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Item:

Discussion of Contribution to Feasibility Study for DPS Central Kitchen (30mins)

Date of BOCC Meeting: March 7th, 2019

Request for Board Action:

The Board is requested to receive additional information about the proposal for a feasibility study for a DPS Central Kitchen and to ask any questions they wish.

A number of Durham stakeholders have been engaged in conversations about the ways in which a DPS Central Kitchen could serve a number of important needs in the community, including serving healthier, tastier food in school cafeterias, supporting the local food economy, and addressing poverty and food insecurity in a number of other ways as well.

A proposal has been prepared for a feasibility study for such a facility. The plan to pay for the study would be for each of five partners (DPS, County, City, Duke, and BCBSNC) to fund a fifth of the cost. Not all of the partners have made a final commitment to do this yet.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: The proposal for a DPS Central Kitchen contains elements important to education (Goal 1), public health (Goal 2), and agricultural economic development (Goal 4).

Resource Persons: Linden Thayer, Ph.D., and Beth Katz, Ph.D. - Food Insight Group

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive additional information about the proposal for a feasibility study for a DPS Central Kitchen and to ask any questions they wish.

County Manager: _____