

Recommended Draft Plan Comments (published on May 20, 2021)
10-Minute Neighborhood and Retain Identity & Charm

Date	Comment Source	Comment Category	General Comment Category	Summarized Comment	Staff Response
5.24.21	Email	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	New objective language under Goal 1 states, "Not all neighborhoods are expected to include every essential amenity, good, or service, but every resident should have access within a ½ mile walk or a 2-mile bike or transit trip." This new sentence adds more confusion than resolution.	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.25.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Opposition to Goal 1.31, "Establish an Infrastructure Advisory Council to assist in the assessment of infrastructure throughout the city and develop 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," as this was created ad-hoc during a City Council meeting without proper vetting and community input.	Your opposition and support to the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate the community's feedback and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Goal 1: 10-Minute Neighborhood policy recommends encouraging higher density Mixed-Use in neighborhoods & to require Community Benefits. What means will be used to do this?	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Goal 1: 10-Minute Neighborhood policy recommends implementing complete neighborhood policies that encourage mixes of different types of uses. What neighborhood policies will be implemented that ‘encourage a mixture of uses?	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Goal 1: 10-Minute Neighborhood policy recommends expanding access to childcare and pre-K programs, prioritizing support for programs serving neighborhoods that are currently lacking these facilities. What happens to uses-by-right? Most neighborhood infill is residential so what community benefit could be provided except extortion of money.	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Opposition to ‘comfortable, tree-shaded’ language in Goal 1: 10-Minute Neighborhood description.	Opposition to the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate the community's feedback and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Goal 1's 10-minute recommendation is too dense for Neighborhood 1 & 2 Place Types. A 20-minute goal is still aspirational & more likely to be achieved.	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Opposition to Goal 1's big policy idea, which states "Create a culture of developer-community collaboration through Community Benefit Agreements"	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Goal 1 poliy recommendations are conflicting: it is important to encourage equity not equality. Infill should be contextual. For example, there is no reason to build 600ft of road for a remnant tract of land with a curb & sidewalk when it's in the middle of a 1940's neighborhood and no sidewalk or curb for at least a mile.	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Goal 1: 10-Minute Neighborhood policy recommends supporting the development of neighborhoods with increased accessibility via multiple transportation modes to a variety of destinations. Recommendation to be more specific here. Example, the waivers/ variances for Connectivity requirements imposed by USDG's.	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Goal 1: 10-Minute Neighborhood policy recommends securing through Community Benefit Agreements, or consider creating an incentive, to encourage housing developments that include childcare facilities or that provide funding for such facilities. Using CBA to require childcare in every neighborhood and funding to provide for someone else's childcare is extortion/ impact fees not allowed by state law.	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
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5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Goal 1: 10-Minute Neighborhood policy recommends ensuring adequate structures, systems (large tree wells or planting strips, structural soil or suspended pavement systems, etc.) and resources for maintenance are provided to support large healthy tree canopy along streets that will shade pedestrians and provide community benefit. Citizen states requiring tree wells & structures for tree planting should be contextual – only in mass seas of concrete. It also conflicts with NCDOT regulations.	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Goal 1: 10-Minute Neighborhood policy speaks to requiring the development of private spaces that are open to the public, such as plazas, preserves, and walking paths. Broaden the types of spaces that qualify through revisions to development regulations and other City regulations.	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Support of policy 1.17 which recommends expanding access to childcare and pre-K programs, prioritizing support for programs serving neighborhoods that are currently lacking these facilities.	Thank you for your comment. Please continue to follow the plan process at www.cltfuture2040.com
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Goal 1: 10-Minute Neighborhood policy speaks to the implementation of 10-minute neighborhood development policies that align with the Stormwater Master Plan, promote the health of stormwater features, and maintain stormwater management objectives. Citizen believes this evaluation should easily expose that the current SW & PCCO regulations are in excess of what is needed for clean water and currently in excess of federal clean water requirements.	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Recommendation to add Goal 1: 10-Minute Neighborhood policy language about using ped/ bike connections to correct the Discontinuous Street Networks	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Goal 1: 10-Minute Neighborhood policy recommends working with property owners to implement community gardens, food forests, and farmers’ markets on vacant parcels in neighborhoods with deficient access to healthy food opportunities. Recommendation to start with Conservation easements.	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Goal 1: 10-Minute Neighborhood policy recommends implementing and evaluating development standards for block length, street trees, street connectivity requirements, and required connections to existing on-street and off-street pedestrian and bicycle facilities and trails. Citizen recommends that development standards have more flexibility to provide equity instead of equality.	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Goal 1: 10-Minute Neighborhood policy recommends increasing public investment in neighborhood health clinics. Opposition to this policy because hospitals have government dollars and mandates to reach underserved markets	Opposition to the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate the community's feedback and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Goal 1: 10-Minute Neighborhood policy recommends establishing a Community Benefits Coalition to further study and champion community benefits. However, CBAs need to be voluntary and not required.	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Goal 1: 10-Minute Neighborhood policy recommends coordinating with Housing and Neighborhood services to explore the establishment of Voluntary Agricultural Districts to foster the growth, development and sustainability of family farms. Recommendation for an inventory of family farms in CLT to know if this is realistic given the need for density & walkability.	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
6.3.21	Email	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Sustain Charlotte fully supports Goal 1 - 10-Minute Neighborhoods	Thank you for your support. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 will be shared with City Council.

