

Financial impact of settlement development in Baden



The Swiss city of Baden has experienced considerable growth in recent years and the relevant indicators suggest that this growth can be expected to continue well into the future. Working on behalf of the city of Baden, EBP has examined the financial impact of this development on the city.

Owing to its favorable location and other attractive features, the city continues to experience dynamic population growth. Moreover, forecasts indicate that the growth can be expected to continue through the year 2026. The city has responded to this challenge by drafting a development plan known as the Planning Guideline 2026. As outlined in the development plan, the city intends to accommodate the increasing demand for housing and commercial space via increased urban concentration and the development of available land reserves. The city of Baden commissioned EBP to examine the ways in which the continuing population and settlement development can be expected to have an impact on the city's budget planning. In approaching this assignment, we used one of our own tools for measuring and evaluating various monetary aspects of municipality development. In addition to the impact of the development on the city's current balance sheet of expenses and revenues, we ascertained the growth-related investment needs for new infrastructure, as well as the long-term financial impact of these needs.

In order to take account of the uncertainty associated with future development, we worked out the details for various scenarios. By assuming different expense and revenue developments, as well as different development speeds, we

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were able to outline the long-term financial and development-planning options that are available for sustainable settlement and financial development. We devoted special attention to the development options for the Galgenbuck and Brisgi development zones.

We carried out our work in close consultation with experts in the city administration and various high-level officials in the city government. This enabled us to include critical data gathered at a local level in our analyses.