



Text Amendment Updates

Schedule and Strategy Update on Text Amendments Transportation, Planning and Development Committee



Agenda

- Clean-up Text Amendment
- > By the Numbers
- > 3 Phases of Residential Text Amendments
 - Phase 1: Conservation Development
 - Phase 2: Compact Development
 - Phase 3: Residential Supply
- Summarizing proposed residential development options in the UDO
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Clean-Up Text Amendment

Text Amendment 2024-033 Background

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ADOPTED BY THE CHARLOTTE CITY COUNCIL ON AUGUST 22, 2022 EFFECTIVE DATE: JUNE 01, 2023

Amended August 21, 2023

- Text Amendment Filed: March 5, 2024
- Updated Filing: April 19, 2024
- Addresses multiple items identified by community, industry, and staff
- Virtual Community Engagement info sessions: May 7, 2024
- Public Hearing: May 20, 2024

Text Amendment 2024-033 Overview

- Updates the UDO for clarity. This includes updates to existing general definitions and introducing definitions for new terms.
- Clarifies existing uses, existing use permissions, and existing prescribed conditions, and introduces new uses and new prescribed conditions.
- **Revises dimensional and design** standards and open space requirements for zoning districts, where applicable.
- Adjusts certain select landscape and tree planting and preservation standards.
- **Re-establishes** an **Alternative Compliance Review Committee** and establishes a framework for alternative compliance with certain select standards.

3 Phases of Residential Text Amendments

By the Numbers

- ~11,300 acres of parcels 2+ acres in the City and ETJ zoned for Neighborhood 1 Uses is developable
 - 55% is within City of Charlotte
 - 45% is within the ETJ
- 24% of total acres in the City and ETJ zoned for Neighborhood 1 uses and developable is within the Critical and Protected Watershed OR the Airport Noise Overlay District
- **143,048** total Neighborhood 1 Housing Units in Charlotte
- 8,844 Neighborhood 1 Housing Units have been submitted by right since 7/1/2023 under the new UDO
 - 3,270 vested

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5,574 sketch plans (not yet vested)



Residential Text Amendment Preview

Conservation (Phase 1)

- *Purpose*: Sites with constraints
- Why Now: Extreme volume of low quality sites being submitted
- Addition after Public Hearing: Added an additional affordable housing incentive



- Purpose: Modern Housing Supply Tool
- Why Now: Create a modern tool for increasing housing supply

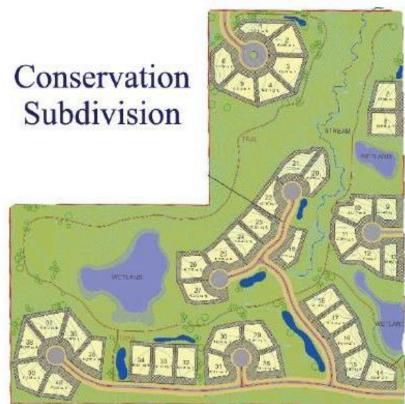
Residential Supply (Phase 3)

- Purpose: Right-size housing diversity/location and add more housing tools
- Why Now: 1 year audit resulted in recommended actions
 - More flexibility for cottage courts
 - More flexibility for ADUs
 - Greater allowance for stacked quads (2 up, 2 down) and townhomes

Phase 1: Conservation Standards

Purpose: Modify standards to improve quality of development and intent of a conservation development

- Require an additional 15% tree save/open space = 40% total
- Increase minimum dimensions and standards of open space
- Require public streets and traditional alleys for limited access
- Require lots to front public streets, green areas, or open spaces (not private streets or alleys)
- > Add additional perimeter buffer (landscape yard) requirements
- NEW! Increase Voluntary Mixed Income Bonus if 50% affordable go up 2 districts in lot standards (e.g., N1-A sites can use N1-C lot standards)



Protecting Mixed Income and Affordable Housing Development

NEW! Increase Voluntary Mixed Income Bonus if 50% affordable go up 2 districts in lot standards (e.g., N1-A sites can use N1-C lot standards)

- Modification to standards is recommended based on conversations with affordable housing development community
- Allows for smaller lot sizes without exchange for other community benefits given the nature of the project providing affordable housing
- All units are not required to be affordable and can be for rent or sale





What are we seeing?

