

City Council Meeting February 5, 2024





Mayor Hooks Call to Order





Pastor Stu Johnston, Grace Reformed Baptist Church Invocation



Recognition of Retired WRRF Director Dennis Hodge





Mayor Hooks

Public Comments



Consent Agenda

- a. Voluntary Contiguous Annexation Petition- Holland Family
- b. Resolution of Support- Reconstruction of Interchange/Overpass on I-40/85 at Trollingwood-Hawfields Road- NCDOT Project I-6059
- a. FY23-24 Asset Disposal- July 1, 2023-December 31, 2023
- b. Second Quarter Financial Report-July 1, 2023 to December 31-2023





Annexation Petition-Holland Family

- Voluntary Contiguous
- +/- 12.01 acres located in Orange County on Bowman Road. A proposed subdivision is planned for this property
- Accept the Petition and Clerk's the Clerk's Certificate of Sufficiency
- Set a Date of Public Hearing for March 4, 2024





Lawson Brown, City Attorney

Public Hearing-Ordinance to Extend the Corporate Limits Clifford M. Ray Family Limited Partnership-NCIC, LLC-Transload Facility



Ordinance to Extend Corporate Limits-Ray Family- NCIC, LLC- Transload Facility

- Voluntary Non-Contiguous Annexation
- +/-7.830 acres in Alamance County. This property is in the North Carolina Industrial Center (NCIC). A Transload Facility is planned for this property
- Council accepted the Petition and Certificate of Sufficiency last month and set the date of the Public Hearing for tonight.





Lawson Brown, City Attorney

Public Hearing-Ordinance to Extend the Corporate Limits VM Development, LLC-Concrete Plant



Ordinance to Extend Corporate Limits-VM Development, LLC- Concrete Plant

- Voluntary Contiguous Annexation
- +/-6.92 acres located in Orange County. A concrete plant is planned for this property
- Council accepted the Petition and Certificate of Sufficiency last month and set the date of the Public Hearing for tonight.



