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Reference 1 - 0.02% Coverage

Traffic, add more public transit. Expand the greenways.

Reference 2 - 0.02% Coverage

expand the greenways and add bike lanes and maybe bike trails.

Reference 3 - 0.03% Coverage

cleanliness could be improved, some areas are not as clean as they were in the past

Reference 4 - 0.03% Coverage

more variety of restaurants; stricter erosion control enforcement on developments

Reference 5 - 0.06% Coverage

Create more parking spaces - even small ones on side streets. Make some parking expensive. Make some hard-to-find. Diverse parking. More parks.

Reference 6 - 0.05% Coverage

Better neighborhood parks. When lot is available, park should be added - even if small. Parks don't have to be huge like Elon or Latta.

Reference 7 - 0.17% Coverage

City needs to be more connected. Continue building greenway and adding green space. Her son was born blind. they need more walkable areas like the greenway.

Make Charlotte a greener city - like Nashville. They have signs and containers everywhere for recycling. Charlotte needs more containers. the city typically only has containers for special events like today. recycling should be an option everywhere. more signs, campaigns.

Reference 8 - 0.07% Coverage

Reduce community crime; improve affordable primary care; reduce homelessness; improve transportation system and infrastructure; reduce air pollution; raise teacher pay

Reference 9 - 0.04% Coverage

More parks like First Ward Park. Construction all over the City needs to be completed more quickly.

Reference 10 - 0.02% Coverage

More communal community gardens, get ride of canker worms

Reference 11 - 0.04% Coverage

School system, reduce school day. Reduce urban sprawl. Leave trees. Better planning. Limit box stores.

Reference 12 - 0.01% Coverage

More greenways better public transit

Reference 13 - 0.02% Coverage

more dog parks around the city. more trails to walk on

Reference 14 - 0.03% Coverage

More community parks uptown, less apartments to keep areas green and build community

Reference 15 - 0.08% Coverage

More maps in uptown to help navigate, maybe add to streetcar shelters or have paper maps available. Water stations in uptown/like rest stops with vitamin a water machines. More parks and sitting areas.

Reference 16 - 0.03% Coverage

takes dog to McAlpine park, heard about an assault there on the news, make parks safer

Reference 17 - 0.03% Coverage

Some of the dog parks have aggressive dogs, better signs and rules needed

Reference 18 - 0.04% Coverage

parking, especially uptown; more parks and opportunities to enjoy nature; more reasonable apartment rents

Reference 19 - 0.11% Coverage

Have the handout about the Carolina Thread Trail, but the Greenway System here is not as extensive as I would have thought for a city this size. Raleigh has 32 miles long trail system. Just surprised how limited the greenway is here - either unpaved or in progress.

Reference 20 - 0.18% Coverage

Mentioned traffic and lots of pot holes. Provide more smoke free areas, and enforce them. She is a CATS bus driver, and notes smoke free area enforcement as a problem at her job. She has kids at CMS and noted need for teachers and staff to watch student conduct and tutoring needs closer. Noted that some neighborhoods have security problems, but says her mom moved them away from a bad neighborhood as a child. Her current neighborhood is good.

Reference 21 - 0.10% Coverage

We need more sidewalks and walking trails. This would encourage residents to walk to work or to the store or for exercise. More walking equals improved health of residents and the environment. More community activities to involve residents and unite neighborhoods.

Reference 22 - 0.02% Coverage

More parks, more transit, more upward mobility for our poor,

Reference 23 - 0.01% Coverage

Easier access to greenways

Reference 24 - 0.03% Coverage

more green spaces, parks, conservation land hiking trails, bike paths

Reference 25 - 0.12% Coverage

Roads need improved to prevent bottle necks with proper planning to ensure traffic, runs smoothly, more law enforcement, decentralized schools with more accountable and rewards for good teachers and correction for bad, use taxes for owned property is bad, need more dog parks, swimming options at lake Norman,

Reference 26 - 0.02% Coverage

prepare road construction, stop cutting down nature

Reference 27 - 0.06% Coverage

Keep planting trees. Encourage businesses to plant MORE than required. Extend the greenway. Partner with county to help them fund it...and speed it up.

Reference 28 - 0.10% Coverage

They would like for the parks to be more inviting, they believe most people don't even know we have as many parks and places to enjoy the outdoors. She doesn't know how more interest could be generated in parks but she knows everyone needs to be more active

Reference 29 - 0.04% Coverage

Biking accessibility Greenways Light rail Traffic Architecture of new apartments is horrible

Reference 30 - 0.03% Coverage

More Parks and bike lanes. Charlotte needs to be more bike and pedestrian friendly.

Reference 31 - 0.07% Coverage

I don't like the new law, with everyone in the bathroom together. Too many apartments are being built. Where do the animals go (wild life)? Need to preserve some natural areas.

Reference 32 - 0.03% Coverage

Need places for children to go and play, rec centers, parks, green spaces.

