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Comment Source	Who Provided Comment	Comment Category	General Comment Category	Summarized Comment	Staff Response
Email	Internal City Staff	General Comment	TOD	Proposing additional policy or program related to equitable TOD	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Public Input	Community	General Comment	TOD	Revise proposed policy language	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Public Input	Community	General Comment	Fiscally Responsible	Maintain the tax rate below the median tax rate of comparably sized cities in south eastern United States, in order to maintain our desirability for employment & housing.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
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Email	Planning Commission	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	Which goals attract business?	Predominantly, Goal #8 - Diverse and Resilient Economy, which states, Charlotteans will have opportunity for upward economic mobility through access to a diverse mix of jobs and careers that align with education and skill levels of residents and the economic strengths of the region.
Email	Planning Commission	General Comment	TOD	Has the TOD Bonus been used yet?	The TOD Bonus is not part of the Comprehensive Plan.
Email	Planning Commission	General Comment	Transportation Demand Management	Should Transportation Demand Management programs be an incentive and not a requirement?	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Planning Commission	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	Incentivize businesses with diversity programs and diverse employers pop, programs, etc.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Planning Commission	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	Are the two recommendations in 8.5, to support MWSBE and expand business corridors, in conflict with one another?	Recommendation 8.5 reads, Support retention, expansion, and development of Minority, Women, and Small Business Enterprises (MWSBEs), small businesses, and micro businesses. Expand business corridor revitalization programs to align with the Future Place Type Map and prioritize investing in areas with a lack of access to economic opportunities to attract desired uses and support existing businesses (applies to Regional Activity Center, Community Activity Center, Neighborhood Center, Campus, and Innovation Mixed Use). These are complimentary, rather than conflicting goals.
Email	Planning Commission	General Comment	Fiscally Responsible	Provide more details about 10.2's recommendation to empower neighborhood and business districts to aid in the development of CIP and Bond projects	The referenced model is a program in Chicago - https://www.map-strategies.com/blog/2018/12/17/five-density-bonus-programs-in-chicago
Email	Internal City Staff	General Comment	TOD	Prioritize neighborhood displacement and affordable housing investment in TOD corridors where neighborhoods are vulnerable to displacement and/or lack affordability	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.

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Email	Planning Commission	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	The first short-term action under Goal 8: Diverse and Resilient Economic Opportunity should be split into two separate goals.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Public Input	Community	General Comment	Job Training Opportunities	What job training opportunities will be provided to prepare workers for Charlotte's target industries?	This will be defined in a separate process, post plan adoption.
Public Input	Community	General Comment	Safe & Equitable Mobility	Parks, trails, and sidewalks should be indicated as transportation facilities as well as other uses.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Community	General Comment	TOD	Opposition to increasing the number transit-oriented developments	Opposition to the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate the community's feedback and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
Email	Community	General Comment	Safe & Equitable Mobility	Request for more information about zero carbon transportation	More information can be found in the City's Strategic Energy Action Plan (SEAP) - https://charlottenc.gov/sustainability/seap/Pages/action_areas.aspx
Email	Community	Big Plans Coordination	Transportation Demand Management	Is it automatic that the City can signalize an NCDOT road?	Thank you for your question. Signalizing is not an automatic and certain criteria must be met.
Email	Community	Big Plans Coordination	Safe & Equitable Mobility	Pedestrian access over railroads is likely not allowed by the railroad companies.	Thank you for your comment. This will be addressed on a case-by-case basis as improvements are made and not as part of the Comprehensive Plan.
Email	Planning Commission	General Comment	TOD	The Transit- and Trail-Oriented Development Goal does not address retention of communities of color or welcoming new residents. Improving access is essential to fulfilling the Equitable Growth Framework guidance	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Planning Commission	General Comment	Safe & Equitable Mobility	The Safe & Equitable Mobility Goal does not address retention of communities of color or welcoming new residents. Improving access is essential to fulfilling the Equitable Growth Framework guidance	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Planning Commission	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	The Diverse and Resilient Economic Opportunity Goal does not address retention of communities of color or welcoming new residents.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
E-Plan	Community	General Comment	Safe & Equitable Mobility	Consider implementing one-way streets with sidewalks to improve safety for bicyclist and pedestrians	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Community	General Comment	TOD	Support for Trail-Oriented Development	Thank you for your support. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
Email	Community	General Comment	Safe & Equitable Mobility	Support for 5.6 and 5.7 which recommend the expansion of street network connectivity in growing or redeveloping areas and require all streets meet the complete street design standards	Thank you for your support. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
Email	Community	General Comment	Safe & Equitable Mobility	Prioritize investment in sidewalk and bike connections that are within close proximity to schools. Continue to upgrade roads to meet complete street standards.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.

