

Date: November 4th, 2019

To: Durham County Board of Commissioners

Through: Jay Gibson, General Manager

From: Patrick O. Young, AICP, Planning Director

Subject: Durham County Transit Plan Update on Existing Conditions and Pipeline Projects

Executive Summary

This memo provides an update on the Durham County Transit Plan's pipeline projects and existing conditions. The Durham Transit Team has gathered existing conditions and pipeline project data to provide background context for the plan and better inform and supplement future community engagement events. Specifically, this information will be incorporated into the November Listening and Learning Sessions as part of the ENGAGEDurham Comprehensive Plan outreach.

Recommendation

This report is provided for information only. Staff recommends that the Board of Commissioners receive an update of existing conditions and pipeline projects for the Durham County Transit Plan, and provide any comments and questions regarding the project. No further action is required.

Background

The Durham Transit Team has gathered existing conditions data and pipeline project data in response to a request for this information from the Board of County Commissioners and other boards. This material will be incorporated into the November Listening and Learning Sessions as part of the ENGAGEDurham Comprehensive Plan community outreach. The November Listening and Learning Sessions will take place from November 14th to November 19th at various times and locations throughout Durham.

Issues and Analysis

The Durham transit "pipeline" projects are planned developments in the city and county. These projects may be considered during the creation of the Durham Transit Plan and any future transit planning. The pipeline projects are capital projects organized into two different categories: capital and highway projects. The projects include transit centers and major bus stop improvements, transit emphasis corridors, bus operations, and NCDOT projects.

The existing conditions gathered include transit highlights, how Durham transit compares to similar systems, travel markets, and challenging realities facing transit in Durham today. The aim of the

existing conditions deliverables is to determine what the current state of transit is in Durham. This information will also help set the stage for and inform future phases of the Durham County Transit Plan update.

Alternatives

The Board of Commissioners could choose not to provide input on the Durham County Transit Plan Update on Existing Conditions and Pipeline Projects.

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Attachments

Attachment 1: Pipeline Projects List

Attachment 2: Existing Conditions and Pipeline Projects Presentation