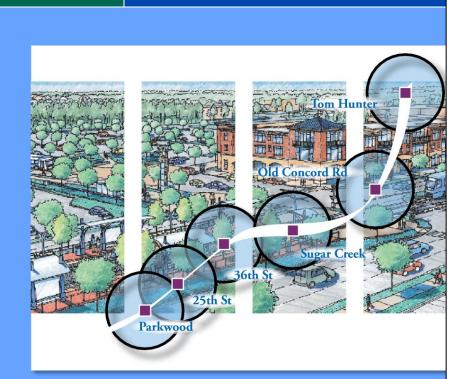




# **Meeting Agenda**





#### Blue Line Extension Transit Station Area Plans

Community Workshop #3 November 1, 2012 6:00pm

Introduction (5 minutes)

Kathy Cornett

Welcome and Introductions

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Department

Overview Presentation (30 minutes)

Kathy Cornett

Putting the Pieces Together

How will we get around in the station areas?

Street Type Basics

Jim Keenan

Implementing the Transportation Vision Northeast Corridor Infrastructure

Engineering and Property Management

Program (NECI)

Group Exercise (20 minutes)

Review and Provide Feedback On Mobility Plans All

Wrap-up and Next Steps (10 minutes)

Kathy Cornett

Information about the BLE Station Area Plans will be posted on our website throughout the planning process. Tonight's presentation will be on the website by Friday, November 2, 2012.

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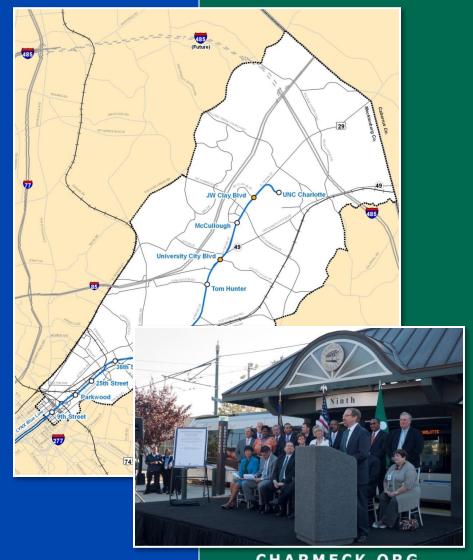
## **Blue Line Extension (BLE) Project Update**

#### **LYNX Blue Line Extension (BLE)**

- 9.3 miles
- Implementation in 2017
- +25,000 daily riders
- Connects UNC Charlotte campuses

