



**CITIZENS TRANSIT ADVISORY GROUP (CTAG)
Agenda**

Tuesday, November 15th, 2022

7:30 am to 9:00 am

**Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center
WebEx Conference Meeting**

- I. **Call to Order** Edward Tillman, CTAG Co-Chairman
- II. **Approval of October 18th, 2022 Meeting Summary**
- III. **LYNX Silver Line Update: Potential LPA Refinements & Center City Evaluation** Andy Mock
- IV. **Cancellation of December 2022 Meeting** Edward Tillman, CTAG Co-Chairman
- V. **CEO's Comments** John Lewis, Jr.
- VI. **Other Business**
- VII. **Adjourn**

CITIZENS TRANSIT ADVISORY GROUP (CTAG)
Meeting Summary
October 18th, 2022
DISCUSSION SUMMARY

Present: Edward Tillman, City of Charlotte, CTAG Co-Chairman
Anna Davis, Town of Cornelius
Kevin Walsh, Town of Huntersville
Donald Rhodes, Town of Matthews
Jessi Healey, Town of Mint Hill
Justin Musick, Town of Pineville

Staff: John Lewis Jr, Blanche Sherman, Brandon Hunter, Jason Lawrence, David Moskowitz,
Nicki Galloway, Kelly Goforth, Brad Thomas, Rachael Gragg, Paulus Ford
Meeting time 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

I. Call to Order

The regular meeting of CTAG was called to order at 7:34am by Co-Chairman Edward Tillman (City of Charlotte) via WebEx conferencing.

II. Approval of Meeting Summary from September 20th, 2022 – Approved

III. Charlotte Transit Center Update (presentation attached) – **Jason Lawrence, CATS Planning Director presented the updates for the Charlotte Transit Center Update.**

Discussion: During the temporary service modifications. The discussion made mention of ridership, manpower challenges, retention which included increased compensation for operators and updated safety measures.

IV. CEO Comments – John Lewis, Jr. – Chief Executive Officer, Charlotte Area Transit System announced his resignation effective November 30, 2022. Mr. Lewis thanked CTAG board and CATS’ employees for 7 years of awesome accomplishments and work during his tenure. CTAG, unanimously, thanked Mr. Lewis for his service to CATS community.

