



NTBA BUTNER PRE-ROUNDTABLE MINI CHARETTE

We wish to invite you to the NTBA's pre-roundtable mini charrette drawing session in Butner, NC

We will explore this 7000 person satellite-town of Durham, located on the northern tip of highly-regulated Falls Lake. Butner is located about 15 minutes from Research Triangle Park and downtown Durham. It is located adjacent to the Treyburn Business Park. It is a town with infinite outdoor opportunities and is rapidly becoming an attractive alternative to core Triangle cities. Remarkably, the center of the city has a roughly 300 acre mostly undeveloped core, approximately the size of one of Savannah's Historic Districts. The fast-growing area lacks any urbanism or place, and Mike Ciriello, the planning director (a landscape architect by trade) seeks our assistance in development design principles and programming that can help chart the course for the town's future.

The Town seeks your guidance and vision. This is a town center for a town that's been around since World War 2 and was at one time home to over 50,000 people. The Town is something of a shell, the relatively bare (but really good) bones, of a place.

We hope the effort yields:

- 1.) A program and vision to redevelop the 57-acre John Umstead Hospital site
- 2.) A program and vision for a town center that would stretch from the Umstead site and Town Hall out along Central Avenue to a "Railroad District" and "Gateway" site and I-85
- 3.) How to transition from a commercial corridor-center like Central to the residential areas on either side of it

The discourse will be partly on design, and partly on what is needed for Butner to attract great development and developers to its city.

Thursday, June 10, 2021
8:00 am - 1:00 pm
Butner Town Hall
415 Central Ave
Butner, NC 27509

Transportation from Durham (approximately 20 minute drive) TBD based on number of people participating .