

Adopted Plan Analysis

At the onset of this project, a number of plans created by and for the City of Archdale were reviewed in order to determine the extent their goals, policies, and recommendations align and their degree of implementation. The following details the findings of this review by each relevant plan and is followed by a table detailing each of the analyzed plans' recommendations.

2020 Strategic Plan (2004)

The 2020 Strategic Plan includes Goals, Sub-Goals, and one Recommendation. For the purposes of this review, we considered the Goals and the Recommendation to result in seven total items. However, each of the six Goals correlate with four to nine sub-goals, resulting in a total of 30 Sub-Goals. Of the recommendations included in this analysis, two (29%) have been completed, four (57%) are in progress, and no action has been taken on 1 (14%).

One of the goals, to increase access to residential amenities, as well as the recommendation to establish an implementation team are the two items that have been completed. Those goals that are in progress include balancing the economy by increasing retail and employment opportunities, developing a stronger sense of place, enhancing educational opportunities, and increasing the array of public and private services to address health and safety needs. A number of the related sub-goals, such as developing a downtown, creating a town square with a historical monument, and developing a new civic center have yet to be realized. The only goal that has not been initiated is the goal to improve residents' quality of life by focusing on aesthetics. This goal has related sub-goals such as carrying out streetscape improvements, creating a gateway into Archdale, developing a street tree plan, and creating a master plan for Highways 62 and 85.

Land Use Plan (2006)

The Land Use Plan included Desired Outcomes (divided into six geographic locations - Northdale, Southdale, Eastdale, Westdale, Eastern Growth Area, Southern Growth Area), as well as Recommended Site-Specific Improvements. The Desired Outcomes are generally broad, including recommendations such as expanding sewer or promoting commercial development, and have all been considered in this review. The Recommended Site-Specific Improvements were condensed into four broader categories: Road Improvements (23 Recommendations), New Interchanges (two Recommendations), Traffic Circles (two Recommendations), and Traffic Lights (16 Recommendations). In sum, we considered 23 recommendations in this analysis. Of these, two (9%) have been completed, six (26%) are in progress, and 15 (65%) have yet to be started.

All of the Site-Specific Improvements are considered to be "In Progress," as at least one of the projects from each sub-category have begun. More precisely, 26% of the Recommended Road Improvements have been initiated or completed, such as the completion of the US 311 Bypass / I-74 and planning for improvements around the NC-62 / I-85 interchange. Furthermore, 27% of the Traffic Light Recommendations have been initiated.

As the Land Use Plan's Recommendations are generally broader than the other plans that were reviewed, it is harder to compare which of these correspond with recommendations from other plans. However, recommendations from the Land Use Plan align (on at least one item) with the NC 62 Corridor Access Plan, the Weant Road Feasibility Study, the 2020 Strategic Plan, the Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Plan, and the Street Network Plan.

Street Network Plan (2006 Land Use Plan Sub-Plan)

The Street Network Plan includes a list of site-specific recommendations which are divided into the following categories: Major Thoroughfare Improvements (5 projects), Minor Thoroughfare and Local Street Improvements (13 projects), Proposed Traffic Controls (15 projects), and Street Intersection and Interchange Improvements (14 projects). In reviewing this plan, these categories were divided into the four overarching categories, of which at least some projects have been initiated. Therefore, all of this plan is considered 'in progress.' However, a more specific status can be determined based on the number of projects in each category that have either been initiated or completed. As of today, 19% of the major thoroughfare improvements have been initiated or completed, 60% of the minor thoroughfare improvements have begun or been completed, 15% of the proposed traffic control projects have been initiated or completed, and 64% of the street intersection and interchange improvements have been initiated or completed. All of these types of improvements align with the Land Use Plan, while the intersection and interchange recommendations coincide with the Weant Road Feasibility Study, the NC 62 Corridor Access Plan, and the Pedestrian and Trails Master Plan.

