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1. Level of Alignment

Strong	
Moderate – Indirectly supports or contributes to the intent of a verbatim goal or policy	•
l Weak/None	

2. Supporting Goal(s)/Policy(ies)

Policy 7.2.1 – "Locate major healthcare providers, including hospitals, along major corridors and transit routes to be more accessible to a larger base of patients."

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Source: Viva Laredo City of Laredo Comprehensive Plan

Relevance: This policy is directly referenced in the staff report. Bartlett Avenue is identified as a *collector* street—not a major corridor or transit route—suggesting a deviation from this policy's intent.

Goal 7.1 – "All residents have access to a variety of health services that support their wellbeing."

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Source: Viva Laredo City of Laredo Comprehensive Plan

Relevance: Expanding a medical facility to include a hospital in north Laredo may enhance access to emergency and specialized healthcare services, aligning with the broader intent to increase health service availability across the city.

3. Summary of Alignment

The proposed conditional use permit to allow a hospital at 7101 and 7105 North Bartlett Avenue shows **moderate alignment** with the *Viva Laredo Comprehensive Plan*. It supports **Goal 7.1** by potentially improving healthcare access in the area. However, it does **not fully align with Policy 7.2.1**, which encourages locating hospitals on major corridors and transit routes. The location on a *collector* street—Bartlett Avenue—limits the reach and accessibility anticipated by this policy.

Broader intersections with planning themes include public health (improved service availability) and equity (expanding care options); however, staff raise concerns about compatibility with nearby residential uses, potential traffic impacts, and zoning

appropriateness, which could undermine goals related to neighborhood integrity and quality of life.

4. Additional Notes

All references to goals and policies are quoted directly from the *Viva Laredo City of Laredo Comprehensive Plan*. Staff correctly identified the partial misalignment with Policy 7.2.1. While the project may enhance health service availability, it deviates from the plan's locational strategy for hospitals, which tempers the overall level of support.