Primary access by alleys instead of public streets [

- Does not meet CDOT standards and will be the responsibility of the HOA
- Lack of full sidewalk system and street trees
- Residents will forever bear costs to maintain roads, water, sewer, and stormwater infrastructure

No commitment to quality usable common open space

 Lots facing onto stormwater facilities, slivers of open spaces with buildings facing onto them, open space inaccessible to residents

Inadequate or missing transition between conservation development and abutting properties Lots facing onto stormwater facilities



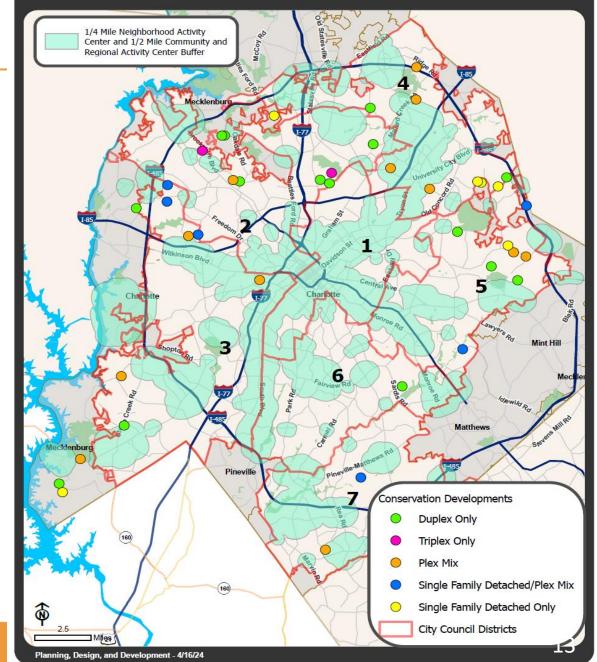
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Conservation: Why Now?

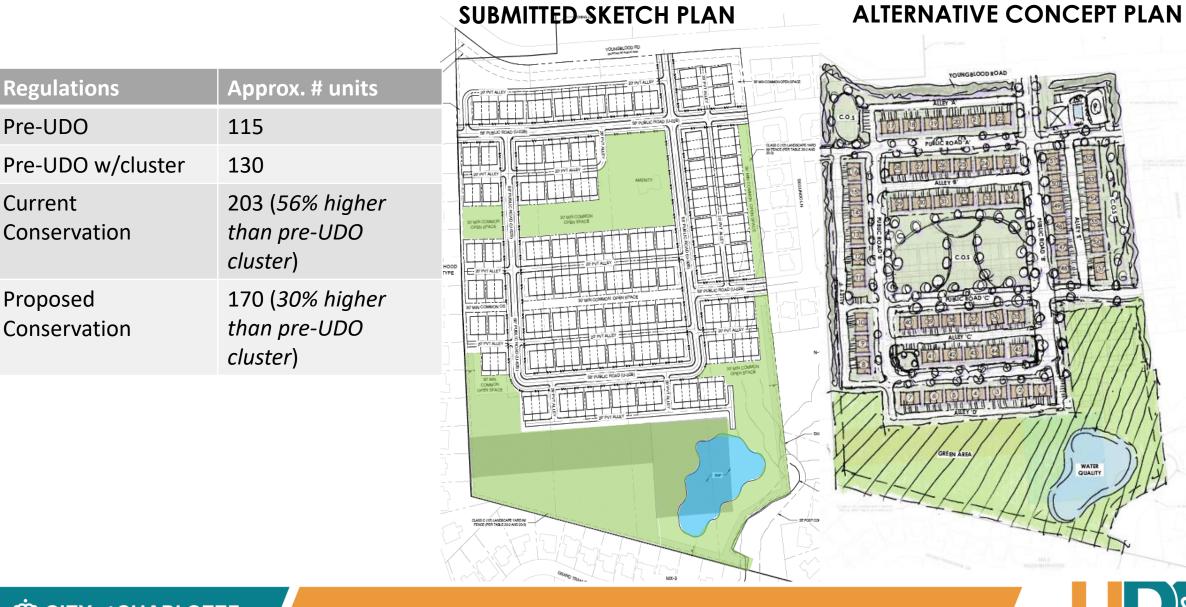
- 92% of submittals using a tool that was intended to be for environmentally sensitive areas
- Large majority are not near centers and large numbers are in the ETJ
- 94% of units in the Arc; 6% in the Wedge

Conservation Developments submitted 6/1/23 - 4/30/24 by Council District



Site Area: 38.6 acres

Zoning: N1-A





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Regulations

Pre-UDO

Current

Proposed

Conservation

Conservation

Compact: Why Now?