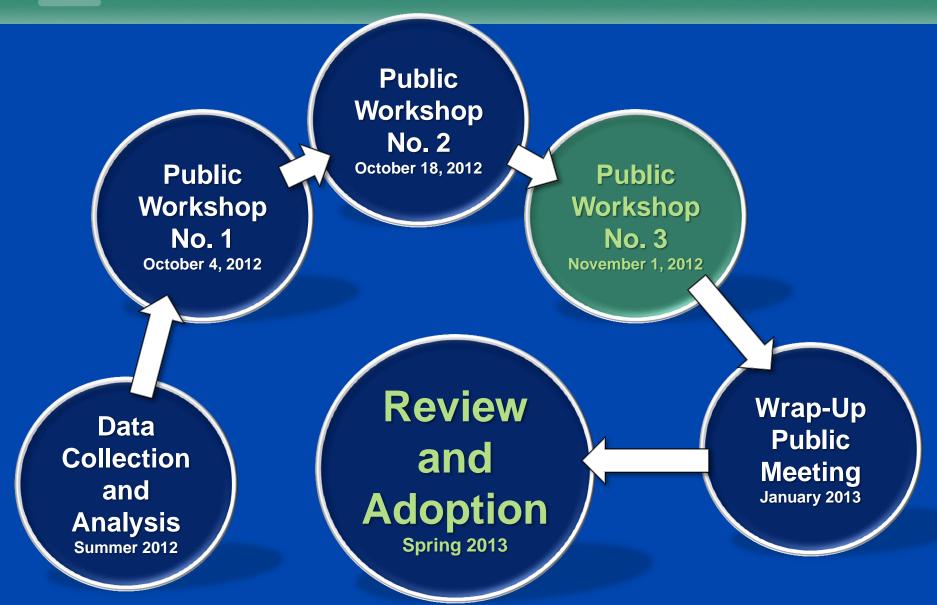
#### Major Achievements

- FTA issued Record of Decision in December 2011
- FTA approved entry into Final Design in July 2012
- FTA Full Funding Grant **Agreement signed on** October 16, 2012.





## **Plan Development Process**







# **Summary of Public Workshops No. 1 & 2**



# Review of October 4th Public Workshop No. 1

#### Presentation

- Purpose of Station AreaPlans
- Introduced the Plan
  Initiative and Described
  Process
- BLE Project Update
- Implementation and the NECI Program

#### Open House

 Provided feed back on the Draft Concept Plans





## What We Heard

- Support for greenway/multiuse trail
- Parking issues
- Building height near transit stations
- Expand NoDa
  Neighborhood
  Preservation area
- Station Locations





# Review of October 18th Public Workshop No. 2

#### Presentation

- BLE Project Update
- What We Heard at 1st Meeting
- How the Pieces Fit Together
  - Concept Plan
  - Development Plan
  - Structure Plan
- Focus on Community Design
- Open House
  - Provided feed back on the Draft Development and Structure Plans





# **What We Heard**

 Detailed comments about each station area.





# **Concept Plan**

How the plan pieces fit together:

- StationDevelopmentConcept
- Development Plan
- Structure Plan
- Mobility Plan





# Station Development Concept

- Considers the vision and goals
- Illustrates the recommended development pattern
- General in nature and to provide guidance for policies





#### **Development Plan**

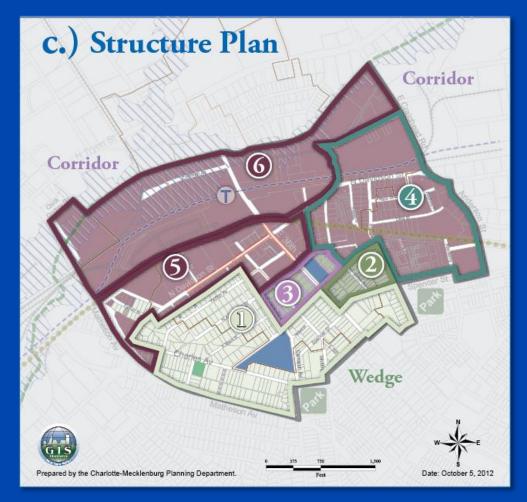
- Provides policy guidance for
  - Land Use
  - Community Design
  - Transportation
  - Infrastructure & Public Facilities
  - Natural Environment
- Keys directly to Implementation Guide





## **Structure Plan**

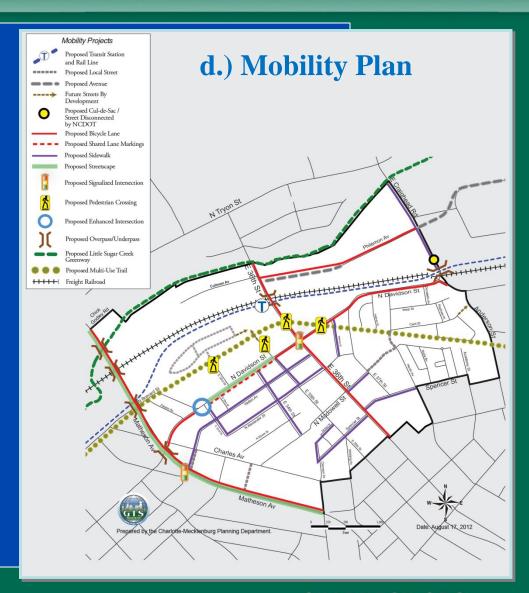
- Provides details
  - Building Types
  - Building Design
- Community's vision for development





