



Legislation Text

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Item:

Durham Master Aging Plan (MAP) Overview (45min)

Date of BOCC Meeting: March 1, 2021

Request for Board Action:

The Board is requested to receive the Durham Master Aging Plan presentation and ask any questions they wish. The Durham Master Aging Plan community planning meetings occurred from March 2019 - December 2019 and followed the AARP/World Health Organization Network of Age-Friendly Communities format and their Eight Domains of Livability. A Durham Master Aging Plan Celebration occurred in a virtual format on Thursday, May 28, 2020 in which the completed plan was formally shared with the community. It is the hope of the Durham's Partnership for Seniors and the Durham Master Aging Plan Steering Committee that funding will be considered for the implementation of this plan. The Board is requested to consider the fiscal support of implementation of the Durham Master Aging Plan, which would require at least 1.0 FTE per year for three years.

Background/Justification

The older adult population in Durham County is projected to increase by 85% in the next 21 years, compared to a total population growth of 31%. A Master Aging Plan will help prepare Durham for this population increase while working to make Durham a more livability community for all residents. In February 2019, Durham was formally accepted into the AARP/World Health Organization (WHO) Age-Friendly Community. A requirement of acceptance into this network is the development of an action plan within two years that is focused on the following domains of livability:

- Outdoor Spaces & Public Buildings
- Transportation
- Housing
- Social Participation
- Respect & Social Inclusion
- Civic Participation & Employment
- Community Supports & Health Services
- Communication & Information

Upon implementation of the Durham Master Aging Plan, Durham has three years to work towards the desired goals and specified strategies with an evaluation due to AARP and the World Health Organization at the end of year three.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This request aligns with Goal 2: Health and Well-Being for All, Strategy 2.2C: Age-Friendly Communities - Ensure an age-friendly community so everyone from birth to seniors can live well in Durham.

Resource Persons: Melissa Black, Durham's Partnership for Seniors Coordinator & Shelisa Howard-

Martinez, Durham Master Aging Plan Facilitator

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive the Durham Master Aging Plan presentation and ask any questions they wish.

County Manager: _____