

ORDINANCE NO.

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING
THE CHARLOTTE EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, the Charlotte City Council approved the creation of the Charlotte Equitable Development Commission (“CEDC”) with the adoption of the Charlotte Future 2040 Comprehensive Plan – Plan Policy on June 21, 2021, by City Council resolution.

WHEREAS, the General Statutes of North Carolina, Chapter 160D, Article 3, Section 306 (2020), provide that a local government may by ordinance establish advisory boards as deemed appropriate.

WHEREAS, the CEDC will have as its purpose to advise the Charlotte City Council regarding the assessment of infrastructure throughout the City of Charlotte and to recommend strategies that balance equitable investments in areas most in need, including areas with absent and insufficient facilities, areas growing fastest, and areas targeted for growth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Charlotte as follows:

SECTION 1. Creation. There is hereby established the Charlotte Equitable Development Commission (“CEDC”) for an initial three (3) year term.

SECTION 2. Composition and Terms. The CEDC shall be composed of nine (9) members appointed as hereinafter provided. The terms of office shall be three (3) years, and no member may serve more than one (1) term. The Mayor shall make three (3) appointments and the City Council shall make six (6) appointments. The Chairperson shall be appointed by the Mayor.

SECTION 3. Qualifications of Members.

- a) The CEDC will consist of individuals with significant backgrounds in community development and infrastructure assessments. Examples of preferred experience shall include consulting engineers in the project development business; attorneys specializing in development; developers; independent business representatives, construction contractors; bankers or insurance agents engaged in the financial aspects of development; representatives from homebuilder’s associations; homeowners or neighborhood association representatives.
- b) Appointees must take an oath of office and are subject to the City Council’s Attendance and Anti-Harassment Policies, Code of Ethics, Gift Policy, and Disclosure Requirements for members of committees.

SECTION 4. Purpose and Duties. The CEDC is established for the following purposes and to perform the following duties:

- a) To work with the Office of Strategy and Budget to provide input on the development of the city's proposed Capital Investment Plan.
- b) To provide regular updates to the Budget and Effectiveness Council Committee and quarterly reports to City Council.

SECTION 5. Meetings. The CEDC shall regularly hold meetings at such time and location as it shall determine.

SECTION 6. Validity. Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 7. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

This the _____ day of _____, 2021.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney