# University City Area Plan

## **Charlotte City Council**



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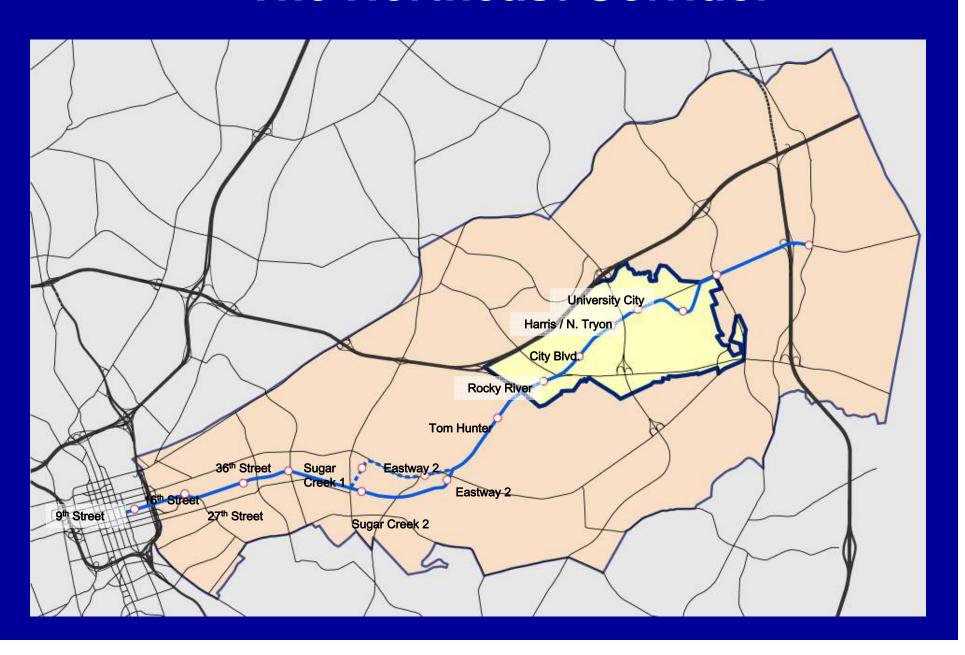




# Study Area Boundaries



## **The Northeast Corridor**



# Why an Area Plan?

#### **Conditions have changed:**

- Designated as a Light Rail Transit (LRT) corridor and station locations determined.
- Major improvements planned for the US 29/NC 49 "weave" have significantly changed.
- UNCC plans to create a major gateway to the campus off North Tryon, including an LRT station.

# Development Process





#### **University City Partners Sponsored**

- Road to Rail Conference (September 2004)
- Urban Boulevard Community Kick-off (March 2005)
- "Creating a Civic Gathering Spot" (April 2005)
- Urban Boulevard Stakeholder Interviews (June 2005)
- Urban Boulevard Final Presentations (August 2005)
- Where to put our "There" conference (Jan 2006)
- University City Area Plan Kick-off and Urban Boulevard Final Presentation (September 2006)

#### **City of Charlotte Sponsored**

- Station Area Planning (2005 and 2006)
- University City Area Plan Community Meeting (September 2006)
- University City Area Plan Community Meeting (May 2007)
- Planning Committee Public Comment (May 2007)

#### Vision

University City will be transformed into a distinct and vibrant people-oriented place that is urban in scale and design.

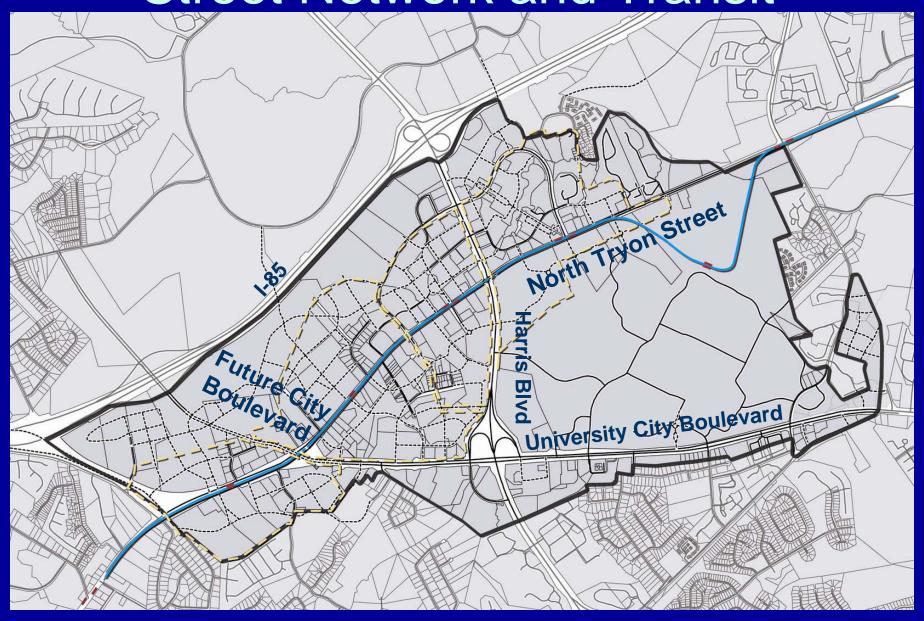
It will be energized by the highly successful Northeast Corridor Light Rail Transit line that will operate along the North Tryon corridor and will be a popular and accessible destination for people of all ages, income levels and backgrounds, offering diverse and unique choices for living, shopping, working, learning and enjoying leisure time.



