

# EVENING WITH THE LEAGUE

## TRANSPORTATION SALES TAX REFERENDUM

Charlotte-area voters will soon have their say on an important transportation funding measure. On November 4, 2025, Mecklenburg County residents will vote on whether to enact a one-cent local sales tax, earmarked for roadways and public transportation, including buses, rail, and micro-transit.

The specific ballot question is as follows:

**“SHALL A ONE-CENT (\$.01) COUNTYWIDE SALES AND USE TAX BE LEVIED IN MECKLENBURG COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSES OF FUNDING PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AND ROAD PROJECTS?”**

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OF CHARLOTTE MECKLENBURG

### WHEN AND WHERE

October 9, 2025 at 6:30pm - 8:30pm  
Veterans Park Indoor Pavillion  
2136 Central Avenue, Charlotte

### TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

- What are the economic/environmental consequences if it's not approved?
- What are the economic and environmental benefits if it is approved?
- How does this investment in public transportation align with growth in our county? (Charlotte is growing 157 people a day!)
- What is micro transit? How will that help me?
- How does this plan address public transportation needs in overlooked neighborhoods?
- How much will this cost families? Are any products exempt from this penny tax?
- I've heard the total budget will be \$19.4 billion over 30 years - and that 40% goes to rail, 40% goes to roads, and 20% goes for bus and micro transit -- What's in it for me?

### PANELIST

Mark Jerrell, Board of County Commission Chair; David Howard, former Charlotte City Council, Federal Highway Administration, Deputy Chief Secretary of NCDOT; Brent Cagle, CEO of Charlotte Area Transit System (CATS); and Ted Volskay, Scientist, Environment Expert and LWVCM Environment and Sustainability Action Team Lead. The panel will be moderated by Susan Harden.