates are based on approved building permits, housing demolitions, the Census 2010 occupancy rate and the Census 2010 persons per household rate for Rapid City and Rapid Valley. The 2017 year end Rapid City population estimate is 75,488, up 2.32% from the 2016 population estimate of 73,777. A graph is attached showing trends in population growth from 2010 until 2017.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approval of the Rapid City year end 2017 population estimate.