

# Five Intractable Problems in Charlottesville and How Journalism Might Address Them

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# Housing

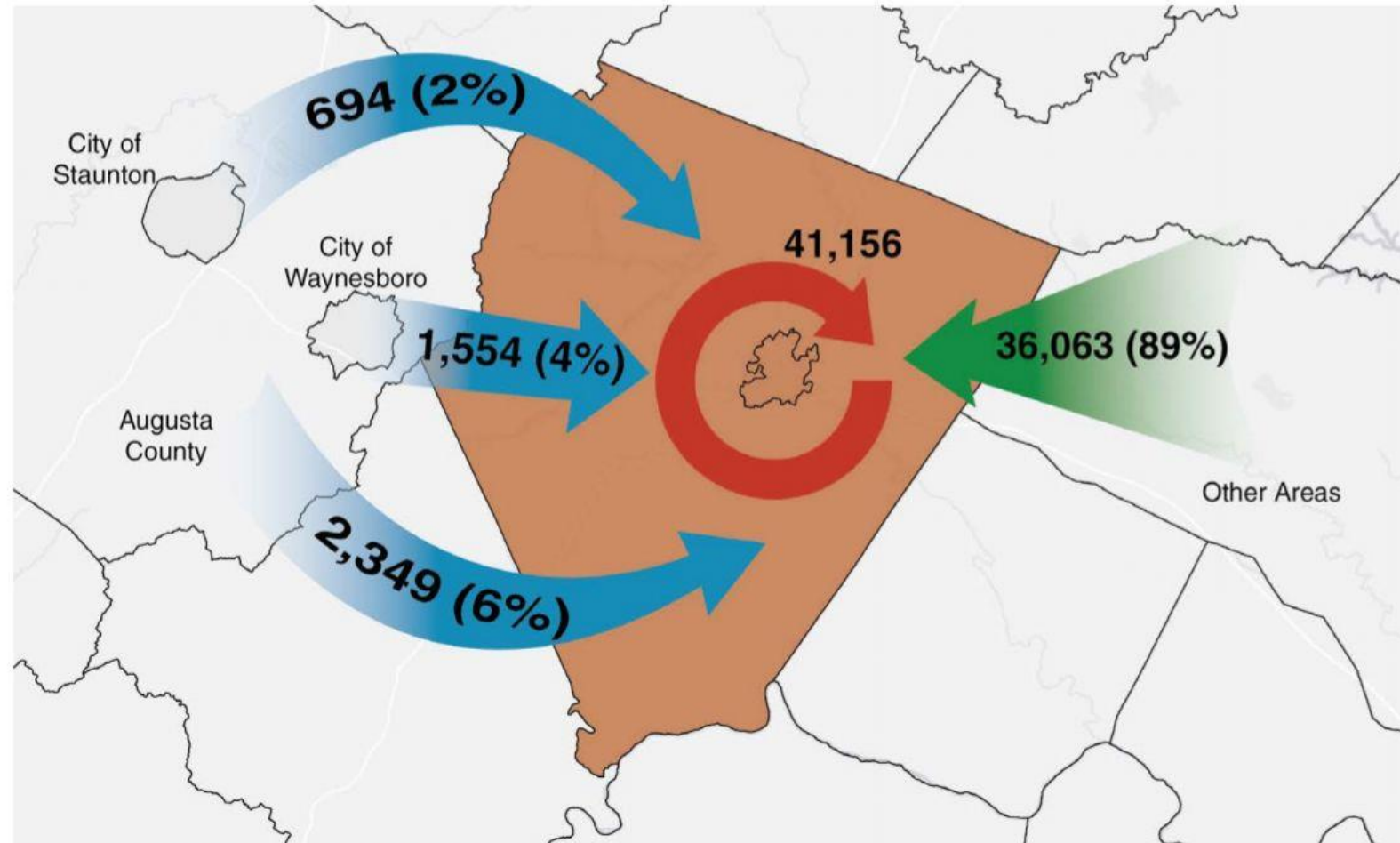
- Most important topic
- Rising cost of land
- Rising cost of construction
- Rising desirability of land
- The power of NIMBYism
- Unintended consequences