Pedestrian Network Plan (2006 Land Use Plan Sub-Plan)

The Pedestrian Network Plan has two general recommendations: construct 25 additional miles of sidewalk and create 13 additional miles of greenways. Since this plan's approval, the City has begun to increase both the miles of sidewalks and greenways. According to staff, approximately two additional miles of sidewalks (plus infill and new streets), as well as two new miles of greenways have been constructed since this approval. Generally, the recommendation to construct sidewalks and greenways coincides with recommendations from the Safe Routes to School Plan, the Pedestrian Trails Master Plan, and the Street Network Plan. While this remains a component of the 2006 Land Use Plan, it has been replaced for most practical purposes by the recently adopted 2018 Pedestrian and Trails Master Plan.

NC 62 Corridor Access Plan (2009)

The NC 62 Corridor Access Plan included seven general action items that were to be completed following its adoption in 2010. As of today, four of these items (57%) have been completed and one item has not been started. The widening of NC 62 is currently in the planning, design, and environmental (PD&E) study phase with NCDOT. There are two action items, specifically requiring all development to provide stub-out streets and applying these recommendations to the development review process, that are currently in progress. Generally, all of these action items align with the Weant Road Feasibility Study and two of them coincide with the 2020 Strategic Plan and the Safe Routes to School Plan.

Weant Road Feasibility Study (2010)

The Weant Road Feasibility Study identified four action items that were recommended to be completed beginning in 2011. Today, two (50%) have been completed with two (50%) in progress. The Weant Road realignment is in the early design phase, with the development of construction plans and implementation still in progress. All of the action items have at least been initiated and align with the NC 62 Corridor Access Plan. One action item also overlaps the Safe Routes to School Plan.

Safe Routes to School Plan (2011)

The Safe Routes to School Plan had a number of recommendations in various forms. Explicitly, it included a 'Program Recommendations' section, which comprised 16 Strategies and 11 Policies; 10 General Engineering Recommendations; 28 Site Specific Engineering Recommendations; and Individual School Policy Recommendations. In order to reduce repetition and consolidate this review, we considered the 11 Policy Recommendations and the 10 General Engineering Recommendations. Of these 21 items, seven (33%) have been completed, six (29%) are in progress, and eight (38%) are not yet initiated. Generally, the recommendations found in this plan align with the Pedestrian Trails Master Plan, the Street Network Plan, and the Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Plan. Additionally, some recommendations match the 2020 Strategic Plan and the Economic Development Plan.

Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Plan (2016)

The Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Plan consists of a Staff Vision, Goals, Objectives, Proposed Parks and Improvements, and a Specific Plan Implementation Schedule. To consolidate this review, we included the Goals, as well as a combined version of the Proposed Parks and Improvements and the Plan Implementation Schedule. Of the fourteen recommendations considered, six (43%) have been completed, six (43%) are in progress, and two (14%) have not been started. Essentially, all of the Goals have been completed, two of the Generalized Proposed Parks and Improvements have not been completed, and the remainder of the Generalized Proposed Parks and Improvements are in progress. Some of the recommendations from this plan correspond with those from the Economic Development Plan and the 2020 Strategic Plan.

Pedestrian and Trails Master Plan (2018)

The Pedestrian and Trails Master Plan included a number of recommendations which were divided into Overarching Recommendations, Project Specific Recommendations, Priority Projects, Priority Policy and Regulation Action Steps, and Strategies from Development Ordinance Review. In order to consolidate this analysis, we have combined the specific recommendations, as well as those that overlap one another. This review was reduced to 29 total recommendations. Of these, five (17%) have been completed, 11 (38%) are in progress, and no action has been taken on 13 (45%). The majority of those which have been completed are involved in the implementation process, as well as strategies that have been employed for some time, such as designing trails that follow stream corridors. Generally, the recommendations contained in this plan correspond with the recommendations of the Safe

Routes to School Plan, the Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Plan, the Street Network Plan, and the Pedestrian Network Plan.

