

Community Update



LYNX Blue Line Extension

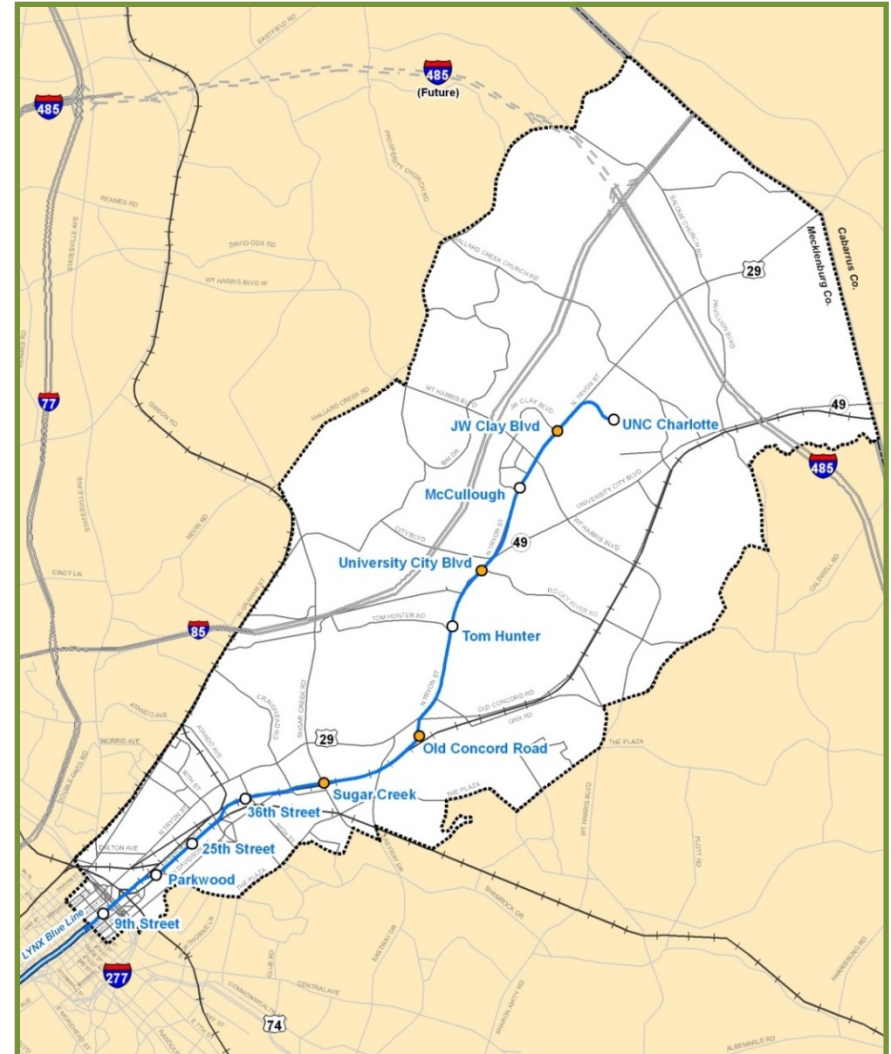
May 21 and 30, 2013

Tonight's Meeting

- Project Overview
- Current Activities
- Project Impacts
- Communication
- Breakout Groups

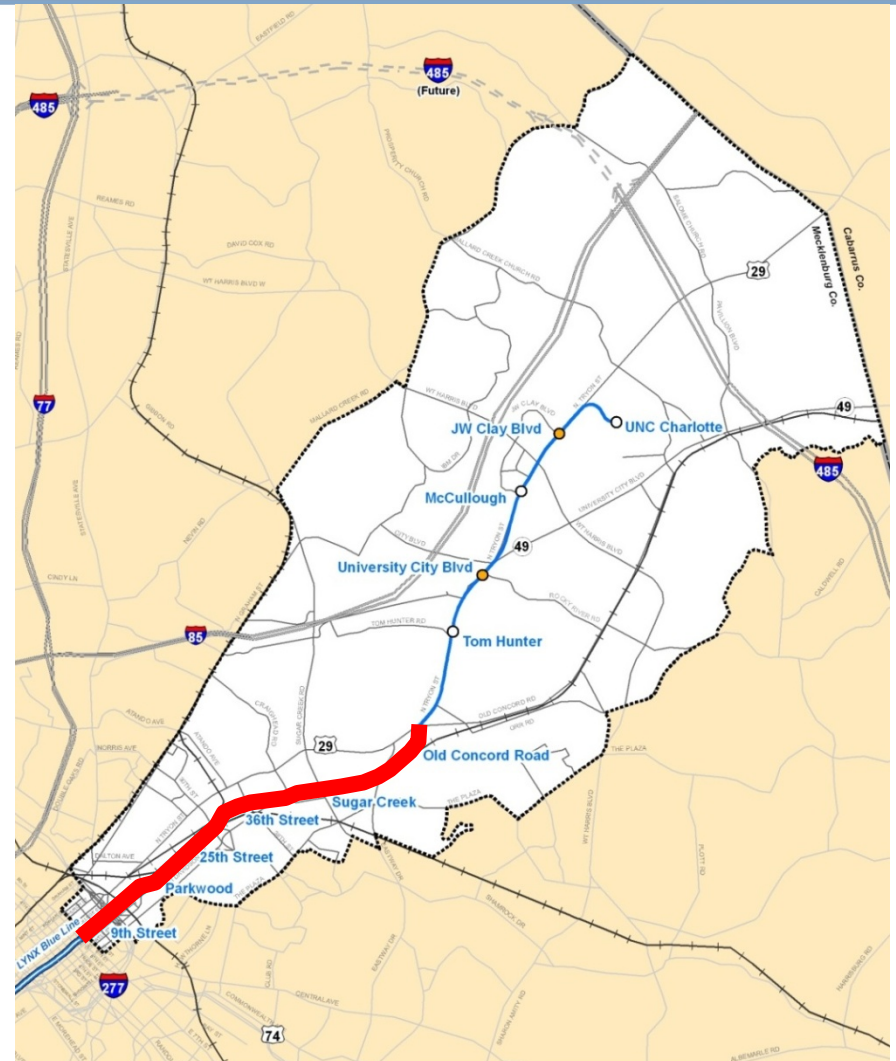
Project Overview

- 9.3 miles, 11 stations
- 4 park and ride facilities
- Approximately 3,100 parking spaces
- Accommodates 3-car trains
- 25,000+ daily riders
- Improvements to North Tryon St.
- Connects UNC Charlotte campuses
- 22 minutes from Uptown to UNC Charlotte
- Initial peak period service 7.5 minute frequency
- Connecting bus services
- Revenue service in 2017



Railroad Section

- Uptown Charlotte
- Railroads
- Historic Districts
- Industry
- Residential Neighborhoods