- Modern construction in new subdivisions need smaller lot sizes
- The lot standards in the UDO protects lotting patterns in existing neighborhoods
- A tool is needed to capture the current market where financing and the market are aligned with new subdivisions of attached products



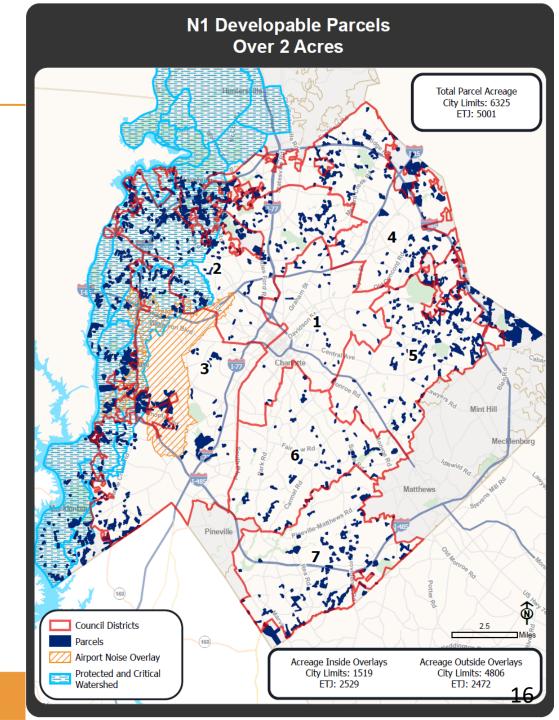


Phase 2: Compact

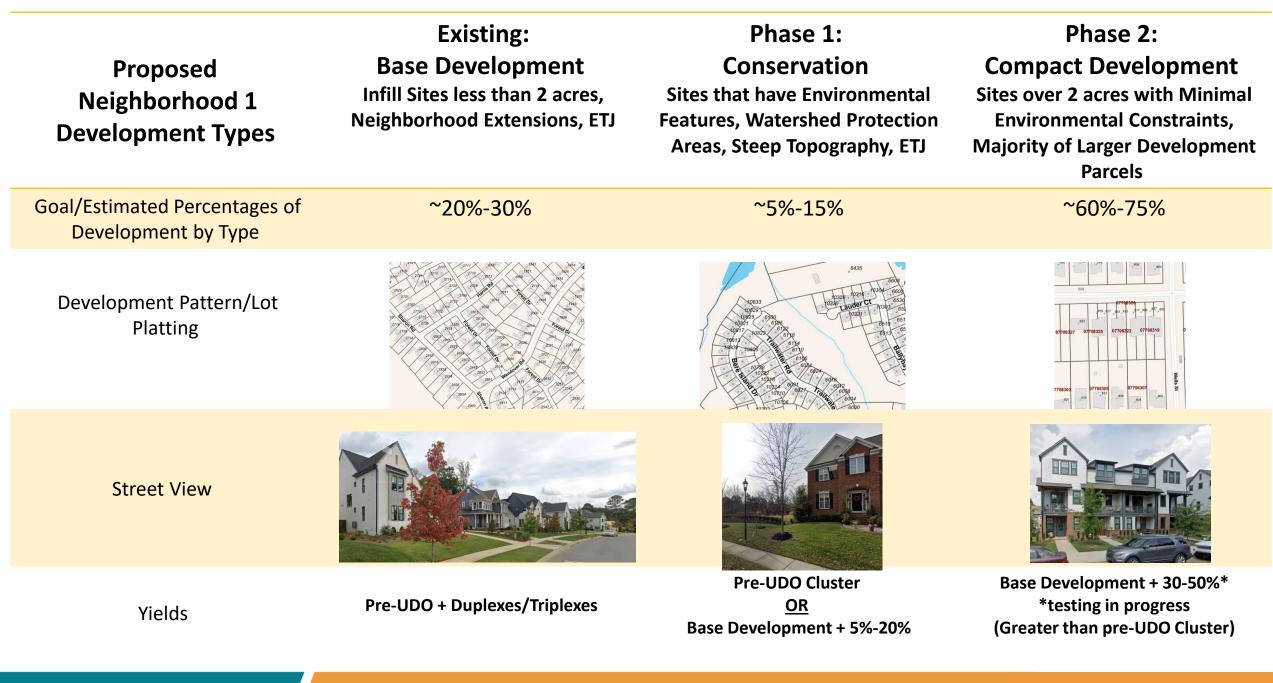
- Create a new by-right development option allowing smaller lots sizes similar to Pre-UDO Cluster Development Standards
- Allow new subdivisions 2+ acres to reduce lots sizes with additional 5% open space

