

Connectivity – Transportation Mobility

City Council Action Session
April 9, 2018



“Connecting Charlotte”



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Items to Discuss

- Adopted plans – shape the City
- Charlotte's emerging “connected network”
- Charlotte Walks



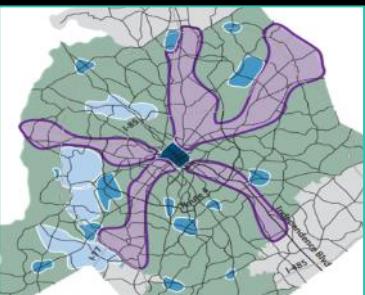
Centers,
Corridors, and
Wedges

CATS System
Plan

Transportation
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Council Adopted Plans
Shape how connected our City can be



Community
Investment Plan

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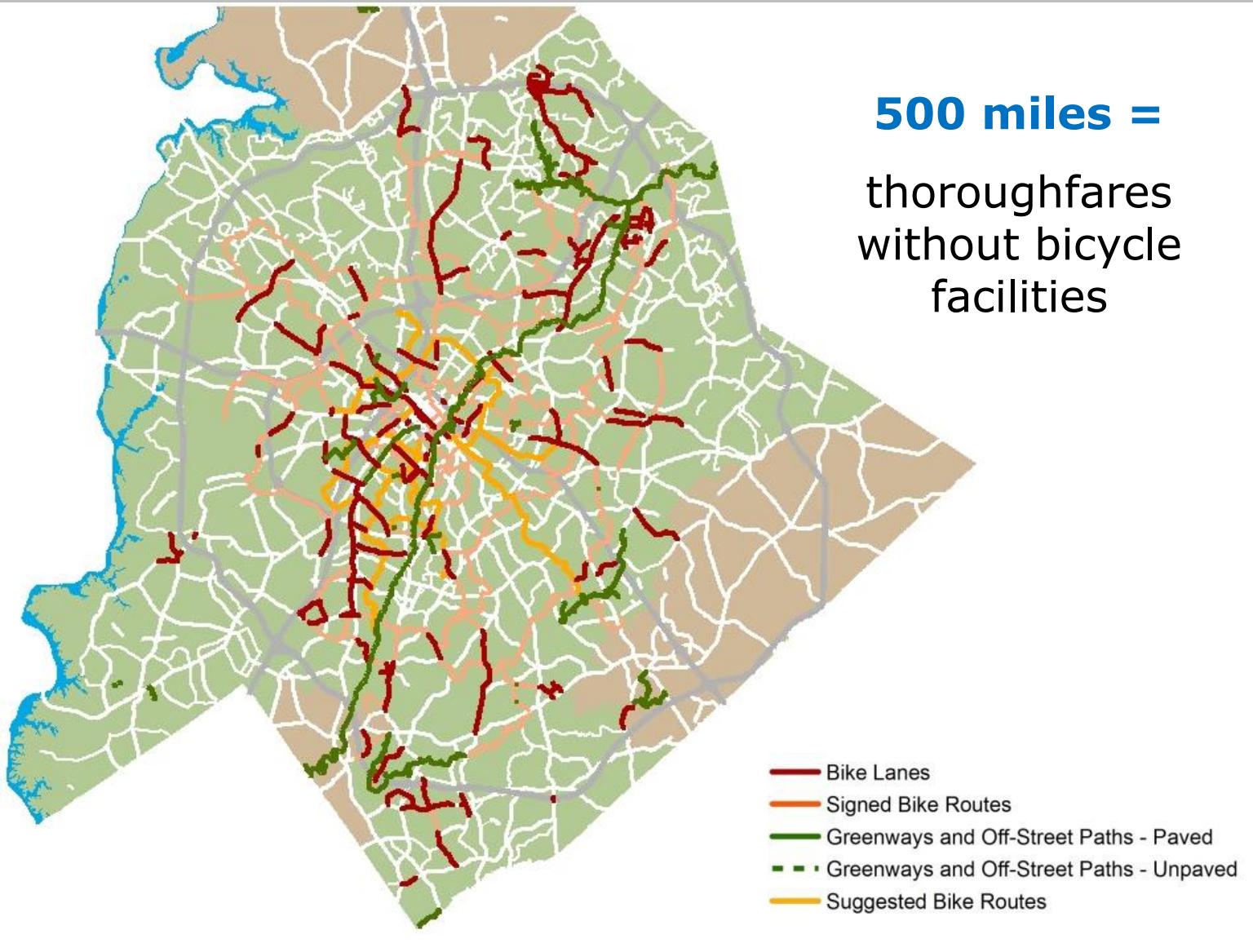
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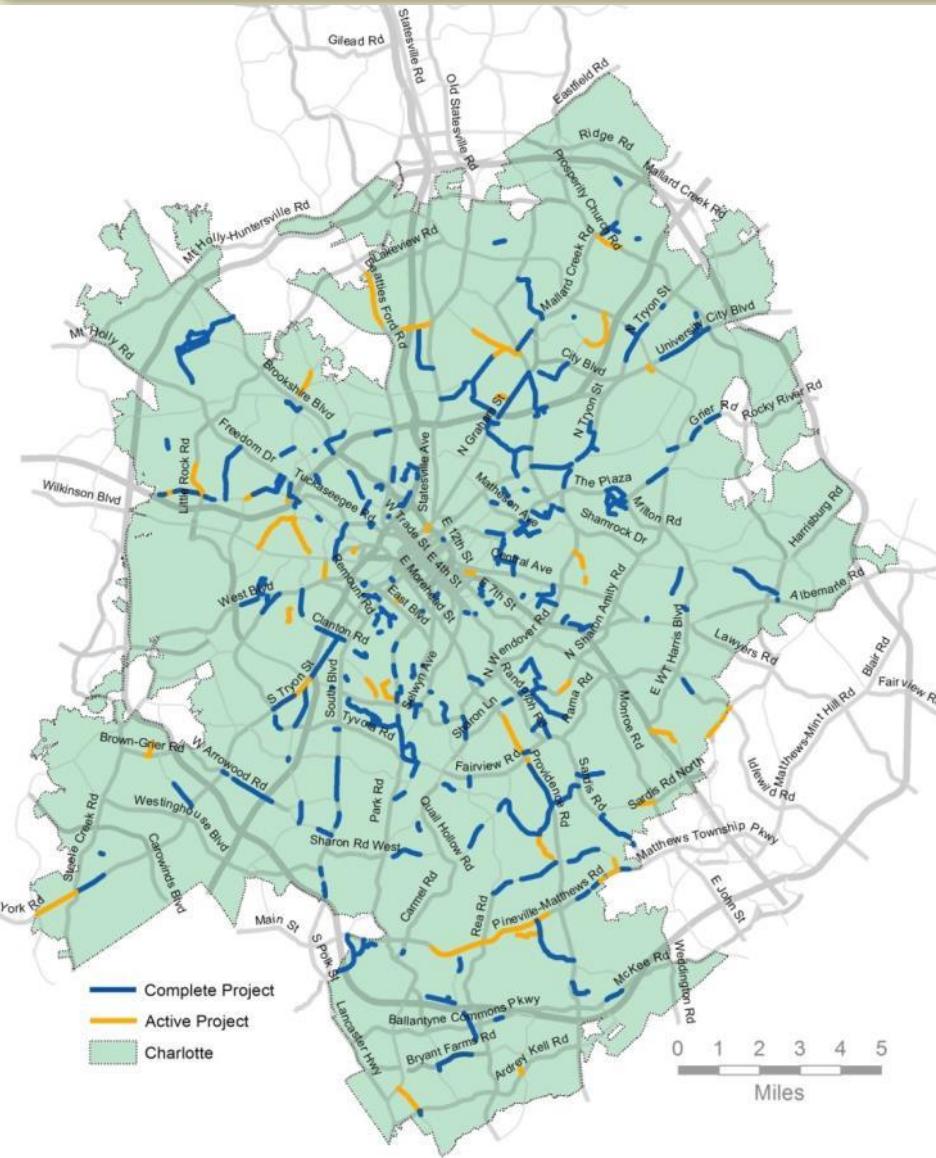
Charlotte's Emerging Bike Network





