

Oakhurst-Amity Gardens Street Connections

The Oakhurst-Amity Gardens Street Connections are part of the City of Charlotte's Land Acquisitions and Street Connections (LASC) program. The LASC program is a corridor study along Independence Boulevard that includes the neighborhoods between Independence Boulevard and Monroe Road. The program is funded by 2014 and 2016 community investment bonds. The goals of the program include improving connectivity between neighborhoods as well as access to business and civic uses.

In June of 2017 a community workshop was held for the Monroe Road area (between Wendover and Sharon Amity). Attendees included residents from the Oakhurst and Amity Gardens neighborhoods. The common themes from the meeting included providing pedestrian connections between neighborhood streets in Oakhurst and existing Pierson Drive. Attendees also expressed concern about intersection safety and vehicle speeds along Monroe Road. Based on the feedback from the community workshop, the project team completed feasibility studies for the construction of a path to connect the Oakhurst neighborhood to Pierson Drive as well improving intersection safety at the Shade Valley/Monroe Road intersection. The project team welcomes your feedback on the concepts that have been developed to address access and safety for the Oakhurst and Amity Gardens Neighborhoods. The feedback from today's meeting will be used to move forward with the design of the projects.



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Monroe Road Streetscape

Small group meetings were held with neighborhoods in October 2016 to introduce the project and gather public comments. Additional feedback was received at a larger community workshop in June 2017. The majority of people providing comments at the meetings would like to see wider sidewalks with greater separation from the roadway. Many people also commented that they would like to see additional retail destinations along the corridor, such as restaurants, shops and grocery stores.

Since the community workshop, the project team has been analyzing traffic information and crash data, collecting data on existing conditions, and preparing design concepts. We look forward to receiving your comments on the potential improvements we've identified for Phase I of the project (Wendover Road to Briar Creek Road). We also welcome your input on the overall vision for the corridor that will help us develop design concepts for Phase II (Wendover Road to Sharon Amity Road). The Phase II concepts will be presented at a future community meeting.



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Monroe Road Area Vision

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THANK YOU for your interest in the Monroe Road Streetscape and Oakhurst-Amity Gardens Connectivity Projects. Brief descriptions of the projects are provided below. The projects are part of the Community Investment Plan (CIP), which is the City of Charlotte's long-range investment program for community infrastructure improvements aimed at improving livability, accessibility, and job growth. The goal of the projects is to implement improvements to the Monroe Road corridor between Briar Creek Road and Sharon Amity Road to create a more pedestrian-oriented and mixed-use corridor, as recommended by the Independence Boulevard Area Plan (2011).

Tonight we are asking for your feedback on concepts for the projects that are based on the feedback received from the Public Workshop held in June of last year. You can provide your comments on the sheets included with this newsletter. You can also go to the websites listed on the back to provide feedback or visit www.CharlotteFuture.com.



Oakhurst-Amity Gardens Connectivity Projects

The improvements will include the realignment of Shade Valley Road to intersect Monroe Road across from Commodore Street and the construction of a roundabout at the intersection of Shade Valley Road and Oakhurst Commons Drive. Multi-use paths are proposed to connect existing Pierson Drive to Chippendale and Erickson Roads. Traffic calming is also proposed for the Oakhurst and Amity Gardens neighborhoods.

Project Schedule

Summer 2018	Preliminary Design
Spring 2019	Complete Right-of-Way Plans
Spring 2019	Begin Right-of-Way Acquisition
Spring 2020	Complete Right-of-Way Acquisition
Fall 2020	Begin Construction

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Monroe Road Streetscape

The City of Charlotte proposes improvements to the Monroe Road corridor between Briar Creek Road and Sharon Amity Road in an effort to improve livability, encourage economic development and enhance mobility. The project will be funded by 2016, 2018, and 2020 community investment bonds totaling approximately \$13 million.