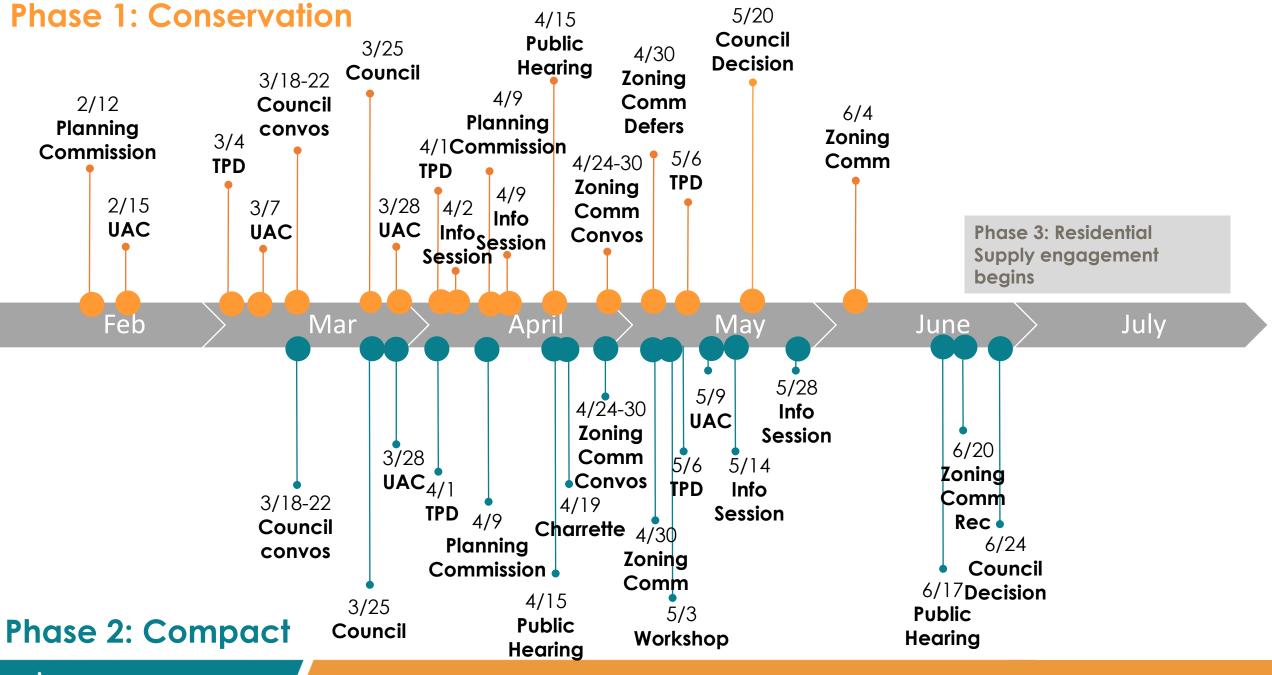
| | Current Min Lot Size | Proposed Min Lot Size | Current Lot Width | Proposed Lot Width |
|------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| N1-A | 10,000 | 5,000 | 70 | 50 |
| N1-B | 8,000 | 3,500 | 60 | 40 |
| N1-C | 6,000 | 3,000 | 50 | 30 |
| N1-D | 3,500 | 3,000 | 40 | 30 |