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Email	Community	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	Citizen supports objective to decrease number of acres within mixed-use place types that are existing single-use commercial and employment uses. Citizen wonders how neighbors can help?	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Community	General Comment	Fiscally Responsible	Citizen supports increasing infrastructure investments in existing urbanized areas planned for significant new development	Thank you for your support. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
Email	Community	General Comment	Fiscally Responsible	Citizen disagrees Goal 10's Big Idea to direct half of public infrastructure spending to the most vulnerable communities. Instead, spending should be distributed "equitably" across all developed areas. Citizen wants more details about how the Plan will empower neighborhoods to aid in the development of CIP and Bond projects (10.2)	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Community	General Comment	Safe & Equitable Mobility	Regarding Goal 5 short term actions, it's important to study how changes in transportation affect a whole area.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Community	General Comment	Fiscally Responsible	re: Goal 10: Will this increase the cost of development and will development only address immediate infrastructure and not a partnership with the city to address holistic infrastructure issues? Can developers pay a fee of some kind that will go towards holistic approaches to local infrastructure improvements in their neighborhood?	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	City Council	General Comment	Safe & Equitable Mobility	How do we think about what access may look like in less dense place types, where people prefer larger lots and bigger neighborhood developments (SouthPark, etc), and are more likely to own cars? What are the action items in this case?	Access to mobility choices will be prioritized in all areas of Charlotte.
Email	City Council	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	Workforce development and education connection—how to get those living near the employment centers involved in local economy beyond service industry?	Goal 8: Diverse and Resilient Economy includes multiple objectives for job training and advancement which will create opportunities in the local economy.
Email	City Council	General Comment	Parking	Expressed concern about increasing the number of residential dwelling units with less than one parking space per unit due to existing parking limitations.	Parking will be addressed as part of the UDO.
Public Input	Internal City Staff	Big Plans Coordination	Safe & Equitable Mobility	Suggested edits to further align the Comprehensive Plan with the Charlotte MOVES Strategic Mobility Plan.	Thank you for your comment. The suggested revisions will be reflected in the second Draft Plan, scheduled for May 2021.
Email	Planning Commission	General Comment	TOD	Within Goal 4, add language requiring TOD to be sensitive to surrounding neighborhoods, especially Historic Districts and Character Overlay Districts.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Community	General Comment	Safe & Equitable Mobility	It is important to focus on issues surrounding transportation instead of debating about duplexes and triplexes in single family neighborhoods. The citizen believes that issue has already been settled in many older neighborhoods.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
E-Plan	Community	General Comment	Safe & Equitable Mobility	Generall support of Goal 5: Safe & Equitable Mobility, accountability to taxpayers	Thank you for your support. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
E-Plan	Community	General Comment	Safe & Equitable Mobility	What is transportation equity? Where is the TIS /TDM programs defined?	Transportation equity is having access to high-quality, affordable transportation choices. TIS and TDM will be defined in subsequent efforts.

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Public Input	Community	General Comment	Safe & Equitable Mobility	I had a question as to whether the Silver Line along Independence Blvd would have a stop at Hawthorne Lane, where the new light rail line is crossing the path of the Silver Line.	Design of the Silver Line is not part of the Comprehensive Plan.
	Community	General Comment	Transportation Demand Management	Infrastructure and transpotation needs cannot keep up with the pace of development in Charlotte.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
	Community	General Comment	Transportation Demand Management	East Charlotte is not pedestrian are transit-friendly. Mobility and connectivity are huge concerns.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
	Community	General Comment	Safe & Equitable Mobility	Bikeways are necessary in East Charlotte.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
	Community	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	Charlotte needs intentional transformative mobility in the form of digital equity, land tenure, incubator centres, and increased economic mobility.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Community	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	I am concerned that we are putting policies in place which inadvertently make us less competitive than our peer cities. We need to be aware of where we are in the competitive landscape for jobs and opportunities.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Community	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	Social issues are a real thing and we all need to be inclusive and provide equal opportunity for everyone. However, citizen does not agree with the methods in the draft plan. Citizen does not think Portland, Oregon should be looked at as a role model.	Opposition to the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate the community's feedback and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
Email	City Council	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	Concerned about policy to promote greater airport area as a hub for manufacturing and logistics as well as policy to identify new areas for production and distribution. Citizen is worried about how these policies impact existing neighborhoods	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	City Council	General Comment	TOD	Opposition to the TOD Bonus Menu as proposed because it will expose vulnerable neighborhoods.	Opposition to the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate the community's feedback and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
Email	City Council	General Comment	Safe & Equitable Mobility	Citizen doesn't think Transit Bus Priority Corridors is a realistic solution since they've not yet been successfully implemented	Opposition to the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate the community's feedback and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
Email	City Council	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	Concern with recommendation to grow and promote greater airport area as a hub. Not sure recommendation is compatible with surrounding neighborhoods	Opposition to the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate the community's feedback and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
Email	Planning Commission	General Comment	Parking	Citizen would like to see stronger emphasis about the reduction and/or elimination of parking requirements in denser settings with strong transit access.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	City Council	General Comment	Parking	Important to require pervious surfaces in any new surface parking lots and encourage better utilization of existing surface parking lots in center city.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.

