

Blue Hill District Report Date: September 25, 2019



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District Map

Eastgate Crossing Rams

Plaza

Village Plaza

Elliott Rd

Overview

District Updates
 Performance
 Looking Ahead



1 Town Projects: Highlights

All permits received for Elliott Rd Flood Storage



Nearing final design for Elliott Rd Extension



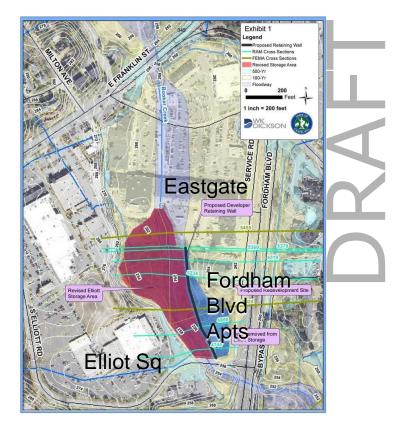
Code update completed in June to restore Enhanced Stormwater Treatment



1 Elliott Rd Flood Storage

Town Project

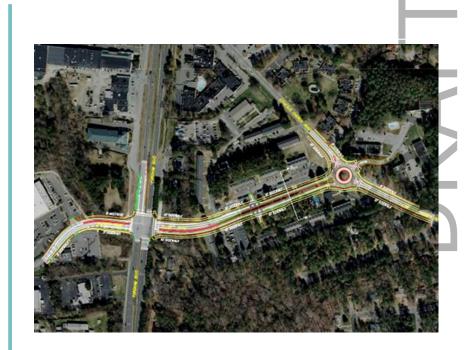
- All required permits received
- Design 90% complete, including recreation components
- Property acquisition final easements set for closing
- Construction start targeted for Fall 2019



1 Elliott Road Extension

Town Project

- Final Design expected this fall
- Initiating ROW acquisition
- Construction as part of Park Apartments project





Code Changes COMPLETE

- Response to Session Law 2018-245 stormwater treatment can only be required for net increase in impervious area
- <u>Two paths created in Code</u> full development potential of Blue Hill now used to incentivize enhanced stormwater treatment (limited density otherwise)
- Text Amendment adopted by Council on June 26, 2019



1 Development Highlights

Tarheel Lodging and Park Apartments Ph I recently approved, demolition underway

Construction continues on Hillstone Apartments and Fordham Blvd Apartments

Greenfield Commons recently completed





Park Ap	oartments Ph I
Use	Apartments
Units	414 (4 buildings)
Status	Building Permits, Demolition





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	ield Commons
Use	Affordable Senior Housing
Units	69
Status	Fully Occupied



Development Tracking: Highlights

648 dwelling units approved for Tarheel Lodging and Park Apts Ph I

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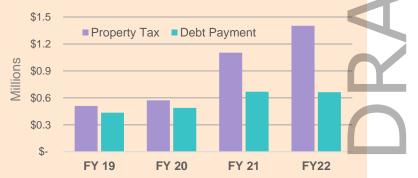


(1,465 net total units new or in the pipeline)

85,495 sq ft of commercial space approved for Tarheel Lodging (hotel and office)



Projects under construction generate **\$800K increase** in annual property tax revenue (current FY vs FY 22 estimate)



Increased District revenue exceeds Cumulative Debt Payments in **FY21**

2 Developmer Status as of September		ng – Residential
RESIDENTIAL UNITS	NET NEW	
Completed Projects		~
415	415	
Under Construction		
1,248	1,050	MEXICAN CELL
Add'l Anticipated* t	through 2029	
636	636	* Based on 2014 Projections.
TOTAL through 202	29	Includes Park Apts Ph II, Staples
2,299	2,101	More details in <i>Development</i> <i>Tracking Spreadsheet</i>

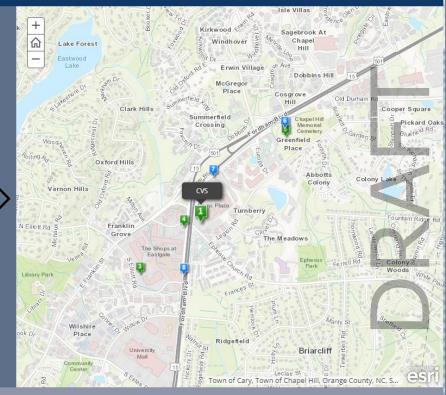
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RESIDENTIAL		
SQUARE FOOTAGE	NET NEW	
Completed Project	S	
466,374	466,374	
Under Constructio	n	MEXICAN CERLE
1,548,447	1,401,795	
Add'l Anticipated*	through 2029	* Based on 2014 Projections.
572,000	572,000	Includes Park Apts Ph II, Staples
TOTAL through 202	29	More details in <i>Development</i>
2,586,821	2,440,169	Tracking Spreadsheet

