

VISION OF MEBANE IN 2035

The following vision of Mebane in 2035 was created from Advisory Committee and public input and refined by staff.

Vibrant Communities and Quality of Future Growth and Development

The City of Mebane will be an active, vibrant & connected community providing a well-balanced & sustainable quality of life through infrastructure, efficient & attractive development, improved public safety, attractive natural & built environment. The user friendly and “positively charming” downtown includes mixed use development, cultural spaces and is pedestrian friendly. Mebane is a diverse and integrated community, with a variety of age groups living here. The City is at the leading edge of Alamance County's gateway into the Triangle & a bustling community of passionate citizens committed to the City.

Development is encouraged inward towards developed areas, with increased density in the downtown. The City has controlled growth with logical & steadfast zoning designed with infrastructure & schools in mind, & a focus on increasing property values. Controlling the number and size of housing developments will lead to greater demand & increased property values and local tax revenue. The City of Mebane will be a progressive City as a result of planning and vision, with a model of proper growth and commitment to its founding values.

Community Infrastructure and Services

The City of Mebane is a family oriented community with a diversity of activities & services that enhance quality of life. Schools will be strong & an integral part of the community. Developments will be carefully considered for established school districts and other services. The City will be family friendly and provide a variety of services to residents, but will be easily accessible to other regions. Mebane's growth will be fueled by sustainable internal economic growth enabled by external economic interest and strong corporate citizens. Industrial centers on the periphery provide solid local jobs, making the City an economic engine for the area.

Transportation

The community is connected through active transportation networks & technology. Outlying neighborhoods & communities are connected by sidewalks & green spaces, encouraging walking & biking to and from the downtown area. Through careful planning, there will be greater traffic disbursement and transportation options.

Open Space and Recreation

Greenspace and interconnectivity have been provided with the growth, creating a well maintained and attractive natural and built environment. The City is progressive by preserving downtown and providing recreation and cultural activities. Businesses grow and blend into the environment and are approachable in terms of “small town” feel. Well-defined natural spaces, parks, recreation centers and historic districts are scattered across Mebane. A natural buffer around Mebane's development footprint is established wherever possible.