Reference 33 - 0.06% Coverage

More pet friendly areas/parks; more hotels so we can host bigger events on a national scale; have a plan for better roads and keep residents informed on changes

Reference 34 - 0.11% Coverage

After the recent rape incident on the Greenway it has frightened them from walking there. They would like more security on the Greenways and think the city should install call stations to 911 to be strategically placed on the Greenways for citizens to call for help or report crimes.

Reference 35 - 0.04% Coverage

-continue to expand the greenways -break-up the school district into smaller, local, independent districts -

Reference 36 - 0.02% Coverage

More parks and walking trails on the Northeast side

Reference 37 - 0.01% Coverage

More bike paths/more parks in the city

Reference 38 - 0.04% Coverage

Develop more dog parks and spread them more throughout the City rather than concentrate them in certain areas

Reference 39 - 0.09% Coverage

Need to continue to build education & transportation systems Keep our trees Grow gradually Make sure the new infrastructures (i.e.apartment buildings) are built to last not portable (needing to tear down after 20 + yrs.)

Reference 40 - 0.07% Coverage

Lower taxes would be the biggest. Better health insurance. Pay public teachers more so our kids get a better education. Pick up recycling weekly instead of bi-weekly.

Reference 41 - 0.43% Coverage

For me, personally, I would begin simply with ENFORCING LAWS ON LITTER! I recognize people must be caught in the act, but our roadsides are some of the filthiest I've traveled recently. Of course, I chalk that up to how fast we've grown. Other improvements would include infrastructure - roads, sidewalks, etc.Secondly, our school system. I can't imagine a single new business being attracted to Charlotte right now with the school board we have and the school system. I no longer have school-aged children, but do have grandchildren and can only pray they get in to a strong charter school or I would consider helping my grown children with tuition for private school. I have been (in the past) one of CMS's staunchest supporters, I went through the system and graduated high school in 1975, I raised my 3 sons in the public schools in Charlotte, but don't think I would do it at this point in time. Glad mine came along when they did. The School Board is unfortunately (in my opinion) an embarrassment to this Community. How can our children be expect to behave when the adults act as they do!

Reference 42 - 0.01% Coverage

THE ENVIRONMENT NEEDS TO IMPROVE

Reference 43 - 0.04% Coverage

More large parks like Freedom Park and Park Road Park. More accessible art (like Shakespeare in the Park, etc.)

Reference 44 - 0.06% Coverage

Swap recycling vs. garbage so recycling is collected every week and garbage is collected every other

week. The routes on the CATS website are difficult to read.

Reference 45 - 0.15% Coverage

Charlotte Observer to stop throwing papers in the street. Makes neighborhood look bad, gets wet and should be recycled. Bulky Item collections needs to be scheduled and furniture not just sitting on the street. Department representatives should be more involved with Community Meetings and HOA's. City of Charlotte should implement the rules that they set, much better.

Reference 46 - 0.09% Coverage

The traffic is terrible. Don't keep up with the roads. I-77 & 485 are always a parking lot. Didn't plan for updating our major highways. Have also taken the natural habitat from the wild animals due to all the building.

Reference 47 - 0.07% Coverage

Sustainability needs to be a top priority for how we grown. Need to support clean air and water. Ensure art/ design is part of neighborhood revitatlization and new growth.

Reference 48 - 0.14% Coverage

We need a law that every new road will have bike lanes and signage (like Portland). Need electric buses - CMS should use them. State needs more renewable energy incentives. Municipally owned utilities could help control sustainability like Denver. Building code for natural structures should be allowed. Should have stringent requirements for sustainable design.

Reference 49 - 0.04% Coverage

The constituent would like to see better maintained trees that obstruct views of road signs.

Reference 50 - 0.10% Coverage

Change City council, better programs for senior citizens, stop raising water prices and taxes, clean up our streets, don't give all the money to stadiums, better the school system, pay teachers more better salaries, educate people, better the police system

Reference 51 - 0.02% Coverage

Connectivity More public parks with swimming pools

Reference 52 - 0.07% Coverage

Develop mass transit to airport, mass transit out Independence, develop more green spaces, such as parks & green ways, cap single family development in lieu of high density housing

Reference 53 - 0.11% Coverage

more public transportation options and accessibility more festivals and public gathering spaces More character to recent developments, they look too similar More urban trails and green space more diverse food options, local options, less commercial and more local

Reference 54 - 0.03% Coverage

The city needs a vacuum leaf sucker truck so that residents don't have to waste bags.

Reference 55 - 0.02% Coverage

Better trail system. More entertainment.

Reference 56 - 0.04% Coverage

Needs improvement on City streets, better commuting, cleanliness and citizens hospitality

Reference 57 - 0.09% Coverage

Don't have progress for progress's sake: "Progress is empty is you forget what got you there in the first place" More parks - make them a priority Don't just focus on progress, focus on preserving culture and spirit

Reference 58 - 0.04% Coverage

Clean up Charlotte. The whole city, not just the nicer and more expensive parts of the city.

Reference 59 - 0.06% Coverage

create ways for people to walk or run for training. Particularly for long distance races. better housing affordability nearer to downtown

Reference 60 - 0.01% Coverage

Preserve more green space.