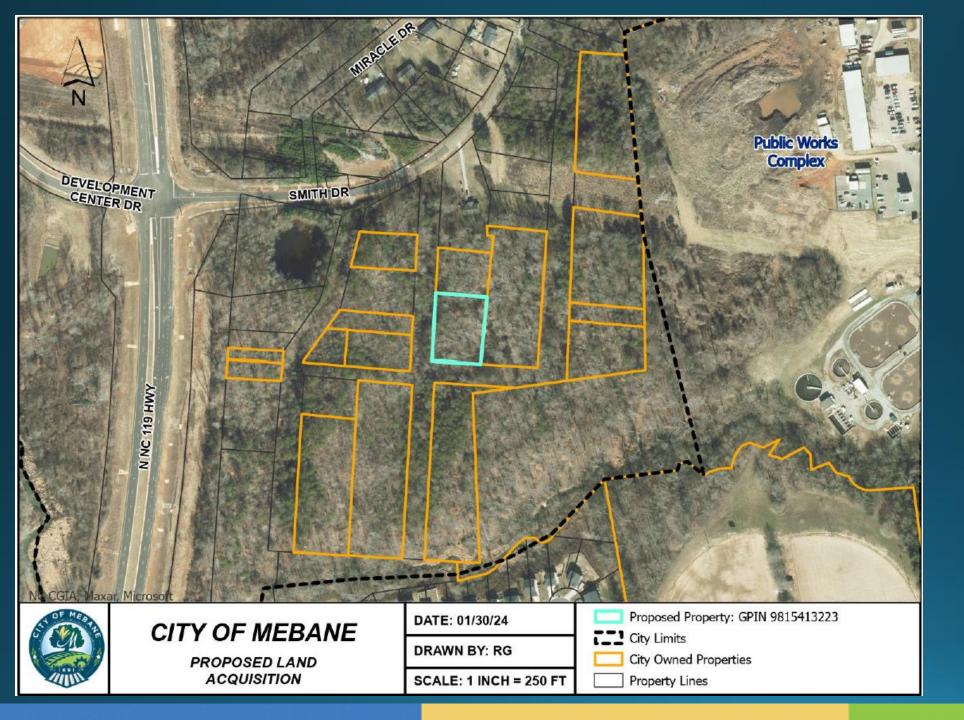


Mr. Brown

Purchase of Land

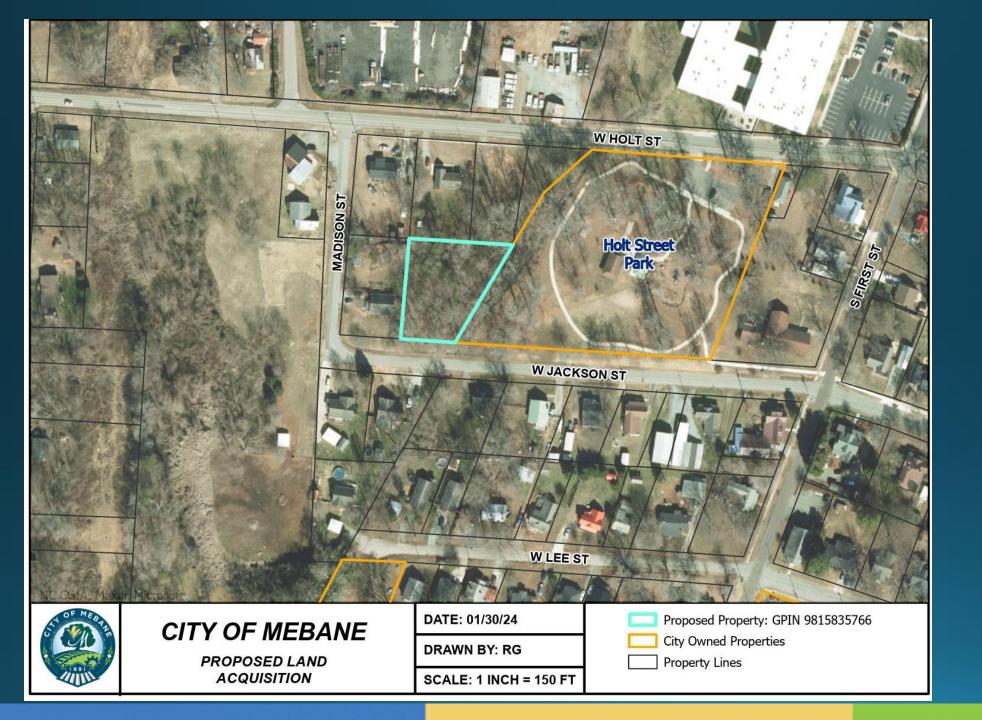
- Rogers Property- Vacant Lot Corner of Lee and Short Streets (unopened)
- Dollar Property- Vacant Lot West of the Holt Street Park
- McDougald Property- Vacant Lot on Lee Street (unopened)