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Charlotte Sidewalk Network



Charlotte's Pedestrian Program:

- Built over **100 miles** of sidewalks
- Increased the number of thoroughfares with sidewalks from 55% in 2010 to **66% in 2015**



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Sidewalks on Thoroughfares

- **Sidewalk Gaps**
 - ~ 360 miles
- **Back-of-Curb Sidewalk**
 - ~ 240 miles



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Maintaining the Network



- Current backlog of **350+ sidewalk repairs**
- We maintain **~33,000 curb ramps**, approx. **70% are non-compliant**
- We have **120 miles** of thoroughfares without streetlights



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- **Pavement condition goal = 90**
 - 12-15 year resurfacing cycle
 - Currently maintaining 22-year cycle

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Charlotte WALKS: Improving Safety & Walkability



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- **Charlotte's first Pedestrian Plan**
- **Extensive public outreach** – over 1,000 residents at 30 different public input events
- **Unanimously adopted by City Council on Feb. 27, 2017**



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Summary of Public Outreach

GOAL: A safer and more walkable city



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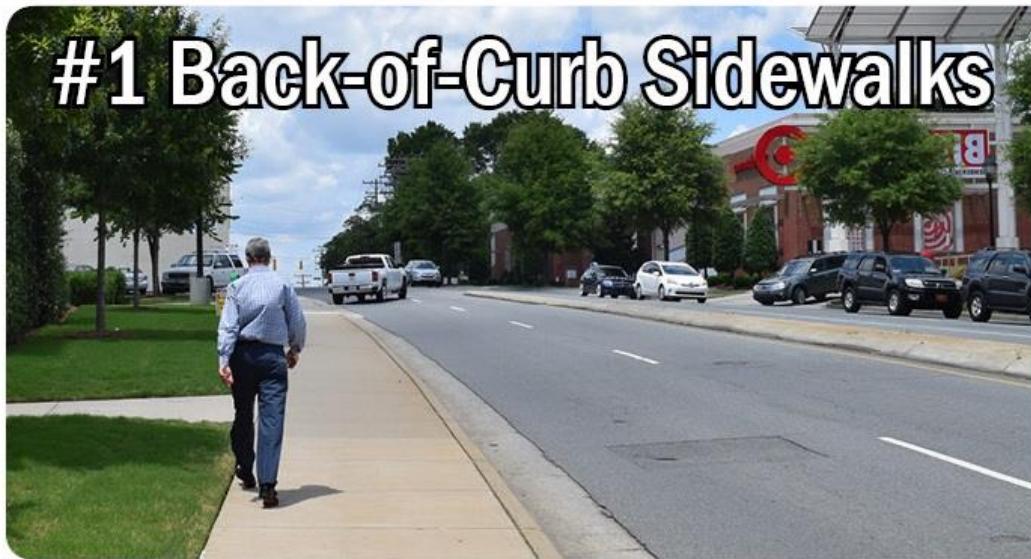
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Improving Walkability

#1 Back-of-Curb Sidewalks



Address Back-of-Curb Sidewalks as Redevelopment Occurs

#2 Sidewalk Gaps



Fix the 50% Rule Sidewalk Exemption



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Feb. 27, 2017

City Council unanimously adopts Charlotte WALKS Pedestrian Plan



Nov. 27, 2017

City Council directs staff to work on affordable housing concern



Nov. 13, 2017

City Council hears public comment on walkability amendments

April 2018



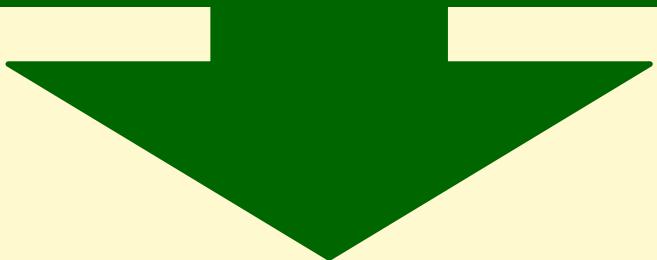


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Impact on Affordable Housing

Jan 10, 2018

Meeting with Affordable Housing Developers



**Any additional costs will be offset by
a reimbursement from the Pedestrian
Program.**





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Back-of-Curb Sidewalks on Thoroughfares

