Charlotte, North Carolina
The Queen City
2016 population: 842,000
Land area: 308 square miles
“Charlotte will be a vibrant livable city where all residents of all income levels have convenient transportation access to employment services and housing choices.”
Established a development framework
Public Transit Organization

- Metropolitan Transit Commission
  - Interlocal agreements (City, County, Towns)
  - Adopts plans and policies

- Charlotte Area Transit System
  - City department
  - Funded by countywide sales tax

- City of Charlotte
  - Council approves budget
  - Council approves purchases, contracts
Planned for transit corridors
Changed our policies (the 2000s)
Supplemented our policies
Transportation Action Plan

Charlotte BIKES

Charlotte WALKS

Transportation Action Plan

Re-confirmed 11+ years of commitment to complete streets and active transportation!
Invested in transit and supporting infrastructure

- $460M LRT
- $50M streets, sidewalks, bikeways
Invested in transit and supporting infrastructure

- $1.2B LRT
- $107M streets, sidewalks, bikeways
- $460M LRT
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South Corridor Infrastructure Program (SCIP) Goals

**Improve Accessibility**

- Provide pedestrian, bicycle and vehicular connections to light rail stations

**Promote Economic Development**

- Provide infrastructure to support and encourage transit supportive development
South Corridor Infrastructure Program (SCIP) Goals

Get People to the Stations

Build Neighborhoods Around the Stations

Same goals for the Northeast Corridor
Private sector improvements
Capital improvements (SCIP)
Helping people walk along the streets
Before

Helping people cross the streets

After (nearby)
Helping people cross the streets... while increasing capacity!

Before (looking west)  After (looking east)
Invested in complete streets approaching station areas
Invested in new streets

Scaleybark Station
Invested in nearby trails
• Urban trail crossings pilot
• EcoCounter location
South End is among the hottest neighborhoods in America for new apartment construction, with more than 10,000 new units completed or under construction since 2005.
“...Charlotte’s brewery scene has become the new public space for everyone from church groups to business meetings to toddler birthday parties...”

- Charlotte Agenda August 2017
Blue Line Extension

- $1.2B LRT
- $107M streets, sidewalks, bikeways
Guess what this became?
Supporting investments
Investing in complete streets
Investing in new streets
Investing in key connections

University Research Park

JW Clay station

UNC-Charlotte

North Bridge over I-85
Preferred Typical
Bridge(s) over I-85 and Doby Creek
Investing in places
Questions?