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**Item:**

**Durham County 2018 Sustainability Report**

**Date Of BOCC Meeting:** September 4, 2018

**Request For Board Action:**

The Board is requested to receive the Durham County 2018 Sustainability Report and provide guidance, as needed.

Durham has been recognized for its National Excellence in Sustainability with a 4-STAR rating under the Star Communities Rating System. This rating takes into account over 550 measures in eight categories - Built Environment; Climate and Energy; Economy and Jobs; Education, Arts and Community; Equity and Empowerment; Health and Safety; Natural Systems; and Innovation and Process. Durham County contributes significantly to the programs, policies, and accomplishments that made that rating possible. The Durham County 2018 Sustainability Report highlights many of these programs, policies, and strategies. This report is not meant to be an exhaustive compendium of all the great work going on in Durham County Government, but rather an accessible, easy to read report for residents, visitors, business leaders, and others to get a sense of what sustainability means in Durham County.

This report was brought to the Board of Commissioners as part of a larger Sustainability Update on June 11 and the Commission asked to have more time to review the report.

**Alignment With Strategic Plan:** This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goal 4: Environmental Stewardship and Community Prosperity and Goal 5: Accountable, Efficient and Visionary Government.

**Resource Persons:** Tobin L. Freid, Sustainability Manager; Amanda Drake, Sustainability Specialist; and Jay Gibson, P.E., Engineering and Environmental Services Department Director

**County Manager's Recommendation:** The County Manager recommends that the Board receive the report and provide guidance, as needed.

County Manager: \_\_\_\_\_