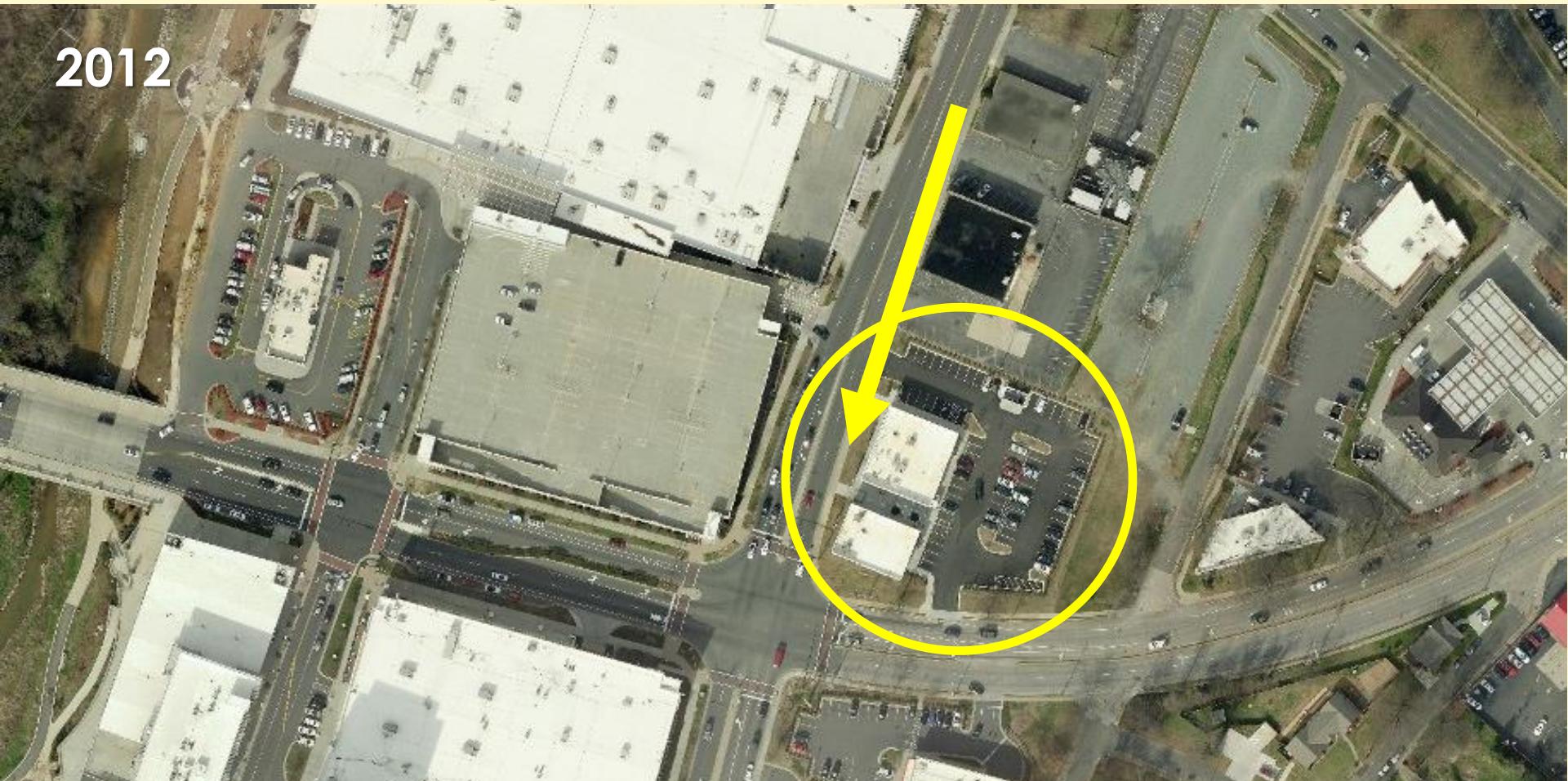


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Back-of-Curb Sidewalks

We're missing opportunities.

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Midtown Redevelopment – Kings Dr.