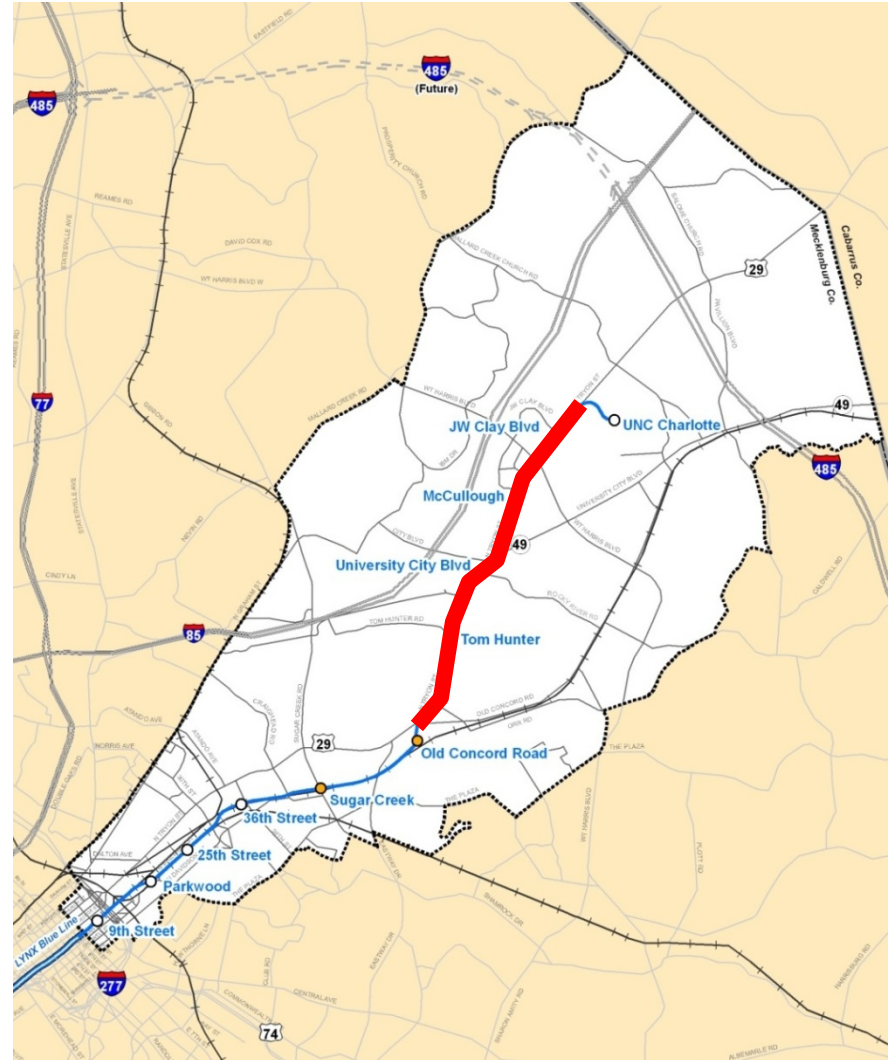
**9th Street- Uptown
Charlotte**



36th Street Station - NoDa

North Tryon Roadway Section

- NCDOT
- Business Coordination
 - Signs
 - Access