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6.3.21	Email	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Add one of following to Goal 1 to provide clarification: Using land use policies and targeted capital investments to create more 10-minute neighborhoods which will foster convenient location of key services that are in close proximity and readily accessible by urban residents to live locally while reducing their dependency on private vehicles. -OR- Creating a more walkable, bikeable, and transit-connected urban environment using land-use policies and targeted capital investments to foster more 10-minute neighborhoods throughout Charlotte.	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
6.3.21	Email	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Sustain Charlotte supports Goal 1 because it promotes: Human-powered transportation, which improves health and well-being; The convenient location of goods/services, using multiple modes of transportation which saves time and improves the quality of life; Socio-economic equity by making it easier for residents without a car to access all their needs easily.	Thank you for your support. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 will be shared with City Council.
6.3.21	Email	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Add language to Policy 1.7: Continue to undertake and expand inclusive neighborhood planning processes, particularly in underserved communities, exapand County and City parternship opportunities to incorporate plans for improved connectivity; prioritize public investments such as bicycle facilities, sidewalks, transit stops, and parks; and identify appropriate locations for food opportunities, shopping, and community facilities. (cross-reference: Goal 3 and Goal 5)	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
6.3.21	Email	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Sustain Charlotte supports the following changes to the draft: - 1.31 Establish an Infrastructure Advisory Council to assist in the assessment of infrastructure throughout the city and develop 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. - 1.32 Establish a Community Benefits Coalition to further study and champion community benefits. - 1.33 Work with the Community Benefits Coalition to develop a menu or playbook of community benefits that may be supported with incentives or Community Benefit Agreements if included or addressed within development projects. Align desired benefits with the type of incentive (e.g. regulatory vs. financial). Utilize direction from the Plan and subsequent small area plans to develop priority ranking of desired benefits to seek through incentives.	Thank you for your support. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 will be shared with City Council.
6.3.21	Email	General Comment	10-Minute Neighborhood	Sustain Charlotte supports the addition of an Infrastructure Advisory Council to the plan	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	Retain Identity & Charm	Goal 9 speaks to Retain Identity & Charm. How does the city intend to “intentionally direct redevelopment”?	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	Retain Identity & Charm	What measures does the city intend to take to prohibit property owners from using private property as they see fit? What measures does the city intend to take to prohibit homeowners from rebuilding and replacing obsolete homes and businesses?	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	Retain Identity & Charm	Would city funded place making an art installations in areas vulnerable to displacement not accelerate that displacement?	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	Retain Identity & Charm	Goal 9: Retain Identity & Charm policy recommends to mitigate neighborhood-defined cultural displacement through support and incentives for local businesses, markets, and community amenities and funding to support artwork placed through the City’s Public Arts Program (enabled by the Public Art Ordinance) and the City’s Placemaking Program. How does using Public Arts programs mitigate cultural displacement?	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	Retain Identity & Charm	Goal 9: Retain Identity & Charm policy recommends development of a community design handbook to guide redevelopment of Charlotte’s cherished places that are not protected by a historic district designation and associated guidelines. What would a Community Design Handbook allow or restrict a private property owner from doing in redevelopment of their property (if not in a historic district)?	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.

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5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	Retain Identity & Charm	Preserving and improving the tree canopy as a Goal 9 ojective ignores the trees are renewable resource and continually grow. Citizen believes planted trees, such as those originally installed on Queens Road, are the trees that retain identity and charm not the forests.	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	Retain Identity & Charm	Citizen believes that increasing the number of historic districts in Charlotte can only be accomplished if those districts meet the state law criteria and agree to contractually limit their marketability through the addition of historic district restrictions.	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	Retain Identity & Charm	Goal 9.2 recommends protection of trees during the development process, including infill projects. Citizen believes this goal is counter to other stated goals (healthy diverse tree canopy with planted species, to promote infill, to increased density, diversified housing styles, make goods and services more proximate to housing and employment, etc.). Additionally, it takes approximately 20 years to reach maturity.	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.
5.26.21	Public Input	General Comment	Retain Identity & Charm	Goal 9.6 recommends exploring the implementation of “neighborhood character” overlay zoning in appropriate neighborhoods. Citizen expresses concern because state law specifically allows historic districts and it does not allow "neighborhood character overlay zoning".	The Comprehensive Plan is a policy document; therefore, it is not legally binding and does not require neighborhood character overlay zoning. However, the Plan does recommend tools that can be explored over the next 20 years.
6.3.21	Email	General Comment	Retain Identity & Charm	Sustain Charlotte support the recommendation of a fund to maintain and program public space. The organization recommends this should be tied into the Public Space Master Plan in Goal 6. It could also be combined with the recommendation on Page 11: “Develop a fund for the maintenance and programming of public spaces”	Thank you for your comment. Feedback on the Charlotte Future 2040 draft policies will be shared with City Council. Council members will evaluate all the feedback received and direct staff on how to revise the draft policies.