2 Developme Status as of Septem		ng – Commercial
COMMERCIAL		
SQUARE FOOTAGE	NET NEW	
Completed Project	ts	
39,074	33,361	
Under Construction	n	
85,495	15,360	
Add'l Anticipated*	through 2029	* Based on 2014 Projections.
130,000	28,129	Includes Staples, University Inn
TOTAL through 20	29	More details in <i>Development</i>
254,569	76,850	Tracking Spreadsheet

Check out the Redevelopment Story Map at www.townofchapelhill.org/BlueHillDistrict



commercial space to the Ram's Plaza area. The CVS project includes a refurbished sidewalk along Ephesus-Church Road and a section of the multi-modal path that will connect Ephesus-Church Rd. and Service Rd. adjacent to Fordham Blvd.

















CVS



Revenues exceed *cumulative* debt payments by FY 20-21

- Property tax revenues from completed and under construction projects
- Debt payments on ۰ completed road improvements and Elliott Rd Extension

	FY	FY	FY	FY	FY
	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
Revenues					
Incremental Property Tax	\$499,190	\$510,089	\$572,946	\$1,102,164	\$1,402,391
Expenditures					
Debt Service Payments	\$435,224	\$434,429	\$487,772	\$668,617	\$663,086
Revenue less Expenditures	\$63,966	\$75,660	\$85,174	\$433,547	\$739,305
Revenue less Expenditures Cumulative	\$(370,975)	\$(295,314)	\$(210,140)	\$223,407	\$962,712

More details in *District Debt Scorecard*

2 Community Benefits: Highlights

1.7 acres of Outdoor Amenity Space currently under construction

(Central green space provided by Flood Storage project)



Development payments for **Bus Stop Furnishings total \$65K** to date



Stormwater standards resulting in 36% more treated impervious area



(compared to typical Town requirements)

2 Community Benefits: Highlights

New Connections:

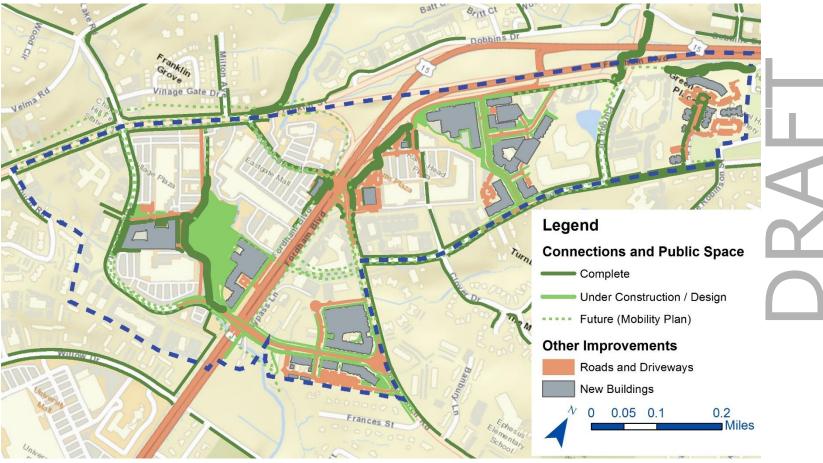
Linear Feet of:	Newly Approved (Tarheel Lodging, Park Apts)	Total Added/ Planned
Trails	220	3,450
Bike Lanes	943	7,950
Sidewalks	4,506	13,650



Park Apartments payment of \$1.5M for affordable housing

Connections and Public Space

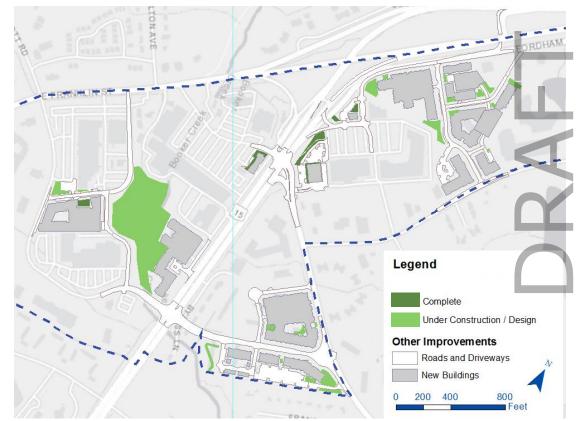
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2 Outdoor Amenity Space