- Traffic Management



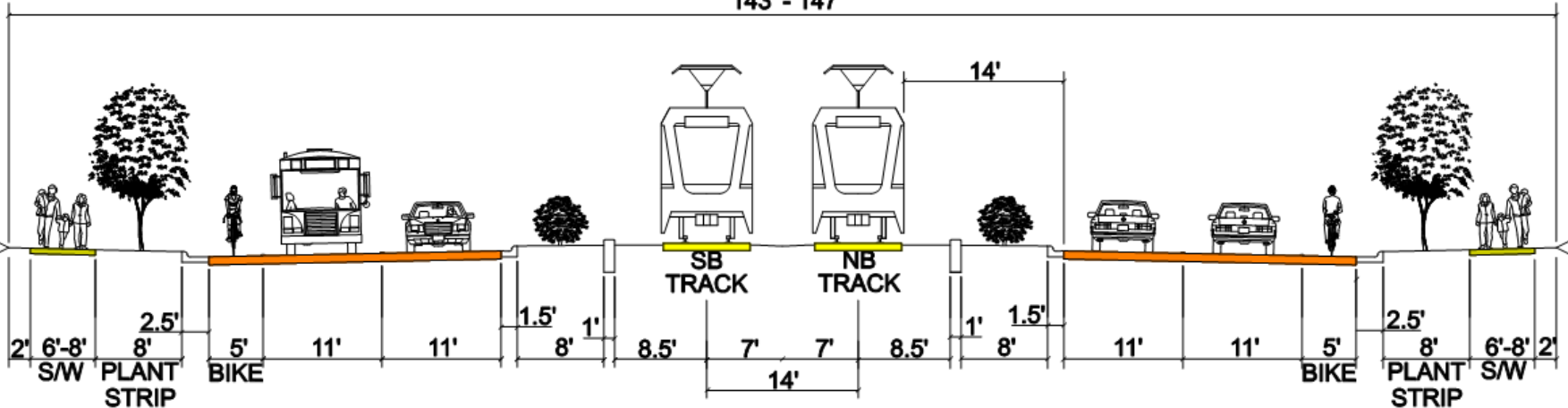


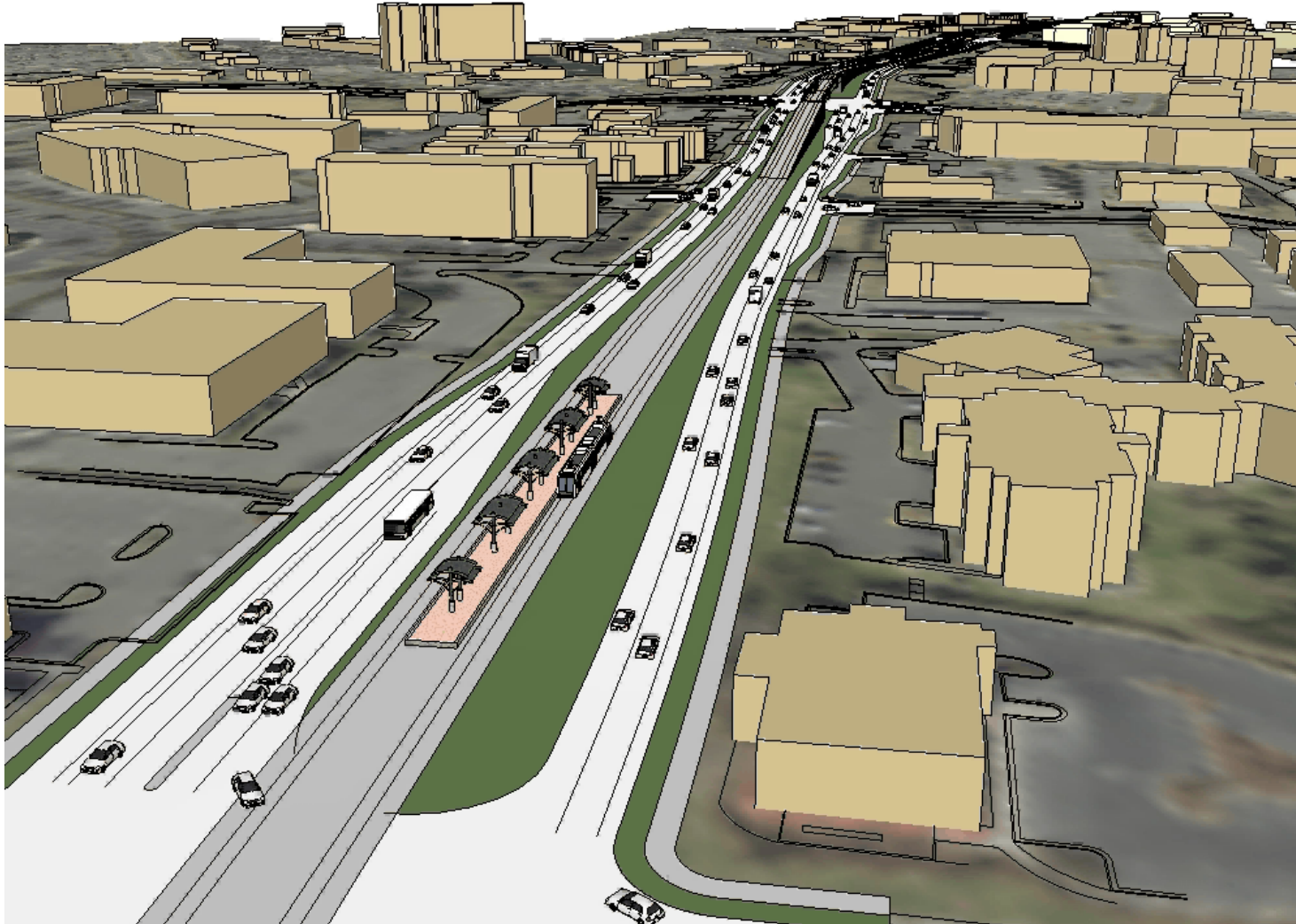
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MOVING CHARLOTTE FORWARD