Reference 61 - 0.04% Coverage

Wants less trees because it makes it feel like less of a big city. Wants more job opportunities.

Reference 62 - 0.02% Coverage

Advertise the events more. Have more security at the parks.

Reference 63 - 0.06% Coverage

More public transit **rezoning for multi-use development** more greenways, walking, biking more Don't EVER split the public school system into smaller parts!!!

Reference 64 - 0.08% Coverage

Improve blue line further out to Ballentine/Pineville to help commuters; Some roads really need repaved and improved; south Blvd is very dangerous...needs turn lanes; parks could use some improvements.

Reference 65 - 0.12% Coverage

Growth is changing the city - not a lot of retail in uptown; Would like to see more upscale restaurants in uptown, will likely happen as growth continues; As light rail expands, would like an extension of rail trail; Entertainment is needed that is easily accessible and readily available - especially to visitors.

Reference 66 - 0.09% Coverage

More public engagement, more sidewalks, need more driver education and patrolmen to give out tickets, less big developments and urban sprawl, keep and increase number of trees, better control erosion from construction sites.

Reference 67 - 0.06% Coverage

More bike lanes, more bike friendly. Educate drivers on how they can do their part to keep bicyclists safe. Connect the greenway, just do it.

Reference 68 - 0.04% Coverage

would like to see more activities in charlotte for active lifestyles, more greenways and parks mostly

Reference 69 - 0.07% Coverage

More organized land development. Compartmentalized, like times square and it's surrounding area. Treasure the land inside the loop. Don't use it for apartment buildings.

Reference 70 - 0.09% Coverage

Infrastructure - hard to get downtown or back to interstate (ie after football games) Lack of diversity and communication about community events Public golf courses could be better Save the trees - we knock down too many

Reference 71 - 0.07% Coverage

Focus on providing green spaces and tree canopy; coordinate infrastructure better, so we don't tear up something that's just been put in; provide better connections to the airport

Reference 72 - 0.20% Coverage

would like to see more public transportation heading from city to suburbs. would like to see the crime rates drop and more poor areas to receive funding and grants for redevelopment. more emphasis on mass transportation to get more cars off the road. would like to see duke energy clean up the Catawba river systems and start using wind and solar power. also would like to see teachers in CMS Receive a HUGE pay raise in order to keep talent in our are. More parks and public evens are also high on his list.

Reference 73 - 0.08% Coverage

Preserve green space. More of it and accessible to everyone. Finish Airport Construction. Difficult to maneuver when not a frequently flier and so many construction projects at the airport.

Reference 74 - 0.02% Coverage

more greenspace and public transportation

Reference 75 - 0.03% Coverage

- Improved mass transit - More biking and running trails / greenways

Reference 76 - 0.02% Coverage

Slow down growth Eco friendly save trees

Reference 77 - 0.17% Coverage

improve schools and how to "navigate" the CMS school system and school choices as a parent, provide more great educational choices within CMS, expand greenways and add and improve parks, do things that make Charlotte more walkable and encourage walking by having plentiful, well maintained, well lit sidewalks/trails that connect residents to LOCAL businesses and attractions like shopping, dining, services, parks, etc., improve teacher pay

Reference 78 - 0.20% Coverage

Tranportation. Increased security at the Light Rail stations and the Charlotte Transportation center. After a certain hour, no longer feels safe. Enforce smoke free areas. People are openly smoking near the Smoke free signs on the Sugar Creek greenway and other government owned facilities. Implement a clean bus program, towards the end of the day several cups, food containters are left on the bus

making for a uncomfortable ride & sometimes smell. 24/7 customer service at Charlotte Area Transit

Reference 79 - 0.02% Coverage

See more bike friendly roads, and bike walking trails

Reference 80 - 0.06% Coverage

WEEKLY RECYCLING!!! For a city this size, need to collect recycling every week Economic development for quality development and mixed housing

Reference 81 - 0.01% Coverage

increase parks and education funding

Reference 82 - 0.72% Coverage

- Said that people and City must be pro-progress. He would love to pay less in taxes, probably voted against the arena downtown, but in the end says that it is progress, and is good for the town, and people have to support this kind of thing. - Have people vote on more issues, hold referendums. - A suggestion box of sorts would be nice. People can address Council, but that is unfriendly, outdated, etc. - Mass transit must be improved. Would like to see a direct bus from their part of town to airport. Would like to see mass transit between Davidson and Charlotte. Says trains would be packed on that line. - Continue to find ways for urban environment to be as friendly as possible to natural environment. - Constituent was initially for a 4-lane Rea Road and very much against "complete street" concept being proposed. Now they love the complete street and walk along it regularly to go the grocery store, which was impossible before. More complete streets are necessary. - More safe bike lanes and walking trails/greenways. These amenities attract the kind of people we want in Charlotte. - We need to attract better musical acts. Raleigh, Gboro, Asheville all attract better acts than Charlotte. - Improve the NASCAR museum by putting a car museum inside. Could overlap with Charlotte history by showing pictures of old downtown with cool cars featured in the photos. - Raleigh has festivals like hopscotch music festival, and it's a great way to orient visitors downtown with various bar, restaurants, venues, etc. Charlotte should trade notes with nearby towns for similar ideas to use here in Charlotte. We have Speed Street, but many people are turned off by the NASCAR element. - The museum of modern art needs to have a greater presence, needs to have more exhibits, needs to be thriving.