Economic Development Plan (2018)

The Economic Development Plan is divided into three Strategy Areas: Economic Diversification, Growth Management, and Sense of Place. These Strategy Areas are further parsed into Goals, Objectives, and Actions. Each of the three broad strategies has one goal, with each goal then having two objectives and between two and four action steps. Additionally, the plan includes a set of recommendations for implementation. Of the plan's recommendations, one has been completed, one is in progress, and six have not been initiated. The only item that has been completed is the presentation of the plan to the City Council, while the strategy of diversifying the economy is underway (partly through the Comprehensive Plan). It should be noted that the items reviewed from this plan were generally broad, over-arching strategies that will be long-term undertakings. In large part, these recommendations correspond closely to those outlined in the Land Use Plan, the 2020 Strategic Plan, the Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Plan, and the Safe Routes to School Plan.

Implementation and Alignment Analysis

The tables presented on the following pages present a summary of the findings regarding the degree to which the City's plans align with each other and the degree to which each has been implemented. Generally speaking, the plans have similar goals, objectives, and recommendations, while touching on a broad range of topics. As the table shows, some plans have been implemented to a higher degree than others, including some where few of the recommended implementation steps have been initiated. The goal of the Comprehensive Plan is to integrate the most important aspects of these previously adopted plans into a more seamless set of policy and strategy recommendations that carries over and aligns the work that has been completed to-date.

TABLE A.3 - ADOPTED PLAN ANALYSIS

PLAN TITLE	GOAL, POLICY, OR RECOMMENDATION	PLANS THAT ALIGN	STATUS
2020 STRATEGIC PLAN	Balance the economy, provide more retail and employment opportunities.	Economic Development Plan, Land Use Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Develop a stronger sense of place.	Economic Development Plan, Comp. Parks and Recreation Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Enhance educational opportunities.	Economic Development Plan, Comp. Parks and Recreation Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Improve residents' quality of life by focusing on aesthetics.	Economic Development Plan, NC 62 Corridor Access Plan	NO ACTION
	Increase access to recreational amenities.	Economic Development Plan, Comp. Parks and Recreation Plan	COMPLETE
	Increase array of public and private services available to address health and safety needs.	Economic Development Plan, Comp. Parks and Recreation Plan, Land Use Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Establish an implementation team.	Safe Routes to School Plan, Economic Development Plan	COMPLETE
LAND USE PLAN	NC 62 / I-85 interchange will be primary growth area.		NO ACTION
	Denser residential development adjacent to NC 62 / I-85 area.		NO ACTION
	Work with High Point to develop interchange.	NC 62 Corridor Access Plan	NO ACTION
	Realign, connect, and add streets	Weant Road Feasibility Study, NC 62 Corridor Access Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Develop Farlow Farms as a Traditional Neighborhood Development	2020 Strategic Plan	NO ACTION
	Focus future development on connectivity	Comp. Parks and Recreation Plan, 2020 Strategic Plan	NO ACTION
	Utilize cluster development.		IN PROGRESS
	Install cross streets for mixed-use development between Freeman Place and Plummer Drive.		NO ACTION
	Create a true downtown area.		NO ACTION
	Develop English Farm in a dense manner, sensitive to environment.		NO ACTION (EXCEPT YMCA)
	Complete the extension of water and sewer to this area.		IN PROGRESS
	Develop this area almost exclusively for residential.		NO ACTION
	Encourage dense development, cluster, and TNDs.		NO ACTION
	Protect the natural environment.		NO ACTION
	Extend Huff Road and Magnolia Lane to Suits Road.	Comp. Parks and Recreation Plan, 2020 Strategic Plan	NO ACTION
	Develop two strategic areas for industrial uses.		NO ACTION
	Construct US 311 Bypass (I-74).	Street Network Plan	COMPLETE
	Extend water and sewer to Tom Hill Road.		COMPLETE
Develop small businesses area along Tom Hill Road and Archdale Road.		NO ACTION	