Required: 6% of site

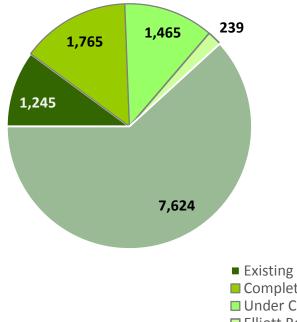
- Completed: 0.7 acres
- Under Construction: 1.7 acres
- Flood Storage
 Green Space:
 4+ acres



Connections: Trails & Greenways

Length of Facilities by Phase (Linear Feet)

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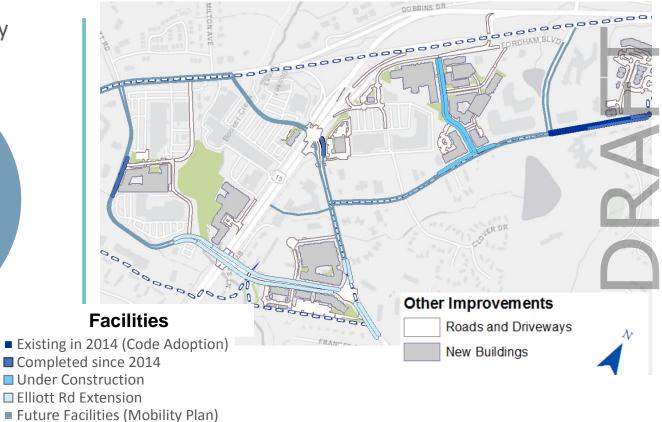




Connections: Bicycle Facilities

Length of Facilities by Phase (Linear Feet) 4,214 2,426 1,318 1,231 17,387

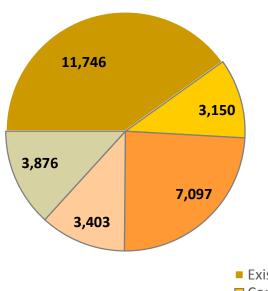
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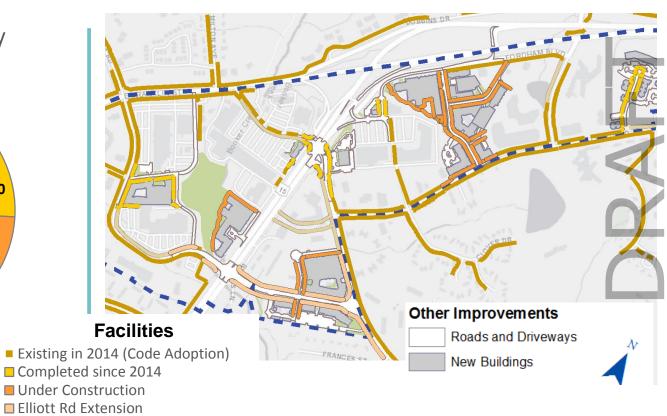


Connections: Sidewalks

Length of Facilities by Phase (Linear Feet)

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Future Facilities (Mobility Plan)

Connections: Road Improvements

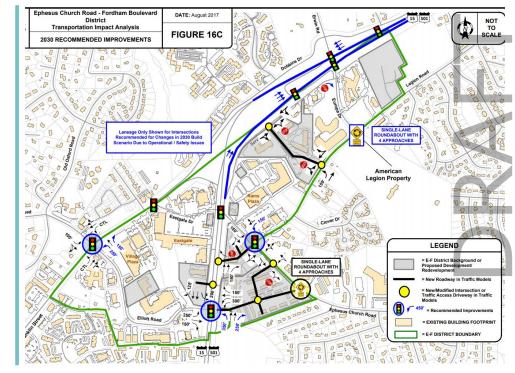
Implementation of 2017 District TIA:

 Town to fund Elliott Rd Ext and through debt issuance

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- Anticipated NCDOT project for Fordham Blvd improvements
- Developers construct local streets (including Novus Ln) and intersection improvements associated with sites

Roadway improvements support anticipated development and traffic generation through 2030