Reference 83 - 0.12% Coverage

Pockets of parks and nature in Uptown so it's not as industrialized feeling. Expand the light rail/blue line to go to more areas. Boutiques/retail is needed in Uptown because there is zero shopping right now, no place to run out and grab a gift or card during lunch or right afterwork for those who work in Uptown.

Reference 84 - 0.07% Coverage

More places to hang out beyond movies and parks, for the under 21 and non-drinking crowd, where you don't feel like you have to buy something and that is not a bar. More greenspace/parks.

Reference 85 - 0.12% Coverage

Need more greenway. Doesn't have to be near river. But need true paths - away from traffic so people can run, walk and bike outside. Not in gym. Not just on bike paths in road. Get corporations to help underwrite this with corporate sponsorship just like arena and other entertainment venues.

Reference 86 - 0.33% Coverage

More parking at the Plaza Teeter! More parks - they don't have to be elaborate, just trees, grass and some benches will do. More parking options downtown for visitors. She has been towed twice while babysitting downtown as she tried to avoid walking long distances at night (unsafe). With all these condos being built everywhere, this problem will get worse. Signs need to be posted at greater distances from roadway construction/closures. Sometimes downtown motorists don't know that a road is closed until it is too late to turn. Publish timetables for freight trains in the area to make it easier for residents to avoid delays due to slow train crossings major streets. City is growing too fast for resources it has. More lighted parks are needed for recreational sports leagues - Charlotte has a healthy, active population.

Reference 87 - 0.08% Coverage

More smaller parks. "pocket parks" that might just have a few benches, flat area for basketball goal, and green space. Impromptu picnic/gathering places. Not big park like Freedom. Not ball fields!

Reference 88 - 0.02% Coverage

More large parks with tennis courts, disc golf, etc.

Reference 89 - 0.05% Coverage

Expanding LYNX line to airport, adding bike lanes on primary roads, building more greenways and connecting existing greenways

Reference 90 - 0.03% Coverage

Improve the parks, install better play grounds and more freebie golf

Reference 91 - 0.05% Coverage

Greenway closer to Plaza Midwood Doesn't seem like Charlotte is taking opportunity to preserve its history. Too many chain stores.

Reference 92 - 0.46% Coverage

Need continuous sidewalks. There are too many sidewalks that seem to end too soon or are just useless. Get a move on connecting the greenways. It takes too long to drive anywhere. Especially from the West side of Charlotte. Better bus service from West Charlotte to the University Area. And it will be good when 485 ramp opens near their house. Figure out a way to clean up some of the less attractive areas by communicating that there is help and grant money to people. Have people go door to door to tell them there are programs to help. Would like more transportation choices. The University area is really hard to walk and bike and so is West Charlotte. Better ventilation on the buses. Some people smell really bad and it makes people who can drive not want to ride the bus. Charlotte should work on annexing the west side of Mecklenburg County and open up a public beach access. The trash service is confusing. They were separating recyclables and rubbish and the trucks just keep dumping everything into the same truck. There should be a composting program for food waste from restaurants and homes to help with community gardens.

Reference 93 - 0.06% Coverage

public transportation, accessibility to sidewalks, more equitable distribution of tax money across the city, improvements to parks-entrance to greenways

Reference 94 - 0.01% Coverage

Better education, and more parks

Reference 95 - 0.01% Coverage

more park

Reference 96 - 0.04% Coverage

more activities for younger kids, high school students should get trade skills, more community gardens

Reference 97 - 0.11% Coverage

Continue to develop mass transit system Repair burn out street everywhere in City of Charlotte (20-40% lights burn out) improve air quality increase citizen involvement in local government by providing additional opportunities for citizen input (town hall meetings in different regions)

Reference 98 - 0.05% Coverage

bike friendly public transportation too many apartments and not enough green space and charm promote local business

Reference 99 - 0.11% Coverage

Parks aren't big enough or programmed to their potential. Infrastructure is ridiculously under-developed. We don't get all the major city attractions/events (culture/entertainment/festival) and when we do, we don't get a lot of notice or advertising on what is coming

Reference 100 - 0.06% Coverage

77 and 85 traffic (he intentionally lived somewhere without traffic) Extend lightrail to NoDa, Music Factory Recycling every week instead of every other week

Reference 101 - 0.01% Coverage

cleaner streets

Reference 102 - 0.07% Coverage

More bike and walking trails - the completion of little sugar creek greenway More affordable housing Government funds need to be aligned better to meet the needs in the community

Reference 103 - 0.33% Coverage

Need center turn lanes instead of mediums on the roadways. Used to use better reflectives on the roads so you could tell which lane you were in at night. Not as bright any more and you have a hard time seeing at night especially since a lot of the roads are under construction. Improper planning of roads The current road project is already out-of-date by the time it is built, i.e. 485 should have originally been planned for 6 lanes instead of 3. Trees and greenary are nice but too much of it prohibits traffic. We don't need toll roads either! The Lynx BLE should have been elevated through the whole city instead of having to cross through traffic. Doesn't help with the traffic problem when you have to stop for the light rail. City Council needs to stop overruling what the people vote for. Listen to the people!