Blue Line Extension: Northeast Corridor

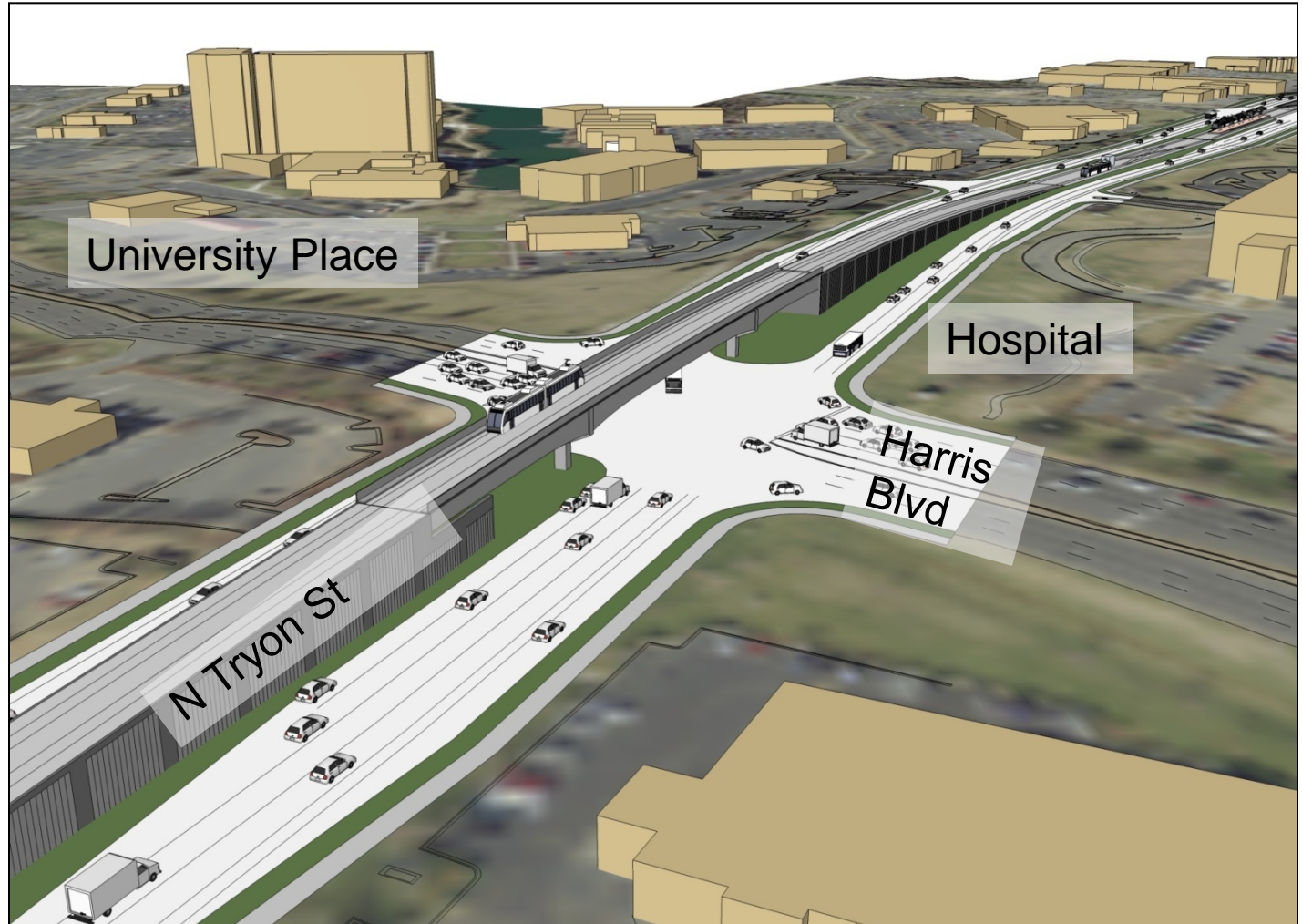
143' - 147'





