

NC 73 Council of Planning

Regular Meeting Minutes

October 26, 2023

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Virtual Zoom Meeting



Attendees

Name	Organization
Luke Lowry	Centralina Regional Council
Richard Smith	City of Kannapolis
Andrew Bryant	Lincoln County
Brian Richards	Town of Huntersville
Aaron Tucker	Town of Cornelius
Andrew Golden	Town of Davidson
Andy Bailey	NCDOT
Arthur Cashwell IV	GCLMPO
Jason Wager	Centralina Regional Council
Jerome Miller	NCDOT
Julio Paredes	GCLMPO
Kayleigh Mielenz	City of Concord
PE Collins	Cabarrus County
Phil Conrad	Cabarrus-Rowan MPO
Roger Castillo	NCDOT
Susie Morris	Cabarrus County
Theo Ghitea	NCDOT

Welcome & Introductions

Luke began the meeting with welcome & introductions around the room, and then reviewed the meeting agenda.

Administrative Matters

The meeting minutes from April 6th, 2023 were approved through a motion and a second.

NCDOT Updates

Theo Ghitea provided updates on several NCDOT projects along NC-73:

SCHEDULED FOR DELIVERY BY DIVISION 10						
TIP	Description	ROW & Utilities	ROW	Utilites	Construction	Construction
R-5721B	NC 73: Vance Road Ext/Beatties Ford Rd to West Catawba Ave	In process	\$15.5 million	\$3 million	FY2026	\$59.3 million
U-5765	NC 73: West Catawba Ave to Northcross Dr	In process	\$58.5 million	\$7.5 million	FY2026	\$31.5 million
I-5715	I-77 and NC 73 upgrade interchange to split diamond	In process	\$19 million	\$3 million	FY2027	\$61.8 million
R-2632AB	NC 73: NC 115 to Davidson-Concord Rd	In process	\$8.3 million	\$5.1 million	FY2026	\$58.4 million
R-5706A	NC 73: Davidson-Concord Rd to Poplar Tent Rd	FY2024	\$9.7 million	\$2 million	FY2027	\$32 million

Public Update Meeting held November 14, 2023 at Lake Norman Baptist Church (7921 Sam Furr Rd, Huntersville, NC 28078).
2:00-4:00pm and 5:00-7:00pm

SCHEDULED FOR DELIVERY BY DIVISION 12						
TIP	Description	ROW	ROW	Utilites	Construction	Construction
R-5721A	NC 73: NC 16 Vance Road Ext/Beatties Ford Rd	FY2026	\$46.4 million	\$10.4 million	FY2029	\$102 million

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TIP	Description	ROW	ROW	Utilites	Construction	Construction
R-5706B	NC 73: Poplar Tent Rd to US 29	N/A	\$70 million	\$7.3 million	N/A	\$175 million

Around the Room.

Cabarrus County

- No updates were provided

Town of Huntersville

- No updates were provided

Town of Davidson

- No updates were provided

Town of Cornelius

- Atrium hospital on 21, .75 miles north of 73. Under construction and up and running Q1 2025.

City of Concord

- Nothing on 73
- Some inquiries about commercially zoned properties off of I-85

Lincoln County

- Lots of interest in commercial NC 16 business and 73. Sewer constraints. Congestion management reviews have caused past proposals to stall.

- Western side, bypass, seeing industrial 100k sf being developed. Water transmission improvements in that area also. Some road improvements to accommodate also made.
- Link to see Lincoln County Zoning Cases: <https://www.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=2e01b3030fb640fbbef0d431613e9204&extent=-9084822.369%2C4207380.3336%2C-8986982.9728%2C4256873.3095%2C102100>

City of Kannapolis

- 73 West of 85, Several mixed use and residential units incoming.
- Amazon also expanding along corridor.
- Link to Storymap used in Kannapolis to updated elected officials and Boards on current development projects: <https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/42f0b4d74ae645ecb501ed0343e2acd1>

GCLMPO

- No updates were provided

Wrap-up and Adjourn

Luke thanked meeting participants for being at the meeting and adjourned the meeting.