# **Mobility Plan**

- Provides policy guidance for
  - Future capital projects
  - Land development improvements
- Keys directly to Implementation Guide







# **Mobility**



#### **General Development Policy**



The General Development Policies (GDP) provide guidance for, among other things, identifying future planning initiatives and capital projects. The GDP includes a section called *Transit Station Area Principles* (adopted in 2001).

The Transit Station Area Principles provide the backdrop for area plan policy recommendations.



#### **Transit Station Area Principles**



The Station Area Principles make general recommendations for the types of land use, community design, and transportation facilities desired within a 1/2 mile walk distance of a rapid transit station.



# **Re-Thinking Mobility**



Transportation investments can be used to move people and create better places...streets can be memorable!

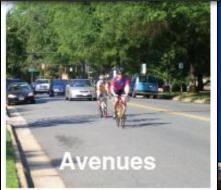




# **Street Types**





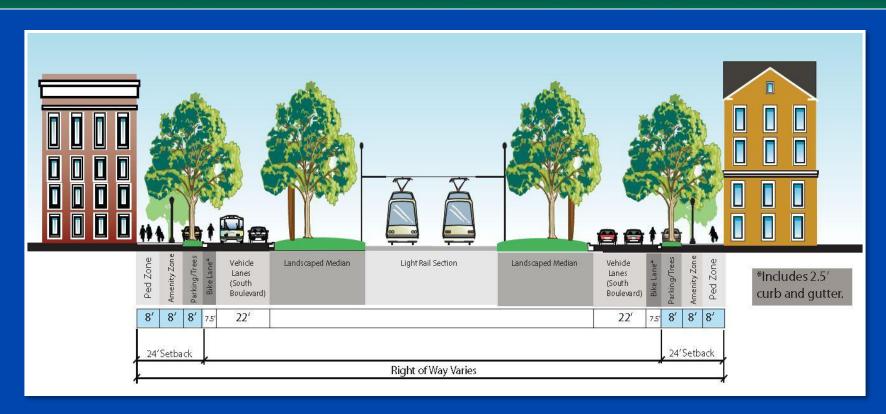




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#### Y OF CHARLOTTE Area Plan Street Sections