McCullough Station

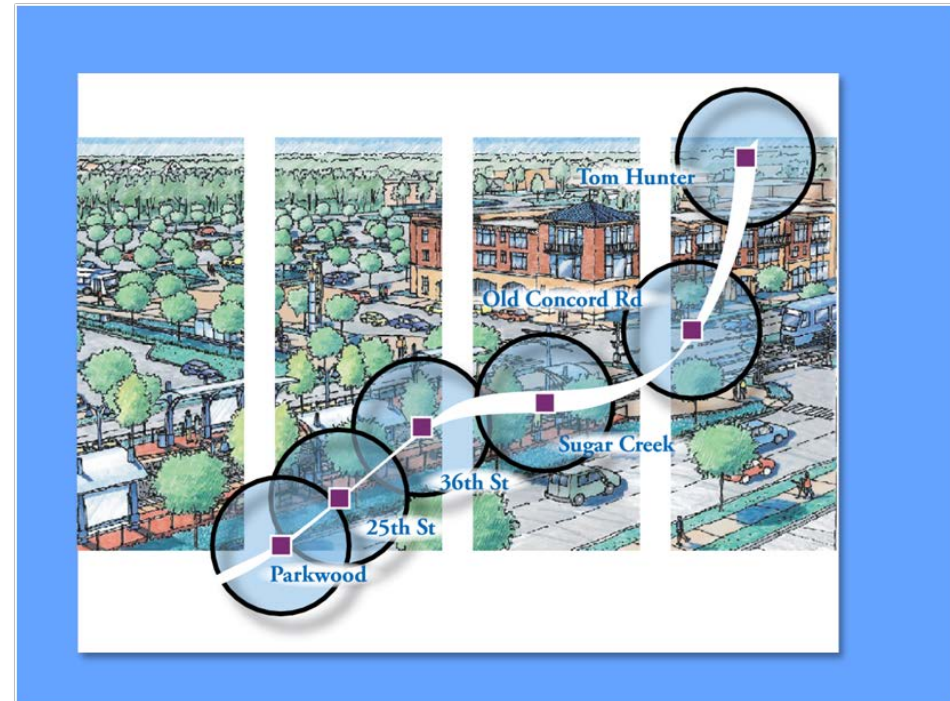
Light rail
bridge over
W.T. Harris
Boulevard



Milestone	Date
State Funding Agreement Signed	March 2012
FTA Approval to Enter Final Design	May 2012
Federal Funding Agreement Signed	October 2012
Advanced Utility Relocation Begins	June 2013
Right-of-Way Acquisitions Complete	January 2014
Start Major Civil Construction	January 2014
Begin Testing and Integration	December 2016
Initiate Revenue Service	March 2017

Current Activities

- Real Estate acquisition underway
 - 309 parcels
 - 16 business relocations
- BLE Transit Station Area Plans
 - Council approval this May
- Demolition
 - 9 structures, begins this month
- Advanced Utility Contracts



Advanced Utility Relocation

Types of work:

- Grading and drainage
- Public and private utilities
- Joint duct banks
- Retaining walls
- Duke transmission

Likely impacts of construction:

- Traffic
- Parking
- Access
- Visibility



Supporting the Community

- Points of contact
 - Business Liaison
 - Community Relations Specialist
- Agency coordination
 - Engineering & Property Management, CATS, Corporate Communications, CDOT, Neighborhood and Business Services, Zoning, Planning, NCDOT, UNC Charlotte, Railroads
- Communications Strategy
 - Public meetings, social media, CharlotteFuture.com, mailers, Notify Me, marketing collateral
- Collaboration
 - Residents, businesses, and non-profits





Signage Samples



Direct Mail Sample



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▶▶ ALL ABOARD!

LYNX Blue Line Extension Public Meetings

Join us for an update on the LYNX Blue Line Extension light rail project as we prepare for the construction phase. Find out what to expect in your area during the next few months. We will provide information about the Blue Line Extension Transit Station Area Plans and the real estate process. We will also share ways you can stay connected with the latest information throughout the construction phase.

May 21, 2013

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Oasis Shriner's Center
604 Doug Mayes Place
Charlotte, NC 28262

May 30, 2013

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Sugaw Creek Presbyterian Church
101 West Sugar Creek Road
Fellowship Hall
Charlotte, NC 28213

(Please note the same information will be presented at both meetings.)