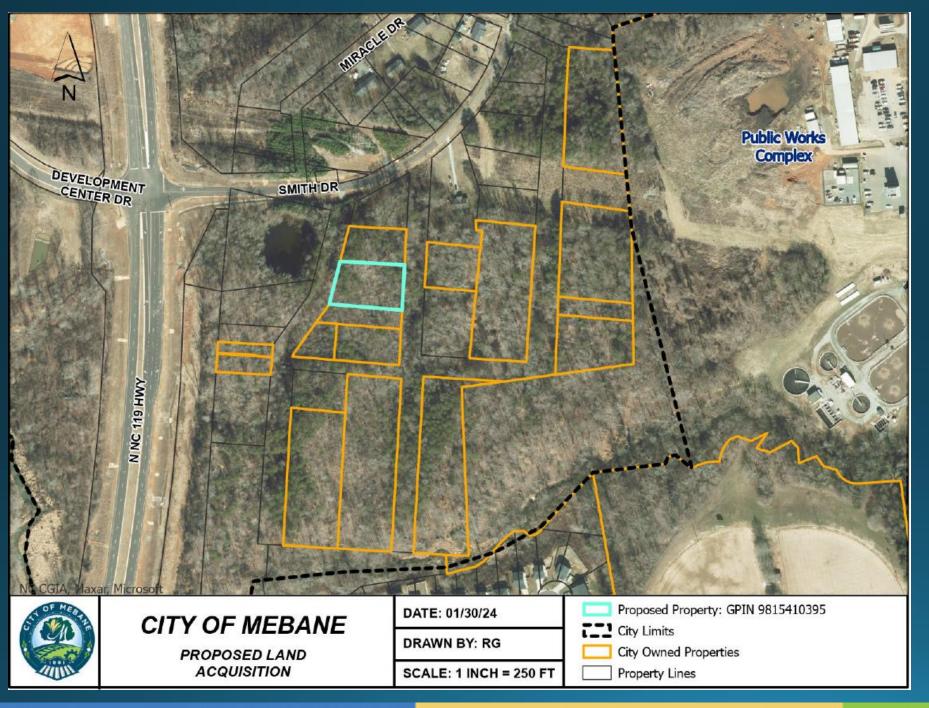
Rogers Property





Dollar Property





McDougald Property





Ashley Ownbey, Development Director Presentation of the Bicycle and Transportation Plan



Mebane Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Plan Update









Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Plan Update

February 5, 2024

Background



- 2024 Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Plan (BPTP) is an update to the original 2015 BPTP plan
- Significant Accomplishments to Date
 - Developed the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC)
 - Adopted Complete Streets Resolution in December 2018
 - Community Bike Events
 - Updates to the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) in June 2022
 - Completed Projects (bike, ped, intersection)





Table 1: Completed Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvement Projects

Name	Facility Type	Extent	Details/Distance
Arrowhead Blvd	Sidewalk	Existing sidewalk east of Tanger Outlets to E Oakwood St	919 Feet
N Charles Street	Bike Boulevard	W Stagecoach Road to W Carr Street	Pavement Markings and Signage
W Clay Street	Bike Boulevard	N Charles Street to N Fifth Street	Pavement Markings and Signage
W Clay Street	Sidewalk	N Charles Street to the Com- munity Park	1,150 Feet
E Center Street	Sidewalk	N Ninth Street west to existing sidewalk	450 Feet
N Fifth Street	Bike Boulevard	E Center Street to E Stagecoach Rd	Pavement Markings and Signage
S Fifth St	Sidewalk	E Dogwood Drive west to existing sidewalk	341 Feet
W Jackson Street	Sidewalk	S Third Street east to existing sidewalk	96 Feet
W Jackson Street	Sidewalk	S First Street to S Third Street	539 Feet
W Jackson Street	Sidewalk	S First Street to Holt St Park	549 Feet
NC 119	Sidewalk	S Fifth Street to S Third Street	1,317 Feet
S NC 119	Sidewalk	Lowes Blvd to Holmes Road	2,189 Feet
S NC 119	Sidewalk	I-40 Ramp to Holmes Road	1,574 Feet
S Second Street	Sidewalk	W Holt Street to W Lee Street	846 Feet



Table 2: Completed Intersection Improvements

Road 1	Road 2	Facility	
W Carr Street	N Charles Street	Sidewalk, curb ramps, and crosswalk	
W Clay Street	N Charles Street	High-visibility crosswalk	
N Fifth Street	Kit Lane and Kit Court	Crosswalk and curb ramps	
S Fifth Street	Mebane Oaks Road and Falcon Lane	Crosswalks, curb ramps, pedestrian signals	
S Fifth Street	East Roosevelt Street	Crosswalk across Fifth, signage	
Fourth Street	US-70 / Center Street	All way countdown timers and crosswalks	
W Ruffin Street	N Charles Street	High-visibility crosswalk, signage, and curb ramps	
N Third Street	W Crawford Street	Crosswalk and curb ramps	
N Third Street	US-70 / Center Street	Crosswalk and pedestrian countdown, all-way	
S Third Street	W Roosevelt Street	Crosswalk and curb ramps – 3-way	
S Third Street	Corregidor Street	High-visibility crosswalk and signage	
S NC 119	Sidewalk	Lowes Blvd to Holmes Road	
S NC 119	Sidewalk	I-40 Ramp to Holmes Road	
S Second Street	Sidewalk	W Holt Street to W Lee Street	



Table 3: Approved and Under Construction Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects

Name	Facility Type	Extent	Details/Distance
S Eleventh Street	Sidewalk	Frontage of 11th Street Apartments	470 Feet
N First Street	Multi-Use Path	E Stagecoach Road to Eastside Creek	1,300 Feet
Holt Street Greenway	Multi-Use Path	Corregidor Drive to S Third Street	4,285 Feet
Lebanon Road	Multi-use path	Heartpine Drive to E Stagecoach Road	0.8 Mile



Table 3: Approved and Under Construction Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects (Continued)

Name	Facility Type	Extent	Details/Distance
N Ninth Street	Sidewalk	E Stagecoach Road to E Laramie Drive	560 Feet
Oakwood Street	Multi-use path	Abbott Street to Pryor Street	1,000 Feet
Oakwood Street	Multi-use path	Frontage of Oakwood subdivision	400 Feet
Old Hillsborough Road	Multi-use path	Fairhaven Drive to Brockton Drive	1,500 Feet
Old Hillsborough Road	Multi-use path	Mebane Oaks Road to Summit Church Drive-way	390 Feet
E Stagecoach Road	Multi-use path	Lebanon Road to N Ninth Street	1,500 Feet
Wilson Road	Sidewalk	Frontage of McKay's Bookstore	290 Feet

2024 BPTP Overview

Key Inputs:

- Existing Conditions
- Data Analysis
- Public/Stakeholder Engagement
- Prioritization Process
- Development of BPTP Draft Oct. 10, 2023
- BPAC Meeting Oct. 16, 2023
- Update BPTP Draft Jan. 5, 2024
- Planning Board Jan. 16, 2024
- City Council February 5, 2024





Vision and Goals



"A clean, connected, healthy, and active community where residents and visitors can experience nature, enjoy exercising, and travel safely by foot or by bicycle to local businesses, services, and schools."

- Goal #1: Build high-priority bicycle and pedestrian facilities as part of a comprehensive network to better connect neighborhoods to the downtown, public spaces, and other important destinations.
- **Goal #2: Increase pedestrian and bicyclist safety** by reducing the number of bicycle and pedestrian-related accidents each year.
- **Goal #3: Improve pedestrian connectivity** by filling sidewalk gaps and providing crosswalks at intersections.
- Goal #4: Continue and enhance community events to educate and encourage residents to bike and walk to school, to local businesses and services.
- **Goal #5: Raise awareness and educate** decision-makers, stakeholders, interest groups, and the public on the benefits of bikeways, walkways, greenway trails, and active, healthy lifestyles.