V. Other Business – None

VI. Adjourn

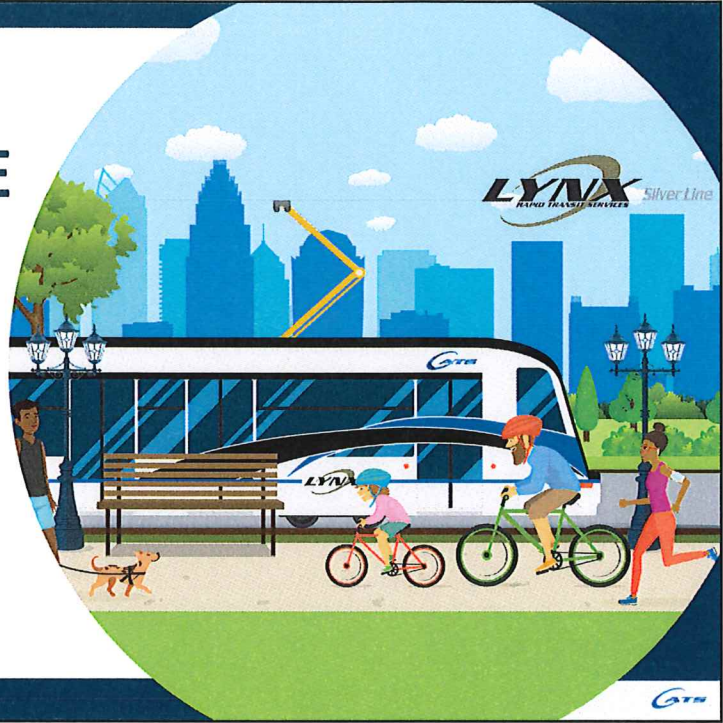
The meeting was adjourned at 8:02am

NEXT CTAG MEETING: NOVEMBER 15TH, 2022 AT 7:30 AM

LYNX SILVER LINE LIGHT RAIL

Citizens Transit
Advisory Group

November 15, 2022



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Today's Purpose



LYNX Silver Line
light rail update



Proposed
Refinement at
Bojangles
Coliseum Area



Potential Center City
Alternatives and
Morehead Extension



Answer
questions

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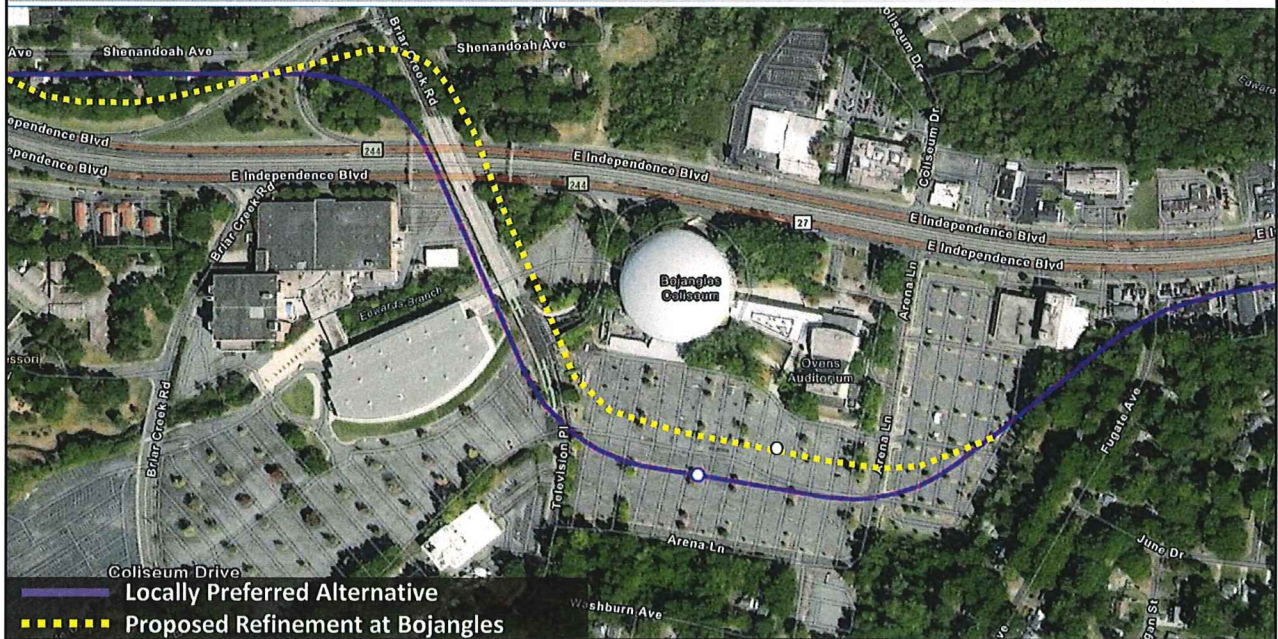
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Bojangles Coliseum: Proposed Refinement



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Proposed Refinement at Bojangles Coliseum Area







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Bird's Eye View Looking Southeast Along Independence Blvd



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Bojangles Coliseum Area: Comparison of Options

	① LPA	② Proposed Refinement
 <p>Local Connectivity</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pedestrian street crossing required from station to Bojangles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better pedestrian access to Bojangles Coliseum & Ovens • Better bus and special event circulation
 <p>Development Opportunities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reconfigured street network creates difficult access to some parcels 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better access to Park Expo
 <p>Environmental Considerations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lower bridge over Independence Boulevard • Potential neighborhood traffic impacts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher bridge over Independence Boulevard • Potential visual and noise concerns
 <p>Coordination with Others</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires major change to street network potentially impacting NCDOT roads 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Less change to existing street network

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1 11th Street Alternative (LPA)



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3 Shared Gold Line Alternative





