



# PRIVATE STUDENT HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES

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# Background

- CMPD observed crime concentrations in developments surrounding area educational institutions that leased units by the bedroom.
- August 2013 Charlotte City Council requested
  Planning staff study area apartment developments
  functioning as dormitories (leasing by the
  bedroom).
- October 2013 Planning staff, in conjunction with CMPD, kicked off a stakeholder process to study lease by the bedroom developments.





# Background

#### ➤ Citizen Advisory Group Meetings

- October 17<sup>th</sup> Kickoff Meeting and CAG formation
- November 15<sup>th</sup> CAG Workshop #1 What are the issues?
- November 27<sup>th</sup> CAG Workshop #2 Transportation and Public Safety
- December 13<sup>th</sup> CAG Workshop #3 Master Plan Presentations from area Universities
- January 2013 CAG process was put on hold after legal issues were brought forth by the group



### Why are We Here?

1. Discuss the challenges to creating privately owned student housing developments.

2. Review measures being taken to address private student housing.



# What are the issues?





# Legal Parameters

- Federal Fair Housing Laws
- Zoning and leasing arrangements



# **Steps Forward**

Planning Department - Create partnerships with area Universities for private dormitories.

CMPD – Build relationships with apartment managers and UNCC to form the Niner program.





# **Next Steps**

- Develop draft recommendations
- Bring recommendations to CAG in July
- Council Committee review and approval
- Public hearing and comment
- Final decision full Council action
- Phase II Parking and Student Housing