Reference 104 - 0.13% Coverage

Need to limit the desity of new developments - the small town character is being ruined. More City sponsored community resources are needed for the middle class - like subsidized activities for kids. Don't let the City develop in a way that ruins the small town character. Preserve trees and add more parks for growing population.

Reference 105 - 0.01% Coverage

clean up the bad areas of the city

Reference 106 - 0.08% Coverage

Less apartment buildings - can't possibly fill all & too expensive for most folks anyway. Would like more mindful architecture (i.e. not cookie cutter designs). Most important - please keep the trees!

Reference 107 - 0.10% Coverage

Don't drive out small businesses due to high rent Parking at South Park More practical stores, not just high end boutiques Better guidance on where to put trash and recycling carts Some intersections don't make sense Support the symphony more

Reference 108 - 0.18% Coverage

Move utility poles away from streets, find innovative news forms of transit like the Chinese, Japanese, and Koreans vs 100 year old methods. New methods should be faster, cheaper, more efficient. High speed rail to Raliegh and other major cities, cap 277 to build park that acts as a bridge of connectivity vs a barrier to surrounding neighborhoods, improve walkability city wide, install pull up bars and other fitness options for adults in parks

Reference 109 - 0.05% Coverage

More sidewalks/walkability, more local recreation centers close by, nature preserves, parks, recreational programs, reopen library branches

Reference 110 - 0.06% Coverage

Clean up the dog poop in Plaza Midwood! It's everywhere! Could have various dog waste disposal areas close to sidewalks with doggie bags and hand sanitizer.

Reference 111 - 0.09% Coverage

Preserve history, historic structures, etc. no toll lanes, repair roads potholes, elevate traffic, add lanes, more green space, expand light rail, improve transit so it is more useful, do better celebrating culture and diversity

Reference 112 - 0.09% Coverage

Parks and greenway growth and expansion, more neighborhood parks, more neighborhood sidewalks, especially ones that connect people to parks, shopping, green space, preservation areas, and more small, neighborhood businesses

Reference 113 - 0.02% Coverage

More Parks, better parks, playgrounds, frisbee golf

Reference 114 - 0.11% Coverage

-more inviting public spaces to engage/connect with others -large flagship urban core park -better design guidelines and retail space for urban core -signature piece of architecture/art that identifies

Charlotte (eg: St. Louis Arch/Washington Monument/Space needle)

Reference 115 - 0.07% Coverage

Would like to see more street entertainment (i.e. bands), concerts in the parks / sidewalks, music on the greens. Need more dedicated natural green space in communities.

Reference 116 - 0.06% Coverage

More parks and open space; "We should have a rule - 1 new park for every 3 new apartment/condo buildings"; Improve congestion in South Charlotte

Reference 117 - 0.03% Coverage

Better food; Preserve trees - old mature trees add value to neighborhoods

Reference 118 - 0.04% Coverage

Light rail express and more light rail to independence and also up north. We should have windmills for energy.

Reference 119 - 0.03% Coverage

Another Outer Belt like Atlanta Get rid of some churches Subsidize solar panels

Reference 120 - 0.15% Coverage

Improvements to mass transit are needed. Need to work on the educational system especially in areas with poverty so the kids can look forward to the future. Increase the options for youth to hang out in a positive environment (parks are good, but something like central park). Increase leisure parks that include benches so people can gather, interact, and people watch.

Reference 121 - 0.04% Coverage

slow down development, develop with more intention/planning more trees/less invasive plants

Reference 122 - 0.10% Coverage

More transportation choices, especially in east Charlotte. More community gardens/farmers markets, more bike lanes so people do not have to use cars and feel safe riding their bikes. More affordable housing uptown, right now it is not family friendly to live there.

Reference 123 - 0.05% Coverage

-convert all school buses to electric/clean power -make sure the adopt a street/stream program reporting is being done

Reference 124 - 0.03% Coverage

Strategic alternative infrastructure, greenways, expended trolley, and train line

Reference 125 - 0.03% Coverage

More community involvement in schools. Make uptown parks more grand, less sterile.

Reference 126 - 0.07% Coverage

Stop the apartment infrastructure - too many apartments Traffic & traffic light signal timing Keep our city clean - people are too lazy to throw away trash in the proper receptacles

Reference 127 - 0.10% Coverage

continue improvements to build parks; add fitness stations along the Blue Line multi-use path, greenways and other trails; improve roads, parks, other public facilities to maintain the level of quality and availability as population continues to grow quickly

Reference 128 - 0.03% Coverage

The air quality is very dirty, takes to long tog et from one place to the other

Reference 129 - 0.06% Coverage

Distribution of opportunities, i.e. pay more attention to issues in lower income neighborhoods. Better maintenance of landscaping along streets, trimming trees.