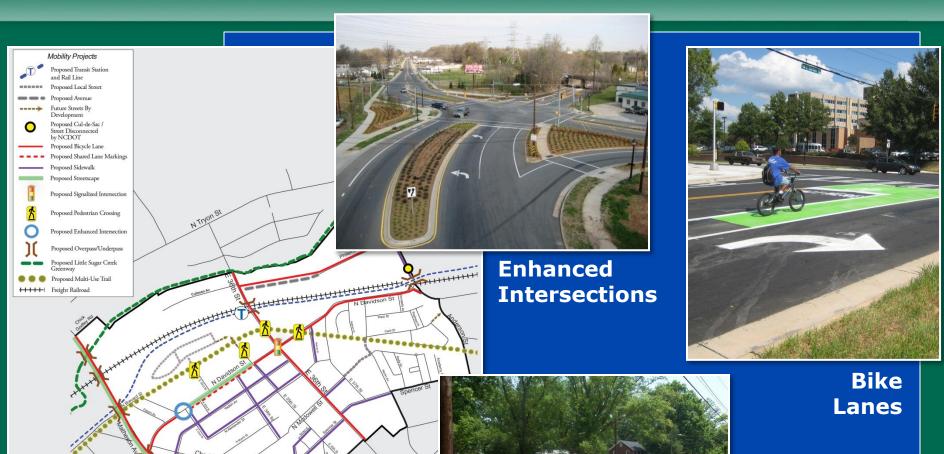


Scaleybark Area Plan South Boulevard Cross-Section



Prepared by the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Department

#### **Area Plan Policies**



Pedestrian Crossings

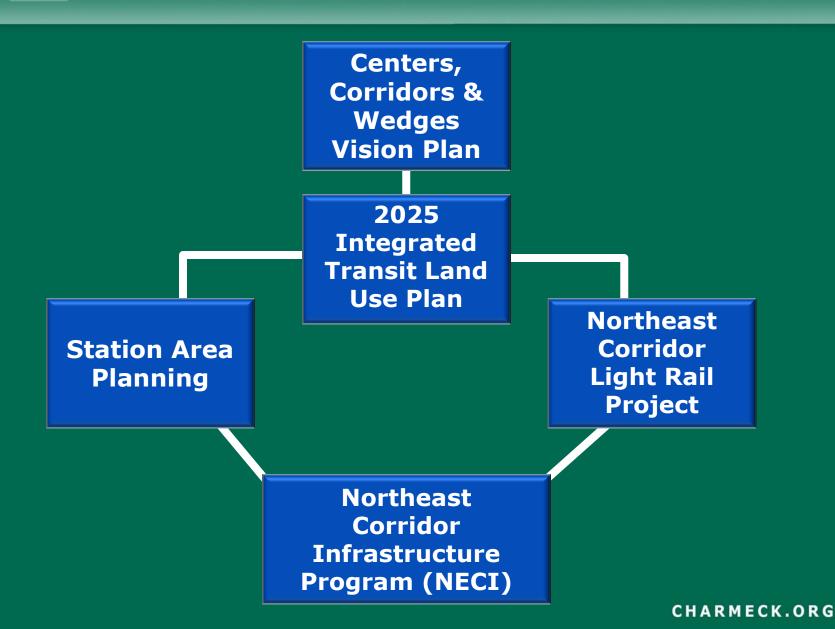




# Implementation - Northeast Corridor Infrastructure (NECI) Program



# **Policy Context**





# **Program Goals**

#### **Improve Accessibility**

 Provide pedestrian, bicycle and vehicular connections to light rail stations.

# Promote Economic Development

 Provide infrastructure to support and encourage transit supportive development

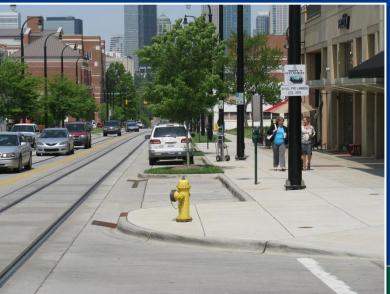






# **Project Types**





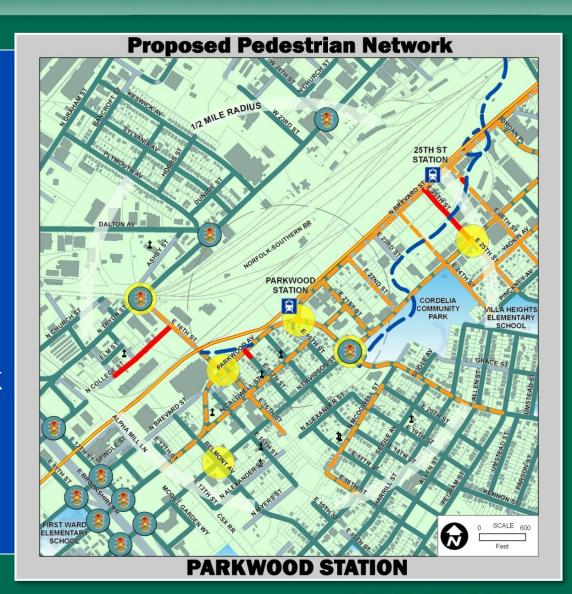
- √ Streets
- ✓ Intersections
- ✓ Sidewalks/crosswalks
- **✓ Bicycle facilities**
- ✓ Streetscape & public space
- √ Storm water
- ✓ Water & sewer