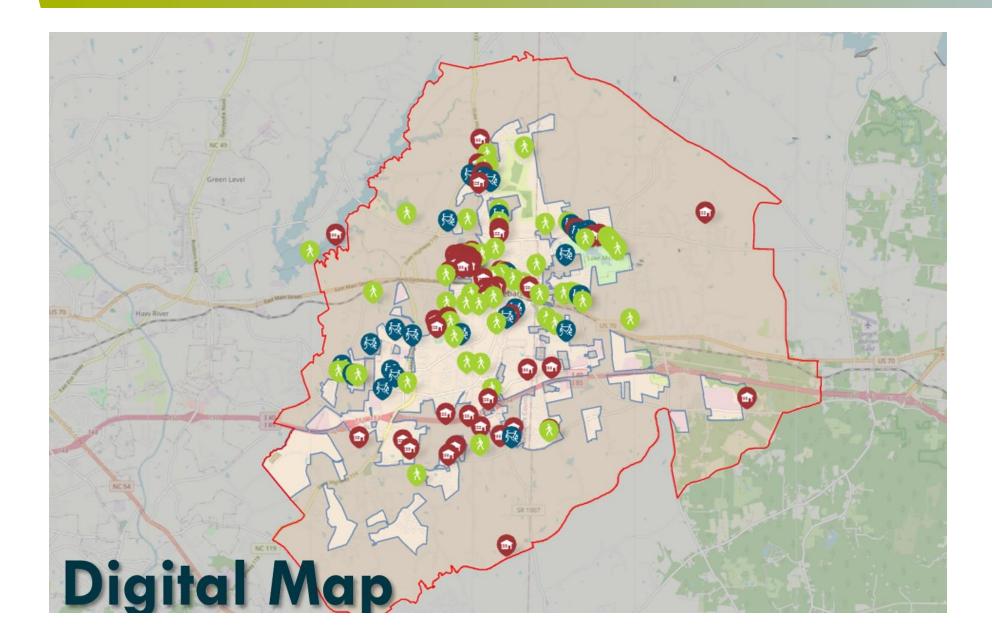
Outreach Statistics

- 311 Statistically Valid Surveys & Open Link Surveys completed
 - 7,000 survey-invite postcards were mailed
- 153 Bicycle and Pedestrian Comments on the Digital Map & Ideas Wall
 - Interactive engagement via Social Pinpoint site
- 90 Focus Group & Public Meeting Attendees
- 75 In-person Mapping Exercise Points
- 23 Stakeholders Interviewed





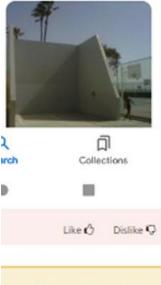








Boyle Heights Beat
 Handball provides exercise...



to walk dogs. Do poop the way. Maybe more d water available.



Lacrosse is an up and coming sport for men and women, that was discussed prior to the artificial turf fields being built. This was not incorporated on the new fields. Flag football male and female league.

ff Recreational Programming | 2 months ago Like ① Dislike Q

I would really love to see a paved pumptrack for bicycles. It is a great activity for all ages.



Bicycle Connectivity | 2 months ago Like d+5 Dislike ♥

We need to have a year round, enclosed, multipool facility for competition, such as the Sportsplex in Hillsborough or Cary Aquatic Center. There has been previous discussion about a YMCA with multiple city council members over the past 2 decades and nothing has been done. Our community needs something like this for all age groups, from infants to seniors. A complex like Sportsplex, with iceskating, pool, and workout is nice. Mebanites always have to go out of town to do YMCA activities.

* Other/Misc. | 2 months ago

Like 🝁+6 Dislike 👎-1

We need volleyball nets to be fixed, or add new ones, either is fine. Thank you.

Recreational Programming | 3 months ago
 Like +1 Dislike

Would like to see outdoor pickleball courts not just tennis. Also more time allotted to indoor pickleball with lessons (paid and unpaid).

* Other/Misc. | 3 months ago

Like 🝁+2 Dislike 🖓



Top Three Bike/Ped Priorities Selected by Survey Respondents:

- 1. Improve sidewalk connectivity
- 2. Better connections to destinations (parks, shops, schools, and employment centers)
- 3. Off-street paths (greenways and multi-use paths)

Public Engagement Themes:

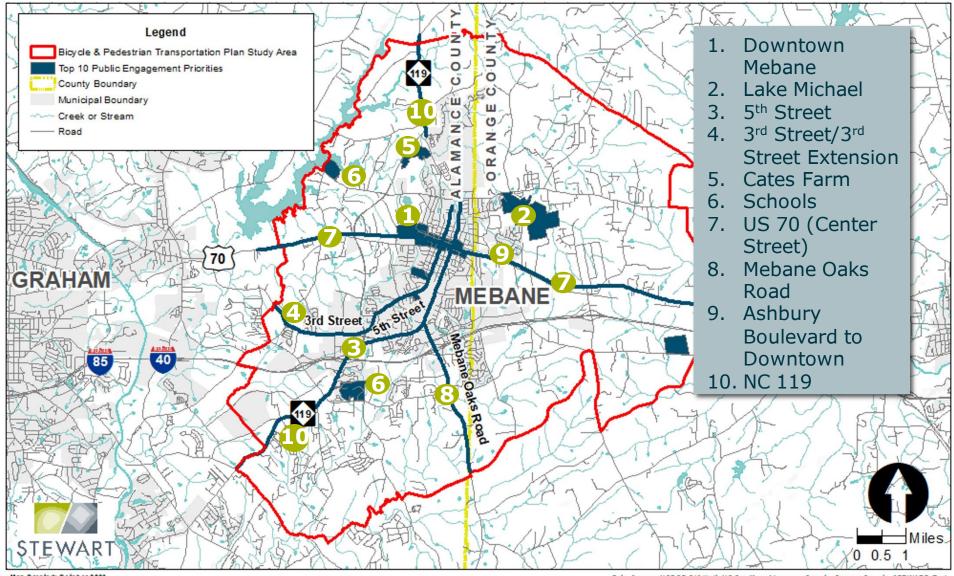
- Enhance the sidewalk network
- Crosswalk improvements or crosswalk installations
- Walking, biking and rolling to parks is important to Mebanites
- Existing bicycle facilities are insufficient