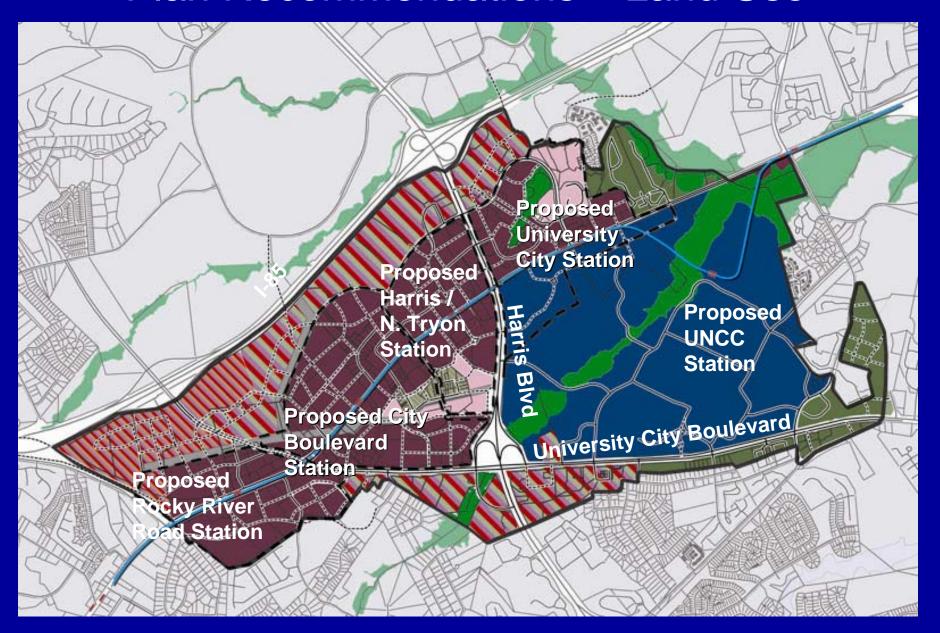




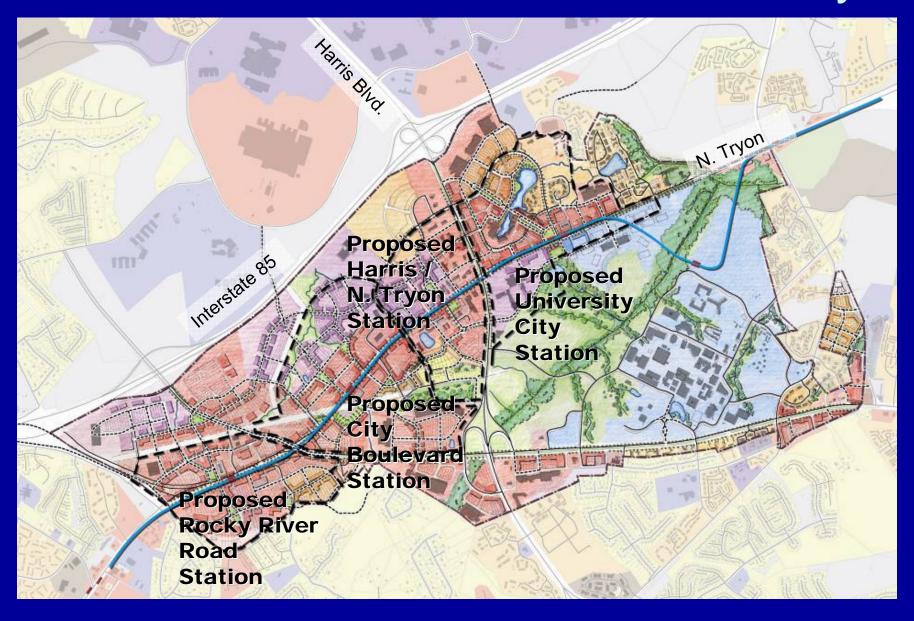
## Street Network and Transit



#### Plan Recommendations – Land Use



## Plan Recommendations Summary



# Implementation Steps

- Evaluation of Development Proposals
- Corrective Rezonings (~18-24 month process)
- Capital Projects (transit development, sidewalks, intersection improvements)
- Public Agency Coordination (Park and Rec, PLCMC, CATS)

# Next Steps

- Review and Adoption Process
  - Planning Committee Recommendation June 26<sup>th</sup>
  - ED&P Review and Recommendation July/August
  - City Council Action July or August (tentative)