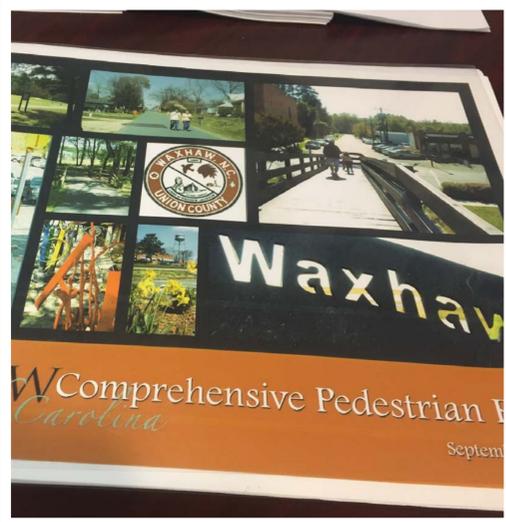


# Previous Planning Work

## Recent Policy Guidance: A selection of special plans

### Comprehensive Pedestrian Plan

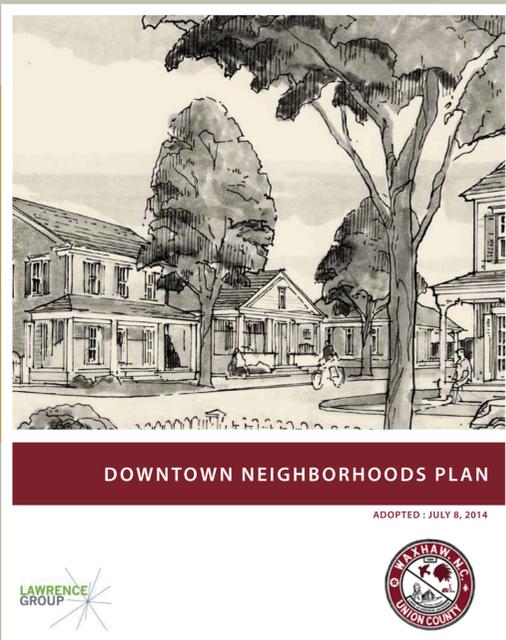


*This plan is a comprehensive, prioritized guide to build and improve local pedestrian routes and amenities supporting Waxhaw's vision and goals. Growth has taken the Town from its **historic walkable core** to a non-compact suburban development, and although there are many miles of constructed sidewalk, much of the town remains disconnected. Requirements for new **sidewalks, greenways, trails** and associated pedestrian amenities must be added to the UDO, making facilities available to the Town with minimal public expense.*

**Key principles:** Encourage pedestrian activity by closing sidewalk gaps in the existing pedestrian system and improve pedestrian safety, fostering activity in the downtown area, the Highway 16 Corridor, and along Highway 75.

**UDO guidance:** Allow a mix of land uses - especially in downtown, Increase street connectivity standards, increase the number of required entrances into a subdivision, limit block length and the permitted number of cul-de-sacs, and Require street trees, remove parking minimums and include standards for minimum distances between curb cuts based on travel speed.

### Downtown Neighborhoods Plan



*This report examines issues and opportunities in Waxhaw's three neighborhoods (**Eastside, Hillcrest and Waxhaw-Marvin**) that encircle the downtown core – and documents a wide range of suggested improvements and community-focused projects that were developed as a result of the week-long community design charrette in May, 2013. These plans provide opportunities for **appropriate growth and a "road map"** for future development and public and private investment.*

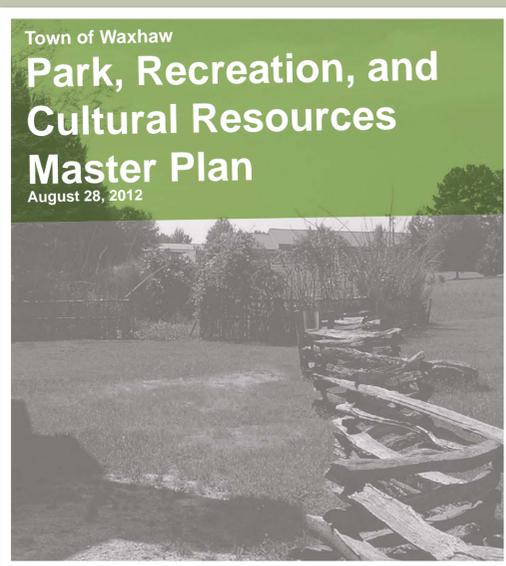
**Key principles:**

- Infrastructure, connectivity & mobility improvements.
- Detailed suggestions & projects for each neighborhood.
- Form-based regulatory reform that responds to demand.

**UDO guidance:**

- Craft hybrid form-based codes to implement plan vision and elements.

### Park, Recreation & Cultural Resources Plan



*This plan presents an overview of Waxhaw's existing parks, recreation, and cultural assets, proposing a plan crafted to fit existing and future needs and goals. The plan acknowledges that **Waxhaw is behind in the amount of land dedicated for parks**, including land for active recreation, greenways, open space and natural protection. Waxhaw needs to focus on increasing park acreage, recreational amenities such as walking trails, sport fields and spaces for community events of various sizes.*

**Key principles:**

- Sound governance of park, recreation & cultural facilities
- Waxhaw as a quality and attractive place to live, visit and recreate
- Athletic, leisure and cultural programming for residents of all ages

**UDO guidance:**

- Subdivision greenway and park standards
- Development open space standards