- Allow everywhere except Protected & Critical Watersheds, Airport Noise Overlay
- Add townhomes in Phase 3 when adjacent to Centers and transit corridors



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Staff Recommended Schedule

Conservation (Phase 1)

- April 30: Zoning Committee Recommendation
 (ZC recommended)
- a deferral until the June 4 meeting)
- May 20: Council Decision

Compact (Phase 2)

- *May 9:* UDO Advisory Committee
- Week of May 13: Filing
- June 17: Public Hearing
- Week of June 17: Zoning Committee Recommendation
- June 24: City Council Decision

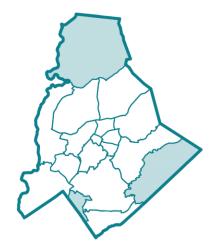
Residential Supply (Phase 3)

- Summer: Research and Engagement
- *Fall:* Public Hearing and City Council Decision



Questions and Discussion





CHARLOTTE FUTURE 2040 COMMUNITY AREA PLANNING

Implementing the Charlotte Future 2040 Comprehensive Plan

TRANSPORTATION, PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MAY 6, 2024

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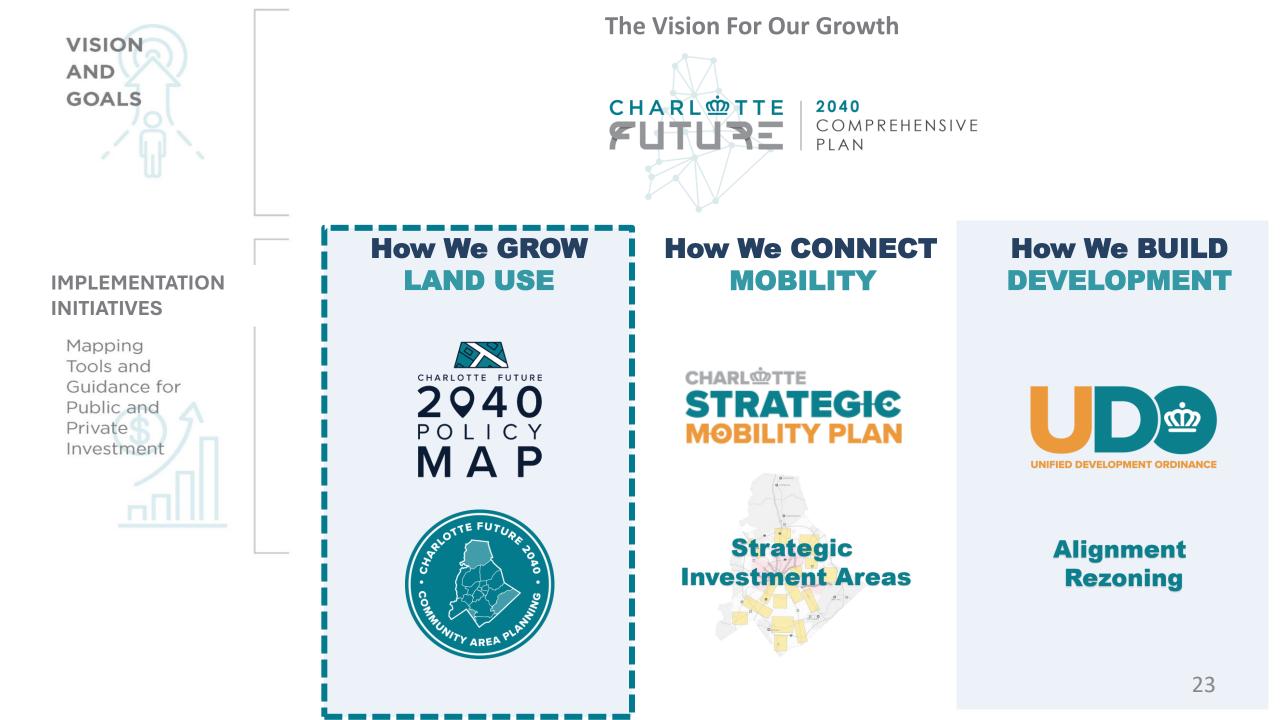


