



## **Charlotte Equitable Development Commission**

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**Thursday May 18, 2023**

**11:30 – 1:00 p.m.**

**Charlotte Mecklenburg Government Center**

**Room 278**

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### **AGENDA**

- I. Agenda Overview and Opening Remarks from Chair**
- II. Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Overview**
  - Informational presentation on the proposed FY2024 budget
- III. Work Plan Discussion**
  - Review responses provided by commission members
  - Priority rank areas of interest

#### On The Horizon

- Council Budget Adjustments Meeting: 5/22/2023 at 3:30
- Council Budget Straw Votes Meeting: 5/25/2023 at 12:00
- Budget, Governance, & Intergovernmental Committee Meeting: 6/5/2023 at 12:00
- Council vote on Budget Adoption: 6/12/2023

**Upcoming Meeting:** June 15, 2023 at 11:30

**Staff Resource:** Liz Babson, Assistant City Manager



## Charlotte Equitable Development Commission

### April 20, 2023 Meeting Summary

**Commission Members:** Caleb Theodros (Chair), Nadia Anderson, Jordan Brooks-Adams, Mattie Marshall, Trevor Melito, Carolyn Millen, Williams Hughes, and Richard Saltrick were present.

**Commission Purpose Statement:** The Commission is charged with advising in the assessment of infrastructure throughout the city and recommending strategies that balance equitable investments in areas most in need, including areas with absent and insufficient facilities, areas growing fastest, and areas targeted for growth.

**City Support Staff:** Liz Babson (City Manager's Office), Marie Harris (Strategy and Budget), Cherie Smith (Strategy and Budget), Hannah Bromberger (Transportation), Kelly Goforth (CATS), Jason Lawrence (CATS), and Laura Bandara (Urban Design Center).

#### Agenda Overview

Chair Caleb Theodros provided an overview of the agenda.

#### Charlotte Area Transit System – Equitable Transit Oriented Development Study

Laura Brandara, Planning Project Manager from Urban Design Center, presented on an equitable transit-oriented development (ETOD) study for the LYNX Silver line. Through this study, the city project management team will be able to develop policy and programs to mitigate displacement of residents and small businesses as a significant amount of the populations were found to be vulnerable to displacement with proposed Silver line stations. ETOD is a community-driven planning process that is both equity oriented and focuses on anti-displacement. The city will be partnering with an experienced consultant to carry out the community outreach. Timeline of the study will go to council for approval in June and targets to start in July with a 2-year time span to carry out the study and to develop implementable plan.

#### Charlotte Area Transit System – Charlotte Equitable Development Commission

Jason Lawrence presented on CATS' a new vision of the mobility landscape for bus network, including Mobility Hubs, Micro transit, High Frequency Network, Bus Priority Corridors, first/last mile connection, etc. The commission will use new amenity approach to identify bus stop improvements. Charlotte Transportation Center has endorsement from City Council to adopt concourse design for redevelopment.

#### Incorporation of Equity into Mobility Project Prioritization - Update

Hannah Bromberger from Transportation updated on progress of the development of a new data-driven project identification and prioritization process to incorporate the safe and equitable mobility goals outlined in the Strategic Mobility Plan. New materials and next steps discussed with City Council during the April 3, 2023, Transportation, Planning and Development Committee were reviewed with the Commission. The next deliverable is the development of Strategic Investment Areas; this work is currently ongoing. The draft Strategic Investment Areas will be presented to the Commission later this year in advance of community engagement in 2024.

#### Work Plan Discussion

Chair asked members to review, add and select top interest items (from list established from last meeting) for future discussions/review. Bolded items below were proposed by members.

- Bus Stops
- Bus stop amenity (new)
- Street Lighting
- **Affordable Housing on Light Rail**
- Looking at other areas of capital projects through equitable lens like is now in place for Sidewalk prioritization
- Gold Line Phase 3 (and potential of displacement)
- Uptown Transit Center
- Traffic calming on east side
- Silver Line
- **Corridors of Opportunity and equitable parameters across all corridors** (not spending all funds in one area and not having for the others)
- **UDO policy coming in effect in June**
- Transit Overlay of all components
- **ETOD** (new)

In planning for upcoming Commission meeting, the team discussed a proposed FY 2024 Budget overview, UDO and ETOD update at the May meeting.

### **Upcoming Meetings**

Next CEDC meeting on May 18, 2023 at 11:30 a.m.

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 2:00 p.m.