1102 GROVE ST			
Summary	Details	Ownership History	Assessment History
<b>Assessment Information</b>			
Year:	Land Value:	Improvement Value:	Total Value:
2018	\$74,800.00	\$101,900.00	\$176,700.00
2017	\$74,800.00	\$101,900.00	\$176,700.00
2016	\$61,300.00	\$98,900.00	\$160,200.00
2015	\$61,300.00	\$98,900.00	\$160,200.00
2014	\$63,900.00	\$103,000.00	\$166,900.00
2013	\$63,900.00	\$103,000.00	\$166,900.00
2012	\$68,000.00	\$103,000.00	\$171,000.00
2011	\$80,000.00	\$105,000.00	\$185,000.00
2010	\$80,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$180,000.00
2009	\$80,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$180,000.00
2008	\$76,500.00	\$98,900.00	\$175,400.00
2007	\$51,000.00	\$109,900.00	\$160,900.00
2006	\$35,200.00	\$88,600.00	\$123,800.00
2005	\$19,000.00	\$79,100.00	\$98,100.00
2004	\$15,900.00	\$66,800.00	\$82,700.00
2003	\$13,800.00	\$58,100.00	\$71,900.00
2002	\$12,500.00	\$52,800.00	\$65,300.00
2001	\$12,500.00	\$52,800.00	\$65,300.00
2000	\$7,000.00	\$49,300.00	\$56,300.00
1999	\$7,000.00	\$49,300.00	\$56,300.00
1998	\$7,000.00	\$49,300.00	\$56,300.00
1997	\$7,000.00	\$53,700.00	\$60,700.00

# Transportation

- Many, many commuters
- Single-occupancy vehicles
- Who takes the bus?
- Who makes decisions?