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LAND USE PLAN	Recommended Road Improvements.	Street Network Plan	IN PROGRESS
	New Interchanges	Street Network Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Traffic Circles		IN PROGRESS
	Traffic Lights	Street Network Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Major thoroughfare improvements	Land Use Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Minor thoroughfare and local street improvements	Land Use Plan	IN PROGRESS
STREET NETWORK PLAN	Proposed traffic control	Land Use Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Recommended street intersection and interchange	Weant Road Feasibility Study, NC 62 Corridor Access Plan, Land Use Plan, Pedestrian Trails Master Plan	IN PROGRESS
PEDESTRIAN NETWORK PLAN	Additional 25 miles of sidewalk	Safe Routes to School Plan, Pedestrian Trails Master Plan, Street Network Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Additional 13 miles of greenways	Safe Routes to School Plan, Pedestrian Trails Master Plan, Street Network Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Use future collector street network as a tool to review proposed development.	2020 Strategic Plan	COMPLETE
	Consider adopting policies and dedicating funding to construct traffic calming.	Pedestrian Trails Master Plan, Safe Routes to School Plan	NO ACTION
	Require all new development provide connections or stub-out streets.		IN PROGRESS
	Adopt the Plan.	Weant Road Feasibility Study	COMPLETE
	Perform feasibility study for Weant Road alignment.	Weant Road Feasibility Study	COMPLETE
	Apply recommendations of this plan during development review process.	Weant Road Feasibility Study, Safe Routes to School Plan	IN PROGRESS
NC 62 CORRIDOR ACCESS PLAN	Work with NCDOT to secure funding and implementation.	Weant Road Feasibility Study	COMPLETE
	Adopt findings of the study.	NC 62 Corridor Access Plan, Safe Routes to School	COMPLETE
	Integrate findings into the HPMPO LRTP.	NC 62 Corridor Access Plan	COMPLETE
	Develop construction design plans.	NC 62 Corridor Access Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Work with NCDOT to secure funding and implementation.	NC 62 Corridor Access Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Complete Streets	Pedestrian Trails Master Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Neighborhood Traffic Calming	Pedestrian Trails Master Plan, NC 62 Corridor Access Plan	COMPLETE
	School Zones		NO ACTION
SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PLAN	Sidewalks	Pedestrian Trails Master Plan, Street Network Plan, Comp. Parks and Recreation Plan, Pedestrian Network Plan	IN PROGRESS

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SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PLAN	ADA Compliance	Pedestrian Trails Master Plan, Street Network Plan, Comp. Parks and Recreation Plan	NO ACTION	
	Bicycle Facilities	Pedestrian Trails Master Plan, Street Network Plan, Comp. Parks and Recreation Plan	NO ACTION	
	Shared-Use / Multi-Use Pathways	Pedestrian Trails Master Plan	IN PROGRESS	
	Intersections	Street Network Plan	NO ACTION	
	Install sidewalks / greenways connecting residences and schools.	Pedestrian Trails Master Plan, Street Network Plan, Comp. Parks and Recreation Plan	IN PROGRESS	
	Review signage and pavement markings in school zones		COMPLETE	
	City Council Approval.		COMPLETE	
	Adopt as part of Pedestrian Network Plan.		COMPLETE	
	Establish committee to oversee plan.		COMPLETE	
	Identify funding sources and projects.		COMPLETE	
	Identify stakeholders.		COMPLETE	
	Maintain and expand SRTS team.	2020 Strategic Plan, Economic Development Plan	NO ACTION	
	Identify SRTS coordinators.	2020 Strategic Plan, Economic Development Plan	IN PROGRESS	
	Maintain and expand partnerships.	2020 Strategic Plan, Economic Development Plan	NO ACTION	
	Monitor and evaluate.		NO ACTION	
	COMPREHENSIVE PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN	Develop complete streets design manual.	Pedestrian Trails Master Plan	IN PROGRESS
		Coordinate events and programs.		NO ACTION
		Provide safe and accessible park facility for all residents.	Economic Development Plan	COMPLETE
Provide diverse recreational opportunities.			COMPLETE	
Employ organization evaluation.			COMPLETE	
Maintain fiscal responsibility.			COMPLETE	
Foster collaboration, coordination, and partnerships.		2020 Strategic Plan, Economic Development Plan	COMPLETE	
Increase awareness and use of parks.		2020 Strategic Plan, Economic Development Plan	COMPLETE	
Provide more neighborhood and pocket parks.			NO ACTION	
Provide downtown park.			NO ACTION	
Fund improvements to Creekside Park.			IN PROGRESS	
Proposed new facilities.		2020 Strategic Plan	IN PROGRESS	
Improve existing facilities.		IN PROGRESS		