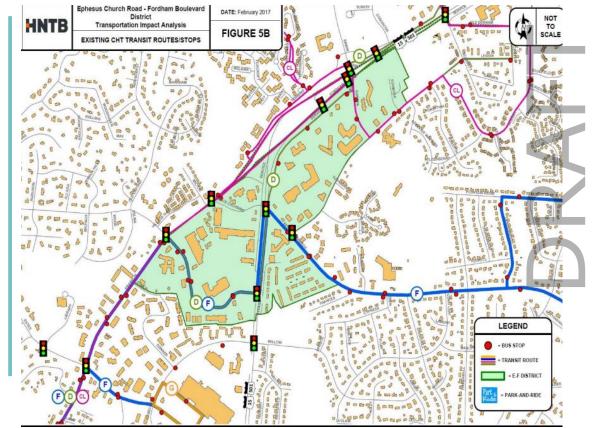
Connections: Transit Stops

Project approvals require payments for bus stop furnishings

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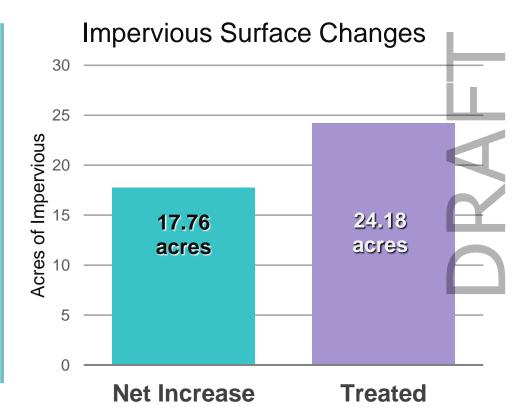
- Payments Received: \$17,000
- Payments Pending: \$45,000

Service recommendations included in 2017 District TIA



2 Stormwater Management

- District stormwater regulations require more impervious surface treatment than town-wide standards
- As a result, new and permitted projects since 2014 will treat an additional
 6.4 acres of impervious area above normal requirements (36% increase)





3 March 2018 Council Petition

Submitted by Council Members in March 2018

Interests

- 1. Encourage non-residential development
 - Residential projects now require mixed-use component
- 2. Achieve affordable housing goal
 - Ongoing effort; Housing staff exploring various strategies
- 3. Address building size and massing concerns
 - Small changes made to recreation space standards. Further study underway

3 Affordable Housing Strategies

Updates

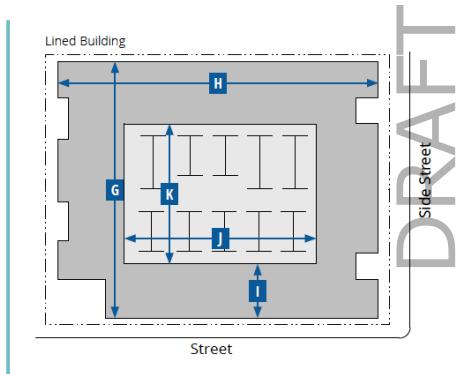
- Affordable housing made part of Blue Hill Code purpose statement in June
- Council update on additional strategies expected in early 2020



3 Massing Standards Study

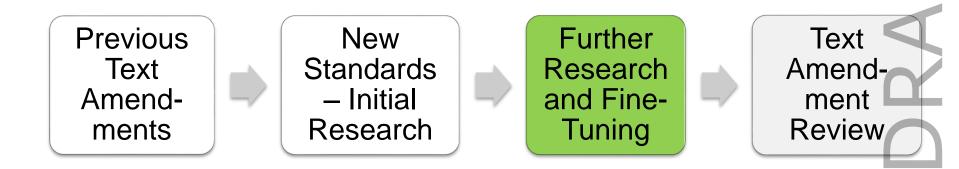
Updates

- Council discussed recommended standards at June 2019 Work Session
- Economic analysis and Refined dimension options underway
- Public Hearing proposed for October 30



3 Massing Standards Study

Current Process

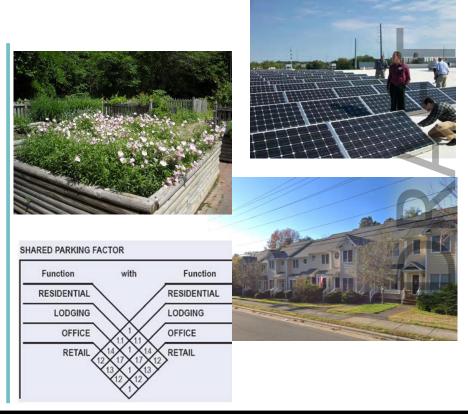


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June 2019 Community Petition

- Interest: How the Form-Based Code can deliver additional community benefits
- Staff working on response



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Pre-Application Discussions

Gateway Commons site



University Inn site



Understanding regulations prior to proposing a project

3 Construction Progress

Expected in the Upcoming Year

Completing construction:

- Novus Lane
- □ Hillstone Apartments
- □ Fordham Blvd Apartments
- Village Plaza Amenity Space and renovations



Starting construction:

- Elliott Rd Flood Storage
- Elliott Rd Extension
- Tru Hotel by Hilton
- Park Apartments





- Massing Standards Public Hearing: October 30 (anticipated)
- Affordable Housing Strategies Update: Winter 2020
- Next Blue Hill Update: Spring 2020