



Engineering and Environmental Services

Durham County Board of Commissioners Work Session

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DURHAM COUNTY PUBLIC ART POLICY STUDY UPDATE

Staff Recommendation: The First Step

1. Make a Commitment to implementing a Public Arts program that celebrates our history, creativity, and diversity, and that engages, inspires, and educates our community and its visitors now and in the future.

2. Engage a Consultant to research and develop a forward-thinking public art policy with long-range goals, straightforward procedures, and clearly defined responsibilities for administration and advisory entities.

The Consultant will research the history, local culture, and community values of Durham through an inclusive, community-based process. Public engagement may include public opinion surveys and focus groups involving local elected officials, business leaders, artists, architects, designers, developers, and neighborhood representatives. Community input will guide the Consultant in recommending a long-range public art vision for Durham County. The resulting document will include long-term vision for the community, policy, processes, philosophy, and goals.