Top 10 Areas to Improve Walking, Rolling and Biking in Mebane





Map Created: Ootober 2023

Data Source: NCDOT GIS Unit, NC O neMap, Alamance County, Orange County, STEWART, Esri



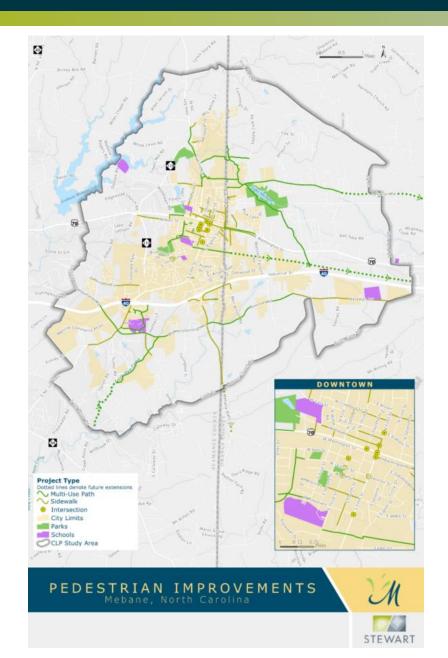
- 1. Connectivity around/to Downtown Mebane
- 2. Improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities from neighborhoods to Lake Michael Park and

improving the existing trail system at Lake Michael Park

- 3. Improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities on 5th Street
- **4**. Improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities on 3rd Street and 3rd Street Extension
- **5** Improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities from neighborhoods to Cates Farm Park
- 6. Improve bicycle and pedestrian connectivity from surrounding neighborhoods to schools
- 7. Improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities on US 70 (Center Street)
- 8. Improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities on Mebane Oaks Road
- 9. Sidewalk connectivity from Ashbury Boulevard to Downtown Mebane
- 10. Improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities on NC 119

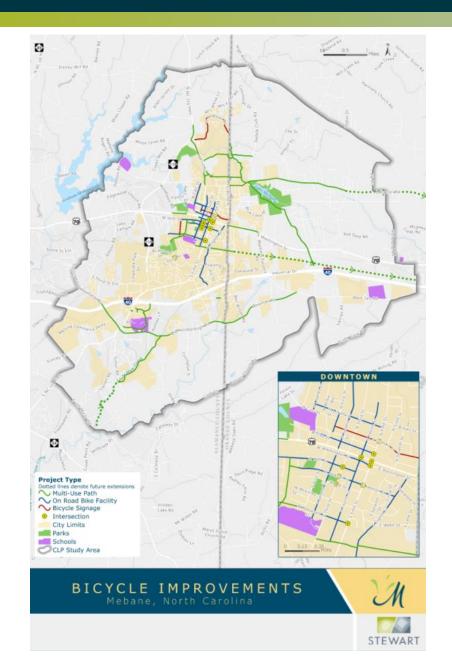
Pedestrian Improvement Projects Map





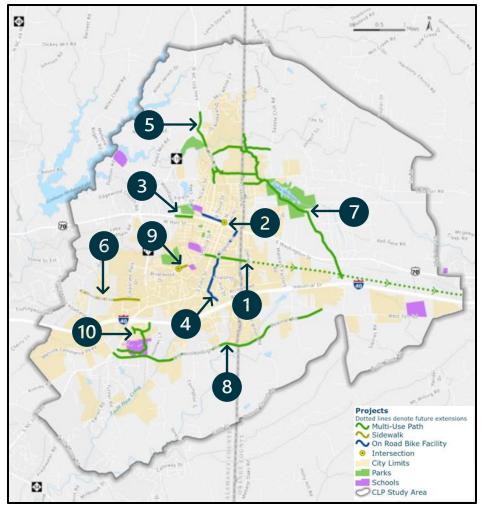
Bicycle Improvement Projects Map





Top 10 Priority Projects





- 1. Central Mebane East-West Greenway multiuse path
- 2. Clay Street intersection improvements and onroad bike facility
- **3**. U.S. 70 (Center Street) multi-use path
- **4. Eighth Street Bike Boulevard** on-road bike facility
- **5.** North First Street multi-use path
- 6. Third Street Extension sidewalk
- 7. Lake Michael Trail Connections multi-use path
- 8. Old Hillsborough Road and Bowman Road Connections - multi-use path
- **9. South Third Street** intersection improvements and sidewalk
- **10.** Hawfields Greenway multi-use path

