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Resolution to Direct the City Administrator to Evaluate the Feasibility for Participation in the AARP Age Friendly Communities Program

The [AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities <https://www.aarp.org/livable-communities/network-age-friendly-communities/>](https://www.aarp.org/livable-communities/network-age-friendly-communities/) is an affiliate of the 'World Health Organizations Age-Friendly Cities and Communities Program <http://www.who.int/ageing/age_friendly_cities_network/en/>', an international effort launched in 2006 to help cities prepare for rapid population aging and the parallel trend of urbanization. The program has participating communities in more than 20 nations, as well as 10 affiliates representing more than 1,000 communities. If Ann Arbor joined the program, it would become the fifth Age Friendly Community in the state of Michigan.

Budget and Fiscal Impact: This resolution has no immediate fiscal impact.

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Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor has always strived to be a livable community for all of its residents;

Whereas, The city's population of residents over the age of 65 is increasing, and ensuring that we are meeting the needs of these residents is important to the continued success of our community;

Whereas, The Age Friendly Communities Program is an initiative designed to incorporate the voices of seniors into the regular planning activities of a municipal government; and

Whereas, As the City of Ann Arbor explores a new master land use plan and updates to other existing plans, we should endeavor to incorporate the Age Friendly Communities Program planning processes into these efforts;

RESOLVED, That the City Administrator shall review and evaluate the requirements to participate in the AARP Age Friendly Communities Program and provide an update on the evaluation, feasibility, and cost evaluation to City Council.

Sponsored by: Mayor Taylor and Councilmembers Eaton, Hayner, Griswold, Lumm, Grand and Bannister