Reference 130 - 0.11% Coverage

Extend Light-Rail everywhere; more growth spread evenly; build more homes instead of condos/apartments; revitalize older homes; better screening of rental properties/extended stay; more parks; take better care of senior citizens rather than youth; less welfare/more affordable homes

Reference 131 - 0.07% Coverage

Build more affordable housing. Create better wages Increase bus routes/schedules on the outskirts of the City. Clean up neighborhood parks on the outskirts of Charlotte.

Reference 132 - 0.19% Coverage

Improvement to education system is needed. Educated people / hi-tech industry difficult to attract to Charlotte with poor schools. More bike lanes, does not own bike, loves rental bikes. Would be nice to

have Discovery place akin to one in Huntersville further south. Better storm water services - continued infill (re)development not being overseen from storm water perspective. Airport not set up for people awaiting guests, would be nice to be able to have a meal or drink whilst waiting.

Reference 133 - 0.12% Coverage

1. Make Charlotte cleaner. Create a litter campaign like Portland OR 2. Install trash cans at bus stops. How is it possible that all bus stops do not have trash cans? 3. Reduce the crime rate. She volunteers with a victim assistance program and knows that violent crime is real and not just perceived.

Reference 134 - 0.01% Coverage

clean up parks

Reference 135 - 0.04% Coverage

make officer presence more in neighborhoods. Add more parks and recreation for the lower income areas.

Reference 136 - 0.06% Coverage

Needs to continue to add more open space and add to parks to continue to beautify the city. Also make sure that all neighborhoods and roads are kept equal

Reference 137 - 0.03% Coverage

Improve Transportation. more thinks for young kids to do. More pocket parks for kids.

Reference 138 - 0.10% Coverage

Transportation - Traffic. More support for recycling. More community involvement information that is targeting apartment tenants and residents that don't own their own home. Such a big division between opportunities for homeowners and renters.

Reference 139 - 0.11% Coverage

Greenway expanded south and north, new parks with unique feel compared to other new parks uptown, alcohol distribution laws that allow breweries to expand, no voter ID that hinders voting. More college programs that get more attention and create more of a buzz nationally.

Reference 140 - 0.03% Coverage

Better honest connection to public access. In particular Storm Water.

Reference 141 - 0.09% Coverage

Make Charlotte greener. Less pollution and bad air quality days. add more green space downtown. Fewer streets. Extend light rail to Lake Norman and Ft. Mill. Recruit/encourage more small theater (like Off Broadway)

Reference 142 - 0.02% Coverage

Water runoff is out of control and needs improvement.

Reference 143 - 0.17% Coverage

desires more retail uptown; stated he shouldn't be required to drive to South Park to shop; he would like to shop uptown desires a plan for snow removal; stated that the City shouldn't be required to shut down every time it snows; prefers proactive planning in anticipation of snow PRIOR to winter months desires strategic proactive planning to meet the accommodations of Charlotte's anticipated increased population growth

Reference 144 - 0.02% Coverage

more trees schools - pay teachers more

Reference 145 - 0.04% Coverage

-bring the crime rate down through community policing -better snow/ice removal -pay teachers more

Reference 146 - 0.05% Coverage

More bike friendly: additional bike lanes, more bike racks, build out greenway, make it safer to cross intersections

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Reference 1 - 0.40% Coverage

One of the reasons I decided to move here was because of the dense tree canopy, but development is stripping away so many mature trees that will take decades to replace. Neighborhood streets in Charlotte are completely clogged with landscaping trucks and other trucks for construction. I get stuck in my own neighborhood.

Reference 2 - 0.22% Coverage

more low income housing; more intentional green spaces, including plans for trails; **Dog parks near uptown and dog parks near concentrations of multi-family residential areas.**

Reference 3 - 0.26% Coverage

Smokers are using the sidewalks in uptown to smoke and they need a place to go besides the sidewalk because everyone who doesn't smoke has to walk through the smoke. They congregate outside the buildings.

Reference 4 - 0.12% Coverage

Put water fountains and dog fountains on the greenways. Animals need something to drink also.

Reference 5 - 0.08% Coverage

Fix traffic issues Improve roads Don't use up the green spaces

Reference 6 - 0.10% Coverage

I'm seeing improvement now, such as Roads-Transportation-Arts-parks and trails.

