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LYNX Silver Line Pre-Project Development and Early Scoping

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Good afternoon,

The Charlotte Area Transit System (CATS) is continuing its mission to expand transit and mobility options through the 2030 Transit Corridor System Plan. The LYNX Silver Line, a key component to the plan, is a proposed 26-mile light rail project from the City of Belmont in Gaston County, through Center City Charlotte and the Town of Matthews, with a potential extension into Union County.

The LYNX Silver Line project is currently in Pre-Project Development and conducting Early Scoping. As part of Pre-Project Development, the project team is refining the locally preferred alternative or "LPA." This includes evaluating different alignment options to create a buildable project. Early Scoping is a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) public planning period that allows the public to provide comment on a project before entering a formal National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process.

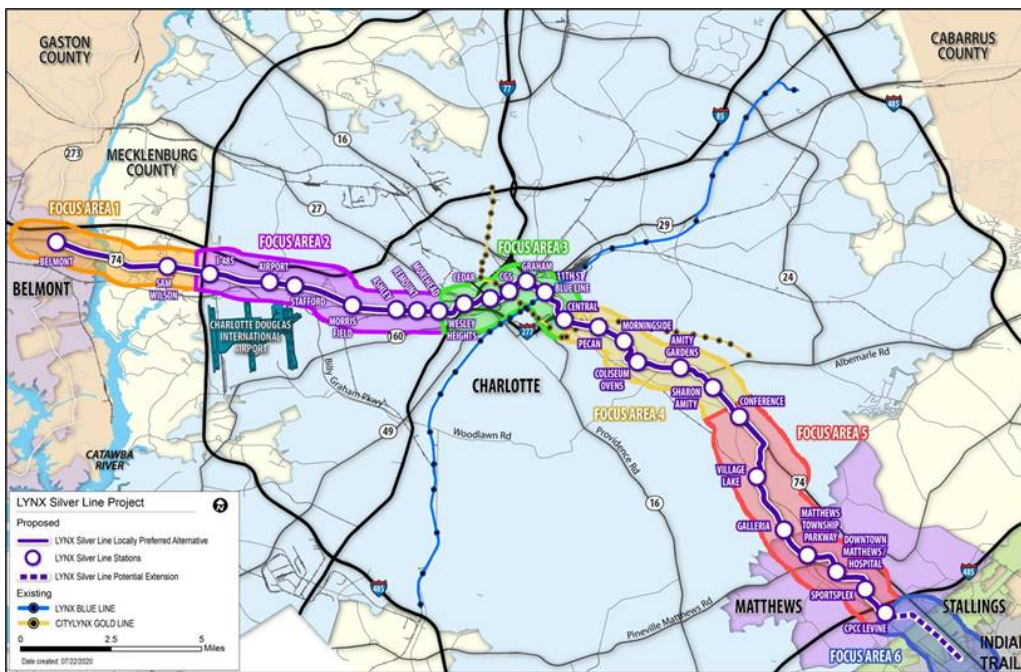
Community feedback is a vital part of this refining effort. From **August 31 - October 14, 2020**, CATS will engage with the public, regulatory agencies, partners and stakeholders, to solicit feedback on the ongoing planning effort. CATS will conduct live virtual public meetings which includes a presentation and Q&A with the project team. The 26-mile alignment has been sectioned into six focus areas to allow the project team and public to concentrate on particular areas of interest.

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LIVE VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETINGS

Tuesday, September 15, 2020 | 5:30 p.m.

Focus Area 1: Wilkinson Boulevard (City of Belmont to I-485)

Wednesday, September 16, 2020 | 5:30 p.m.

Focus Area 2: Wilkinson Boulevard (I-485 to West Morehead Street)

Thursday, September 17, 2020 | 5:30 p.m.

Focus Area 3: Center City (West Morehead Street to Charlottetowne Avenue)

Tuesday, September 22, 2020 | 5:30 p.m.

Focus Area 4: Independence Boulevard (Charlottetowne Avenue to Idlewild Road)

Thursday, September 24, 2020 | 5:30 p.m.

Focus Area 5: Independence Blvd (Idlewild Road to just south of I-485 at CPCC Levine)

Tuesday, September 29, 2020 | 5:30 p.m.

Focus Area 6: Union County ExtensionVisit <http://RideTransit.org/LYNXSilverLine> for more information. There you can:

- Get information on upcoming live virtual public meetings
- View the Online Open House to see project information, an interactive comment map and participate in a survey
- Sign your neighborhood or community group up for a virtual meeting with project team

Please reach out to me with any questions, comments or concerns.

Have a great weekend!

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