



City of Culver City

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Staff Report

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CC - 1) Receive a Presentation on the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Community Program; 2) Discuss Forming a Related Council Subcommittee and, if Desired, Appoint Two Council Members Thereto; and 3) Provide Direction to Staff as Appropriate

Meeting Date: January 22, 2018

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Fiscal Impact: Yes ☐ No ☒

General Fund: Yes ☐ No ☒

Public Hearing: ☐ **Action Item:** ☒ **Attachments:** ☐

Commission Action Required: Yes ☐ No ☒ **Date:**

Public Notification: (E-Mail) Meetings and Agendas - City Council (01/17/18)

Department Approval: Serena Wright-Black, Director of Administrative Services (01/11/18);

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the City Council 1) receive a presentation on the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Community Program; 2) discuss forming a related Council subcommittee and, if desired, appoint two Council Members thereto; and 3) provide direction to staff as appropriate.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The AARP Network of 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 that was launched in 2006 to help cities prepare for rapid population aging and the parallel trend of urbanization.

The AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities helps participating communities become great places to live for all age groups by adopting such features as walkable streets, better housing and transportation options, access to key services and opportunities for residents to participate in community activities. Well-designed, livable communities help sustain economic growth and make for

happier, healthier residents - of all ages.

According to AARP, their goal is to increase the number of communities that support healthy aging, which they believe will improve the well-being, satisfaction and quality of life for older Americans. The AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities targets improvements in eight domains:

- 1) Outdoor Spaces and Buildings
- 2) Transportation
- 3) Housing
- 4) Social Participation
- 5) Respect and Social Inclusion
- 6) Civic Participation and Employment
- 7) Communication and Information
- 8) Community Support and Health Services

Membership

There are currently 193 cities across the United States, 16 in California that have become members of the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities. Members become part of a global network of communities committed to providing older adults with the opportunity to live rewarding, productive and safe lives.

If the City Council determines to join, and is subsequently accepted into the age-friendly network, the City would move through the following phases:

- Phase 1: Planning (Years 1 - 2)
Requires putting together an action plan and assessing the community needs by gathering baseline information, establishing indicators and developing a three-year community-wide action plan
- Phase 2: Implementation (Years 3 - 5)
Involves successfully transitioning from the planning to implementation phase. Begin to implement the approved action plan.
- Phase 3: Continual Improvements (Year 5 and Beyond)
Evaluate and make continual improvements to the action plan.

The various domains promoted by AARP would touch on a number of different City departments. There are some departments which already have ongoing activities that are aligned with these domains. For example, Public Works has recently engaged a consultant to complete an American's with Disabilities Act (ADA) Self-Evaluation and develop a Transition Plan per Title II of the ADA.

The ADA Transition Plan includes an evaluation of the City's services, practices, and policies; and a review of City facilities, buildings, sidewalks, crosswalks and curb ramps to confirm ADA compliance. The Transition Plan falls within domain 1: Outdoor Spaces and Buildings.

On January 8, 2018 Councilmember Clarke received consensus for City Council to discuss forming a council subcommittee for the purpose of further studying the program, the required

resources and the program's potential benefits to the Culver City community.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

The initial fiscal impact to evaluate the program would be isolated to personnel costs.

ATTACHMENTS

N/A

MOTION

That the City Council:

1. Receive a presentation on the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Community Program;
2. Discuss forming a council subcommittee to further study the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Community Program; and
3. If desired, appoint Council Member _____ and Council Member _____ to the subcommittee.
4. Provide any additional direction to staff as appropriate.