Reference 7 - 0.04% Coverage

better road upkeep more trees

Reference 8 - 0.06% Coverage

paved greenways for strollers and roller blades

Reference 9 - 0.12% Coverage

improved food choices in food deserts; maintain outdoor areas and parks improved parking

Reference 10 - 0.07% Coverage

better security - wants to feel safer; cleaner parks

Reference 11 - 0.17% Coverage

Roads recycling within businesses Sidewalks in all neighborhoods Public transportation Free activities for kids in their community

Reference 12 - 0.04% Coverage

Needs more cleaning More shopping

Reference 13 - 0.16% Coverage

more bike lanes. pick up trash more often on roads (central avenue and Independence). help small businesses (too many rules)

Reference 14 - 0.23% Coverage

make charlotte more walkable, more "bike-able". More walk up shops and restaurants and outdoor-themed activities. Wants more "gardens and greenspace" where a family would congregate

Reference 15 - 0.04% Coverage

Safer parks for families to visit

Reference 16 - 0.08% Coverage

More greenways (like Austin). More transit options. more rail

Reference 17 - 0.45% Coverage

Coordinate better between city agencies. Enforce parking regs (CPCC students park at greenway spaces), more bathrooms at parks (and why do we close them all winter?). Improve infrastructure, traffic getting bad, bike lanes are bad in most of city. He's "over it", wants to move. Ready to get out of Charlotte and out of NC (not happy with State govt either).

Reference 18 - 0.42% Coverage

incorporate parks throughout charlotte and link them together with bike friendly corridors. Not just isolated parks and scary bike lanes.. More large murals throughout the city The City needs to focus on supporting the arts better. The Arts and Science Council uses the same artists over and over. Need to diversify art around the city.

Reference 19 - 0.16% Coverage

senior college for courses and travel at UNCC; more sidewalks, More community gardens, more senior travel options, more flowers

Reference 20 - 0.32% Coverage

Make renting park shelters economical. Park shelters are too expensive, can go to a neighboring town ex. Huntersville and rent shelters for half the price. Don't want toll roads, too many houses and apartment buildings getting built too close together.

Reference 21 - 0.18% Coverage

too many pot holes - improve road conditions, too many apartment homes being built too close together, need more parks to run in - she is a jogger

Reference 22 - 0.12% Coverage

thinks that we should do a better job working to clean up the trash and pave some of the roads

Reference 23 - 0.03% Coverage

more trees plenty of parks

Reference 24 - 0.04% Coverage

better bikeways, and greenways

Reference 25 - 0.14% Coverage

GPS for traffic light system. I sit to long at traffic lights and cars are idle for to long causing pollution.

Reference 26 - 0.09% Coverage

Improve the roads, sidewalks, more parks, helping out the homeless people.

Reference 27 - 0.13% Coverage

More street connections, greensways and preservation of historic places. We need urban growth boundaries

Reference 28 - 0.53% Coverage

improve light rail and public transportation especially from Lake Norman area to uptown Keep southern flavor of Charlotte alive. Support celebrations of its history. more activities to highlight its history. More retail (grocery stores) in uptown. Improve convenience of bus transportation as well as information about bus routes and schedules. more public access to the three lakes. Big parks and beaches for the public.

Reference 29 - 0.29% Coverage

Improve roads and public transportation, more greenways Funding for schools to accommodate growth careful planning to improve infrastructure More open meetings for City/ County projects Need light rail from airport to uptown

Reference 30 - 0.37% Coverage

Provide more to make walking and biking safe in Charlotte. Pedestrian bridges, better bike lanes with

media between bikers and autos. More playgrounds. Everyone should live within walking distance to a playground especially in Ballantyne where there are sooooo many kids! **more dog parks too.**

Reference 31 - 0.02% Coverage

more green space

Reference 32 - 0.09% Coverage

Improve public transportation and greenway system, and add more bike lanes

Reference 33 - 0.14% Coverage

more amenities such as bars and restaurants in outlying areas outside of downtown and south end.
more parks.

Reference 34 - 0.04% Coverage

more and better parks, traffic.

Reference 35 - 0.14% Coverage

finish the Huntersville greenway network to alleviate traffic conditions, more transit opportunities into Charlotte

Reference 36 - 0.31% Coverage

condo and apartments are built, prices are too high like to see property value goes up in the north good city to live in plan city more carefully make it less big city like, green space available more bike friendly trail and along with walking

Reference 37 - 0.18% Coverage

Cross Charlotte Trail, more walk-able everything, no more clear cutting forests for low-quality-flash-in-the-pan-disconnected-neighborhoods

Reference 38 - 0.19% Coverage

Better use of parks. Make downtown a better social place - more restaurants, craft beer breweries, restaurants, retail. Need for free cultural activities

Reference 39 - 0.13% Coverage

Improve, build all of the sidewalk and bike lanes/paths that you can. And plants trees everywhere.

Reference 40 - 0.27% Coverage

more bike friendly, improvements in mass transit, better design and infrastructure for mass developments along with better land and city scape requirements, MORE PARKS, MORE GREENSPACE, more trails now, more festivals

Reference 41 - 0.28% Coverage

Add bike lanes everywhere; more greenways / paths; expand light rail system. Would be will to volunteer in activities/fundraisers supporting these issues.

She hates seeing the loss of green space, thinks we need more parks.

