

Blue Ridge Road Small Area Plan Public Meeting Outcome

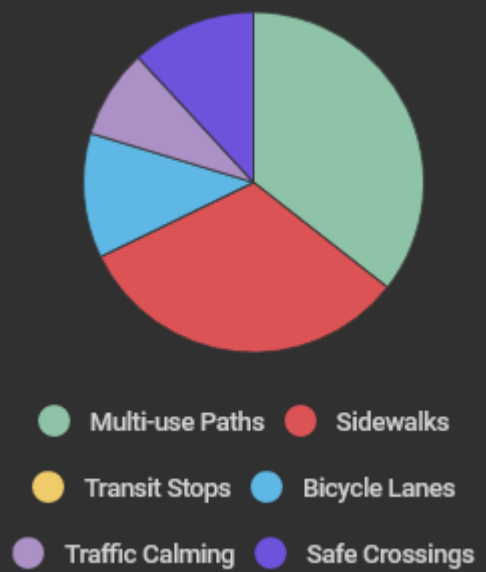
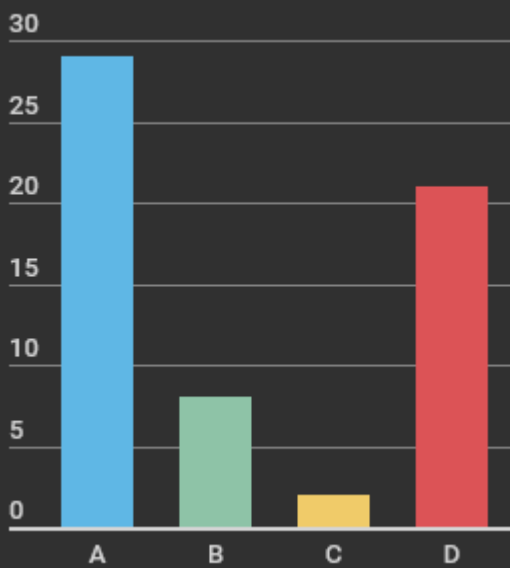
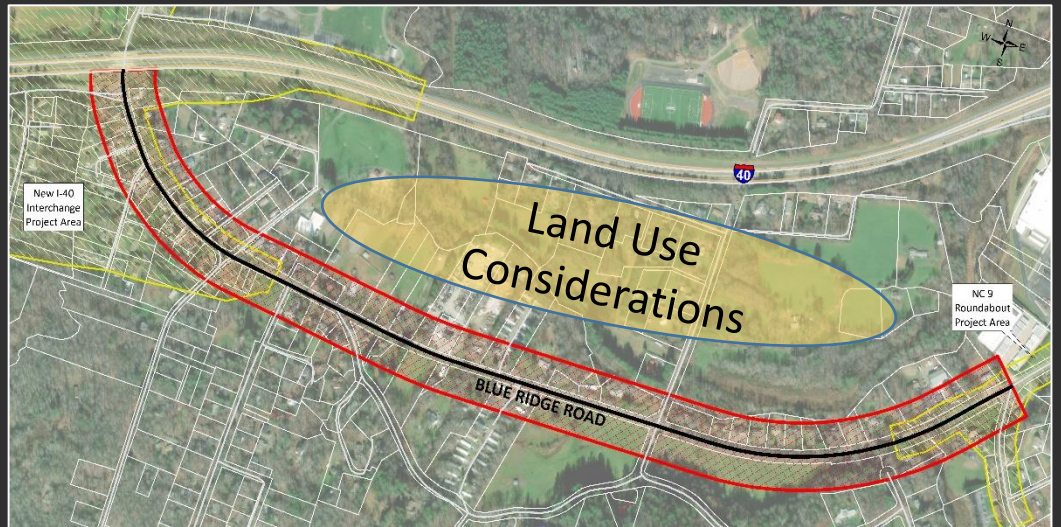


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Meadowbrook Freewill Baptist Church



Study Area Location

Town of Black Mountain,
Buncombe County,
North Carolina



Vision Option Votes

With four Plan options, the town residents at the meeting voted most for the plan to “empower and assist residents in planning for growth while maintaining a vibrant and well-connected community that embraces the mountain setting, heritage, and culture.”

Street Feature Votes

Out of a total of six street features to incorporate as part of the Plan, the Town voted overwhelming for sidewalks and multi-use paths.



Safety First

Safety was a main concern of the community. Adding sidewalks and multi-use paths were the top most suggested features to assure a safer Blue Ridge Road. Improving the Blue Ridge Assembly Drive / White Pine Drive intersection was also a common topic.



Summary

In general, there was an overall positive response to the idea of proactive planning taking place to prepare for the anticipated impacts of the interchange and the accompanying new road designs. Future conditions may consist of a mix of uses but limit certain commercial and industrial uses such as gas stations and convenience stores. Maintain residential, preserve open space, and ensure new development fits the mountain setting context. As for multimodal opportunities, sidewalks and multi-use paths are the most preferred options to consider.