## Number of Workers Living Outside and Commuting to the Charlottesville-Albemarle Area (2015)

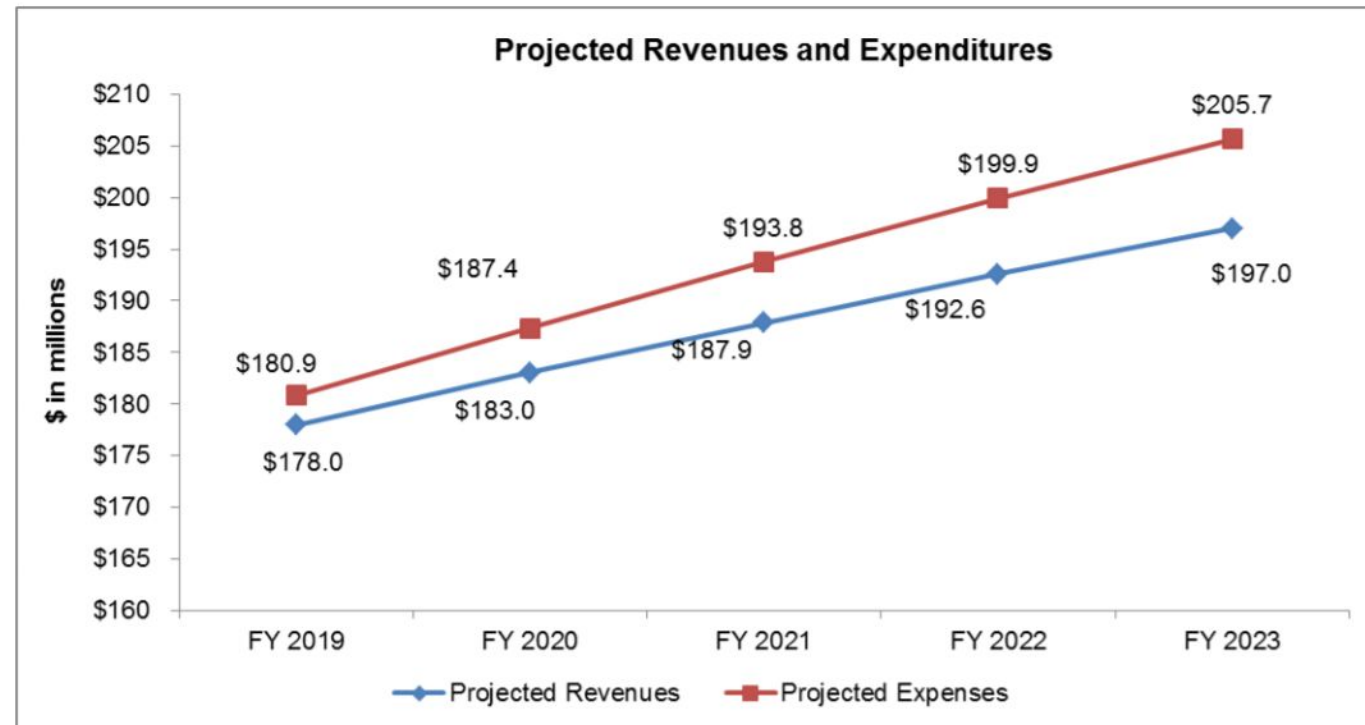


Source: US Census On-the-Map, 2015

# Budget

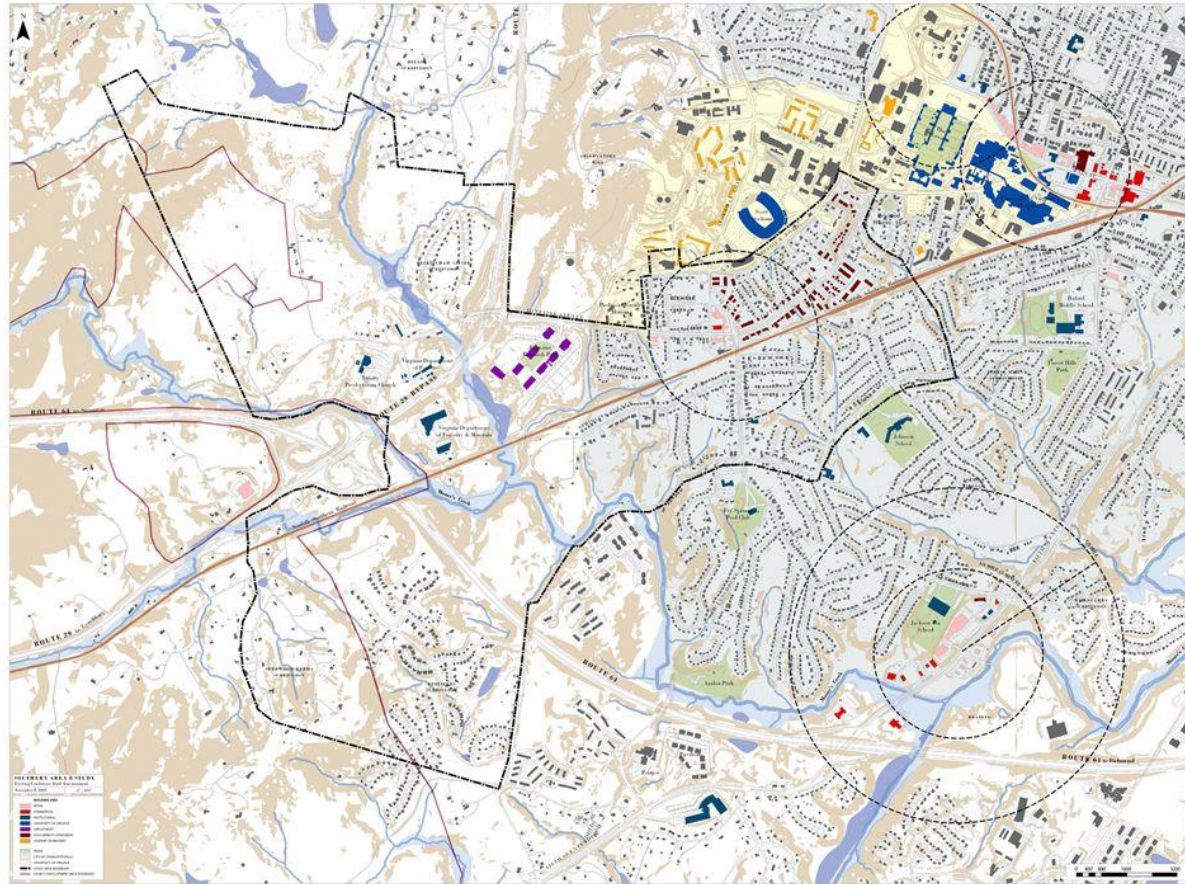
# Long Term Forecasts

- Governments are businesses
- Cost increases are likely to continue
- Citizen literacy is generally low





# Charlottesville =/= Center of the World



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- In Virginia, cities and counties are separate
- In Virginia, cities and counties never have the final say
- Albemarle, Charlottesville and UVA each play different roles
- HUD changes could upend affordable housing picture

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**Chuck Hawkins** • 3 hours ago  
I would tell the judge we are not what we used to be, and we do not want to be what we used to be. The monuments glorify a time when certain people could own human beings, and they were put up in an era of white supremacy. They are fruit of a poisoned tree.

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**Chris** • 5 hours ago  
Why is it only WHITE ultra liberals are the ones what have such a problem with this monument?

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**SittingBill** → Chris • 4 hours ago  
Liberals come in economy, regular, super and ultra models, and in a wide range of colors sure to please. Are you sure it's only the white ultras?

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**Brad London** → Chris • 4 hours ago  
Um . . . because . . . that's not the case?

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**Sandy Frank** • 6 hours ago  
If this was truly a monument to war veterans it would have represented both sides, not just the traitors fighting for slavery.

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**Wes** → Sandy Frank • 5 hours ago  
All soldiers are still war veterans, no matter what side they fight for, and that goes for all sides of all wars. Their cause doesn't determine whether or not they fought in a war.

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**James Koog** • 6 hours ago  
It's finally judge, have some back-bone. To put the leftist, in there place.

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# It's the comments, stupid!

- Comments section often become cartoons representing polar sides
- What if you don't know how everything works?
- How do you know what you know?
- Are we really listening to each other?
- Maybe we could use more journalism?