

Downtown Commission Priorities

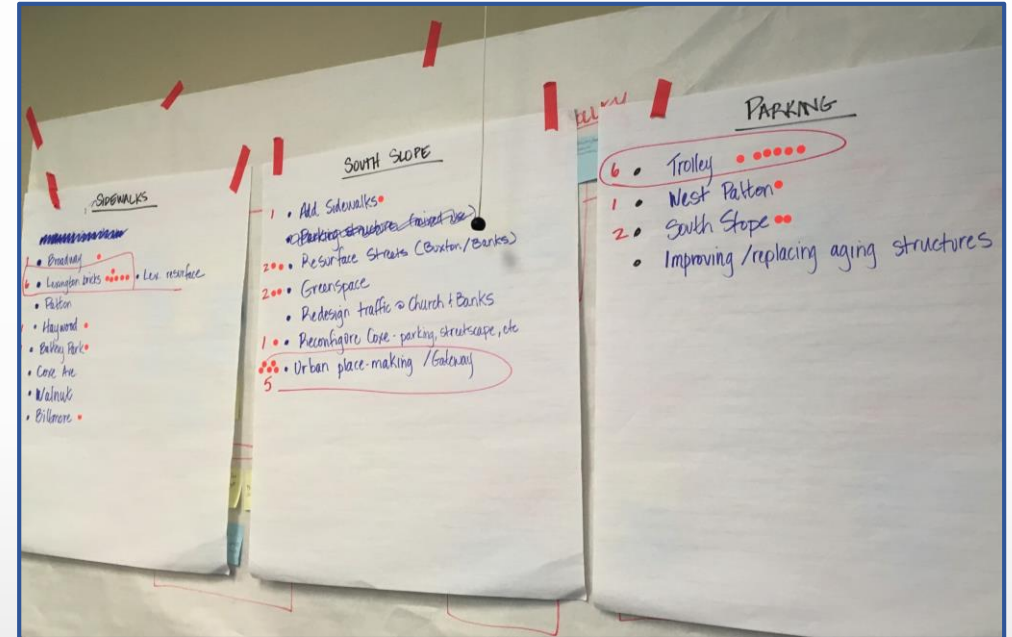
Review & Updates

December 9, 2016



2016 Retreat – Identified Priority Categories

- Sidewalks (11)*
- Parking & Parking Alternatives (6)*
- South Slope (4)*
- Housing (3)
- Supporting Local Business (2)
- Utilities (2)
- Mixed-Use at Haywood Page Property (1)
- Cleanliness and Beautification (1)
- Connectivity with East End Community (1)



Identified Priority Projects (top 3 categories)

Sidewalks

- N. Lexington Ave. bricks
- Broadway Ave.
- Haywood St.
- Battery Park Ave.
- Biltmore Ave.
- Patton Ave.
- Coxe Ave.
- Walnut St.

Parking & Alternatives

- Trolley or other trans. alternative
- More parking in South Slope
- Improving walk/bike accessibility on Patton Ave bet. CBD and River
- Improving/replacing aging parking structures

South Slope

- Place-making/gateway
- Street resurfacing - Buxton Ave & Banks Ave
- Green space
- Coxe Ave. Improvements
- New sidewalks
- Redesign @ Church & Banks

Big Picture Ideas

- New holiday decorations
- Green roofs
- Solar panels on the Civic Center
- No smoking ordinance throughout the CBD
- Pedestrian-only Streets
- Increased housing downtown, including affordable housing
- More local businesses and fewer chains
- More public spaces (outdoor parks and indoor amenities)
- Non-profit space for meetings/community center
- Education (institutional presence and facilities)
- Expanded CBD to River along new Patton Corridor
- Planters & beautification
- Car-share/bike share (travel demand management)
- More things for kids to do
- Business Improvement District

Status Updates: Sidewalks

- **Lexington Avenue Brick Repair/Replacement**

- Public Works top CIP submission
 - Walnut to College St. replacement = \$286,080
 - Walnut to Woodfin St. replacement = \$816,600
 - TOTAL CIP REQUEST = \$1,102,680 (FY 18)

- **Broadway Ave**

- Vaulted sidewalk repair = \$300,000 (funded FY 17)
- College St. to Woodfin St. = \$1,167,400 (CIP request FY 19)

- **Haywood Street**

- Bond funds = \$380,000 can cover blue stone replacement, and re-paving with running bond pattern (FY 19)
- Guidance from DTC on surface treatment

- **Proposed grinding services to remove tripping hazards**

Status Updates: Parking & Parking Alternatives

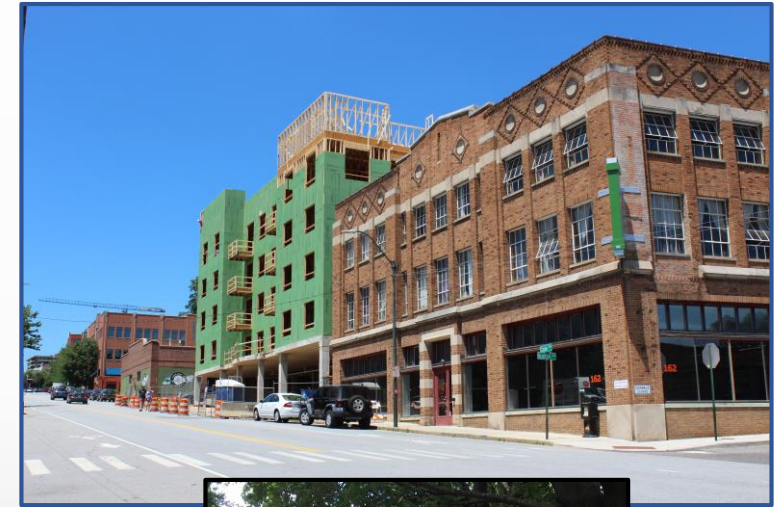
- **Trolley or other transportation alternative**
 - Comprehensive Parking Study to include routes and costs
 - To present at DTC when complete; next steps TBD.
- **South Slope parking**
 - County lot – 650 spaces (nights & weekends for public)
 - Proposed garage on Southside Ave. (possible TPDF)
- **Improving/replacing aging parking structures**
 - **Civic Center Garage**
 - Structural analysis has determined the life of the garage can be extended for 30 years provided consistent reinvestment is made (avg ~\$300K per year) for a total of \$9 M.
 - **Wall Street & Rankin Garages**
 - Structural analysis and expansion feasibility studies (\$660,000 combined) proposed in FY 18 and FY 19 CIP.



Public Workshop held on 8/17 to inform transit shuttle feasibility/recommendations

Status Updates: South Slope

- **Place-making/gateway**
 - In progress with TPDF and South Slope Visioning
- **Reconfiguration of Coxe Ave. (complete streets)**
 - **STBG funding secured for design of Coxe & S. Lexington**
 - \$420,000 Coxe Avenue (plus city contribution \$105,000)
 - \$540,000 Lexington Avenue (plus city contribution \$135,000)
- **Adding sidewalks where they do not exist**
 - Church Street sidewalk repair and connection to Hilliard underway – working expanding Hilliard sidewalk
- **Redesign at Church Street & Banks Ave.**
 - Recommendations likely to come out of South Slope Visioning



Other Notable Updates

- Median Improvements and Maintenance
- Increased Trash Collection in Summer/Fall
- Downtown Winter Lights
- Trash & recycling bins in South Slope
- Pritchard Park Improvements
- Sidewalk Litter Collection & Pressure Washing
 - CIP Requests: \$309,000 FY 18 with increases each year to \$374,472 FY 22
- Downtown Master Plan Update - 2017



Questions and Discussion