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Email	City Council	General Comment	Parking	If there is a recommendation to allow parking to be unbundled from lease of property, then can parking be a separate fee for apartment tenants?	The Comprehensive Plan does not get into this level of detail. Parking specifics will be addressed in the UDO.
Email	City Council	General Comment	Safe & Equitable Mobility	Recommendation to set interim goals for reducing fatalities as relates to the City's Vision Zero Action Plan.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Community	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	This document does not present any strategy for dealing with how emerging technologies will affect Charlotte. The rise of innovation clusters, workplace digitalization and automation, and the creation (or lack thereof) of patents in the Charlotte MSA are all factors that could significantly change the outcome of this plan.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
E-Plan	Community	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	Is there an Industrial Site in Charlotte NC that Has 45 ft high ceilings and about 400 sq ft long and about 300 sq.ft wide building that can be used for manufacturing and if so how soon can it be purchased to start up citizen's operations?	The Charlotte Future 2040 Plan provides a long-term vision for the entire city. The Plan does not consider potential land uses for specific parcels.
E-Plan	Community	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	The Plan's Introduction should mention Charlotte's lack of economic mobility. Economic mobility should be a goal of the Comprehensive Plan.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
E-Plan	Community	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	City should incubate worker-owned businesses for anchor institution services and green jobs that build wealth, stability, and equity in low income areas and communities of color.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
E-Plan	Community	General Comment	Fiscally Responsible	Investment needed on residential energy efficiency retrofits, residential/community solar and other GHG reduction to meet city SEAP goals is projected to exceed 500 million per year in the coming decades.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Community	General Comment	TOD	Recommendation to include a density plan along the Red, Blue, Gold, Silver and Bus lines to identify how we will manage the growth?	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Community	General Comment	Transportation Demand Management	5.12 seems to imply a requirement for a Traffic Impact analysis for all new developments. Clearly, traffic concerns are real, but the unintended effect of this requirement, when coupled with the SF zoning changes, will result in with little-to no development being done in marginalized communities. Since much more housing density will be expected in these communities, given the addition of duplex and triplexes, traffic congestion will increase in these neighborhoods. When commercial development is proposed in these areas, TIA's will show much more costly impacts which will need to be borne by the commercial development and that will render them less economically viable.	Thank you for your comment. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Community	General Comment	Transportation Demand Management	We need to send the city funding and legislative approval for the city to contribute to improvements that benefit the greater good while improvements are being made commensurate with the proposed development.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.

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Email	Community	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	The single best way to encourage the development of Regional Activity Centers in parts of Charlotte is to promote the use of PPP's such as the one being used for the Eastland redevelopment.	Thank you for your suggestion. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Community	General Comment	Fiscally Responsible	This entire goal ignores the concept that more fees and requirements on new development will lead to less new development and a resulting lower tax revenue stream which is not fiscally responsible.	Thank you for your comment. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Community	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	A big challenge of successful workforce housing development is dealing with the persistent conflicts that arise between the seemingly endless maze of local regulations, such as Charlotte's tree ordinance, Urban Street Design Guidelines and PCCO.	Thank you for your comment. Goal 3 includes policy language about reducing regulatory barriers to affordable and workforce housing.
E-Plan	Community	General Comment	Parking	Resident concerned for how the Plan will accommodate parking, and the impacts of density on available parking.	Thank you for your comment. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Community	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	Recommendation to add Policy 8.32 to Goal 8: "Promote partnerships between existing union and DOL registered apprenticeship programs, city departments, and contractors in the building trades industry for workforce development"	Thank you for your comment. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Community	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	Recommendation to revise Policy language in 8.14: Explore policies and programs, such as Community Benefit and Workforce Agreements, to support the development of new and retention of community "assets, amenities, and for workforce development, in or near major employment centers"	Thank you for your comment. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Community	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	Recommendation to revise Policy language in 8.17: Ensure that City business recruitment initiatives focus on companies and industries that adhere to key City policies such as providing a family sustaining wage and benefits, offering opportunities for career advancement, gaining industry recognized skills, and removing criminal background information from job applications.	Thank you for your comment. Proposed revisions will be reviewed by City Staff to ensure they are feasible as well as City Council to ensure they meet the intent of the Plan.
Email	Community	General Comment	Economic Opportunity	Adding flexible language such as "encouraged", "or", "may", "typically", or "when economically feasible." is vital to ensure development occurs within our community and is not pushed into outlying cities and counties.	This comment was received after the May 20th 2021 Recommended Draft Plan release. All comments received in this second public comment window will be reviewed by City Council and City Staff to determine necessary revisions prior to Plan Adoption.
Public Input	Planning Commission	General Comment	Fiscally Responsible	Recommendation to add policy to Goal 10: Fiscally Responsible - 10.21: "Develop a participatory budgeting pilot for East Charlotte that creates a community process for talking about capital improvements and infrastructure, and allows residents to guide investments in their community."	This comment was received after the May 20th 2021 Recommended Draft Plan release. All comments received in this second public comment window will be reviewed by City Council and City Staff to determine necessary revisions prior to Plan Adoption.