

## Legislation Text

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### University Area Thoroughfares Study

#### **Action:**

- A. Approve a contract for up to \$100,000 with University City Partners for the Charlotte adjacent thoroughfares multimodal solutions study,**
- B. Accept North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) funds in the amount of \$50,000, and**
- C. Adopt a budget ordinance appropriating \$50,000 from NCDOT.**

#### **Staff Resource(s):**

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#### **Explanation**

- University City is poised for significant growth in part to the massive infrastructure investment of the LYNX Blue Line Extension. This will help catalyze redevelopment around key anchors including transit station areas and UNC Charlotte (UNCC).
- UNCC is home to 29,000 students and is projected to grow to 35,000 students in the coming years. University City Partners (UCP) and UNCC anticipate increased movement between campus and new/existing destinations at its periphery.
- UCP and UNCC are committed to improving the safety and accommodation of users at all campus access points. This will be challenging due to the major thoroughfares bordering all sides of campus. Thoroughfare streets connect lower volume streets to high volume streets, and are typically classified as Avenues or Boulevards.
- To this end, UCP and UNCC are interested in examining points of ingress and egress for all campus users, as well as their chosen transportation modes, in an effort to improve the comfort, safety, and function of the current environment and minimize/eliminate potential conflicts.
- Developing a set of solutions collaboratively with all stakeholders including UNCC, UCP, CDOT, and NCDOT will better position these organizations to develop public-private partnerships and investigate other funding opportunities.
- The total cost of the study is \$200,000, with the City of Charlotte, UCP, UNCC, and NCDOT each contributing \$50,000 towards the Charlotte Adjacent Thoroughfares Multimodal Solutions Study, which will occur in Council District 4.
- The City administers funds for NCDOT and acts as a funding pass-through to approved organizations and projects.

#### **Fiscal Note**

Funding: General Community Investment Plan

#### **Attachment(s)**

Budget Ordinance