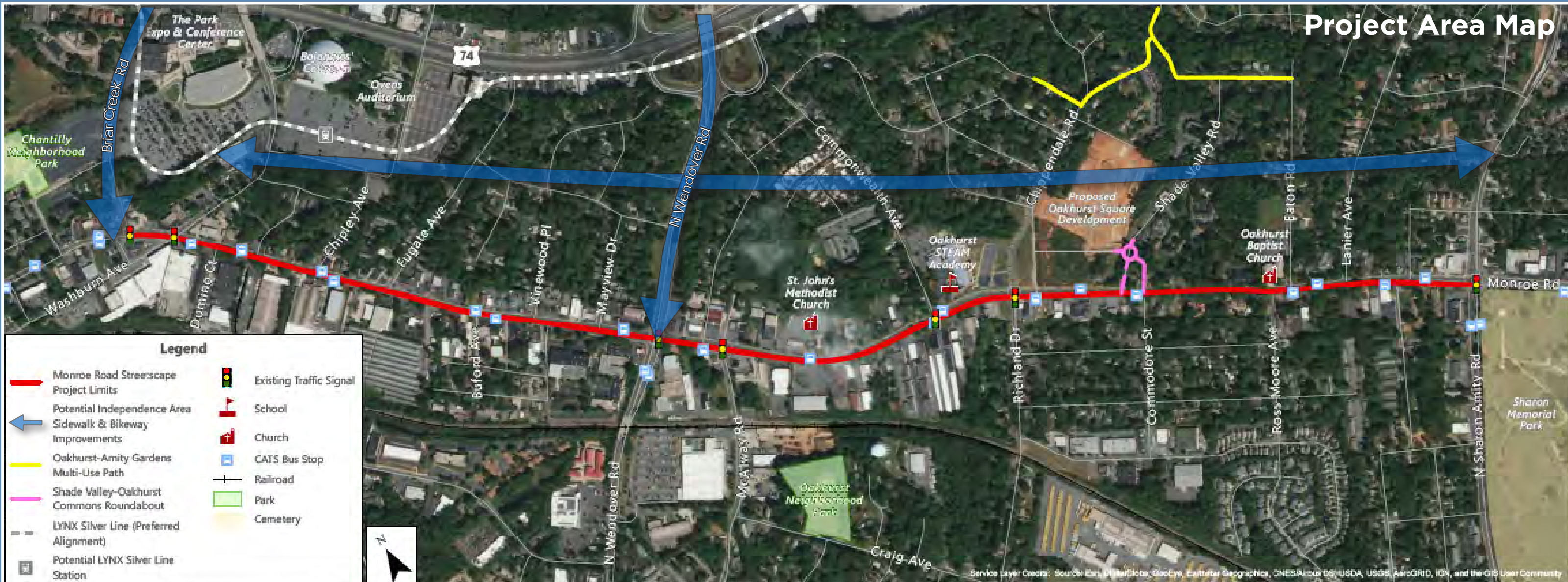
Project Schedule

Summer 2018	Identify Phase I Improvements
2019	Select Phase II Concept Design
2019	Begin Construction of Phase I Improvements
2020	Complete Right-of-Way Plans for Phase II
2021	Begin Construction of Phase II

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Project Area Map



Legend

- Monroe Road Streetscape
- Project Limits
- Potential Independence Area Sidewalk & Bikeway Improvements
- Oakhurst-Amity Gardens Multi-Use Path
- Shade Valley-Oakhurst Commons Roundabout
- LYNX Silver Line (Preferred Alignment)
- Potential LYNX Silver Line Station
- Existing Traffic Signal
- School
- Church
- CATS Bus Stop
- Railroad
- Park
- Cemetery

INDEPENDENCE AREA SIDEWALK AND BIKEWAY IMPROVEMENTS

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These projects are part of the City of Charlotte Community Investment Plan (CIP) and aim to improve the quality of life for its citizens. The purpose of the proposed projects are to enhance neighborhood mobility and accessibility to transit and provide community and economic resources throughout the Independence Boulevard corridor.

The projects along Briar Creek Road/Television Place/Washburn Avenue as well as Eastway Drive/Wendover Road propose to enhance bicycle and pedestrian facilities, including wider sidewalks, bicycle lanes or sharrows and possible pedestrian/bike paths. The improvements will provide better connectivity across Independence Boulevard and improved connections between area neighborhoods.

MONROE ROAD STREETScape

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This project will make improvements to Monroe Road between Briar Creek Road and Sharon Amity Road. Project goals are to make the area more pedestrian friendly, improve green connections, drive business investments, and create an additional point of pride for the neighborhood. Proposed improvements may include wider sidewalks and additional mid-block crossings, bike lanes, on-street parking, façade improvements to existing buildings, and improved neighborhood accessibility.

OAKHURST-AMITY GARDENS CONNECTIVITY PROJECTS

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Shade Valley-Oakhurst Commons Roundabout & Intersection

This project will realign Shade Valley Road to intersect Monroe Road across from Commodore Street and installation of a signal to improve neighborhood access on both sides of Monroe Road. A roundabout will also be constructed at the intersection of Shade Valley Road and the entrance to Oakhurst Townhomes.

Oakhurst-Amity Gardens Multi-Use Path

This project will consist of the construction of a community multi-use path that will serve as a connection between the Oakhurst and Amity Gardens neighborhoods. The path will include connections to Chippendale Road, Erickson Road and Pierson Drive.

LYNX SILVER LINE

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The LYNX Silver Line light rail alignment was determined through the LYNX Silver Line/Southeast Corridor Study which took place in 2015 and 2016. In November 2016, the Metropolitan Transit Commission (MTC) approved staff's recommendation of light rail as the locally preferred alternative for the Southeast Corridor by adopting the LYNX Silver Line light rail alignment into the 2030 Transit System Plan. The LYNX Silver Line alignment runs along the side of Independence Boulevard to the Village Lake Drive area. The alignment then switches to run in the median on Monroe Road, crossing over I-485 and ending at the CPCC Levine Campus.