Agenda

Community Area Planning Overview

- Recent Deliverables
 - Revised Policy Map
 - Policy Map Manual
 - Staff Responses to Phase 2 Comments
- Next Steps & Call to Action





Community Area Planning (CAP)



Purpose: Provide <u>community-level guidance</u> for growth & development *(including places, mobility, open space, capital facilities, community facilities & amenities)*

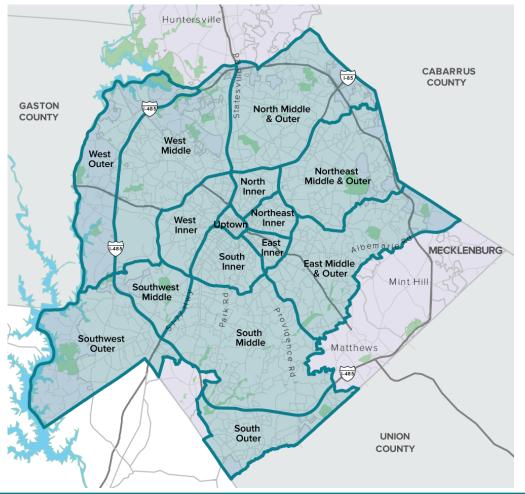
Approach:

- Citywide = Equitable
- Larger geographies = Efficient

Expected Outcomes:

- <u>14 Community Area Plans</u>
 - Policy Map Refinements
 - Planned + Needed Projects/Programs
 - Illustrative Concepts
 - Implementation Strategy
- <u>Refined 2040 Policy Map</u>

Community Area Planning Geographies



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Process + Plan Components



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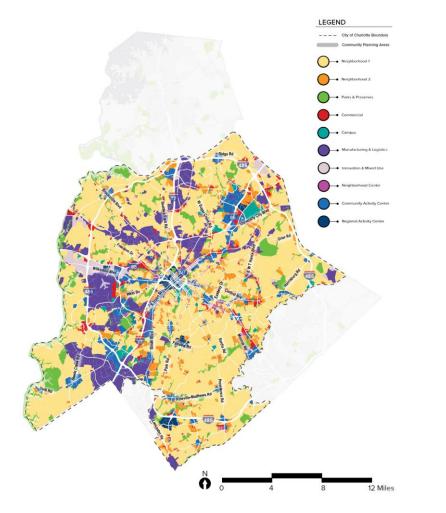


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What is the Policy Map?





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- A translation of the Comprehensive Plan's "place-based" policies to specific geographies and advances the community's vision for growth.
- Provides citywide direction for balancing future needs and opportunities equitably:
 - Aligns future growth with infrastructure capacity
 - Addresses old land use policy by updating the entire city at once (65% of our community has outdated land use policy.

Place Type designations provide guidance for:

- Mix and proportions of land use + Building form and design
- Mobility and parking
- Open space

Refining the 2040 Policy Map



External Engagement

- Input = 42 Workshops, 42 Focus Areas
- Community-Driven Revisions
 - Balancing Priorities
 - <u>Confirming the Vision</u>
 - Enhancing Activity Centers
- Alignment with Vision & Values
- Refined 1% of Policy Map

Internal Engagement

• Input = Partners (Alignment Rezoning, Corridors of Opportunity, Strategic Investment Areas, Park & Rec, Catawba Lands Conservancy, Centralina Council)

Technical Revisions

- Translation corrections
- Edge refinements
- Data updates
- Improved accuracy
- Refined 5% of Policy Map

<u>Total Change</u>: 6% of Policy Map Refined

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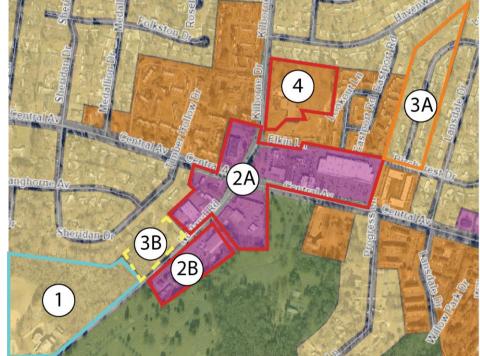