For more information about the meetings or bus routes near the meeting locations, contact 704-336-RIDE (7433) or visit www.ridetransit.org.

Partnerships are Key!

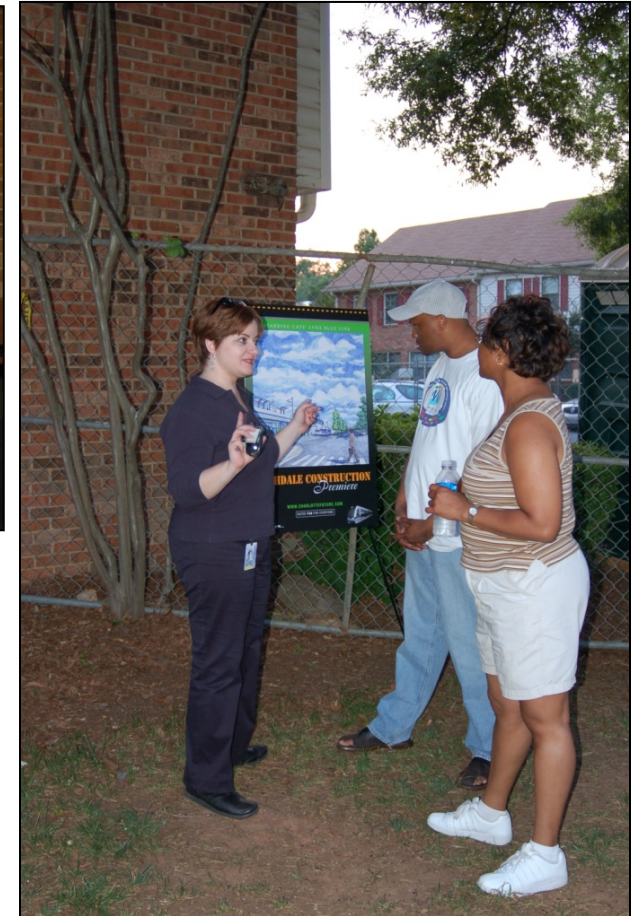
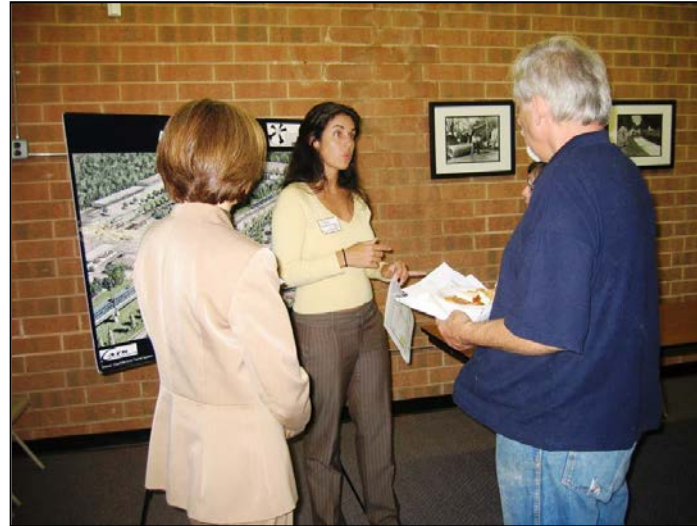
Ways to Engage...

- Request a project update at your neighborhood meeting
- Distribute information about the project at your business or neighborhood organizations
- Host an information session




How We Will Keep You Informed

- Field office
- Community activities
- Open houses
- Neighborhood / Community presentations
- Business signage
- Flyers, posters, door hangers
- Social media



How You Can Stay Informed

- www.CharlotteFuture.com
 - Notify Me  **Notify Me**
FOR PAGE UPDATES
- bluelineextension@charlottenc.gov
- 704-336-RIDE (7433)
- 311- City/County customer service
- Future public involvement opportunities



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Breakout Groups

- Advanced Utility Relocation
- Transit Station Area Plans
- Art in Transit
- Real Estate
- NCDOT
- Neighborhood & Business Services
- Small Business Services / DBE / Contract Opportunities

