

## David Bieter, COMPASS Vice Chair and Mayor of Boise (Moderator)



David H. Bieter was first elected as Mayor of Boise in 2003 and was re-elected in 2007. He has made protecting the city's livability the centerpiece of his administration. He was born and raised in Boise and holds a B.A. in International Studies from the College of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Idaho College of Law. He earned expertise in municipal issues as civil counsel to Bonner County in Sandpoint, as civil prosecutor and land-use specialist in the Ada County Prosecutor's office and later as a private attorney. He was chosen to assume his father's seat in the Idaho House of Representatives after his parents, Pat and Eloise Bieter, were killed in an automobile accident in 1999. Voters elected him to full terms in 2000 and 2002.

Mayor Bieter created the first municipal ethics commission in Idaho. He succeeded in funding four new neighborhood libraries without any tax increase and oversaw the addition of more than 100 acres of new or developed parklands in 2006 alone. Mayor Bieter leads the countywide "Blueprint for Good Growth" transportation and land use project and is the vice chair of COMPASS. He was the first mayor in Idaho to sign the U.S. Mayors Climate Protection Agreement, committing Boise to reduce greenhouse emissions.