Reference 42 - 0.33% Coverage

City Parks - we need to upgrade existing ones and build new ones. Developers should be required to contribute to a Parks fund. Light rail - we need more visible police presence along the light rail line, especially the stops that are further out from uptown.

Reference 43 - 1.27% Coverage

Increase affordable housing opportunities for low income and people with no income. This includes the price of rent-a range of options- and increasing the stock available. Promote the use of transportation options. I often see empty trains and buses go by. Continue to promote parks and open space in the uptown area. Promote tourism and attracting major events to the city and major art exhibits to our museums. I would like to see us have the equivalent of a High Museum (in Atlanta) and/or a Fine Arts Museum like in other major cities. We could use some more ethnic food options – some cities such as Boston and Chicago – have specific areas of town that have great ethnic foods. Focus on improving the CMS school system – academics and accountability on how County funding is used. Improve our health status as part of the federal Healthy People 2020 initiative. I believe we ranked 50 out of 50 cities in a study regarding health status such as childhood obesity and obesity in general

Reference 44 - 0.50% Coverage

Mass transit, school system, air quality; Continue to help the economically disadvantaged and the homeless, particularly in affordable housing, education, job training, and family support services. Quality of life- Charlotte/Meck and smaller towns should keep expanding greenways and parks. Not just for ballfields, but also for play areas, picnic areas, for families with young children to enjoy.

Reference 45 - 0.02% Coverage

Plant more trees

Reference 46 - 0.11% Coverage

add beauty to the city by adding more trees add more restaurants that you can walk to

Reference 47 - 0.06% Coverage

Would like to see more water, or fountains around.

Reference 48 - 0.20% Coverage

use most free land for parks (eastland mall specifically). put a moratorium on the development of the apt complexes that look the same and have zero retail.

Reference 49 - 0.11% Coverage

The biggest thing for me is more outdoor spaces (example-parks, basketball courts, trails)

Reference 50 - 0.60% Coverage

I think Charlotte could benefit from additional opportunities for people to get out and move. Parks are a great start, but only a few of the parks include exercise stations and sound trails. Intentional systems of paths to link major areas of the city could also increase outdoor activity and possibly reduce motorized transportation. The light rail was also a great benefit to the city, and further expansion of the system could be a great help for Charlotte and mass transit.

Reference 51 - 0.15% Coverage

Transportation - Don't want to be like Atlanta with traffic. Also increase our communities' green initiatives.

Reference 52 - 0.15% Coverage

create more parks within walking distance of people, parks uptown are walkable, but most of the parks in the city are not.

Reference 53 - 0.27% Coverage

More tree canopy; Apartments with retail on the bottom; Grocery stores in NODA; trains to Lake Norman; More walking and mountain bike trails; spray parks for the kids and events; trash cans on the street in NODA;

Reference 54 - 0.16% Coverage

More bike lanes throughout Charlotte; More parks throughout the city (More specifically, something like Atlanta's Piedmont Park);

Reference 55 - 0.07% Coverage

Have more parks to support soccer, basketball, and kickball

Reference 56 - 0.01% Coverage

more parks

Reference 57 - 0.06% Coverage

Cleanliness, more public trash cans available.

Reference 58 - 0.05% Coverage

Less litter; reduce prevalence of trash

Reference 59 - 0.15% Coverage

The City doesn't seem to be as involved with activities and sports that happen at the parks. It should be more involved.

Reference 60 - 0.06% Coverage

better public transport; more walkable; more parks.

Reference 61 - 0.07% Coverage

Humidity, Even MORE variety or events, Even more trees

Reference 62 - 0.15% Coverage

improve belt line/277 , not enough greenways or retail store in uptown, parks and open space, extension of street car/rail

Reference 63 - 0.09% Coverage

bike friendly uptown/infrastructure, parks and recreations for kids.

Reference 64 - 0.10% Coverage

bike friendly/walking friendly, trash in greenway, expansion of community event

Reference 65 - 0.11% Coverage

expansion of light rail, adding parks and open spaces, expansion of walking friendly areas.

Reference 66 - 0.18% Coverage

more bike friendly, protection of land use, wider street, sweeping trash street on road side, need to clean up, expand the light rail and parks

Reference 67 - 0.23% Coverage

control growth, maintain and keep city with high quality of life, real city park (natural green area, lakes), infrastructure for growth, land use for charlotte, parks around city outdoor

Reference 68 - 0.28% Coverage

skate/board Park for kids or adult, roller skating and zip line, more trees, transportation development for greater accessibility, expansion of light rail to Huntersville, long greenway connec towns, bike rental available

Reference 69 - 0.20% Coverage

post more maps of the greenway to show how the streets and the greenway connect to make paths to different areas of town - and also include the light-rail in this.

Reference 70 - 0.04% Coverage

More bike paths, land trusts

Reference 71 - 0.16% Coverage

Compete cross Charlotte trail and street car. Increased park and greenway space. More road diets to encourage less car use.

Reference 72 - 0.24% Coverage

- Better and safer biking opportunities - Bike safety, and general safety overall - More public/mass transit - More arts funding - Green space and protection of our natural resources -