

Legislation Text

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Public Comment on the Strategic Mobility Plan

Action:

Receive public comment on the Strategic Mobility Plan.

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Explanation

- The Strategic Mobility Plan (SMP) is intended to shape a new mobility future for the City of Charlotte by expanding on the "Safe and Equitable Mobility" goal of the Charlotte Future 2040 Comprehensive Plan. The SMP provides an in-depth look into the mobility policies of the 2040 Plan with the objective of achieving a safe, connected, equitable, sustainable, prosperous, and innovative mobility vision for Charlotte.
- The SMP integrates various modes of travel into a single system that moves Charlotte by focusing on the intersection of four frameworks: transit, bicycle, pedestrian, and street and roadway.
- This updated transportation plan continues to build on previously adopted City Council plans including, Envision My Ride, Charlotte BIKES, Charlotte WALKS, the Vision Zero Action Plan, and the Transportation Action Plan.
- Policies in the SMP also align directly with the Subdivision, Streets, & Other Infrastructure section of the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO). Additionally, the Charlotte Streets Manual, Streets Map, and Comprehensive Transportation Review Guidelines, which serve as supporting documents to the UDO, are guided by the SMP.
- Community engagement was foundational in the development of the SMP. Engagement included 4,000 responses across two surveys focused on mobility choices, over 100 participants in listening sessions specific to seven geographies across the City, and 1,000 location-specific transportation comments.
- The first draft of the SMP was released online on May 20, 2022, and is available on the City's website at www.charlottenc.gov/smp.
- The public has been engaging with the draft SMP in several ways, including:
 - Attending virtual public engagement sessions, two of which were offered at 6:00 p.m. on May 26 and at 12:00 p.m. on May 31,
 - Watching the informational SMP Show that aired on the Gov Channel and is available on the City's YouTube Channel at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jBVoH4aitks>.
 - Reviewing the draft and providing comments directly in the document through the Public Input site, <https://publicinput.com/cltsmp>, and
 - Sending feedback anytime to charlottedot@charlottenc.gov.
- The SMP was discussed with full City Council during the Strategy Session on June 6, 2022, as well as during the Annual Strategy Meeting in October 2021, and the Action Review on December 13, 2021. The Transportation and Planning Committee has also received information about the SMP during their meetings in January, February, March, and May 2022.
- The final draft of the SMP is planned to be presented to City Council for consideration on June 27.