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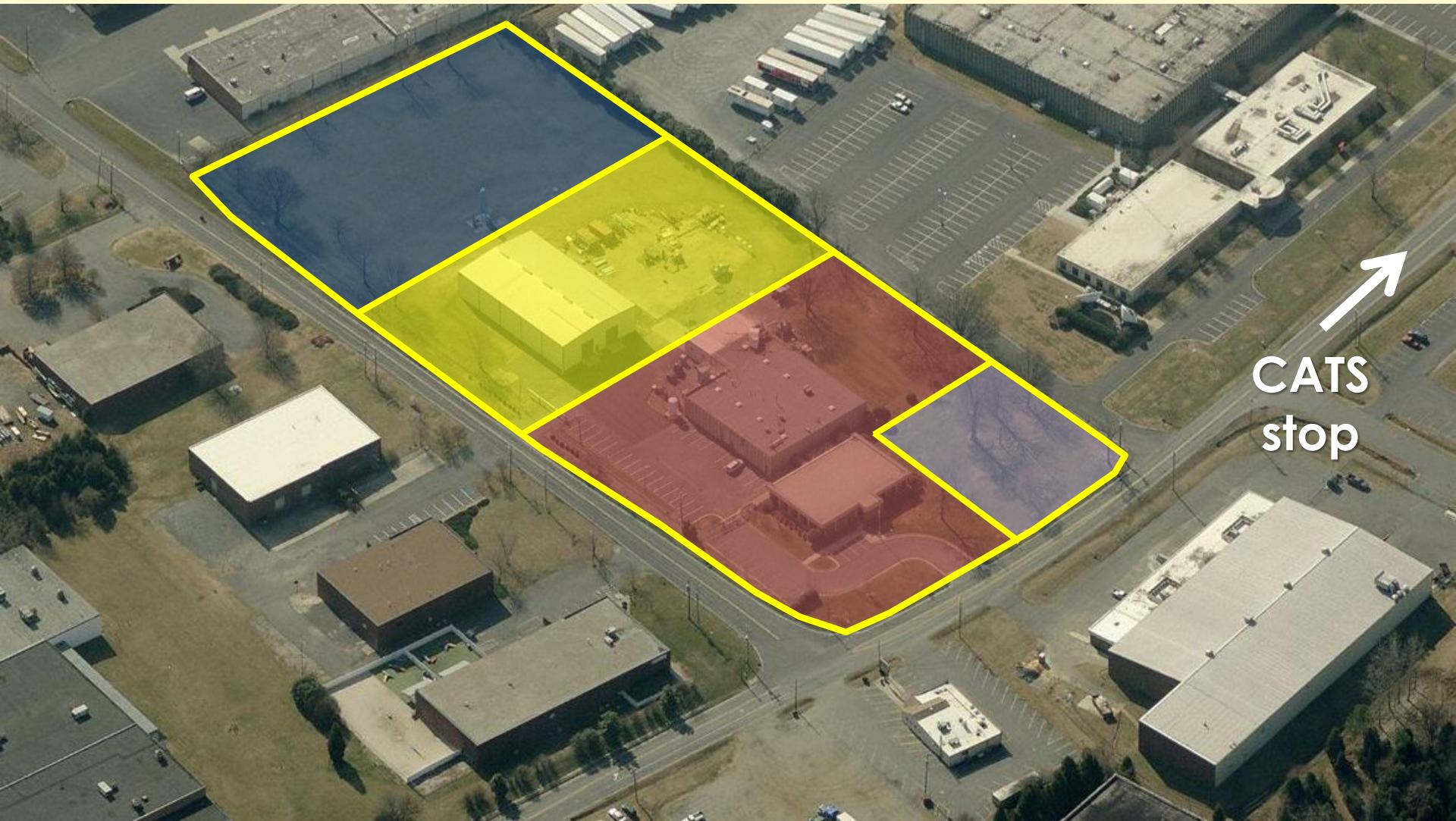
Sidewalk Gaps



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The 50% Rule

Nations Ford Rd. and Downs Rd.





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The 50% Rule

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✓ **Common sense triggers**

- ✓ Focus on thoroughfares
- ✓ Does not apply to single family development
- ✓ Does not apply to small expansions

✓ **Expand flexibility to modify requirements in unique cases**

- ✓ Topography
- ✓ Trees
- ✓ Existing buildings & utilities

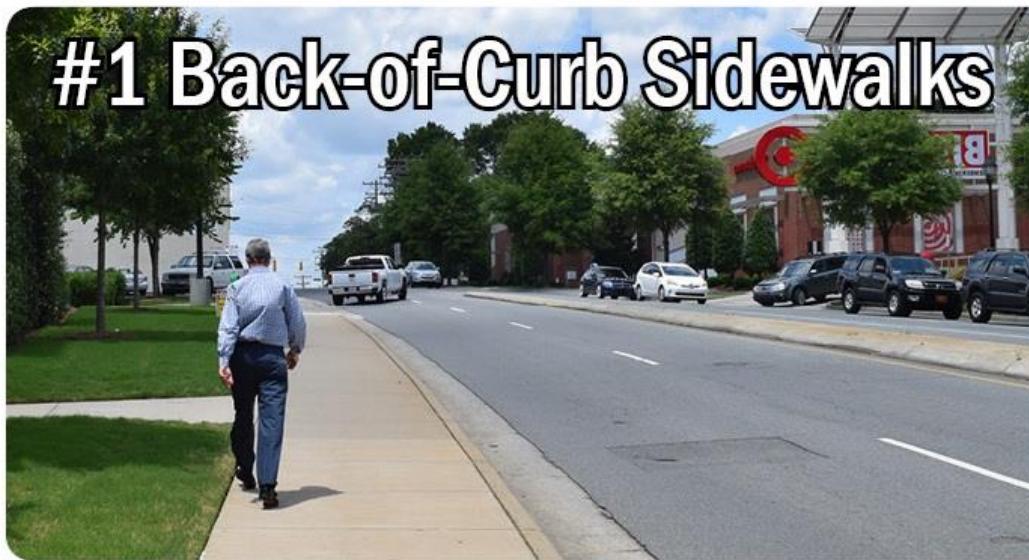




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April 23rd Requested Action

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Thank you!

