

Charlotte Gateway Station Project Update



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Presentation Overview

- Background
- Phase 1: Infrastructure
- Phase 2: Station and P3 Development
- Station Area Plan
- Upcoming Activities





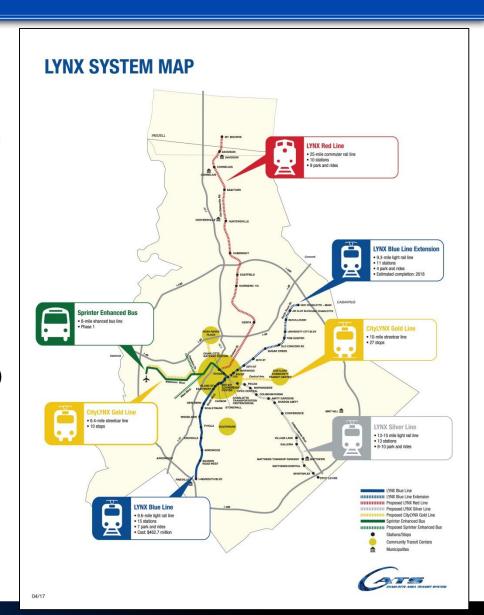
What is Charlotte Gateway Station?



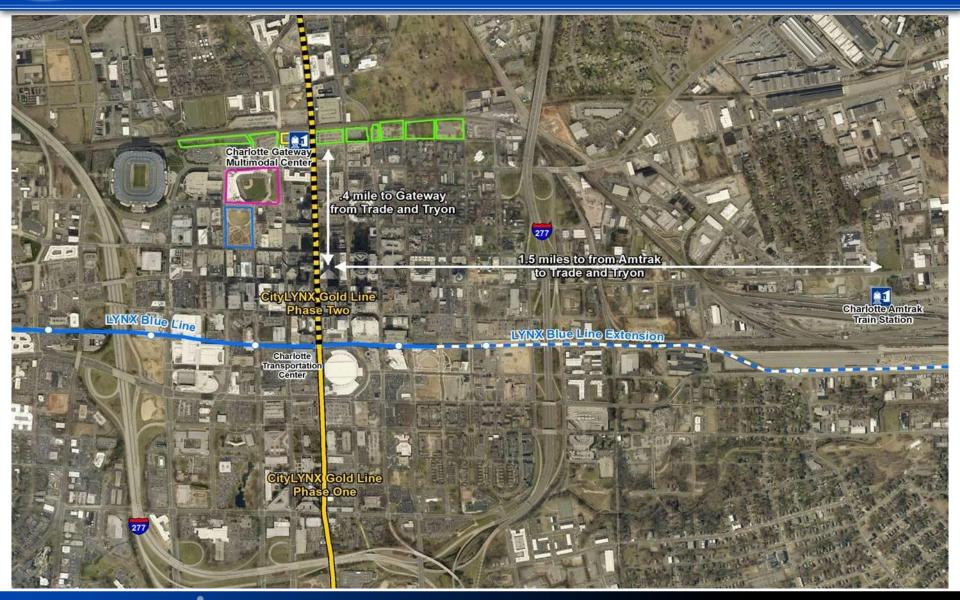


Charlotte Gateway Station

- Keystone Project of the 2030 System Plan
- Signature Downtown Transportation Center
 - Inter-city Passenger Rail (Amtrak)
 - Inter-city Bus (Greyhound and other carriers)
 - Future Commuter Rail Services (NCDOT or CATS)
 - Modern Streetcar (CityLYNX Gold Line)
 - Regional Express and Local Bus (CATS)
- Develop and expand intermodal connections
- Reduce conflicts with freight operations and increase reliability for passenger service













Project Milestones

July 2015 - City of Charlotte awarded a TIGER Grant Becomes the catalyst for other funding sources

TIGER Grant (FRA) - \$30M

(Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery)

STI Funds (State) - \$30M

(Strategic Transportation Investments)

- STP-DA Funds (State/MPO) \$18.75M (Surface Transportation Program Direct Allocation)
- City CIP (City of Charlotte) \$33M





Phase 1 – Laying the Groundwork

Phase 1a - Track, Structures, and Signals (TS&S) Phase 1b - Platform and Canopy

- Will complete fundamental infrastructure needed for Phase 2/Station
- Includes:
 - Five new bridges at West 4th, Trade, 5th and 6th Streets and at Cedar/Greenway
 - ➤ Two 2,000 foot long station tracks
 - Passenger boarding platform and canopy
 - Signals to govern future track operations

Status:

- Funded
- Design and engineering plans nearing completion, along with approvals and partners





Charlotte Gateway Station Phase 1 Infrastructure





Charlotte Gateway Station Phase 2

- City/CATS plans to launch a P3 procurement, seeking private development partners to design and construct permanent passenger/multi-modal station
- Future procurement by City will include Station Area Plan as reference
- City/CATS and NCDOT expect development market will support completion of permanent station and related development

Status:

- City/CATS to release RFQ/P for station and joint development
 - Estimated completion spring/summer 2018
- Strategy development
 - FTA
 - City & County staff
 - Stakeholders
- Prioritize delivery of station





Station Area Plan: Main Block



View of rail station building looking south from Wilkes Place



Station Area Plan: Main Block



View looking west on Trade Street



Upcoming Activities

- Construction/Maintenance Agreements February 2018
- Greyhound Lease March 2018
- Phase 1 begin construction Summer 2018
- P3 Developer RFP/Q Summer 2018
- Phase 1 complete construction Summer 2022





Council Action Required

Agreements required in order to begin bid letting process:

Completed May 22, 2017

- Grant Agreement between the City and the Federal Rail Administration (FRA) as Recipient of FY15 TIGER Discretionary Funding in the amount of \$30 million
- Municipal Agreement between the City and the NCDOT
- Framework Agreement between the City, Norfolk Southern Railroad and NCDOT

Requesting February 12, 2018

- Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a Construction Agreement between the City, Norfolk Southern Railroad and NCDOT
- Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a Maintenance Agreement between the City, Norfolk Southern Railroad and NCDOT