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COMPREHENSIVE PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN	Short term implementation.	2020 Strategic Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Mid term implementation.		IN PROGRESS
	Long term implementation.		IN PROGRESS
PEDESTRIAN AND TRAILS MASTER PLAN	Update Pedestrian Network Plan.		COMPLETE
	Consider during Comprehensive Plan Update.		IN PROGRESS
	Update development regulations and engineering standards.	Street Network Plan, Pedestrian Network Plan, NC 62 Corridor Access Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Develop policy to consider plan.		IN PROGRESS
	Adopt a vision zero strategy.		NO ACTION
	Update land use and development codes.		NO ACTION
	Rethink parking requirements.		NO ACTION
	New mobility.		NO ACTION
	Create safe walkways and bikeways in construction zones.		NO ACTION
	Establish speed reduction policies.	Safe Routes to School Plan	COMPLETE
	Adopt complete streets policy.	Safe Routes to School Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Sidewalk management	Safe Routes to School Plan, Street Network Plan, Pedestrian Network Plan	NO ACTION
	Identify pedestrian projects.	Safe Routes to School Plan, Street Network Plan, Pedestrian Network Plan	COMPLETE
	Identify priorities.		COMPLETE
	Design streets for all ages.	Safe Routes to School Plan, Street Network Plan, Pedestrian Network Plan	NO ACTION
	Yield Roadway Recommendations	Safe Routes to School Plan, Street Network Plan	NO ACTION
	Midblock Crossings	Safe Routes to School Plan, Comp. Parks and Recreation Plan	NO ACTION
	Intersection Improvement Recommendations	Safe Routes to School Plan, Street Network Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Flexible design	Safe Routes to School Plan, Street Network Plan, Pedestrian Network Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Placemaking	Safe Routes to School Plan, Street Network Plan, Pedestrian Network Plan	NO ACTION
Environmental Sustainability	Safe Routes to School Plan, Street Network Plan, Pedestrian Network Plan	IN PROGRESS	
Multimodal design	Safe Routes to School Plan, Street Network Plan, Pedestrian Network Plan	NO ACTION	

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PEDESTRIAN AND TRAILS MASTER PLAN	Incrementalism	Safe Routes to School Plan, Street Network Plan, Pedestrian Network Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Compactness	Safe Routes to School Plan, Street Network Plan, Pedestrian Network Plan	NO ACTION
	Connect to destinations	Safe Routes to School Plan, Street Network Plan, Pedestrian Network Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Use existing publicly owned land	Safe Routes to School Plan, Street Network Plan, Pedestrian Network Plan	NO ACTION
	Increase pedestrian access	Safe Routes to School Plan, Pedestrian Network Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Follow stream corridors	Safe Routes to School Plan, Pedestrian Network Plan	COMPLETE
	Share use path recommendations	Safe Routes to School Plan, Pedestrian Network Plan	IN PROGRESS
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN	Encourage a diverse variety of businesses.	Land Use Plan, 2020 Strategic Plan, Comp. Parks and Recreation Plan	IN PROGRESS
	Capitalize on opportunities presented by new development.	Land Use Plan, 2020 Strategic Plan, Comp. Parks and Recreation Plan	NO ACTION
	Create inviting community area.	Comp. Parks and Recreation Plan	NO ACTION
	Present plan to City Council.		COMPLETE
	Create Implementation Team.	Safe Routes to School Plan, 2020 Strategic Plan	NO ACTION
	Identify implementation partnerships.	2020 Strategic Plan, Comp. Parks and Recreation Plan	NO ACTION
	Implement Plan.		NO ACTION
	Evaluate Plan bi-annually.		NO ACTION