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LYNX Silver Line: Comparison of Alternatives			
	① LPA / 11 th Street	② Shared Blue Line	③ Shared Gold Line
Key Destinations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CGS • Blue Line • First Ward • Fourth Ward 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CTC • South End • Blue Line & Stations • Gold Line 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gold Line • Gov. District • Blue Line • CGS • CTC • CPCC Main
Travel Time from Conference Drive Station 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 34 minutes to CTC (transfer required) • 27 minutes to CGS (direct trip) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 27 minutes to CTC (direct trip) • 42 minutes to CGS (transfer required) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25 minutes to CTC (direct trip) • 30 minutes to CGS (direct trip)
Cost 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long bridge adds substantial cost 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Substantially lower cost alternative than LPA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Substantially lower cost alternative than the LPA

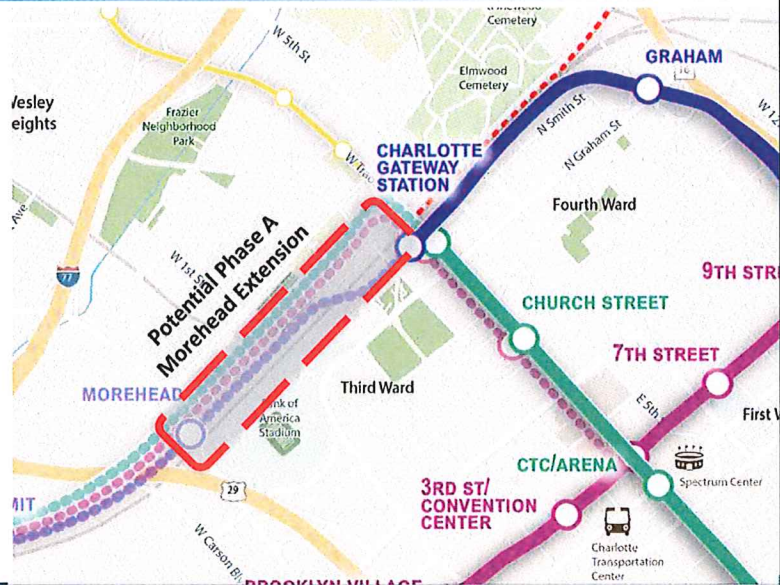
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LYNX Silver Line: Comparison of Alternatives			
	① LPA / 11 th Street	② Shared Blue Line	③ Shared Gold Line
Environmental Considerations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New elevated alignment • Less disruption to traffic • Potential visual concerns near a historic residential neighborhood 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uses existing transit corridor • Potentially fewer environmental concerns • Traffic concerns at cross streets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uses existing transit corridor • Potentially fewer environmental concerns • Requires reconstruction of Trade Street; potential business impacts
Development Opportunities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Station integrated into CGS development • Serves potential 11th Street development areas in Phase A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serves potential 11th Street development areas in Phase A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides access to jobs, direct transit access at CTC and CGS, and education at CPCC

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Potential Morehead Extension

- Morehead extension in Phase A possible for **LPA** and for **Shared Gold Line**
 - **Shared Blue Line** does not serve this area in Phase A
- **LPA** extension would require costly bridge construction over Norfolk Southern
- **Shared Gold Line** extension would continue under the existing Norfolk Southern bridge



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Upcoming Public Engagement

1. Live Virtual Public Meetings in Early November

- Tuesday, Nov. 1 (5:30 PM)
- Wednesday, Nov. 2 (Noon)
- Streamed via CATS YouTube; recordings available for later viewing



2. Online Open House

- Available Nov. 1 – Nov. 17 on CATS website (Ridetransit.org/LYNXSilverLine)
- Includes new information and survey for feedback

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Upcoming Meetings

October 26	Metropolitan Transit Commission (MTC) information
November 1-2	Live virtual public meetings
November 7	Charlotte City Council Transportation & Planning Committee
November 10	Transit Services Advisory Committee
December 21	MTC information
January 9	Charlotte City Council Transportation & Planning Committee
January 25	MTC action

