

Update on Complete Community Implementation

Town Council

Meeting

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TOWN OF
CHAPEL HILL

Agenda

- What We Talk About When We Talk About Complete Community
- What We've Accomplished/What We're Working On
- How We're Measuring Progress and Reporting to Council

What We Talk About When We Talk About Complete Community

Complete Community has four high -level goals:

- Plan for the Future Strategically
- Expand and Deliver New Greenways for Everyday Life
- Be Green
- Plan for Excellence in the Public Realm, Everywhere

Chapel Hill will focus growth in these areas:

- **Greenways** to maximize walkability and minimize cars
- **Transit corridors** to create density for higher-order transit
- **Large infill sites** to better use land and remediate past practices
- **Small infill sites** to increase housing diversity and inclusivity

Chapel Hill will be a place where people can

- Live in a variety of housing types
- Easily get around without a car
- Enjoy parks and natural spaces
- Access vibrant commercial areas
- Live, work, and play in thriving neighborhoods

What We've Accomplished/What We're Working On

In just over three years, here's just some of what Council and staff have gotten done:

- Planning system improvements
- Stormwater regulations
- Multiple LUMO amendments
- RAISE grant for greenway feasibility study
- Natural Features Model created
- Bike/ped improvements

And there's lots more underway, both for the short- and long-term:

- LUMO adoption
- Everywhere to Everywhere Feasibility Study
- NS RAPID construction
- NS RAPID economic corridor study
- Climate Action Plan update
- Comprehensive Plan update

And we can't do it alone, so we'll continue to work with partners:

- UNGCH
- CHCCS
- Orange County
- Carrboro
- Development community
- Affordable Housing partners

How We're Measuring Progress and Reporting to Council

**ALL Town departments use Complete
Community as their playbook to achieve
Council's strategic priorities.**

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**Council
Strategic
Priorities**

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**Projects,
Programs,
Services**

As we design FY27 Business Plans, here are some of the types of metrics we will report back to Council...

- Miles of greenways and multnodal projects planned/
built/ improved
- Number of affordable housing projects
planned/approved/built
- Number of grants applied for/awarded that advance
Complete Community goals

Once we complete the LUMO adoption, our next major policy process will be an update to the Comprehensive Plan

- One of the first steps will be to center the Complete Community framework into the Comp Plan as Council's principal visioning document
- The CompPlan will reflect the framework in both *Policy* and *Mapping*

