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Item:

Durham County Transportation Issues Update (30min)

Date of BOCC Meeting: November 4, 2019

Request for Board Action:

The Board is requested to receive a presentation and provide comments on the Transportation Issues Update.

Summary. The 2009 North Carolina Department of Transportation Complete Streets Policy was updated this August to better assist transportation engineers and planners include all modes of transportation in development projects. The new guidelines enhance the previous 2009 Complete Streets Policy's processes for planning, programming, design, and maintenance. The new policy will better assist in the construction and maintenance of bicycle, pedestrian and transit infrastructure within Durham County. Additionally, the Planning Department staff intends to bring forward a blanket resolution for a process improvement regarding the State Maintenance System on October 28, 2019.

Attachments:

Attachment 1: Transportation Issues Update Memorandum

Alignment with Strategic Plan: The New NCDOT Complete Streets Policy update adheres to Goal 2 "Health and Well-Being for All", by providing an integrated strategy to improve mobility, service and access throughout Durham County. Goal 3, "Safe Community", will be addressed through the consideration of facility improvements for vulnerable modes of travel. Since the policy focuses on improving funding for highly valued and sustainable forms of transportation in NC, it will also align with Goal 4, "Environmental Stewardship and Community Prosperity". Lastly, the New Complete Streets Policy update aligns with Goal 5, "Accountable, Efficient and Visionary Government", as it is focused on improving the quality of service for residents walking, bicycling, and riding transit in the community. The State Maintenance System resolution update aligns with Goal 5 as well to improve the process of including roadways into the system.

Resource Persons: Brooke Ganser, Planner, Durham City-County Planning, and Scott Whiteman, AICP, Planning Manager, Durham City-County Planning

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive a monthly update on transportation issues and provide any comments and questions regarding the project.

County Manager: _____