Recommendations



Overall Strategies:

- 1. Address sidewalk gaps and need for improved pedestrian crossings in downtown and other priority locations.
- 2. Continue to coordinate recommendations from other adopted plans.
- Complete priority bicycle and pedestrian projects identified in this plan and track and identify funding for bicycle and pedestrian facility maintenance.
- 4. Consider pilot projects to test out roadway retrofits to improve bicycle and pedestrian safety.
- 5. Support staff capacity and education on active transportation planning issues and design standards.
- 6. Adopt performance measures to track the City's progress on addressing the issues outlined in this plan.
- 7. Continue to support local and regional bicycle and pedestrian planning
 - efforts.



Recommendations



Policies and Standards:

- 8. Continue implementing the Complete Streets policy adopted in December of 2018.
- Utilize the development review and approval process and coordinate with private development to improve bicycle and pedestrian connectivity and safety.
- 10.Plan for routine, annual and remedial management and maintenance of bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure.
- 11.Ensure adherence to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).





Recommendations



Education and Encouragement:

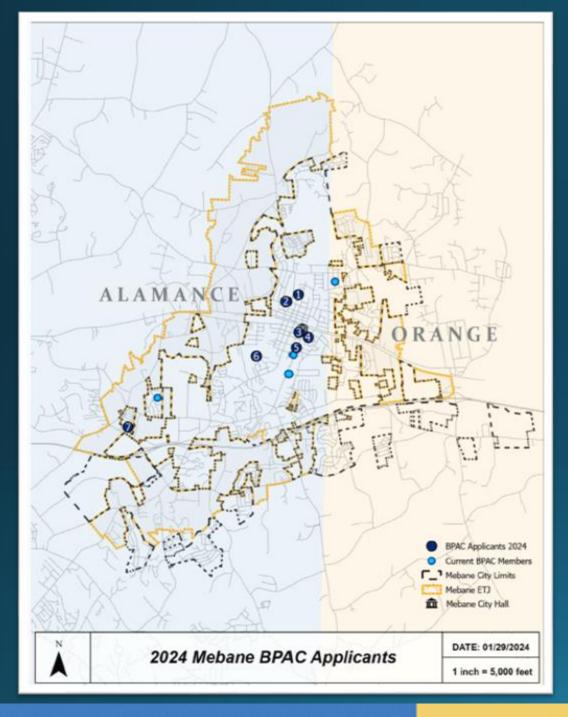
- 12.Continue and build on current activities including the Annual Bike Rodeo and Bike Month promotion and events.
- 13.Support local bicycle and pedestrian centered organizations and events, such as run clubs and walking groups.
- 14.Encourage support and sponsorship from local businesses for bicycle and pedestrian events.

- 15.Coordinate with the BPAC and Mebane Public Information Officer (PIO) to increase public education and engagement around walking and bicycling. Make sure successes and project updates are publicly announced.
- 16.Promote use of bicycle and pedestrian facilities through more health-directed education related to the benefits of cardiovascular activity and wellness. Create literature and initiatives to educate community members on the benefits of active transportation and recreation. - Suggestion from BPAC member.



Ms. Ownbey Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission Appointments





BPAC Appointments-3 Openings:

- 1- City limits position
- 1- Alamance County position
- 1- At-large position

Applicants:

- Katy Jones (requesting re-appointment to the at-large position, currently serves as BPAC Chair)
- Alexander Leaman
- Casey Roberston
- Beth Bell
- Conni Fisher
- Courtney Dunkerton
- Jackson Szeto





Franz Holt, City Engineer Water Shortage Response Plan





Mr. Holt Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) Funding Resolution





Mayor Hooks Adjournment