Refining the 2040 Policy Map

Adopted Policy Map

Revised Policy Map





External Engagement 2A: Support Centers 3B: Policy Manual (Future Change)

Internal Engagement 1: UDO Coord. (Campus) 2B & 3A: ARZ Coord. (Entitlements) 4: ARZ Coord. (Edges)

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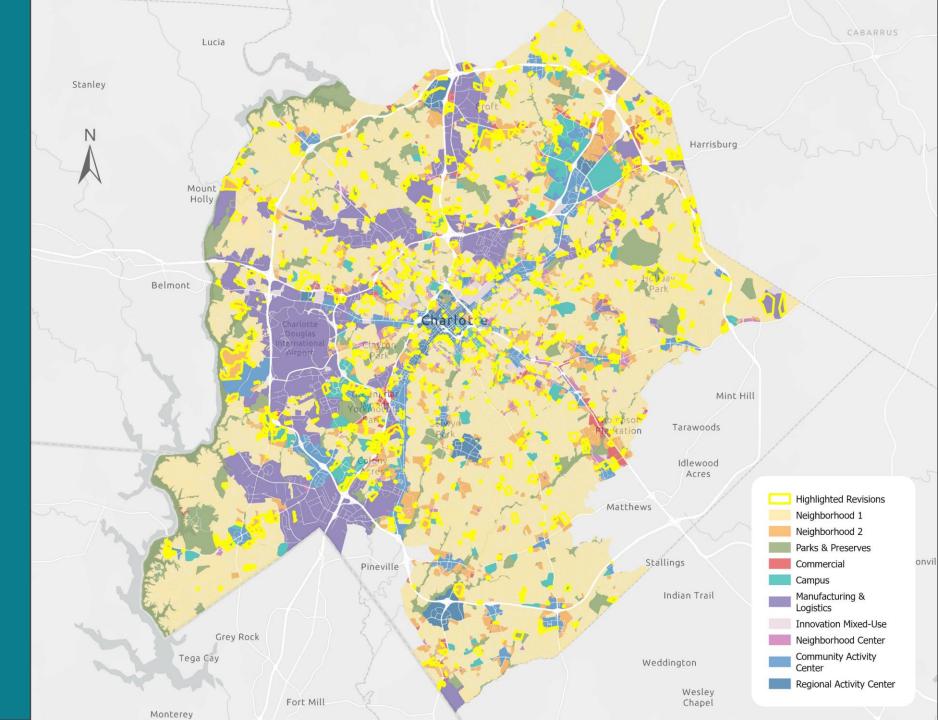
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Revised 2040 Policy Map

Reflects External & Internal Engagement

Total Change: 6%*

*Revisions highlighted in yellow



Policy Map Manual



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- Policy Map Overview
 - Place Types
 - Preferred Adjacencies
- Policy Map + UDO Zoning Districts
- Policy Map Updates
 1. Planning Related Updates
 2. Minor Map Amendments (via Rezonings)
 - 3. Major Map Amendments



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Next Steps

COMMUNITY AREA PLANNING

| Timeline | REVISED POLICY MAP & MANUAL | Ph. 3 CAP ENGAGEMENT | | |
|---------------------|--|--|--|--|
| SPRING '24 | 1st Draft Revised Policy Map + Manual 90-day Public Comment Period | Youth Community Planning Day ARZ Community Workshops CAP Pop-Up Events | | |
| SUMMER '24 | | CAP Focus Groups (UNCC Partnership) City of Charlotte Staff Workshops | | |
| FALL '24 | 2nd Draft Revised Policy Map + Manual 90-day Public Comment Period | Phase 3 CAP Community Workshops (8) | | |
| WINTER '25 | 3rd Draft Revised Policy Map + Manual 90-day Public Comment Period | Public Release: 14 Draft Plans | | |
| CHARLOTTE FUTURE 20 | Substitution Subst | Phase 3 Community Workshops 4 In-Person, 4 Virtual Stations: Mobility, Sustainability + Open Space, Public Services, Comm. Character Objective: Identify Planned + Needed Projects & Programs | | |