# **Conceptual Planning**

# Long-Range Infrastructure Vision:

- **✓ Street Network**
- ✓ Pedestrian Network
- ✓ Bicycle Network
- ✓ Urban Design Concepts





# **Selection Criteria**

- Schedule
- Public input
- Enhances access to transit station
- Supports CATS light rail plans
- Provides incentive for development



- Coincides with other projects
- Minimizes impacts to existing development
- Efficient use of public resources



# **South Corridor**

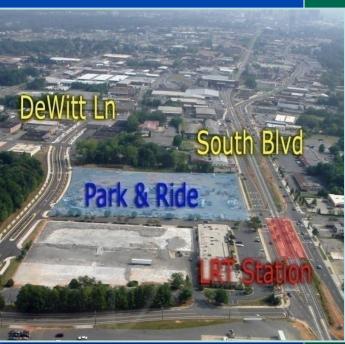


**Arrowood Road at Old Pineville Road** 



# **South Corridor**





**Dewitt Lane near Scaleybark Station** 



# Parkwood Area



# **Brevard St at 22<sup>nd</sup> Street**



# 25<sup>th</sup> Street Area



# 25th Street at N. Davidson Street



# 36<sup>th</sup> Street Area



# N. Davidson Street at 33<sup>rd</sup> Street



# Sugar Creek Area



E. Sugar Creek at Greensboro Street



# **Old Concord Area**



N. Tryon Street at Northchase Drive



# **Tom Hunter Area**



Tom Hunter Road at Canterwood Drive





#### **Breakout Exercise**



# **Mobility Exercise**



#### **Instructions**

- Assign a scribe to record group comments.
- Listen to the overview of the mobility concepts and review the maps.
- Discuss any questions with your group facilitator.

#### **Notes**

 You are encouraged to talk to your neighbors about your comments.

#### **Time**

20 Minutes.

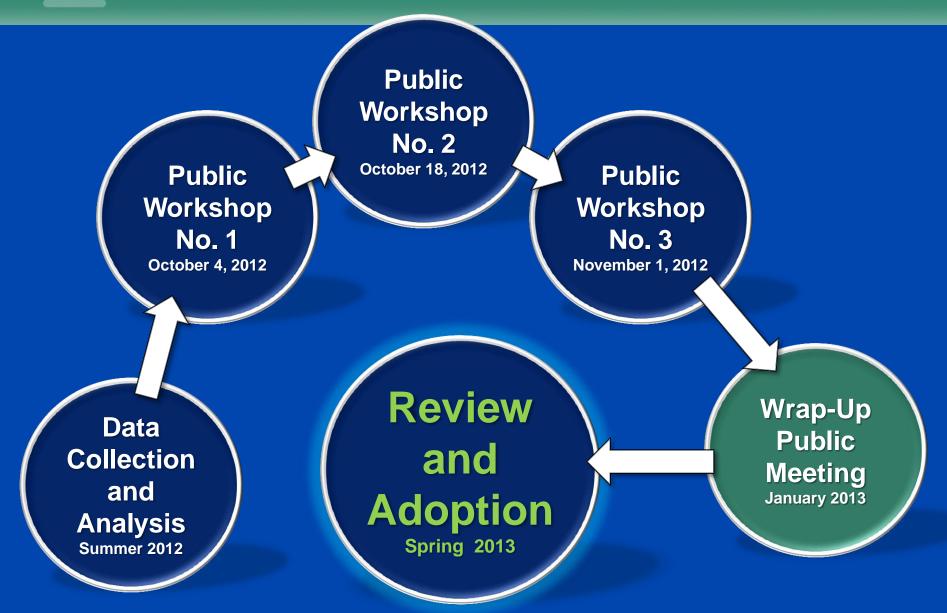




# **Next Steps**



## **Plan Development Process**





# Thank You!

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