

## 2040 OBJECTIVES

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- Maximize existing public investments and resources
- Build a place for people of all ages
- Build places where people can get out of their cars and walk or bike
- Make sure that undisturbed open spaces stay connected
- Give people places to play, walk, exercise, meet each other
- Ensure a diversity of housing and services to serve residents
- Ensure there are places to work and that these places can change and grow
- Build a town that has good “bones” and can grow and evolve over generations

The Town will work to ensure that there is a wide range of housing options available for residents of all ages and income levels while working to preserve and enhance existing neighborhoods.

Future growth will occur in a manner which makes the most efficient use of the Town’s land resources by utilizing design techniques which produce compact, interconnected, and complementary residential neighborhoods, commercial areas, employment centers and civic facilities.

The Town’s future transportation network will build on the underlying strength of the existing street network by extending the grid street network where possible, ensuring connectivity between new and existing developments, and improving the efficiency and safety of major transportation corridors.

The Town will work to preserve and protect natural resources through low impact design requirements and environmentally sustainable development practices.

A well planned and accessible system of active and passive parks and open spaces will be provided to residents throughout the Town by utilizing the Town’s abundant land resources and coordinating the provision or acquisition of park land as new development occurs.

The Town of Butner will be a walkable and bicycle friendly community, with an expansive and conveniently located bike and pedestrian network which connects neighborhoods to commercial areas, employment centers, schools, and parks.

The Town will enhance the appearance of its primary gateways and thoroughfares, including safety and functional improvements to the roadways, through improved design standards for new development and investment in public infrastructure improvement projects. The Town will work with NCDOT to enhance the appearance and function of roads leading into Butner including adding bike and pedestrian facilities to expand access to recreational opportunities.

The Town will maintain and strengthen its relationships with the County, neighboring municipalities, and the State and Federal agencies that call Butner home to ensure that growth and development are adequately coordinated, and opportunities for partnerships are realized as they become available.

The Town will coordinate future development proposals with public service and utility providers to ensure that development occurs only when adequate public infrastructure and service capacity exists to support it, or resources are available to expand the system.

# 2040 GOALS

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## SHORT-TERM (YEARS 1 - 3)

- Update the Land Development Ordinance to incorporate the vision and goals set forth in the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. Establish design standards for small area planning areas including Central Avenue – Umstead Town Center and Freeway interchange areas.
- Maintain the Butner2040.com website as a venue for developers and the public to stay abreast of development activity and trends. Update the Butner Bugle to include information about new development in Town, and to educate the public about development trends and changes.
- Develop a long-term water and sewer allocation plan with the South Granville Water and Sewer Authority to address future growth needs.
- Actively pursue funding for pedestrian and bicycle projects. Work with NCDOT and KTRPO to secure funding to widen I-85 and add bike and pedestrian facilities across Butner Cove.
- Continue working with the County, Durham County, Army Corps of Engineers, NC Wildlife, nearby municipalities, and conservation organizations to build a regional parks and recreation system of trails and parks and protected open space including identifying access to Falls Lake at Butner Cove for non-motorized watercraft to use the lake from Butner.
- Review and update the Parks and Recreation Master Plan to incorporate any necessary changes resulting from the adoption of the Land Use Plan.
- Develop a formal process for reviewing proposed zoning map changes and amendments to the text of the Land Development Ordinance for consistency with the Comprehensive Land Use Plan.
- Prepare and implement an access management program along major transportation corridors.
- Create town-wide landscape plans for major entrances to the Town and along commercial corridors. Adopt street tree plan for new subdivisions and residential areas.

## MEDIUM-TERM (YEARS 4 – 7)

- Develop a joint plan with the State agencies with property or facilities in the Town's jurisdiction to ensure the compatibility of future government projects development with the Town's land use vision.
- Develop a prioritized transportation improvement list and work with NCDOT to identify funding to address the Town's most critical needs.
- Prepare a small land use and design area plan for the Highway 56 corridor.
- Develop a plan with the Granville County School Board to identify future school sites.
- Conduct a review of the Land Development Ordinance to incorporate any changes identified in the plan review process.
- Prepare a housing study to identify potential areas for neighborhood revitalization or stabilization programs.
- Prepare an interim update at the plan's five-year anniversary to incorporate any necessary changes to the plan's land use vision or goals that emerge over the initial implementation period.

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### LONG-TERM (YEARS 7 – 10)

- Develop and implement a management plan to provide for the long-term protection of significant natural heritage areas on Town owned property.
- Prepare a master plan to determine the future use of the Town's 750-acre tract.
- Develop a brownfield redevelopment plan to address unused or underutilized industrial areas.
- Review and update the Parks and Recreation Master Plan to reflect growth that has occurred.
- Prepare a growth study to identify potential annexation areas and develop a phased annexation plan.
- Review the Town's ETJ boundary in relation to past growth patterns and consider adjusting the boundary if changes are needed to ensure the Town's ability to manage growth on its fringes.
- Prepare a full update to the Comprehensive Land Use Plan that includes a Capital Improvement Plan.
- Work closely with the County and nearby municipalities to update the County's multi- jurisdictional hazard mitigation plan.